

Democracy Commission

Thursday 5 August 2010
6.00 pm
Southwark Town Hall

Membership

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Councillor Anood Al-Samerai
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	<p>The meeting of the 12 July 2010 considered best practice from a number of authorities who had carried out similar reviews; South Tyneside, Nottingham City Council, Birmingham City Council and Bath & North East Somerset . All had reviewed their assemblies. Summaries or full reports are attached.</p>	
4.	EVIDENCE FROM THE LEADERS OF THE POLITICAL GROUPS	
	<p>The Labour group leader & Leader of the Council; Cllr Peter John has confirmed his attendance.</p> <p>The Liberal Democrat leader; Cllr Anood Al-Samerai has confirmed her attendance.</p> <p>The Conservative group may attend this meeting or present evidence at a different stage.</p>	
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	<p>The last meeting requested more information on what decision making powers could be transferred to the Council Assembly or delegated to other bodies; such as Community Councils.</p> <p>Ian Mark; Senior Lawyer, Governance Team will attend to take questions.</p>	
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