### **SOUTHWARK BREXIT PANEL**

# **Membership and Terms of Reference**

The panel shall be known as the "Southwark Brexit Panel." It is a time limited, task focussed group, established to carry out a review of the impacts of the UK exiting the EU by looking at a number of areas and variables. The Group is not a formal committee and is not a decision making body. The Group will report back to the Cabinet and make recommendations for decisions where relevant and appropriate.

#### Membership

- The Group shall be a cross party panel with two Cabinet members (one of which will be the Cabinet Member for Finance, Performance and Brexit), two nominations from the Labour group and two nominations from the Liberal Democrats group.
- 2. The Group may as it sees fit invite other Members, representatives from other partner organisations, other public and private and third sector bodies to part take in the work of the group where necessary and relevant.
- 3. The Cabinet Member for Finance, Performance and Brexit will Chair the Panel

**Note:** No substitute members will be appointed to the group.

#### **Terms of Reference**

- To lead and co-ordinate research on the likely impact on council services and residents as a result of the United Kingdom (U.K.) leaving the European Union (EU).
- To gather evidence from local stakeholders to build a picture of the impact of Brexit in Southwark and use this evidence to inform the council's response to Brexit.
- To make recommendations to Cabinet about actions the Council should consider taking to mitigate any possible impacts on its services and residents and share evidence gathered with relevant stakeholders.

The panel will identify and agree specific issues to consider in their first meeting.

# **Meetings of the Brexit Panel**

1. Meetings shall take place on such dates as agreed by the Chair.

- 2. The ordinary place of meetings of the panel shall be Council Offices, 160 Tooley Street, London SE1 2QH unless otherwise specified.
- 3. In the absence of the Chair the Group will elect a person to Chair the meeting.
- 4. Any member of the Council who is not a Member of the Brexit Panel may attend the meetings of the Panel, but he/she shall not take part in the consideration or discussion of any business, save by leave of the Chair.
- 5. Meetings of the Panel will be held in public.
- 6. Relevant officers will provide all the necessary support to enable the work of the Panel including Constitutional Services who will prepare and despatch agendas, clerk the meetings and draft a record of the proceedings.