

NOMINATIONS TO PANELS, BOARDS AND FORUMS 2009-10

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ADOPTION PANEL

Summary of Functions	Status	Membership	How often it Meets	Politically Proportionate
To recommend to the adoption agency whether adoption is in a child's best interests and if he/she should be freed for adoption, to assess the suitability of prospective adopters and whether the matching between a child and adopters is appropriate.	Statutory. Adoption Agency Regulations.	2 Councillors 3 Officers (to include 1 Medical Adviser) 5 Independent Members 1 legal advisor	Once a month on a Thursday 1.00 p.m. to 5/6.00 p.m.	N/a

Allocation 2008-09 (No. of Reserves in brackets)	Proposed Allocation 2009-10 (No. of Reserves in brackets)	Council Appointment	Comments
Liberal Democrats – 1 (n/a) Labour - 1 (n/a) Conservatives – 0 (n/a)	No change	2 Councillors	None

ADMISSIONS FORUM

Summary of Functions	Status	Membership	How often it Meets	Politically Proportionate
<p>The purpose of the Admissions Forum is to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. serve the interests of children and parents within the relevant area of the authority. 2. to determine what is the relevant area of the authority. 3. promote agreement on admission issues. 4. consider the comprehensiveness and accessibility of admissions literature and information for parents, produced by each admissions authority within the area of the Forum. 5. consider the effectiveness of the Authority's proposed co-ordinated admission arrangements. 6. consider the means by which admission processes might be improved and how actual admissions relate to the admission numbers published. 7. monitor the admission of children who arrive in the Authority's area outside a normal admission round. 8. monitor the admission arrangements for children with special educational needs and Looked After Children. 9. to monitor admission arrangements for children who have been excluded from school 10. to consider the effects that admission arrangements have on social inclusion. 11. consider any other admission issues not covered above. 	<p>Statutory.</p> <p>The Education (Admissions Forums) Regulations 2002 under the Standards and Framework Act 1998.</p>	<p>3 Councillors 3 Community School representatives 1 Foundation School representative 2 Voluntary Aided School representatives 1 Church of England Diocese member 1 Roman Catholic Diocese member 2 Parent Governors 1 Representative from each Academy 1 City Technology College representative</p> <p>3 Local Community representatives. 4 Officers</p>	<p>Three times a term on a Monday 4-6pm.</p>	<p>N/a</p>

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Liberal Democrats – 1 (n/a) Labour – 1 (n/a) Conservatives – 1 (n/a)	No change	3 councillors	None

ANTI-HOMOPHOBIC FORUM

Summary of Functions	Status	Membership	How often it Meets	Politically Proportionate
To give consideration to and advise on matters relating to homophobic violence and abuse referred to the Forum from the Council, Police Service and Lambeth, Southwark and Lewisham Health Commission and other relevant agencies on matters concerning homophobic violence and abuse, locally.	Consultative Forum	3 Southwark Divisional Police Commanders, 1 Borough Liaison Officer, 3 Council Members, 1 Chief Executive of the LSLHC, Lesbians and Gay men living or working in Southwark, Voluntary/statutory organisations servicing Gay members of the community in Southwark.	Every 2 months 7.00 p.m to 9.00p.m	N/a

Allocation 2008-09 (No. of Reserves in brackets)	Proposed Allocation 2009-10 (No. of Reserves in brackets)	Council Appointment	Comments
Liberal Democrats – 1 (n/a) Labour - 1 (n/a) Conservatives – 1 (n/a)	No change	3 Councillors	None

FOSTERING PANEL

Summary of Functions	Status	Membership	How often it Meets	Politically Proportionate
To make recommendations to the fostering service about the approval of prospective foster carers, the re-approval of foster carers at the time of their first annual review, to hear appeals by foster carers who are not in agreement that their approval is terminated and to give advice to the fostering service, when requested. The panel will also give and receive feed back to/from the fostering service to ensure that standards are maintained	Statutory Fostering Services Regulations 2002 National Minimum Standards for Fostering Services 2002	1 Councillor 5 Officers 4 Independent Members	Once a month, on the first Monday of the month between 10.00 a.m. and 1 p.m.	N/a

Allocation 2008-09 <i>(No. of Reserves in brackets)</i>	Proposed Allocation 2009-10 <i>(No. of Reserves in brackets)</i>	Council Appointment	Comments
Liberal Democrats – 1 (n/a) Labour - 0 (n/a) Conservatives – 0 (n/a)	No change	1 Councillor	None

JOINT PARTNERSHIP PANEL (TRADE-UNION CONSULTATION)

Summary of Functions	Status	Membership	How often it Meets	Politically Proportionate
To provide a member-level trade union consultation forum for dialogue on corporate policy issues and corporate proposals affecting the workforce.	Consultation Forum	2 Councillors, Chief Officer & Head of Human Resources. Plus accredited Branch Secretaries of UNISON, GMB, UCATT & TGWU.	Quarterly	N/a

