Report for: Annual Full Council – 23rd of November 2026

Title: **Appointments to Outside Bodies 2026/2027**

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Ward(s) affected: All

Report for Key/
Non Key Decision: Non Key Decisions

1. Describe the issue under consideration

1.1 To update the Council of nominations of Council representatives to fill current vacancies on outside bodies and seek approval for appointments.

1.2 There were some vacancies to be filled to Outside bodies arising from the May annual meeting and the appendix outlines the nominations to vacancies

2.Cabinet Member Introduction

2.1 N/A

3.Recommendations

3.1 To note the appointments to the Partnership and Association bodies which mainly exercise 'executive' functions set out at Appendix 1 and in accordance with article 10.8b(i)

3.2 To approve the appointments to outside bodies set out at Appendix 1 and in bold.

4.Background information

4.1 Part 2 of the Constitution, Article 4, paragraph 4.02(o) indicates that full Council will appoint representatives to outside bodies unless the appointment is a Cabinet function or has been delegated by the Council.

4.2 Article 10.08 of the Constitution advises that the Council has nomination rights to a large number of different external bodies, referred to as 'organisations'. The practice of making nominations to organisations is a benefit to the

Council and the links created contribute to the social well-being of the borough.

4.3 These organisations can be categorised as follows:

A. Association bodies, such as the Local Government Association or Association of London Government joint committees and panels.

B. Community or voluntary bodies which cover a very wide spectrum of organisations serving the community , or community groups, in various ways.

C. Partnership bodies which will usually involve the Council working with other agencies on local issues or projects.

D. Statutory bodies, where the Borough of Haringey needs to be represented by law.

E. Trusts and Foundations which generally have more specific and prescribed objectives.

4.4 As set out in Article 10.08(b) the nominations to all outside bodies are made and confirmed at each Annual General Meeting. Where there is an association or partnership body exercising executive functions, then nominations of the Cabinet Member will be made by the Leader of the Council, or the Cabinet with the Leader's agreement and recorded in the list approved at the AGM.

4.5 The attached appendices provide information on the capacity in which members have been nominated, the duration of the appointment and any other relevant terms and conditions. These will be recorded in the minutes and nominations will be stated as being made "at the request of the Council".

4.6 The Constitution continues to advise that future nominations to voluntary or community bodies will generally be in a non – voting, "observer" capacity only, in order to avoid the greater potential for conflicts of interest. Nominated members will not participate in management or decision – making within the organisation. Their role will be to assist in the exchange of information and views between the organisation and the Council .

4.7 Nominations to other organisations will generally be in a full voting capacity, that is, the member should participate fully in management and decision making within the organisation.

4.8 Appointments to outside bodies are not covered by the political balance rules. Appointments to outside bodies are discretionary and should be made with regard to the suitability of the appointee for the role, taking into account the nature of the body concerned.

4.9 Officers will advise members on the type of representation required for different bodies. Where bodies have multiple representation and where the

appointee(s) is not prescriptive (i.e. must be a Cabinet member) it is for majority group to determine whether they wish to offer some places to the opposition.

4.10 There was a review of Outside Bodies which encompassed contact being made with listed organisations in the 2024 report to find out: if some bodies were still operating, if they still required Council nominations, meeting frequency, terms of references, voting capacity of members on these bodies and the number of nominations required. This exercise helped to ensure Democratic services had the most up to date contact details for the organisations and able to provide up to date information to members. The attached appendix 1 reflects the most up to date information received.

5.Use of Appendices

5.1 Appendix 1 – The member appointments to outside bodies 2026-27 updated.

6. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

6.1 Background documents:

- Appointments to outside bodies 2025/26

6.2 The background papers are located at George Meehan House, 294 High Road London N22 8JZ

6.3 To inspect them or to discuss this report further, please contact Ayshe Simsek on 0208 489 2929.