



ALEXANDRA PARK AND PALACE CHARITABLE TRUST BOARD

15 JULY 2024

Report Title: Appointments to Committees

Report of: Emma Dagnes, Chief Executive, Alexandra Park and Palace Charitable Trust (APPCT)

Purpose: This report seeks formal ratification of the memberships of the Advisory and Consultative Committees for 2024/25, the Finance, Risk, Resource and Audit Committee (FRRAC), the Alexandra Palace Trading Limited (APTL) Board, the Programme Board and Lead Trustee Roles.

Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 – N/A

1. Recommendations

- 1.1 To note membership of the Alexandra Park and Palace Statutory Advisory Committee, as listed in Appendix 1.
- 1.2 To note the membership of the Alexandra Park and Palace Consultative Committee, as listed in Appendix 1.
- 1.3 To approve the proposed reduction in the number of Consultative Committee co-opted board members (from three to two) and make the subsequent amendment to the Consultative Committee Constitution.
- 1.4 To approve the proposed amendment to Part Three, Section B, section 4, paragraph 2 of the Council's Constitution to reduce the Consultative Committee members from 7 to 6 and; that the Council's Constitution Working Group and the Council's Standards Committee be requested to take the recommendation forward (for Full Council approval);
- 1.5 To **appoint** Trustee Board members for the Finance, Resource, Risk and Audit Committee (FRRAC);
- 1.6 To **agree** which of the FRRAC members appointed will act as Chair of FRRAC;
- 1.7 To **appoint** Trustee Board members to act as APTL Company Directors;
- 1.8 To **agree** which APTL Director will act as Chair of the APTL Board,
- 1.9 To **appoint** Trustee Board Members to the Programme Board;
- 1.10 To **appoint** Lead Trustee Board Members for the following areas: Safeguarding; Whistleblowing; Equality, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) and Environmental Sustainability.

2. Introduction/ background

- 2.1 The voting members of the Alexandra Park and Palace Charitable Trust Board are appointed by Haringey Council, the Corporate Trustee of Alexandra Park and Palace (APP) Charitable Trust.
- 2.2 The Board may appoint up to four of its voting members (who are representatives of the Corporate Trustee) to the board of the Charity's trading subsidiary, APTL.
- 2.3 The APP Statutory Advisory Committee was established by the Alexandra Park and Palace Act, 1985, and membership consists of:
 - eight members appointed by Haringey Council, 6 of whom shall be elected councillors of the areas (wards) neighbouring Alexandra Park and Palace (APP);
 - 6 members nominated by local residents' associations who meet the criteria stated within the Act.
- 2.4 The Council Members of the Trustee Board are also appointed to the APP Consultative Committee, a Council constituted committee of up to 30 members of interested groups that meet specific criteria. The Consultative Committee appoint three of its members as non-voting co-optees on the Trustee Board.

It is proposed to reduce the number of Consultative Committee non-voting co-optees to two for the reasons set out in this report.

- 2.5 The memberships of the SAC, CC, APTL and FRRAC were last reviewed by the Trustee Board in July 2023.
- 2.6 There have been no changes to the Trustee Board Members in 2024.

3. Advisory Committee

- 3.1 The 1985 Act requires representatives on the Advisory Committee to represent residents' associations in one or more of the following wards: Alexandra, Bounds Green, Fortis Green, Hornsey, Muswell Hill, Noel Park.
- 3.2 The associations must be open to all residents in the areas and must have written constitutions, a minimum of 50 households in their memberships and meet regularly.
- 3.3 Administered by the Corporate Trustee, the Advisory Committee membership is, confirmed annually by Full Council. 2024/25 members are listed at **Appendix 1**. The Act sets the quorum for the Advisory Committee as 6: *'three appointed members and three nominated members from not less than three different residents' associations'*.

