

# MINUTES OF ASSEMBLY

Wednesday, 20 May 2015  
(7:00 - 8:07 pm)

## PRESENT

Cllr Tony Ramsay (Chair)  
Cllr Syed Ghani (Deputy Chair)

Cllr Syed Ahammad	Cllr Sanchia Alasia	Cllr Jeanne Alexander
Cllr Saima Ashraf	Cllr Abdul Aziz	Cllr Simon Bremner
Cllr Laila Butt	Cllr Evelyn Carpenter	Cllr Peter Chand
Cllr Josephine Channer	Cllr Faruk Choudhury	Cllr Edna Fergus
Cllr Irma Freeborn	Cllr Cameron Geddes	Cllr Rocky Gill
Cllr Kashif Haroon	Cllr Chris Hughes	Cllr Amardeep Singh Jamu
Cllr Jane Jones	Cllr Eileen Keller	Cllr Mick McCarthy
Cllr Giasuddin Miah	Cllr Dave Miles	Cllr Margaret Mullane
Cllr James Ogungbose	Cllr Adegboyega Oluwole	Cllr Moin Quadri
Cllr Hardial Singh Rai	Cllr Linda Reason	Cllr Chris Rice
Cllr Lynda Rice	Cllr Darren Rodwell	Cllr Faraaz Shaukat
Cllr Danielle Smith	Cllr Liam Smith	Cllr Bill Turner
Cllr Dominic Twomey	Cllr Jeff Wade	Cllr Lee Waker
Cllr Phil Waker	Cllr John White	Cllr Maureen Worby
Cllr Dan Young	Cllr Linda Zanitchkhah	

## APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Melanie Bartlett	Cllr Sade Bright	Cllr Elizabeth Kangethe
Cllr Danielle Lawrence	Cllr Sam Tarry	

### 1. Appointment of Chair and Deputy Chair

The Chief Executive opened the meeting and invited nominations for the positions of Chair and Deputy Chair of the Assembly for the 2015/16 municipal year.

The Assembly **resolved** to appoint Councillors Ramsay and Ghani as Chair and Deputy Chair of the Assembly respectively.

### 2. Declaration of Members' Interests

There were no declarations of interest.

### 3. Minutes (24 February 2015)

The minutes of the Assembly held on 24 February 2015 were confirmed as correct, subject to the amendment of Minute 59 and specifically the supplementary question under Question 5 to reflect that Redbridge Council was a Labour-run authority.

#### **4. Minutes of Sub-Committees**

It was noted that the minutes of the JNC Salaries and Conditions Panel held on 15 May 2015 were not available for this evening's meeting. The Chair advised that the minutes would be presented for formal noting at the next meeting of the Assembly but that, in the meantime, he had asked the Chief Executive to circulate them to all Members by the end of the week.

#### **5. Death of Honorary Alderman John Davis**

The Assembly noted with deep regret that Honorary Alderman John Davis had passed away on 18 March 2015 following a period of illness.

Mr Davis had served as a Borough councillor for 44 years until his retirement in May 2014 and was the Borough Mayor during the 1982/83 municipal year. Mr Davis had held numerous senior and high profile positions during his time as a councillor and had been bestowed the Borough's highest award when becoming an Honorary Alderman in February 2014.

A number of Members paid tribute to Mr Davis' huge contribution to the Council and to his genuine commitment, not only to the constituents that he served as an elected representative for Triptons and Alibon wards but to all those that lived and worked in the Borough. Tribute was paid for the guidance and support that he had given to his colleagues over the years and to his great sense of humour, with several Members fondly recalling their personal memories.

The Assembly stood for a minute's silence as a mark of respect.

