

LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

HELD AT 7.30 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, 23 JUNE 2010

**ROOM M71, 7TH FLOOR, TOWN HALL, MULBERRY PLACE, 5 CLOVE CRESCENT,
LONDON, E14 2BG**

Members Present:

Councillor Helal Uddin (Chair)

Councillor Abdul Asad (Vice-Chair)

Councillor Aminur Khan

Councillor Md. Maium Miah

Councillor Motin Uz-Zaman

Other Councillors Present:

Councillor Peter Golds

Officers Present:

John Williams – (Service Head, Democratic Services)
Caroline Chalklin – (Committee Officer, Chief Executives')

1. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR

Councillor Motin Uz-Zaman nominated Councillor Abdul Asad as Vice Chair of the General Purposes Committee for the Municipal Year 2010-2011. Councillor Aminur Khan seconded the nomination.

There being no other nominations it was

RESOLVED

That Councillor Abdul Asad be elected Vice – Chair of the General Purposes Committee for the Municipal Year 2010-2011.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Ahmed Adam Omer.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members declared interests in items on the agenda for the meeting as set out below:

Councillor	Item(s)		Type of interest	Reason
Helal Uddin	5.2	Bromley by Bow Centre	Personal	Employee
	5.2	Poplar HARCA Boards	Personal	Employing organisation has close connection with Poplar HARCA
	5.2	Gateway Housing	Personal	Wife employed by Housing Association
Abdul Asad	5.2	Tower Hamlets Homes	Personal	Wife works for organisation
Motin Uz-Zaman	5.2	East End Homes	Personal	Previously Council appointee to Board
Md. Maium Miah	5.2	Island Homes (part of One Housing Group)	Personal	Board member
Aminur Khan	5.2	St Hilda's Community Centre Management Committee	Personal	Former member of staff.

4. UNRESTRICTED MINUTES

The Committee **RESOLVED**

That the unrestricted minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 16th March 2010 be agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

5. REPORTS FOR CONSIDERATION

5.1 General Purposes Committee Terms of Reference, Quorum, Membership and Dates of Meetings (GPC001/011)

Mr John Williams, (Service Head, Democratic Services) introduced the report detailing arrangements agreed at the Annual General Meeting of the Council held on 26 May 2010, for the Terms of Reference, Quorum, Membership and Dates of Meetings for the current Municipal Year.

The Chair **Moved** and it was -

RESOLVED

That the Terms of Reference, Quorum, Membership and Dates of future meetings for the Committee be noted as set out in the appendices of the report.

5.2 Appointments to External Bodies (GPC002/011)

Mr John Williams (Service Head-Democratic Services) introduced the report detailing nominations from the political groups for the Council's appointments to outside bodies for the Municipal Year 2010/11. A revised schedule was tabled showing the updated nominations received.

Councillor Abdul Asad asked if one of the appointments to the Tower Hamlets/Canary Wharf Further Education Trust and one of the appointments to Tower Hamlets College were reserved for the Lead Member for Children's Services.

The Chair **Moved** and it was -

RESOLVED

- (i) That appointments be made to external bodies for the Municipal Year 2010/2011 as listed in Appendix A to these minutes; subject to clarification of the requirements for appointment(s) to Tower Hamlets/Canary Wharf Further Education Trust and Tower Hamlets College.
- (ii) That the appointments to London Councils Committees and Forums made by Council on 26th May 2010, as listed in Appendix B to the report, be noted; and
- (iii) That the 'Guidance for Members representing the Council on external bodies' at Appendix C be noted.

The meeting ended at 7.51 p.m.

Chair, Councillor Helal Uddin
General Purposes Committee