

COUNCIL ASSEMBLY (ANNUAL MEETING)

MINUTES of the open section of the Annual meeting of the Council Assembly held on Wednesday May 21 2008 at 7.00pm at the Town Hall, Peckham Road, London SE5 8UB

PRESENT:

The Worshipful the Mayor for 2007-08 Councillor Bob Skelly The Worshipful the Mayor for 2008-09 Councillor Eliza Mann

Councillor Anood Al-Samerai Councillor James Barber Councillor Paul Bates Councillor Denise Capstick Councillor Fiona Colley

Councillor Robin Crookshank Hilton
Councillor Dora Dixon-Fyle
Councillor Toby Eckersley
Councillor Mary Foulkes
Councillor John Friary
Councillor Mark Glover
Councillor Aubyn Graham
Councillor James Gurling
Councillor Barrie Hargrove

Councillor Jeff Hook Councillor Michelle Holford Councillor David Hubber Councillor Kim Humphreys Councillor Helen Jardine-Brown

Councillor Peter John
Councillor Jenny Jones
Councillor Susan Elan Jones
Councillor Paul Kyriacou
Councillor Jelil Ladipo
Councillor Adedokun Lasaki
Councillor Lorraine Lauder
Councillor Evrim Laws

Councillor Richard Livingstone Councillor Linda Manchester Councillor Danny McCarthy Councillor Alison McGovern
Councillor Tim McNally
Councillor Kirsty McNeill
Councillor Jonathan Mitchell
Councillor Abdul Mohamed
Councillor Adele Morris
Councillor Gordon Nardell
Councillor David Noakes
Councillor Paul Noblet
Councillor Ola Oyewunmi
Councillor Chris Page
Councillor Andrew Pakes
Councillor Caroline Pidgeon

Councillor Lisa Rajan
Councillor Sandra Rhule
Councillor Lewis Robinson
Councillor Jane Salmon
Councillor Martin Seaton
Councillor Mackie Sheik
Councillor Tayo Situ
Councillor Robert Smeath
Councillor Althea Smith
Councillor Nick Stanton
Councillor Richard Thomas
Councillor Dominic Thorncroft

Councillor Nick Vineall Councillor Veronica Ward Councillor Ian Wingfield Councillor Anne Yates Councillor Lorraine Zuleta

1.1 ELECTION OF MAYOR

Councillors Nick Stanton, Peter John and Kim Humphreys paid tribute to the outing Mayor and Deputy Mayor.

The outgoing Mayor asked for nominations for Mayor for the ensuing municipal year 2008-09.

Councillor Nick Stanton, seconded by Councillor Anood Al-Samerai, moved that Councillor Eliza Mann be elected Mayor of the London Borough of Southwark for the municipal year 2008-09.

Councillor Peter John, seconded by Councillor Chris Page, moved that Councillor Lorraine Lauder be elected Mayor of the London Borough of Southwark for the municipal year 2008-09.

The two nominations were put to the vote and it was:

RESOLVED: That Councillor Eliza Mann be elected Mayor of Southwark for the municipal year 2008-09.

Councillor Eliza Mann accepted the office of Mayor

At 7.30pm the meeting adjourned to allow the outgoing Mayor and Mayor elect to exchange robes. The meeting reconvened at 7.35pm.

The outgoing Mayor, Councillor Bob Skelly, invested the Mayor elect with the badge of office. The new Mayor signed the declaration of acceptance of office and took the chair.

The Mayor announced that she wished to appoint Councillor Denise Capstick as Deputy Mayor for the municipal year 2008-09.

The Deputy Mayor was invested with the badge of office.

The outgoing Mayor, Councillor Bob Skelly, gave his outgoing speech and thanked the outgoing deputy Mayor, officers and members for their hard work and support throughout the year. Thereafter, the outgoing Mayor was presented with a replica of the Mayoral badge of the London Borough of Southwark.

In her acceptance speech, the Mayor stated that her theme for the year would be 'health and wellbeing' in the promotion of the prevention of diabetes.

At 7.50pm the meeting adjourned for a short refreshment break. At 8.05pm the meeting reconvened.

2. PRELIMARY BUSINESS

2.1 ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE OR CHIEF EXECUTIVE

There were none

2.2 NOTIFICATION OF ANY ITEMS OF BUSINESS WHICH THE MAYOR DEEMS URGENT

There were none.