4. Consultative Committee

- 4.1 The Consultative Committee is established and administered as a Sub-Committee, of the Trustee Board under Part Three, Responsibility For Functions, Section B, Section 4, paragraph 2 on pages 35-36 of the [Council's Constitution](#).
- 4.2 Membership is stipulated in the Council's Constitution as "*7 members and up to 30 community representatives*". There are currently 10 community representatives on the Consultative Committee and 6 [Council] members. 2024/25 members are listed at **Appendix 1**.
- 4.3 The Trustee Board has consisted of 6 members for a number of years and it is proposed, therefore, to seek an amendment via the Council's Standards Committee, to the Council's Constitution (Part Three, Section B, Section 4.2) to reflect the actual number of members on the Trustee Board.
- 4.4 In accordance with the Council's Procedure rules (Constitution Part Four, Section A, Paragraph 7) the quorum is a quarter of its membership, or a minimum of 3 council members and three interested group representatives.
- 4.5 The Consultative Committee Constitution (**Appendix 3**) provides for three of its community representatives to act as co-optees on the Trustee Board. Considering the intention to recruit additional co-optees to the board (two youth trustees and an independent fundraising lead) it is proposed to reduce the number of Consultative Committee co-optees to two to avoid impacting the efficiency of the Trustee Board by having a higher number of co-optees than Council appointees (elected members).
- 4.6 It is recommended to move forward with the change to the number of co-opted members with immediate effect, whilst the amendment to the Council's Constitution is added to the agenda for the Constitution Working Group. Meanwhile, the number of councillor Consultative Committee members shall remain unchanged at 7 with one position shown as a vacancy.

5. FRRAC

- 5.1 The Finance, Risk, Resource and Audit Committee is appointed by the APPCT Board from amongst its members and shall consist of no less than three members.
- 5.2 In 2023/24 the FRRAC membership consisted of: Cllrs Sean O'Donovan (Chair), Anne Stennett, Ahmet Mahbub, Sarah Elliott and independent member Claire Pape.
- 5.3 The current FRRAC members are listed at Appendix 2. The Trustee Board are asked to appoint up to four of its Members to sit on FRRAC in 2024/25 and to appoint a Chair of FRRAC.

6. APTL

6.1 The APTL Articles of Association state the maximum number of directors shall be eight and the minimum two comprising:

- Up to four trustees of the Charity;
- One employee of the Company
- One officer of the Council
- Two others who are not officers or members of the Council or employees or trustees of the Charity (Non-Executive Directors (NEDs)).

6.2 In 2023/24 the APTL Company Directors, were:

Trustee Directors:	Cllrs Nick da Costa (Chair), Emine Ibrahim, Anne Stennett, Sean O'Donovan
APTL Employee Director:	Emma Dagnes
Non-Executive Directors:	Jamie Copas & Andrew Morton

7. Programme Board

The Programme Board is a sub-committee of the Trust Board and is convened as and when required to oversee any major restoration and capital works projects and consists of two Trustees, a Council Planning officer and a Finance Officer. Last year the Programme Board Members were Cllr Ibrahim and Cllr da Costa.

8. Legal Implications

The Council's Assistant Director for Legal and Governance has been consulted in the preparation of this report and comments that in accordance with Part Three, Section B, Section 1, paragraph 1(k) it is Full Council who decide on the composition of committees and make appointments, hence the need for the Board to recommend the reduction in co-opted members set out in paragraph 4.5 of this report and changes to the Consultative Committee Constitution, to Full Council.

In accordance with Part Three Section B, Section 5(l) of the Council's Constitution, the Council's Standards Committee consider amendments to the Council's Constitution and recommend proposals to Full Council. Reducing the number of [Council] members on the Consultative Committee from 7 to 6 would require a change to the Council's Constitution (at Part Three, Responsibility For Functions, Section B, Section 4, paragraph 2 on page 35) and must first therefore be considered by the Standards Committee before a recommendation can be made to Full Council.

9. Financial Implications

The Council's Chief Financial Officer has been consulted in the preparation of this report and has no comments.

