



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

MINUTES of the OPEN section of the Audit, Governance and Standards (Civic Awards) Sub-Committee held on Monday 4 March 2024 at 6.00 pm at Ground Floor Meeting Rooms G02A and G02B - 160 Tooley Street, London SE1 2QH

PRESENT: Councillor Barrie Hargrove (Chair)
Councillor John Batteson
Councillor Dora Dixon-Fyle MBE
Councillor Graham Neale
Grace Fadoju
Ken Hayes
Pauline Nandoo
David Reid

OFFICER Jacqui Brazil (Civic Officer)
SUPPORT: Gerald Gohler (Constitutional Officer)

1. APOLOGIES

There were none.

2. CONFIRMATION OF VOTING MEMBERS

The councillors listed as present above indicated that they were voting members.

3. NOTIFICATION OF ANY ITEMS OF BUSINESS WHICH THE CHAIR DEEMS URGENT

The chair informed the meeting that in addition to the open agenda papers, the closed agenda pack comprising the closed report containing nominations for the civic awards 2024 and the draft closed minutes of the meeting held on 7 March 2023 had been circulated.

4. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS

The following members and co-optees declared interests related to item:

8. Civic Awards 2024: Nominations

Councillor Graham Neale, personal and non-prejudicial, as he knew one of the nominees personally, but would approach all nominations with an open mind.

Pauline Nandoo, personal and prejudicial, as she had a personal interest in one of the nominees for the Southwark Stands Together awards and would, therefore, not be taking part in the discussions on the Southwark Stands Together awards.

5. MINUTES

RESOLVED:

That the open minutes of the meeting held on 7 March 2023 be agreed as a correct record of the meeting, and be signed by the chair.

6. CIVIC AWARDS 2024

Jacqui Brazil introduced the report and responded to questions put by members of the sub-committee.

The sub-committee discussed additions to the rules governing nominations for civic awards going forward.

RESOLVED:

1. That the rules governing the nominations for civic awards be amended for future nomination processes to include the following:
 - a. That posthumous nominations be permitted provided that the nominee has passed away in the 12 months before the date of the sub-committee meeting making the decision on the civic awards, and that the work or project they are nominated for also took place in the last 12 months.
 - b. That, going forward, once an organisation has received a civic award, no employee or volunteer from this organisation will be considered for an individual civic award while they are associated with that organisation.
2. That the public be excluded from the meeting to consider the nominations for Civic Awards 2024 on the grounds that the item involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in category 1 of paragraph 10.8 of the Access to Information procedure rules of the constitution.

3. That the co-opted members be allowed to remain in the closed session.

As resolved above the meeting went into closed session at 6.22pm.

7. CLOSED MINUTES

The decision for this item is listed in the closed minutes.

8. CIVIC AWARDS 2024: NOMINATIONS

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The meeting ended at 8.05 pm.

CHAIR:

DATED: