

Title of Report	Composition of Cabinet and Cabinet Committees; Appointment of Deputy Cabinet Members and Member Champions; Elected Mayor's Scheme of Delegation
For Consideration By	Council
Meeting Date	17 May 2023
Classification	Open
<u>Ward(s) Affected</u>	All
	Mayor Philip Glanville Dawn Carter-McDonald, Monitoring Officer & Director of Legal, Democratic and Electoral Services

1. **Summary**

- 1.1. This report requests Full Council to note the appointments to Cabinet and Cabinet Committees; the appointment of Deputy Cabinet Members (formerly Mayoral Advisors) and Member Champions and the Elected Mayor's Scheme of Delegation for the 2023/2024 Municipal Year.
- 1.2. This report also requests that Full Council approve changes to the Council's Constitution in respect of the proposed name change from Mayoral Advisor to Deputy Cabinet Member to bring them in line with similar roles in other London boroughs.

2. **Recommendations**

- 2.1. **That the Elected Mayor's composition of Cabinet and appointments of Councillors to serve as Cabinet Members as set out in Appendix 1 is noted.**
- 2.2. **That the appointments of Councillors to serve as Deputy Cabinet Members as set out in Appendix 2 is noted.**
- 2.3. **That the establishment of, and appointments to, executive committees as set out in Appendix 3 is noted.**
- 2.4. **That the appointment of Member Champions as set out in Appendix 4 is noted.**

- 2.5. That the Elected Mayor's Scheme of Delegation for 2023/2024 as set out in Appendix 5 is noted.
- 2.6. That the amendments to the Constitution set out in Appendix 6 are approved and authority is delegated to the Monitoring Officer to make any further consequential amendments that may be required to give effect to these changes.

3. **Background**

- 3.1. Rule 1.1 of Part 4.1 of the Council's Constitution provides that the Annual Meeting of Full Council must:

“(xii) Be advised by the Elected Mayor about the composition of the Cabinet for the coming municipal year. The names of those they have chosen to be Councillors of the Cabinet and Mayoral Advisers and Member Champions.

(xiii) Be advised by the Elected Mayor about the establishment of any Executive Committees for the coming year, and the names of Councillors they have chosen to be members of such Committees.

(xiv) Be advised by the Elected Mayor about the Scheme of Delegation for executive functions.”

- 3.2. This report is therefore submitted to the Annual Meeting in compliance with these Constitutional requirements.

Change in name from Mayoral Adviser to Deputy Cabinet Member

- 3.3. Council will note the Elected Mayor's intention to use the term 'Deputy Cabinet Member' in place of 'Mayoral Advisor'. The implications of this change are set out in section 5 below.

4. **Comments of the Group Director of Finance and Corporate Resources.**

- 4.1. There are no additional budgetary implications arising from this report. All costs are contained within the current approved budget.

5. **Comments of the Director of Legal, Democratic and Electoral Services**

- 5.1. There is nothing in relevant legislation which precludes or limits the use of the name 'Deputy Cabinet Member' and therefore the name is a matter for the Elected Mayor to determine. However, such a change would require amendments to the Council's Constitution, most notably in Article 5 and the Council Procedure Rules. The amendments to give effect to this change are set out in Appendix 6 of this report. The opportunity is being taken to include

new text to provide clarity that Deputy Cabinet Members are not part of the executive as there is a statutory limitation on the size of the executive. In addition, new text is proposed to provide clarity that the attendance of Deputy Cabinet Members at meetings of Cabinet does not count towards the quorum of that meeting.

- 5.2. Other than as set out in the report, there are no other legal implications arising.

Appendices

Appendix 1 - Composition of Cabinet and Appointment of Cabinet Members

Appendix 2 - Appointment of Deputy Cabinet Members

Appendix 3 - Executive Committees

Appendix 4 - Appointment of Member Champions

Appendix 5 - Mayor's Scheme of Delegation 2022 / 2023

Appendix 6 - Amendments to Council Constitution

Background documents

None

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