



CITY OF WESTMINSTER

# MINUTES

## GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE – WEDNESDAY 27 FEBRUARY 2013

### MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of a meeting of the **General Purposes Committee** held at 6.00pm on Wednesday 27 February 2013 at the Council House, Marylebone Road, London, NW1 5PT

**Members Present:** Councillors Melvyn Caplan (Chairman), David Boothroyd, Tony Devenish, Tim Mitchell and Alastair Moss

#### 1. MEMBERSHIP

- 1.1 There were no changes.

#### 2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

- 2.1 There were no declarations of interest.

#### 3. MINUTES (7.11.12)

**Resolved:** That the minutes of the meeting held on 7 November 2012 be signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record of the proceedings.

#### 4. MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES SCHEME 2013/14 (see report of the Head of Legal and Democratic Services)

**Resolved:**

That the Council be recommended to approve the Members' Allowances Scheme attached as Appendix A for the 2013/14 with effect from 1 April 2013.

#### 5. CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES: POLICY AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEES (see report of the Head of Legal and Democratic Services)

- 5.1 The Committee noted the proposed Terms of Reference of the Adults, Health and Community Protection Policy and Scrutiny Committee required some updating. Subject to these the Committee recommended the Council accordingly.

**Resolved:**

- (i) That the Council be recommended to approve the Terms of Reference of the Policy and Scrutiny Committees set out in Appendix A subject to the Adults, Health and Community Protection Policy and Scrutiny Committees Terms of Reference being updated.
- (ii) That the Council be recommended to approve the changes to the Policy and Scrutiny Committees names as set out in the report.

**6. CO-OPTED MEMBERS ON THE CHILDREN AND COMMUNITY SERVICES POLICY AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE (see report of the Head of Legal and Democratic Services)**

**Resolved:**

- (i) That the Council be recommended to approve the following change, to the Constitution of the Children and Community Services Policy and Scrutiny Committee and that the Council's Scheme of Co-opted Members which is limited to the Co-opted Members on the Children and Community Services Policy and Scrutiny Committee be amended accordingly.

Nine members of the Council (7 Majority Party members and 2 Minority Party members, but shall not include a member of the Cabinet. 4 co-opted Members with voting rights ie. one co-opted representative each from the Church of England and Roman Catholic Diocesan Education Boards and two Parent Governor Representatives elected from Parent Governors of Academies, Free Schools and Maintained schools in Westminster – 2 co-opted Members without voting rights, ie 2 Headteachers of Westminster Maintained schools, Academies or Free Schools.

NB: The voting rights of the co-opted members only extend to matters relating to Education.

- (ii) That the Head of Legal and Democratic Services be authorised to produce a scheme for voting co-opted Members as necessary.

**7. MEMBERSHIP OF THE LICENSING COMMITTEE (see report of the Head of Legal and Democratic Services)**

**Resolved:**

That the Council be recommended to appoint Councillor Susie Burbridge to the membership of the Licensing Committee in place of Councillor Harvey Marshall.

**4. CLOSE OF MEETING**

The meeting ended at 6.08pm

**CHAIRMAN** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE** \_\_\_\_\_