

<b>Item No.</b> 3.3	<b>Classification:</b> Open	<b>Date:</b> 14 May 2016	<b>Meeting Name:</b> Council Assembly (Annual Meeting)
<b>Report title:</b>		Nominations to London Councils Committees, Greater London Employment Forum, Borough Lead members and London Councils Limited	
<b>Ward(s) or groups affected:</b>		None	
<b>From:</b>		Proper Constitutional Officer	

## RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That council assembly consider and agree nominations to the London Councils committees, the Greater London Employment Forum and London Councils Limited, details listed in Appendix 1 of the report.
2. That council assembly nominate borough lead members/relevant portfolio holders for the areas listed in paragraph 8 of the report.

## BACKGROUND INFORMATION

3. The council nominates representatives to serve on the London Councils committees on an annual basis. The nomination of representatives to the London Councils committees and forums fall within the terms of reference of the cabinet. However, because the deadline for the submission of nominations to London Councils is 31 May 2016 and the next available cabinet meeting is on 7 June 2016, council assembly is being asked to agree the nominations for 2016/17 in order to meet the deadline set by London Councils.

## KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

### Joint committees

4. The Local Government Act 2000 and regulations enables local authorities to make use of joint arrangements with other authorities. Under these arrangements, a "joint committee" can be established in agreement with other local authorities to promote the economic, social or environmental well being of the area.
5. In this report the council is invited to make nominations to the following joint committees:
  - London Councils Leaders' Committee (s101 Joint Committee)
  - London Councils Transport and Environment Committee (Associated Joint Committee)
  - London Councils Grants Committee (Associated Joint Committee)
  - London Councils Pensions CIV (Common Investment Vehicle) Sectoral Joint Committee

6. Council assembly may only nominate cabinet members as representatives or deputies to the joint committees. The nominations need not reflect the political composition of the local authority as a whole. This is set out in Article 9 on joint arrangements in the council's constitution. London Councils advise that the deputies should have some knowledge of the policy area concerned, can be kept informed of the member body's activities and be able to act as substitute if the principal nominee is unable to attend a meeting.

### **Greater London Employment Forum**

7. The London Councils discontinued forums in 2011 with the exception of the Greater London Employment Forum. The Forum acts as the regional employer for London for those staff employed under the National Joint Council for Local Government Services. The representative is usually the lead cabinet member for human resources issues.

### **Borough lead members**

8. The London Councils Executives who lead on particular policy areas need to consult and liaise with relevant borough lead members on matters of major importance and are seeking to identify borough lead member / relevant portfolio holders (by way of nominations) for the following areas:

- Children and Young People
- Crime and Public Protection
- Culture and Tourism
- Economic Development/Regeneration
- Employment and Skills
- Health and Adult Services
- Housing
- Planning/Infrastructure

### **London Councils Limited**

9. The council is required to appoint a representative to the company, London Councils Limited. The London Councils advise that the borough's representative on the Leaders' Committee is normally appointed unless a council specifically indicates otherwise.
10. All formal London Councils committee and forum meetings are held during the day on weekdays.

### **Legal implications**

11. There are no specific legal implications.

### **Community impact statement**

12. The council is being invited to nominate to the London Councils committees, the Greater London Employment Forum and the London Councils Limited company. The nominations process has no direct impact on the community.

## BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Background Papers	Held At	Contact
Correspondence from London Councils dated 29 February 2016	160 Tooley Street London SE1 2QH	Everton Roberts 020 7525 7221

## APPENDICES

No.	Title
Appendix 1	Nominations to London Councils Committees, Greater London Employment Forum and London Councils Limited Company

## AUDIT TRAIL

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