

Audit, Governance and Standards (Civic Awards) Sub-Committee

Thursday 12 January 2017

7.00 pm

Ground Floor Meeting Room G01C - 160 Tooley Street, London SE1 2QH

Membership

Councillor Catherine Dale (Chair)
Councillor James Barber (Vice-Chair)
Councillor Karl Eastham
Councillor Cleo Soanes

Reserves

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Members of the committee are summoned to attend this meeting

Eleanor Kelly

Chief Executive

Date: 3 January 2017



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ANY OTHER BUSINESS AS NOTIFIED AT THE START OF THE MEETING AND ACCEPTED BY THE CHAIR AS URGENT

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“That the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1-7, Access to Information Procedure rules of the Constitution.”

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7.	NOMINATIONS FOR CO-OPTED MEMBERS	To follow

Date: 3 January 2017

Item No. 5.	Classification: Open	Date: 12 January 2017	Meeting Name: Audit, Governance and Standards (Civic Awards) Sub-Committee
Report title:		Nominations for co-opted members	
Ward(s) or groups affected:		All	
From:		Strategic Director of Housing and Modernisation	

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the sub-committee considers the short-listed nominations for the positions of co-opted members of the audit, governance and standards (civic awards) sub-committee outlined in the closed report (to follow) and agree the nominations as appropriate.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

2. The Southwark civic awards scheme was initiated in 1997 for the purposes of recognising exceptional contributions to community life by individuals and organisations in the borough. Up until 2015, the scheme was administered on behalf of the council by the Southwark Civic Association which made recommendations to standards committee for the granting of civic awards.
3. Council assembly on 8 July 2015 resolved that from the 2015/2016 civic year, the administration of the civic awards be carried out by the council pending a longer term review of the operation of the awards scheme. Officers were requested to put in place the necessary arrangements for the running of the awards within existing council resources. Council assembly in 2016 also resolved that the decisions on the granting of civic awards be delegated to a sub-committee of the audit, governance and standards committee.
4. The audit, governance and standards committee agreed at its meeting of 14 July 2016 that the membership of the audit, governance and standards (civic awards) sub-committee (henceforth "civic awards sub-committee") must include four co-opted members, two of whom should be women, in order for the membership to be gender balanced.
5. It is necessary for the civic awards sub-committee to appoint these co-opted members formally; and the details of the volunteers will be presented in the closed report.

KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

6. The granting of awards is a constitutional function of the audit, governance and standards (civic awards) sub-committee and members have the final discretion whether or not to grant an award. Members also have a particular responsibility to safeguard the non-political nature of the awards scheme.
7. Members need to be satisfied that the co-opted membership nominations meet the appropriate criteria.

Resource implications

8. There are none.

Community impact statement

9. The council is committed to promoting civic engagement and good relations in our communities. The awards attract media interest and recognise the voluntary work of a number of people and organisations within Southwark, thus strengthening community cohesion.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Background Papers	Held At	Contact
Southwark Constitution	Constitutional Team 2nd floor, 160 Tooley Street London, SE1 2QH http://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/ie/ListMeetings.aspx?Committeed=425	Virginia Wynn-Jones 020 7525 7055

AUDIT TRAIL

Lead Officer	Jessica Leech, Community Engagement Manager	
Report Author	Virginia Wynn-Jones, Principal Constitutional Officer	
Version	Final	
Dated	3 January 2017	
Key Decision?	No	
CONSULTATION WITH OTHER OFFICERS / DIRECTORATES / CABINET MEMBER		
Officer Title	Comments Sought	Comments Included
Director of Law and Democracy	No	No
Strategic Director of Finance and Governance	No	No
Cabinet Member	No	No
Date final report sent to Constitutional Team	3 January 2017	

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Members of Sub-Committee		Officers	
Councillor Catherine Dale	1	Doreen Forrester-Brown	1
Councillor James Barber	1	Norman Coombe	1
Councillor Karl Eastham	1	Jacqui Brazil	1
Councillor Cleo Soanes	1	Virginia Wynn-Jones	5
Co-opted members		Others	
N/A		Total: 12	
		Dated: January 2017	