

LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY 25TH APRIL, 2007

AGENDA ITEM 3.1

APPOINTMENTS TO EXTERBAL BODIES

**REPORT OF SERVICE HEAD DEMOCRATIC
RENEWAL AND ENGAGEMENT**

(i) LONDON CITY AIRPORT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE (LCACC)

At the previous meeting of the Committee in February 2007 the Committee received two nominations for appointment as the Tower Hamlets representative to the LCACC. The two nominations received were Councillor Bill Turner and Mr Eric Pemberton. The Committee agreed to delay an appointment to the LCACC until this meeting in order to seek confirmation of the eligibility of Mr Pemberton to represent Tower Hamlets.

Subsequent advice from the airport has stated that whilst Tower Hamlets may appoint Mr Pemberton, due to the likelihood of substantial development occurring at the airport in the near future they feel that an officer or Member of the Council will be best able to represent the whole of the Borough across a variety of topics. Similarly, given the forthcoming level of activity they feel that the establishment of a direct channel of communication (i.e. through an officer or Member) with the Council would be preferable and more easily facilitate the dissemination of information from LCACC meetings.

**(ii) ALDGATE AND ALLHALLOWS BARKING EXHIBITION
FOUNDATION**

In June 2006 the Committee appointed Councillor Helal U Abbas to this body for a three year period terminating June 2009. In the event advice was received from the Foundation that because Councillor Abbas was appointed to replace Councillor Salique he could only serve for the remainder of Councillor Salique's term of office (until March 2007).

This initial term now having expired, the Foundation is seeking a nomination from Tower Hamlets to cover the period March 2007 – March 2010. Therefore the Committee is invited to confirm Councillor Abbas' appointment for that period.