2.3 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS

There were none.

2.4 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Columba Blango.

3. MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the open minutes of the ordinary council assembly meeting held

on Wednesday, April 2 2008, be agreed as a correct record.

4. APPOINTMENT OF LEADER AND EXECUTIVE, ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMITTEES AND OTHER CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES – 2008-09 (see pages 1 – 59)

The Mayor stated that in accordance with council assembly procedure rule 1.15(2), this being an officer report, the recommendations set out in the report were deemed to have been moved and were subject to amendment only. She announced that she intended to consider each recommendation where a decision was needed separately.

The Mayor stated that she had received two nomination for recommendation 3 (election of leader), Councillors Peter John and Nick Stanton. No further nominations were forthcoming, therefore the nomination was put to the vote and it was <u>agreed</u> Councillor Nick Stanton be appointed leader of the council.

Councillor Nick Stanton as the newly appointed leader of the council moved recommendation 4, his nominations for the appointment of the deputy leader and the executive members and their portfolios. Councillor Kim Humphreys seconded these nominations. The nominations and portfolios were put to the vote and declared to be <u>carried</u>.

The leader reported on his nominations for the membership of the executive committee – major projects board. The nominations were put to the vote and declared to be <u>carried</u>.

The Mayor moved recommendation 6, to agree the size and composition of the other council ordinary committees, including appointments, planning, disciplinary appeals, audit and governance and corporate parenting committee. The motion was put to the vote and declared to be <u>carried</u>.

The Mayor moved recommendation 7, to establish community councils, The motion was put to the vote and declared to be <u>carried</u>.

The Mayor moved recommendation 8, to agree the size and composition of the overview and scrutiny committee. The motion was put to the vote and declared to be <u>carried</u>.

The Mayor moved recommendation 10 and stated that one nomination had been received for the position of chair of the overview and scrutiny committee, Councillor Fiona Colley. No further nominations were forthcoming, therefore the nomination was put to the vote and council assembly appointed Councillor Fiona Colley as chair of overview and scrutiny committee.

The Mayor stated that one nomination had been received for the position of vice chair of

the overview and scrutiny committee, Councillor Jane Salmon. No further nominations were forthcoming, therefore the nomination was put to the vote and council assembly appointed Councillor Jane Salmon as vice chair of overview and scrutiny committee.

The Mayor moved recommendation 11, appointment of chairs and vice chairs of other committees. The Mayor announced that she had received a number of contested nominations. The Mayor stated that contested and vacant positions would be dealt with separately.

Chair of appointments committee: The Mayor stated that she had received two nominations for chair of appointments committee, Councillors Peter John and Nick Stanton. No further nominations were forthcoming, therefore the nominations were put to the vote and it was agreed that Councillor Nick Stanton be appointed as chair of the appointments committee.

Vice chair of appointments committee: The Mayor stated that she had received two nominations for vice chair of appointments committee, Councillors Peter John and Kim Humphreys. No further nominations were forthcoming, therefore the nominations were put to the vote and it was <u>agreed</u> that Councillor Kim Humphreys be appointed as vice chair of the appointments committee.

Chair of disciplinary appeals committee: The Mayor stated that she had received two nominations for chair of the disciplinary appeals committee, Councillors Danny McCarthy and Jelil Ladipo. No further nominations were forthcoming, therefore the nominations were put to the vote and it was <u>agreed</u> that Councillor Jelil Ladipo be appointed as chair of disciplinary appeals committee.

Chair of licensing committee: The Mayor stated that she had received two nominations for chair of the licensing committee, Councillors Linda Manchester and Dominic Thorncroft. No further nominations were forthcoming, therefore the nominations were put to the vote and it was <u>agreed</u> that Councillor Linda Manchester be appointed as chair of the licensing committee.

Vice chair of planning committee: The Mayor stated that she had received two nominations for vice chair of the licensing committee, Councillors Gordon Nardell and Toby Eckersley. No further nominations were forthcoming, therefore the nominations were put to the vote and it was <u>agreed</u> that Councillor Toby Eckersley be appointed as vice chair of the planning committee.

Vice chair of Rotherhithe community council: The Mayor stated that she had received two nominations for vice chair of Rotherhithe community committee, Councillors Richard Livingstone and David Hubber. No further nominations were forthcoming, therefore the nominations were put to the vote and it was <u>agreed</u> that Councillor David Hubber be appointed as vice chair of Rotherhithe community council.

