Item No. 19.	Classification: Open	Date: 21 September 2010	Meeting Name: Cabinet	
Report title:		Appointments to Outside Bodies 2010-11 - South London Gallery Trustee Ltd		
Ward(s) or groups affected:		Boroughwide		
Cabinet Member:		Councillor Veronica Ward, Culture, Leisure, Sports and the Olympics		

FOREWORD – COUNCILLOR VERONICA WARD CABINET MEMBER FOR CULTURE, LEISURE, SPORTS AND THE OLYMPICS

1. The South London Gallery is of international importance in the contemporary art world attracting thousands of visitors each year to Camberwell. The South London Gallery has a long history of close connection with the Borough. Southwark makes a substantial grant to the Gallery each year. The Gallery is committed to Southwark demonstrated by the recent project working with families on the Sceaux Gardens Estate following the fire in Lakanal.

RECOMMENDATIONS

2. That the cabinet consider and agree to nominate three councillors to the South London Gallery Trustee Ltd, one from each political group for the 2010-11 municipal year.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

3. Each year the council makes appointments / nominates individuals to outside bodies.

KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

- 4. It is for the cabinet to make appointments to outside bodies in connection with the functions which are the responsibility of the cabinet (e.g. housing, education, social services, regeneration etc).
- 5. The council has appointed to the South London Gallery Trustee Ltd since October 2003, however this year it was indicated that appointments from the council were no longer necessary. The position on this has been clarified and the continuation of the appointment of councillors to this body is still required.

Legal implications

- 6. The role of the appointed councillors will be to act as Directors and Trustees of the board governing the affairs of the South London Gallery Trustee Ltd (the sole corporate trustee of the South London Fine Art Gallery and Library Trust) which operates the South London Gallery as a public contemporary art gallery. Southwark Council is a major funder of the Gallery but trustees are required under Charity Law to act solely in the best interests of the trust and are responsible for controlling the management and administration of the Charity in line with the Charities governing document.
- 7. Given the ongoing relationship with the council some conflicts of interests may arise

both when the members are sitting on the trust, and in their role as councillor, and they will need to take appropriate steps to address these as they arise.

Community impact statement

8. The council is considering nominations to the South London Gallery Trustees Ltd. The nominations process has no direct impact on the community.

Consultation

9. The political group whips have been consulted on the issues contained in the report and have been invited to submit nominations.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Background Papers	Held At	Contact
Executive Report – 7 October 2003 (Nomination of Southwark Council Representatives to SLG Trustee Ltd)	160 Tooley Street London SE1 2TZ	Everton Roberts 020 7525 7221

APPENDICES

No.	Title
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