

APPOINTMENTS TO THE CORPORATE COMMITTEE, LICENSING COMMITTEE, AUDIT COMMITTEE AND THE WORKING IN HACKNEY SCRUTINY COMMISSION

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DIRECTOR	
Tim Shields, Chief Executive	

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 This is a procedural report that seeks to appoint Cllr Harvey Odze to the Licensing Committee and the Audit Committee for the remainder of the municipal year 2018/2019. This report also seeks to appoint Cllr Peter Snell to the Licensing Committee to replace Cllr Adejare who is stepping down from this committee and also seeks to appoint Cllr Tom Rahilly to the Corporate Committee to replace Cllr Polly Billington who is stepping down from the committee. Cllr Odze is taking up the opposition's place on both committees as set out by the political balance requirements. Full Council is also asked to appoint Cllr Gilbert Smyth to replace Cllr Sade Eti who is stepping down from the Working in Hackney Scrutiny Commission

2. RECOMMENDATION

2.1 It is recommended that Full Council:

Approves the appointment of Cllr Odze to the Licensing Committee and the Audit Committee.

Approves the appointment of Cllr Snell on the Licensing Committee to replace Cllr Adejare.

Approves the appointment of CIIr Rahilly on the Corporate Committee to replace CIIr Billington.

Approves the appointment of Cllr Smyth on the Working in Hackney Scrutiny Commission to replace Cllr Eti.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 Membership of both the Licensing Committee and the Audit Committee was approved at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) on 23 May 2018. Seats are allocated to these Committees according to the political proportionality rules as set out in the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 ('The 1989 Act') This places a duty on the Council to proportionally allocate seats to political groups based on their size.
- 3.2 The allocation of seats on appropriate Council Committees to achieve a political balance where required by law will be based on the following formula:

Labour	52	91%
Conservative	5	9%

3.3 The membership of the Audit Committee is 7 members so the political balance for the Audit Committee currently is 6 majority group members (Labour), and 1 Conservative member. The membership for Licensing Committee is 15 members so the political balance is 14 majority group members (Labour) and 1 Conservative member.

- 3.4 At the time of the AGM the Conservative Party as the only opposition party had not identified the member they wished to nominate to these committees. Cllr Adejare, owing to personal commitments, has had to step down from this committee. These appointments abide by the political proportionality rules.
- 3.5 The membership of the Corporate Committee is 15 members so the political balance for the Corporate Committee currently is 14 majority group members (Labour), and 1 Conservative Member.
- 3.6 Allocation of seats to the Working in Hackney Scrutiny Commission is also subject to the political balance requirements. The current membership is 7 members, 6 majority group members (Labour) and 1 Conservative member which is currently vacant.

4. COMMENTS OF THE GROUP DIRECTOR, FINANCE AND CORPORATE RESOURCES

4.1 There are no additional budgetary implications arising from the changes outlined in this report.

5. COMMENTS OF THE DIRECTOR, LEGAL AND GOVERNANCE

The above nominations abide by the political proportionality rules as set out in the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (The 1989 Act). The approval of this nominations will mean that both the Audit Committee and the Licensing Committee have the full complement of members and that the Working in Hackney Scrutiny Commission maintains its current numbers.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

None.

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