Council assembly were asked to consider the uncontested nominations for the following:

- Chair and vice chair of audit committee
- Vice chair of disciplinary appeals committee
- Chair and vice chair of corporate parenting committee
- Chair of planning committee
- Vice chair of licensing committee

- To formally approve the appointment of the executive member for children's services and education as the chair of the corporate parenting committee
- Chairs of the eight community councils
- Vice chairs of seven community councils (except Rotherhithe).

The nominations were put to the vote and declared to be <u>carried</u>.

The clerk advised that the date of the council assembly proposed on July 2 clashed with the Local Government Association General Assembly and Conference. Therefore officers were proposing the meeting be held on July 9 2008. The clerk informed the meeting that in respect of Amendment A, if the amendment was lost, Amendment B6 would fall. If Amendment A was carried, Amendment B6 could still be debated.

The clerk further advised that the budget meeting scheduled for February 18 2009 could be held on either Monday February 23 or Tuesday February 24 2009, and that a late amendment had been received proposing a change to this date.

The Mayor announced she had received one amendment to recommendation 20. Councillor Chris Page, seconded by Councillor Peter John, moved Amendment A.

Following debate on Amendment A (Councillors David Hubber, Caroline Pidgeon, Kim Humphreys, Nick Stanton, John Friary, and Aubyn Graham), Councillor Alison McGovern, seconded by Councillor Fiona Colley, moved that the question be put. The procedural motion was put to the vote and declared to be <u>carried</u>.

Amendment A was put to the vote and declared to be lost.

Following a point of order from Councillor Chris Page, Councillor David Hubber moved that council assembly procedure rule 1.16 (11) (deadline for receipt of amendments) be waived in order to consider the late amendment to change the date of the February 2009 meeting. This was seconded by Councillor Linda Manchester. The procedural motion was put to the vote and declared to be <u>carried</u>.

Having been moved and seconded, the late amendment was put to the vote and declared to be carried.

Recommendation 21, the Local Government Association General Assembly allocation of representatives and votes, was put to the vote and declared to be <u>carried</u>.

Councillors Paul Bates, Toby Eckersley, Mark Glover and Paul Noblet were nominated to represent Southwark on the Local Government Association Urban Commission. The nominations were put to the vote and it was <u>agreed</u> that Councillors Toby Eckersley and Paul Noblet be appointed to the Local Government Association Urban Commission.

The substantive motion was put to the vote and was declared to be <u>carried</u>.

RESOLVED: That council assembly agreed the following in relation to the recommendations contained within the report and detailed above:

- 1. That the constitutional issues for the coming municipal year be noted.
- 2. That the appointment of political group leaders, deputies and whips as set out below be noted:

Liberal Democrat Group

Leader - Councillor Nick Stanton Deputy Leader - Councillor Linda Manchester Chief Whip - Councillor James Barber

Labour Group

Leader - Councillor Peter John Deputy - Leader Councillor Susan Elan Jones Chief Whip - Councillor Chris Page

Conservative Group

Leader - Councillor Kim Humphreys Deputy Leader - Councillor Lewis Robinson Chief Whip - Councillor Michelle Holford

- 3. That Councillor Nick Stanton be appointed as leader of the council.
- 4. That the executive and executive portfolios as set below be agreed:

Councillor Nick Stanton - Leader of the council Councillor Kim Humphreys - Deputy leader and housing Councillor Lisa Rajan - Children's services and education Councillor Adele Morris - Citizenship, equalities and communities Councillor Paul Kyriacou - Community safety Councillor Lewis Robinson - Culture, leisure and sport Councillor Jeff Hook - Environment Councillor David Noakes - Health and adult care Councillor Paul Noblet - Regeneration Councillor Tim McNally – Resources.

That the major projects board be constituted and appointed as an executive committee with the membership set out below:

Councillor Nick Stanton - Leader of the council Councillor Kim Humphreys - Deputy leader and housing Councillor Lisa Rajan - Children's services and education Councillor Lewis Robinson - Culture, leisure and sport Councillor Paul Noblet - Regeneration Councillor Tim McNally – Resources.