Allocation 2008-09 (No. of Reserves in brackets)	Proposed Allocation 2009-10 (No. of Reserves in brackets)	Council Appointment	Comments
2 representatives of the Executive. In 2008-09 the executive members were the Leader of the Council and executive member responsible for human resources	2 representatives of the Executive	2 Councillors	None

LEASEHOLDERS ARBITRATION PANEL

Summary of Functions	Status	Membership	How often it Meets	Politically Proportionate
To resolve disputes between Southwark Right to Buy applicants, Southwark Council leaseholders and Residential Freeholders who pay a service charge to Southwark Council.	Panel	17 Councillors	As required	N/a

Allocation 2008-09 <i>(No. of Reserves in brackets)</i>	Proposed Allocation 2009-10 <i>(No. of Reserves in brackets)</i>	Council Appointment	Comments
Liberal Democrats – 8 (n/a) Labour - 8 (n/a) Conservatives – 1 (n/a) <i>(excluding Executive Members and relevant opposition spokespersons – to act as pool)</i>	No change	17 Councillors	

PENSIONS ADVISORY PANEL

Summary of Functions	Status	Membership	How often it Meets	Politically Proportionate
To assist the finance director in the management of the pensions function within the council.	Advisory Panel	3 councillors 3 officers 2 independent advisors 2 trade union representatives (observers)	Quarterly (additional meetings arranged if required)	N/a

Allocation 2008-09 (No. of Reserves in brackets)	Proposed Allocation 2009-10 (No. of Reserves in brackets)	Council Appointment	Comments
Liberal Democrats 1 Labour 1 Conservatives 1	No change	3 councillors	None

SECURE ACCOMMODATION PANEL

Summary of Functions	Status	Membership	How often it Meets	Politically Proportionate
To review the cases of children admitted to secure accommodation.		2 Councillors Plus Independent Person	When required.	N/a

Allocation 2008-09 (No. of Reserves in brackets)	Proposed Allocation 2009-10 (No. of Reserves in brackets)	Council Appointment	Comments
Liberal Democrats – 1 (1) Labour - 1 (1) Conservatives – 0 (n/a)	No change	2 Councillors	None

SOUTHWARK POLICE AND COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE GROUP

Summary of Functions	Status	Membership	How often it Meets	Politically Proportionate
To provide for consultation, discussion and consideration with local community representatives, the police and the local authority on any matter directly or indirectly concerned with any aspect of the policing of the London Borough of Southwark.	Consultative Forum	Not to exceed 10 Councillors, Members of Parliament & MEP for the borough, Met Police (not to exceed 5), community representatives, Chair of the Lay Visitors Panel, Community rep from each Sector Working Group, Statutory agencies with interest in the policing of the borough.	Last Tuesday of every month 6.30 p.m to 9.30 p.m	N/a

Allocation 2008-09 (No. of Reserves in brackets)	Proposed Allocation 2009-10 (No. of Reserves in brackets)	Council Appointment	Comments
Liberal Democrats – 5 (n/a) Labour – 4 (n/a) Conservatives – 1 (n/a)	No change	10 Councillors	

STANDING ADVISORY COUNCIL ON RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Summary of Functions	Status	Membership	How often it Meets	Politically Proportionate
To review the existing provision of Religious Education and consider whether any changes need to be made in the agreed syllabus or in support offered to schools. To monitor the provision of the daily collective worship and to consider any action to improve such provision.	Statutory	4 Councillors Plus representatives of local faith groups and Teachers Associations	Bi-Monthly	N/a

Allocation 2008-09 (No. of Reserves in brackets)	Proposed Allocation 2009-10 (No. of Reserves in brackets)	Council Appointment	Comments
Liberal Democrats – 2 (n/a) Labour - 2 (n/a) Conservatives – 0 (n/a)	No change	4 Councillors	

TENANCY AGREEMENT ARBITRATION PANEL

Summary of Functions	Status	Membership	How often it Meets	Politically Proportionate
To resolve certain disputes between tenants and the council	Panel	17 Councillors	7 times per week 2 sessions per day – (Morning & Afternoon)	N/a

Allocation 2008-09 (No. of Reserves in brackets)	Proposed Allocation 2009-10 (No. of Reserves in brackets)	Council Appointment	Comments
Liberal Democrats – 8 (n/a) Labour – 8 (n/a) Conservatives – 1 (n/a) (excluding Executive Members and relevant opposition spokespersons) – to act as pool.	No change	17 Councillors	

TENANTS MANAGEMENT ORGANISATION LIASION COMMITTEE

Summary of Functions	Status	Membership	How often it Meets	Politically Proportionate
To discuss with representatives of TMO's issues of mutual interest.	Statutory	4 Councillors Plus TMO Representatives Executive Member for Housing Management	6 weekly	N/a

Allocation 2008-09 (No. of Reserves in brackets)	Proposed Allocation 2009-10 (No. of Reserves in brackets)	Council Appointment	Comments
Liberal Democrats – 2 (n/a) Labour - 2 (n/a) Conservatives – 0 (n/a)	Liberal Democrat 2 Labour 2 Conservative 0	4 Councillors and Executive Member for Housing	