#### **6. Leader's Statement**

The Leader of the Council presented a verbal statement updating the Assembly on a range of matters which included:

- His concerns at the financial challenges ahead for local government following the election of a Conservative Government and the need for the Council to prepare for greater austerity arising from the Chancellor's emergency budget announcement expected in July;
- The work that he and the Leaders of other London Boroughs were involved with to press for the greater devolvement of powers to local authorities within London, including powers that currently rested with the Mayor of London, as a way of achieving better value for money. The Leader referred specifically to the areas of health and growth and advised that his London Leader colleagues had recently appointed him as the Shadow Health spokesperson for London;
- The 10 most significant achievements in the first 12 months of the new Council leadership, which included the securing of over £¾ billion investment to bring prosperity to the Borough, the building of 669 new homes and plans to create of a new energy company that would enable the Council and its residents to save money;
- The inauguration of the first Young Mayor of Barking and Dagenham, the first

Youth Parade in the Borough and the staging of a Women's Empowerment Month for the first time in the country's history;

- The plans to celebrate the 50 year anniversary of Barking and Dagenham with over 70 events across the Borough, more than any other London Borough.

The Leader was particularly pleased to announce that Her Majesty the Queen and His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh were to visit Barking and Dagenham as part of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations and he undertook to advise Members of the full details once they had been finalised.

## **7. Appointments to the Political Structure and Other Bodies 2015/16**

The Head of Legal and Democratic Services (HLDS) introduced a report on the annual process of appointments to the various elements of the political structure and other internal and external bodies.

The HLDS invited the Labour Group Secretary, Councillor Carpenter, to advise on the nominations to the various positions to be appointed to and the Labour Group Secretary referred to the schedule that had been tabled at the meeting.

Assembly **resolved** to agree the appointments to positions as set out in Appendix 1.

(**Note:** The full membership schedules for 2015/16 are also included as Annexes A to E).

## **8. Members' Allowances Scheme 2015/16**

The Cabinet Member for Finance and Central Services presented a report on the Members' Allowances Scheme for 2015/16.

The Cabinet Member advised that, in view of the continuing pressures on public sector funding and the Council's finances in particular, it was proposed that no changes be made to the scheme for 2015/16, representing a freeze in allowance levels for the seventh successive year.

Several Members spoke in support of the proposed freeze as a contribution to making best use of the Council's money and the role of the previous portfolio holder in progressing the proposals was acknowledged. Councillor Gill commented that he too supported the proposed freeze but placed on record his frustration at the removal last year of the right for councillors to participate in the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS), particularly bearing in mind the above-inflation benefits applied by the Government to the pension scheme available to Members of Parliament. The Cabinet Member remarked that the removal of LGPS membership rights for councillors had led to a reduction of £100,000 in the overall Members' Allowances budget and he added that he would support a continuation of the freeze of allowances for at least the next three years.

Assembly **resolved** to:

- (i) Agree that no increase be applied to Members' basic and special

responsibility allowances for the 2015/16 municipal year, representing a freeze in allowance levels for the seventh year in succession; and

- (ii) Adopt the Members' Allowances Scheme 2015/16 as attached at Appendix A to the report, to come into effect from 21 May 2015.

## **9. Council Constitution - Updates**

The Cabinet Member for Finance and Central Services presented a report on the latest updates to the Council Constitution.

The Cabinet Member explained that the Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2015, which came into force on 11 May, 2015 introduced changes to the disciplinary process for the three statutory officer posts of Head of Paid Service, Monitoring Officer and Chief Finance Officer. As a consequence, the terms of reference of the JNC Disciplinary Panel required amendment, as did the Council's Employment Procedure Rules. A number of other minor changes had also been made, as well as the inclusion of reference to the new Pensions Board which was formally approved by the Assembly under Minute 55 of the last meeting.

With regard to the changes to the disciplinary process for the three statutory officer posts, Councillor Young sought clarification of the decision-making process for any future cases. The Cabinet Member confirmed that the recommendations of a JNC Disciplinary Panel would be presented to the Assembly, who in turn would deliberate the findings in private but make the final decision in public.

Assembly **resolved** to:

- (i) Note the revised arrangements in respect of the proposed dismissal of the Head of Paid Service, the Monitoring Officer and the Chief Finance Officer, in accordance with the Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2015; and
- (ii) Note the schedule of updates to the Constitution as set out in Appendix 1 to the report.

## **10. Questions With Notice**

### **Question 1**

#### **From Councillor Mullane**

"In light of the recent press stories regarding the tragedy that has occurred in Rotherham, including allegations that elected Councillors have been criticised for not undertaking an active role in ensuring safeguarding of the Boroughs children, does the Leader of the Council feel this Council has all safeguards in place to ensure this cannot happen in Barking and Dagenham?"