6. That the size and composition of the council's regulatory and other committees including appointments, planning, disciplinary appeals, audit and governance and corporate parenting committee be agreed as set out in the table below:

Committee	Total	Liberal Democrats	Labour	Conservative
Committee 1 - Appointments Committee	7	3	3	1
Committee 2 - Planning Committee	7	3	3	1

Committee	Total	Liberal	Labour	Conservative
		Democrats		
Committee 3 - Disciplinary Appeals	8	4	4	0
Committee				
Committee 4 - Audit and Governance Committee	5	2	2	1
Committee 5 - Corporate Parenting Committee	8	3	4	1
Total	35	15	16	4

- 7. That eight community councils be established.
- 8. That the size and composition of the overview and scrutiny committee as set out below be agreed:

Committee	Total	Liberal	Labour	Conservative
		Democrats		
Overview and Scrutiny Committee	9	4	4	1

- 9. That it be noted that the overview and scrutiny committee (OSC) would appoint its scrutiny sub-committees. (Note: OSC to meet on June 2 2008).
- 10. That Councillor Fiona Colley be appointed as chair of overview and scrutiny committee.
- 11. That Councillor Jane Salmon be appointed as the vice chair of the overview and scrutiny committee.
- 12. That chairs and vice-chairs for the 2008-09 municipal year be agreed as set out below:

Appointment Committee

Councillor Nick Stanton (Chair)
Councillor Kim Humphreys (Vice chair)

Audit and Governance Committee

Councillor Richard Livingstone (Chair)
Councillor James Barber (Vice chair)

Corporate Parenting Committee

Councillor Lisa Rajan (Chair) Councillor Veronica Ward (Vice chair)

Disciplinary Appeals Committee

Councillor Jelil Ladipo (Chair)
Councillor Danny McCarthy (Vice chair)

Licensing Committee

Councillor Linda Manchester (Chair)

Councillor Dominic Thorncroft (Vice chair)

Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Councillor Fiona Colley (Chair)
Councillor Jane Salmon (Vice chair)

Planning Committee

Councillor James Gurling (Chair)
Councillor Toby Eckersley (Vice chair)

Community Councils

Bermondsey Community Council

Councillor Bob Skelly (Chair) Councillor Anood Al-Samerai (Vice chair)

Borough and Bankside Community Council

Councillor Lorraine Zuleta (Chair)
Councillor Mackie Sheik (Vice chair)

Camberwell Community Council

Councillor Dora Dixon-Fyle (Chair) Councillor Ian Wingfield (Vice chair)

Dulwich Community Council

Councillor Nick Vineall
Councillor Robin Crookshank Hilton (Vice chair)

Nunhead and Peckham Rye Community Council

Councillor Mark Glover (Chair)
Councillor Althea Smith (Vice chair)

Peckham Community Council

Councillor Tayo Situ (Chair)
Councillor Mary Foulkes (Vice chair)

Rotherhithe Community Council

Copuncillor Anne Yates (Chair) Councillor David Hubber (Vice chair)

Walworth Community Council

Councillor Abdul Mohamed (Chair)
Councillor Lorraine Lauder (Vice chair)

- 13. That the size and composition of the standards committee be established as set out below and that seven members be appointed to the committee (see Appendix B attached):
 - Liberal Democrats 3 places; Labour 3; Conservatives 1.
- 14. That the number of reserves on the standards committees be equivalent to the number of place on the committee.
- 15. That it be noted that the election of the chair and vice-chair of the standards committee would take place at the first meeting of the

committee.

- 16. That 15 councillors be appointed to serve on the licensing committee with the following allocation of seats:
 - Liberal Democrats 7 places; Labour 7 and Conservative 1.
- 17. That the urgency committee be reconstituted.
- 18. That the voluntary bodies appointment panel be established.
- 19. That the constitutional steering panel be established.
- 20. That the officer change to July 2008 council assembly meeting (see revised date below) be agreed.
- 21. That the council assembly dates set out below, be agreed:
 - July 9 2008
 - November 5 2008
 - January 28 2009
 - February 23 2009 (Budget setting)
 - April 8 2009
 - May 20 2009 (Annual meeting).
- 22. That the allocation of representatives and votes on Local Government Association General Assembly and Local Government Association Urban Commission be agreed as follows:

Local Government Association General Assembly

Liberal Democrats Councillor Nick Stanton (2 votes)

Labour Councillor Peter John (1 vote)

Councillor Fiona Colley (1 vote)

Conservative Councillor Toby Eckersley (1 vote)

Local Government Association Urban Commission

Liberal Democrats Councillor Paul Noblet (3 votes)

Conservative Councillor Toby Eckersley (2 votes)

- 23. That it be noted that the executive and other committees will appoint to other outside committees and bodies.
- **5. CONSTITUTIONAL REVIEW** (see pages 59-76 of the main agenda and supplemental agendas 1 and 2)

The Mayor stated that in accordance with council assembly procedure rule 1.15 (2), the recommendations set out in the report were deemed to been moved and were subject to amendment only. She explained that several amendments had been received on various proposals within each recommendation and that the Labour group wished to take a separate vote on several recommendations, therefore, these would be voted upon

separately.

The Mayor stated that officers had advised that Amendment B10 was out of order as it did not relate to an item on the agenda and that it should not be debated. She therefore ruled that Amendment B10 was out of order.

The Mayor advised that one late amendment had been received on the constitution, this was B11 and had been circulated around the chamber. She further advised that notice of a procedural motion had been received to suspend the council assembly procedure rule on notice of amendments in order to debate B11. The procedural motion was agreed.

Councillor Chris Page, seconded by Councillor Peter John, moved Amendment B1. Following debate (Councillor Hubber), Amendment B1 was put to the vote and declared to be lost.

Councillor Chris Page, seconded by Councillor Peter John, moved Amendment B2. Following debate (Councillors Richard Livingstone and Paul Noblet), Amendment B2 was put to the vote and declared to be <u>lost</u>.

At 9.16pm the meeting adjourned for a comfort break reconvening at 9.28pm.

Councillor Chris Page, seconded by Councillor Peter John, moved Amendment B3. Following debate (Councillors John Friary, Fiona Colley, Nick Stanton, Richard Livingstone, Jonathan Mitchell, and Susan Elan Jones), Councillor Alison McGovern seconded by Councillor Paul Bates moved that the question be put. The procedure motion was put to the vote and declared to be <u>carried</u>.

Amendment B3 was put to the vote and declared to be lost.

Councillor Chris Page moved Amendment B4. Councillor Caroline Pidgeon made a point of personal explanation. Amendment B4 was seconded by Councillor Peter John. Following debate (Councillors Richard Thomas, James Gurling, Lewis Robinson and John Friary), Amendment B4 was put to the vote and declared to be <u>lost</u>.

Councillor Chris Page, seconded by Councillor Peter John, moved Amendment B5. Following debate (Councillors David Hubber and Richard Thomas), Amendment B5 was put to the vote and declared to be lost.

The clerk explained that as Amendment A had been lost Amendment B6 fell as it related to the same subject on the dates and frequency of council assembly meetings.

Councillor Chris Page, seconded by Councillor Peter John, moved Amendment B7. Councillor Nick Stanton, seconded by Councillor Kim Humphreys, moved that the question be put. The procedure motion was put to the vote and declared to be <u>carried</u>. Amendment B7 was put to the vote and declared to be <u>lost</u>.

Councillor Chris Page, seconded by Councillor Peter John, moved Amendment B8. Following debate (Councillors Fiona Colley and David Hubber), Amendment B8 was put to the vote and declared to be lost.

Councillor Chris Page, seconded by Councillor Peter John, moved Amendment B9. Following debate (Councillors Nick Stanton, Kim Humphreys and John Friary), Amendment B9 was put to the vote and declared to be lost.

The Mayor informed council assembly that Amendment B10 had been ruled out of order as it related to a matter which was not on the agenda for this meeting.

Councillor Chris Page, seconded by Councillor Peter John, moved late Amendment B11. Amendment B11 was put to the vote and declared to be <u>lost</u>.

Following a point of order from Councillor Linda Manchester, the Mayor announced that a separate vote would be taken on recommendations 3, 4, 4A, 12 and 20 of the report.

Recommendation 3 (Part 3A: Matters reserved to council assembly) was put to the vote and declared to be carried.

Recommendation 4 (Part 3B: Executive role and function), was put to the vote and declared to be carried.

Recommendation 4A (Part 3B: Executive role and function) was put to the vote and declared to be carried.

Recommendation 12 (Council assembly procedure rules) was put to the vote and declared to be <u>carried</u>.

Recommendation 20 (Independent and co-opted members attendance at meetings) was put to the vote and declared to be <u>carried</u>.

