

Item No. 5.	Classification: Open	Date: May 20 2009	Meeting Name: Council Assembly
Report title:		Nominations to London Councils Committees and Forums 2009-10	
Ward(s) or groups affected:		None	
From:		Strategic Director of Legal and Democratic Services	

RECOMMENDATION

1. That council assembly consider and make nominations to the London Councils committees and forums listed in appendix A of the report.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

2. The council nominates representatives to serve on the London Councils committees and forums on an annual basis. The nomination of representatives to the London Councils committees and forums fall within the terms of reference of the executive. However because the deadline for nominations to the London Councils is June 1 2009, and there is no executive meeting between the annual meeting and June 1, council assembly is being asked to agree the nominations for 2009-10 in order to meet the deadline set by the London Councils.

KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

3. The Local Government Act 2000 and regulations enables local authorities to make use of joint arrangements with other authorities. Under these arrangements, a "joint committee" can be established in agreement with other local authorities to promote the economic, social or environmental well being of the area.
4. In this report the council is invited to make nominations to the following joint committees:
 - Leaders' Committee (s101 Joint Committee)
 - London Councils Transport and Environment Committee (Associated Joint Committee)
 - London Councils Grants Committee (Associated Joint Committee)
5. Council assembly may only nominate executive members as representatives to the above joint committees. The nominations need not reflect the political composition of the local authority as a whole. This is set out in article 9 on joint arrangements in the council's constitution.
6. The remaining bodies/forums referred to in appendix A do not have the status of a "joint committee", council assembly may therefore appoint any member to serve on these bodies.
7. In considering the nominations, council assembly should be mindful of the advice from the London Councils that boroughs should usually nominate the relevant lead member as its representative.

8. The details relating to the nominations are set out in appendix A of the report.
9. London Councils committee and forum meetings are held during the day.

Legal Implications

10. There are no specific legal implications.

Consultation

11. The group whips have been provided with a copy of the London Councils circular relating to the nominations.

Community Impact Statement

12. The council is being invited to make nominations to the London Councils committees and forums. The nominations process has no direct impact on the community.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Background Papers	Held At	Contact
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APPENDICES

No.	Title
Appendix A	Nominations to London Councils Committees and Forums – Committee and Forum remit and places to be filled

AUDIT TRAIL

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