10. Appendices

Appendix 1 – 2024/25 SAC & CC Members

Appendix 2 – Current FRRAC, APTL Membership lists & Lead Roles

Appendix 3 – Consultative Committee Constitution (*amended*)

Appendix 4 – Recommendations to Full Council

STATUTORY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SAC) MEMBERSHIP 2024/25**Residents' Associations Nominated Members:**

Muswell Hill and Fortis Green Association	Mr John Crompton	M.Hill & Fortis Green Wards
Palace View Residents Association	Ms Elizabeth Richardson	Hornsey Ward
Three Avenues Residents Association	Mr Jason Beazley	Bounds Green Ward
Warner Estate Residents Association	Ms Joyce Rosser	Hornsey
Noel Park Residents Association	<i>Vacancy</i>	Noel Park Ward
Palace Gates Residents Association	<i>Vacancy</i>	Alexandra Park Ward
The Rookfield Association	<i>Vacancy</i>	Muswell Hill Ward

Appointed Members

Bounds Green Ward	Cllr Emily Arkell
Muswell Hill Ward	Cllr Cathy Brennan
Noel Park Ward	Cllr Emine Ibrahim
Alexandra Park Ward	Cllr Alessandra Rossetti
Fortis Green Ward	Cllr Mark Blake
Hornsey Ward	Cllr Elin Weston
Council-Wide Member	Cllr Eldridge Culverwell
Council Wide Member	Cllr Sarah Elliott

CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP 2024/25**Community Group Nominated Members:**

Three Avenues Residents' Association	Mr Jason Beazley
Friends of Alexandra Park	Mr John Chilton
Warner Estate Residents' Association WERA	Mr Etain Casey
Alexandra Palace Organ Appeal	Mr Donald McKenzie
Muswell Hill and Fortis Green Residents' Association	Mr Duncan Neill
Palace View Residents' Association	Mr Hugh Williams
Alexandra Palace Television Group	Mr John Thompson
Alexandra Palace Allotments Association	Mr John Wilkinson
Friends of the Alexandra Palace Theatre	Mr Nigel Willmott
Campsbourne Community Collective	Ms Natalie Rusby

Trustee Board Members

Councillor Emine Ibrahim (Chair of APPCT Board)
 Councillor Sean O'Donovan (Vice Chair of APPCT Board)
 Councillor Anne Stennett
 Councillor Ahmed Mahbub
 Councillor Sarah Elliott
 Councillor Nick da Costa

FINANCE, RESOUCE, RISK AND AUDIT COMMITTEE (FRRAC) MEMBERSHIP

Sean O'Donovan	APPCT Board Member (FRRAC Chair) (subject to resolution)
Ahmed Mahbub	APPCT Board Member
Sarah Elliott	APPCT Board Member
Anne Stennett	APPCT Board Member
Claire Pape	Independent Member

ALEXANDRA PALACE TRADING LTD (APTL) BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Nick da Costa	Director (APPCT Board Member) & Chair (subject to resolution)
Emine Ibrahim	Director (APPCT Board Member)
Sean O'Donovan	Director (APPCT Board Member)
Anne Stennett	Director (APPCT Board Member)
<i>Vacancy</i>	Director (Council Employee)
Emma Dagnes	Director (APTL Employee)
Andrew Morton	Independent Director
Jamie Copas	Independent Director

PROGRAMME BOARD (subject to resolution)

Emine Ibrahim	APPCT Board Member
Nick da Costa	APPCT Board Member
Council Finance & Planning Officers	

LEAD TRUSTEE FOR SAFEGUARDING: Anne Stennett (To be agreed)

LEAD TRUSTEE FOR WHISTLEBLOWING: (To be agreed)

LEAD TRUSTEE FOR EQUALITY DIVERSITY & INCLUSION

:Ahmed Mahbub (To be agreed)

LEAD TRUSTEE FOR SUSTAINABILITY: Cllr Nick da Costa (To be agreed)