The substantive motion was put to the vote and declared to be carried.

RESOLVED:

The references to the constitution in this resolution refer to the 2007-08 constitution.

Part 1: Introduction to Southwark Council's Constitution

1. That the revised introduction to the constitution be agreed (see appendix 1 of the report).

Part 2: Articles

- 2. a) That the revised articles of the constitution be agreed (see appendix 2 of the report).
 - b) That the updated article 1.05 outlined in the table in supplemental agenda 3, be agreed.

Part 3A: Council Assembly

3. That the changes to Part 3A be agreed (see appendix 3 of the report).

Part 3B: Executive Roles and Functions

- 4. a) That the changes to Part 3B set out in appendix 3 be agreed.
 - b) That the updated list of plans and strategies to be approved by the executive set out in Part 3B be agreed.
 - c) That the monitoring officer be authorised to update the list of plans and strategies to be approved by the executive in Part 3B as and when required.

Part 3C: Matters reserved to the executive for collective decision making

5. That the changes to Part 3C be agreed (see appendix 3)

Part 3D: Matters reserved to Executive Committees

6. That Part 3D be agreed, subject to an amendment in paragraph 8 on the parameters for each project set by the executive to be reworded as followed:

"Within the financial parameters for each project set by the executive, allocate and agree resources for each major project."

Part 3F: Matters reserved to the planning committee and community councils exercising planning functions

- 7. a) That the proposed changes to this section of the constitution and other changes in associated Part 3A (Council assembly), Part 3C (Executive), Part 3D (Individual decision making be agreed in order to update the policy references so they are in line with the new development framework.
 - b) That other changes in Part 3F be agreed (see appendix 3).

Part 3J: Matters reserved to Disciplinary Appeals Committee

- 8. a) That the matters reserved to disciplinary appeals committee be reduced by extracting the committee procedures and incorporating them into the open report that each DAC meeting receives.
 - b) That a guidance note on the operation of the committee be published on the council's website.

Part 3N: Urgency Committee

9. That Part 3N on the urgency committee and sub-committees be agreed (see appendix 3).

Part 3Q and 3R: Local Act and Local Choice Functions

10. That the current format of Parts 3Q and 3R be retained.

Part 3S: Appointments to Outside Bodies

- 11. a) That Part 3S be reformatted to include minimum information required by statutory guidance, such as:
 - Name
 - Purpose
 - Number of places to be filled
 - Who appoints.
 - b) That in year changes to this section of the constitution be delegated to the monitoring officer who would be authorised to make any changes.

Council Assembly Procedure Rules

- 12. (1) That the following changes recommended by the constitutional steering panel (CSP) be agreed.
 - (a) Reordering of sections so there is a more logical flow and order.

- (b) Suspension of the procedure rules That the use of the asterisk (*) to identify which rules may not be suspended be replaced.
- (c) Personal explanation Clarification that rule applies to both motions and questions.
- (d) Recorded vote That the recorded vote at 1.18.(4) be called something different to distinguish it from an individual recorded vote listed at 1.18 (5). CSP suggested: 'Roll Call'.
- (e) Executive Statements That wherever possible executive statements should be in writing, and circulated at the start of the meeting.
- (f) Broadcasting The wording be clearer i.e. so if someone makes a request and the chair agrees then it needs to be announced at the beginning of the meeting by the chair.
- (g) Protocol on investigation and ruling of Standards Board, standards committee and the adjudication panel (appendix 1 to council assembly procedure rules) It was noted that this section would need to be updated by officers in light of the new arrangements for hearing complaints against members through the local filter.
- (h) Protocol for receipt of members questions, motions and amendments (appendix 2 to council assembly procedure rules) – CSP felt this appendix was no longer required in the constitution as the practice of emailing is now well established. It was recommended that it be maintained as a separate protocol outside of the constitution by officers.
- 12. (2) That the reformatted version incorporating minor changes proposed by officers to the council assembly procedure rules be agreed (see appendix 6).
- 12. (3) That the changes to clause 1.12(19) set out below in line with the principles recommended by CSP be agreed.

Withdrawal of a motion or amendment

1. If the motion or amendment has been moved: A member may withdraw a motion or amendment which he/she has moved with the consent of both the meeting and the seconder. The meeting's consent will be signified without discussion. No member may speak on the motion after the mover has asked permission to withdraw it unless permission is refused. No further debate shall take place on a motion or amendment once it has been withdrawn.

2. <u>If it has not been moved.</u> If a motion or amendment has not yet been moved, it may be withdrawn by the mover. The consent of the meeting is not required. No debate shall take place on a motion or amendment once it has been withdrawn.

Note: Part 1 is unchanged. Part 2 is a new clause and reflected current advice.

Access to Information Procedure Rules

- 13. a) That the changes to the access to information procedure rules outlined in the report be agreed (see appendix 4).
 - b) That the minor change to the access to information procedure rules outlined below be agreed:

"Reports on corporate budget performance and monitoring and performance"

Budget and Policy Framework Procedure Rules

14. That the changes to the budget and policy framework procedure rules outlined in the main report be agreed (see appendix 5).

Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules

- 15. a) That the revised overview & scrutiny procedure rules be agreed (see appendix 9).
 - b) That the revised overview & scrutiny procedure rule 2.5 set out below be agreed (see appendix 9):

"Each political group is entitled to nominate reserve members to overview & scrutiny committee and its sub-committees. The number of reserve member seats that each political group is entitled to nominate is equal to the same number of places as each group holds on overview & scrutiny committee and one fewer than the number of places each group holds on each of the sub-committees, subject to a minimum of one."

Contract Standing Orders

- 16. a) That the revised Contract Standing Orders attached as appendix 10 to the report be agreed.
 - b) That the minor change to Current Standing Orders set out below be agreed:

Appendix 12 of the main report be amended so that paragraph 13 say "Contracts from £5,000 to £75,000..." and not "Contracts from £5,000 to £74,999..."

Financial Standing Orders

17. That the revised Financial Standing Orders attached as appendix 11 to the report be agreed.

Other Information

18. That officers be authorised to update the glossary and associated structure charts.

Consequential Changes

19. That officers be authorised to undertake any consequential and cross referencing changes arising from the review of the constitution.

Independent and co-opted members attendance at meetings

20. a) That in the committee and community council procedure rules – add a new clause 2.2(3):

"In the event that an independent member of the standards committee or co-opted member does not attend a meeting of the committee on which they serve for a period of six consecutive months, without the approval of the council, they shall cease to be a member of the authority".

b) That in the overview and scrutiny procedure rules – Add new clause 3.1:

"In the event that a co-opted member does not attend a meeting of the committee on which they serve for a period of six consecutive months, without the approval of the council, they shall cease to be a member of the authority".

6. NOMINATIONS TO LONDON COUNCILS COMMITTEES AND FORUMS 2008-09 (see pages 77-84)

The nominations were circulated on blue paper. The nominations for each position were considered and voted upon in turn. The appointments are set out in the resolution below.

RESOLVED: That council assembly agreed the following in relation to the recommendations contained within the report:

London Councils Leaders' Representative: Councillor Nick

Committee Stanton

(S101 Joint Committee) Deputies: Councillor Paul Noblet

Councillor Kim Humphreys

London Councils Transport Representative: Councillor Jeff Hook and Environment Committee Deputies: Councillor Lisa Rajan

(Associated S101 Joint Committee)

London Councils Grants Representative: Councillor Toby

Committee Eckersley

Deputies: Councillor Adele Morris Councillor Althea Smith

Note: The nominations to the London Councils Grants Committee were agreed subject to clarification as to whether non-executive members could be appointed to this body.

London Councils Children and Young People Forum	Representative: Councillor Lisa Rajan Deputy: Councillor Veronica Ward
London Councils Crime and Public Protection Forum	Representative: Councillor Paul Kyriacou Deputy: Councillor David Noakes
London Councils Culture, Tourism and London 2012 Forum	Representative: Councillor Lewis Robinson Deputy: Councillor Columba Blango
London Councils Economic Development Forum	Representative: Councillor Paul Noblet Deputy: Councillor Tim McNally
London Councils Health and Adult Services Forum	Representative: Councillor David Noakes Deputy: Councillor Ade Lasaki
London Councils Housing Forum	Representative: Councillor Kim Humphreys Deputy: Councillor Tim McNally
Greater London Employment Forum	Representative: Councillor Lorraine Zuleta Deputy: Councillor Toby Eckersley
London Councils Limited	Representative: Councillor Nick Stanton
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