

<b>Committee:</b> Overview and Scrutiny	<b>Date:</b> 02 October 2012	<b>Classification</b> Unrestricted	<b>Report No:</b>	<b>Agenda Item No:</b>
<b>Report of:</b> Service Head Democratic Services  <b>Originating Officer(s):</b> Angus Taylor, Principal Committee Officer, Democratic Services		<b>Title</b> Co-options to Overview and Scrutiny Committee and update on OSC Membership  <b>Ward(s) affected:</b> All		

## 1. Summary

- 1.1 The report provides the OSC with an update on the current position in relation to the co-option of representatives in respect of education matters.
- 1.2 The OSC is requested to agree the further co-option of representatives in respect of education matters in accordance with statutory requirements and the Council's Constitution (as amended). The OSC is also asked to subsequently note its revised membership, as set out in Appendix 2 to this report.
- 1.3 This report provides the Overview and Scrutiny Committee (OSC) with revised details associated with its membership, following the nomination by the Labour Group of named substitutes (deputies) for members of the OSC appointed in accordance with the proportional allocation of places to that group. The OSC is requested to note revised details associated with its membership.

## 2. Recommendations

That the Overview & Scrutiny Committee:

- 2.1 Note the current position in relation to the co-option of representatives in respect of education matters, as set out at paragraphs 3.1 to 3.5;
- 2.2 Note revised details associated with OSC membership, as set out at paragraphs 4.1 to 4.2;
- 2.3 Agree the further co-option of representatives in respect of education matters, as set out at paragraph 3.5;
- 2.4 Note, subject to the agreement of recommendation 2.3 above, the final current membership of the OSC as set out in Appendix 2.

### 3. Co-option of Education and other Representatives to Overview and Scrutiny Committee

- 3.1 The OSC, at its meeting held on 19 June 2012, considered a report "Appointment of Scrutiny Lead Members, Co-options to Overview and Scrutiny Committee, Health Scrutiny Panel Terms of Reference and Appointments" (agenda item 8.2) which advised it of the statutory and constitutional provisions and requirements relating to the co-option of representatives in respect of education matters (set out at Appendix 1 for ease of reference). Accordingly the OSC agreed the co-option of nominated representatives as set out in the table below:

Church of England Diocese representative	Reverend Michael Ainsworth
Roman Catholic Diocese of Westminster representative	A nomination is awaited
Parent Governor representative	Memory Kampiyawo
Parent Governor representative	A nomination is awaited
Parent Governor representative	A nomination is awaited
Muslim Community Representative	Mr Mushfique Uddin

- 3.2 The OSC, at its meeting held on 24 July 2012, was informed that the vacancies for co-opted Parent Governor and faith representatives remained unchanged.
- 3.3 The OSC, at its meeting held on 04 September 2012, considered a report "Overview & Scrutiny Committee Membership, Appointment of Scrutiny Lead Members, Co-options to Overview and Scrutiny Committee, Health Scrutiny Panel Membership & Appointments Update" (agenda item 6.5) which informed it that a ballot of Parent Governors was underway, with a view to securing nominations for the 2 vacant places available for Parent Governor representatives, and this had delayed the appointments. However, it was hoped that the nominations would be available in time for the October OSC to agree the co-options. It also advised that efforts continued to secure a nomination for the vacant Roman Catholic faith representative. The OSC noted the position in relation to the co-option of representatives in respect of education matters.
- 3.4 The lead Officer in the Policy and Performance Section has since advised that the ballot of Parent Governors closed on 3 September 2012 and the outcome was that Nozrul Mustafa, parent governor at Stewart Headlam School, and the Reverend James Olanipekun, parent governor at Raines Foundation School, came joint top of the ballot. Also efforts continue to secure a nomination for the vacant Roman Catholic faith representative.

3.5 Consequently, in accordance with the statutory and constitutional provisions and requirements relating to the co-option of representatives in respect of education matters (set out at Appendix 1), the OSC is requested to note the current position in relation to the co-option of representatives in respect of education matters set out at para 4.4 above, and to agree the co-option of two further nominated representatives in respect of education matters (parent governors) as set out in the table below:

Parent Governor representative	Nozrul Mustafa
Parent Governor representative	Reverend James Olanipekun

3.6 The OSC is also asked, subject to the agreement of the recommended further co-options in respect of education matters (parent governors), to subsequently note its revised membership, as set out in Appendix 2 to this report.

#### **4. OSC - Membership Update**

4.1 Subsequent to the revisions to OSC membership reported at the last meeting, the Labour Group has informed the Assistant Chief Executive (Legal Services) of nominations for named substitutes (deputies) for members of the OSC appointed in accordance with the proportional allocation of places to that group. The Assistant Chief Executive (Legal Services) has agreed these under delegated powers.

4.2 The named substitutes for Cllrs Ann Jackson, Sirajul Islam, Rachael Saunders, Cllr Helal Uddin and Amy Whitelock, are as follows:-

- Cllr Khales Uddin Ahmed
- Cllr Motin Uz-Zaman
- Cllr Marc Francis

4.3 The OSC is requested to note the revised details associated with its membership set out above and in Appendix 2.

#### **5. Comments of the Chief Financial Officer**

5.1 There are no specific financial implications arising from the reports recommendations but in the event that the Council agrees further action in response to this report's recommendations then officers will be obliged to seek the appropriate financial approval before further financial commitments are made.

#### **6. Concurrent report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Legal)**

- 6.1 Section 9F of the Local Government Act 2000 requires authorities to set up an Overview and Scrutiny Committee and the Council's Constitution makes appropriate provision for this.
- 6.2 The Overview and Scrutiny Committee is one of the Council's ordinary committees and, accordingly, the Council is subject to an on-going duty under section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 to review the representation of different political groups on the committee. As soon as practicable after a review, the Council is required to determine the allocation to the different political groups into which the members of the authority are divided in accordance with principles expressed in the 1989 Act.
- 6.3 The Parent Governor Representatives (England) Regulations 2001 require the Committee to have between 2 and 5 parent governor representatives who are to be elected in accordance with the provisions of those regulations.

## **7. One Tower Hamlets Considerations**

- 7.1 Equal opportunities and reducing poverty will be central to the work of the OSC. The report ensures the Committee is properly informed of changes to its composition.

## **8. Sustainable Action for a Greener Environment**

- 8.1 There are no specific SAGE implications arising from the recommendations in the report.

## **9. Risk Management Implications**

- 9.1 The Co option of representatives in respect of education matters is necessary by virtue of the Parent Governor Representatives (England) Regulations 2001.

## **10. Crime and Disorder Reduction Implications**

- 10.1 There are no specific Crime and Disorder Reduction implications arising from the recommendations in the report.

## **11. Appendices**

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Appendix 1 Statutory and constitutional provisions and requirements relating to the co-option of representatives in respect of education matters

Appendix 2 Revised Overview and Scrutiny Committee Membership 2012/13

Brief description of "background paper"

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Name and telephone  
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