

Item No. 7.	Classification: Open	Date: 21 January 2020	Meeting Name: Cabinet
Report title:		Deputation requests	
Ward(s) or groups affected:		All	
From:		Proper Constitutional Officer	

RECOMMENDATION

1. That cabinet considers whether or not to hear a deputation from the Be Active Social Enterprise.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

2. When considering whether to hear the deputation request, cabinet can decide:
 - To receive the deputation at this meeting or a future meeting; or
 - That the deputation not be received (if the matter is not dealt with by cabinet, the matter shall be referred without debate to the relevant cabinet member who shall after consideration, respond with an open reply to the sender); or
 - To refer the deputation to the most appropriate committee/sub-committee.
3. A deputation shall consist of no more than six people, including its spokesperson. Only one member of the deputation shall be allowed to address the meeting for no longer than five minutes. After this time cabinet members may ask questions of the deputation for up to five minutes. At the conclusion of the questions, the deputation will be shown to the public area where they may listen to the remainder of the open section of the meeting.

KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

4. The deadline for receipt of deputation requests for this cabinet meeting was midnight 15 January 2020. This request was received within this constitutional deadline.

Deputation requests

Be Active Social Enterprise

5. The Be Active Social Enterprise presented a deputation to cabinet on 30 April 2019 (as a follow up to a petition presented to cabinet on 9 May 2017) regarding a long term tennis plan for the borough. The deputation are concerned about progress since their deputation last year to cabinet and have requested a further deputation to speak on this matter.
6. An extract from the cabinet minutes of 30 April 2019:

“The deputation spokesperson addressed the meeting to explain that the deputation was a follow up to a petition submitted to cabinet 9 May 2017. The deputation outlined the volume of tennis-related activities undertaken and the

strong position of the group in providing value for the community. The group acknowledged their understanding of resource constraints for the council, but requested that cabinet progress with a long-term tennis plan for the borough, as well as a lease for Burgess Park.

Councillor Rebecca Lury, deputy leader and cabinet member for culture, leisure, equalities and communities responded to the deputation by referencing Item 9: Active Southwark – Sport and Physical Strategy 2019 – 2023. Following agreement of this strategy, the council would be looking to develop a long term strategy for tennis across the borough and to work with the Be Active Social Enterprise group and other partners.”

Community impact statement

7. The Southwark Constitution allows for deputations to be made by groups of people resident or working in the borough.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Background Papers	Held At	Contact
Cabinet procedure rule 2.12 on deputations:	160 Tooley Street London SE1 2QH	Paula Thornton 020 7525 4395
Link (copy and paste into browser): http://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/documents/s80630/Cabinet%20procedure%20rules%20November%202016.pdf		
Previous deputation request to cabinet 30 April 2019 (Be Active Social Enterprise)	160 Tooley Street London SE1 2QH	Paula Thornton 020 7525 4395
Link (copy and paste into browser): http://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/documents/s82125/Report%20Deputation%20requests.pdf		
Petition considered by cabinet 9 May 2017 (report and minutes)	160 Tooley Street London SE1 2QH	Paula Thornton 020 7525 4395
Link (Item 8): http://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/ielListDocuments.aspx?CId=302&MId=5380&Ver=4		

APPENDICES

No.	Title
None	

AUDIT TRAIL

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