

Agenda item:

[No.]

Cabinet

On 17 November 2009

Report Title. Appointment of Councillor to serve on the Hornsey Town Hall Community Partnership Board

Report of **Assistant Chief Executive (People & Organisational Development)**

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Wards(s) affected: **Crouch End**

Report for: **Non Key Decision**

1. Purpose of the report (That is, the decision required)

1.1 To propose the appointment of a replacement Member to serve on the Hornsey Town Hall Community Partnership Board.

2. Introduction by Cabinet Member (if necessary)

2.1 In order to continue community momentum and proceed efficiently with the Partnership Board's deliberations on the practicalities regarding the future of the former Hornsey Town Hall it is necessary to appoint a new member to serve on the Hornsey Town Hall Community Partnership Board.

3. State link(s) with Council Plan Priorities and actions and /or other Strategies:

3.1. Not applicable

4. Recommendation

4.1. That Councillor Goldberg be appointed to serve as a member of the Hornsey Town Hall Community Partnership Board in place of Councillor Cooke.

5. Reason for recommendation(s)

5.1 The Hornsey Town Hall Community Partnership Board meets regularly to consider options for the formation of a Company Limited by Guarantee and Registered Charity as the next step in the formation of a Trust for the future management and fund raising for the Hornsey Town Hall.

5.2 One of the Council's current representatives on the Board has now resigned and it is necessary to appoint a replacement.

6. Other options considered

6.1. Not applicable

7. Summary

7.1 The Executive agreed in December 2004 that an evolving partnership approach would be the most effective way to secure and improve Hornsey Town Hall for the benefit of future generations in Haringey. The beginnings of this partnership were put in motion when it was agreed that a Community Partnership Board (CPB) be set up to work with the Council to review potential uses for the building and to produce a development brief for the site.

7.2 The CPB's terms of reference include consideration of the potential role of a Trust to run and manage the retained areas of the completed Hornsey Town Hall scheme. Subsequent legal advice has been taken to establish the requirements and risks involved in a Trust formation and this is being progressed.

7.3 Pending the formation of a Trust and in the light of the resignation of Councillor Cooke there is a vacancy for a Council representative on the Partnership Board.

8. Chief Financial Officer Comments

8.1 The CPB have a key role in helping to take forward the redevelopment of this key site and it will be beneficial to fill this vacancy as soon as possible. As noted in section 13.1, there are no direct financial implications associated with this appointment.

9. Head of Legal Services Comments

9.1. There are no specific legal implications.

10. Head of Procurement Comments – [Required for Procurement Committee]

10.1. Not applicable

11. Equalities & Community Cohesion Comments

11.1 The proposals formulated for the future of the Hornsey Town Hall and surrounding site will provide additional social housing and environmental improvements to the area. They will also provide additional community facilities accessible to all within the Borough and surrounding areas.

12. Consultation

12.1 The CPB has undertaken public engagement and consultation within the Borough in the form of meetings open days, presentations and exhibitions at Hornsey Town Hall, information packs and feedback forms. The exhibition was also taken to the Marcus Garvey and Wood Green libraries.

13. Service Financial Comments

13.1 It is not envisaged that this appointment will have any financial implications as the post does not attract a special responsibility allowance.

14. Use of appendices /Tables and photographs

14.1. Not applicable

15. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

Report to the Executive meeting held on 21 December 2004 entitled 'The Future of Hornsey Town Hall';

Report to the Executive Member (Finance) meeting held on 8 March 2005 entitled 'Ratification of Hornsey Town Hall Community Partnership';

Report to the Executive meeting held on 3 October 2006 entitled 'Hornsey Town Hall'