#### **Response**

Councillor Rodwell, Leader of the Council, thanked Cllr Mullane for raising the very important report from Rotherham and stated that strong leadership was essential in making sure that the Council did all that it could to put in place the

necessary safeguards to protect children in the borough. Councillor Rodwell referred to the assurance received from OFSTED following its inspection of the Barking and Dagenham Children's Services last year, which concluded that: "The multi-agency work in relation to missing children is effective, there is good multiagency working and the Local Safeguarding Children's Board (LSCB) has clear oversight of the issue via its Child Sexual Exploitation subgroups, which are chaired by senior representatives from the Police and Adults Services."

He also alluded to a joint review by several Government departments in April this year which concluded that:

"The Leader has made focusing on eliminating violence and abuse against women and children a priority for the council and the focus on child sexual exploitation sits within that context. The Council has been run by one political party for some time and the Leader is keen that scrutiny arrangements are robust to ensure there is proper challenge from both scrutiny committees and the Local Safeguarding Children's Board."

Councillor Rodwell also referred to the role of the Child Sexual Exploitation Champions, multi-agency working and the requirement for all staff, volunteers and school governors who work with children to have a disclosure and barring service (DBS) check. He added that as all Members had a role as 'corporate parents' and in view of the potential to have access to detailed information on young people, Members may want to think about strengthening their own leadership role and undertaking DBS checks.

## **Question 2**

### **From Councillor Young**

"Could the Cabinet Member for Environment please outline the exact costs to the Council incurred due to the ongoing industrial dispute including but not exclusive to security costs, overtime payments, agency staff and landfill payments?"

It was advised that Councillor Twomey, Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Finance and Central Services, would respond to all questions that related to the industrial dispute with the GMB Union, as he was the Council's lead spokesperson on the matter.

### **Response**

Councillor Twomey advised that the current budget position showed a net underspend of £47,920. The salaries not paid during the dispute amounted to £128,600, which was offset by £80,680 of additional costs relating to temporary staffing and recruitment, security, communications, vehicle costs, extension of opening times of Frizlands depot and miscellaneous equipment costs.

### **Supplementary Question**

Councillor Young asked whether the additional costs relating to staffing were for current agency staff or new agency staff.

Councillor Twomey clarified that only existing staff had been used to cover for

those drivers that were involved in the dispute.

### **Question 3**

#### **From Councillor Gill**

“Could the Cabinet Member for Environment please confirm if the Council will be providing a Council Tax rebate to residents for the non-collection of refuse and lack of services provided during the on-going strike?”

#### **Response**

Councillor Twomey advised that the Council would not, as the Council Tax was a statutory tax which helped to pay for a range of services of which the refuse service was a very small part.

#### **Supplementary Question**

Councillor Gill asked for further details as he felt that refuse collection was a basic service and the Council had recently increased the Council Tax.

Councillor Twomey responded that the Council had taken a unanimous decision in February to raise the Council Tax for 2015/16. The amount of rebate, if it were possible to make one, would represent approximately 30p per week per household and he referred to the Council's overall package of savings amounting to £29m which had to be made for 2015/16, which included the reduction to the pre-strike arrangements. Councillor Twomey also spoke on the details of the dispute and the extra measures being taken to mitigate the effects of the strike and advised that the Council had recently made a third offer to the GMB Union in an attempt to bring the dispute to an end, which he believed was very fair.

### **Question 4**

#### **From Councillor Gill**

“Could the Cabinet Member for Environment please advise why refuse collections for Longbridge Ward were missed out on non-strike days as part of the west-to-east collection strategy even though neighbouring wards received a collection?”

#### **Response**

Councillor Twomey advised that despite the exceptional circumstances, a service was continuing to be provided across the Longbridge area through an established pattern of collection on Mondays, with domestic grey bins emptied by the early shift and recycling brown or green bins collected on alternate Monday afternoons. The pattern operated from west to east.

Councillor Twomey also elaborated on some of the interim waste collection arrangements that were in place and the days lost to date as a consequence of the dispute.

#### **Supplementary Question**

Councillor Gill suggested that there were no advertised collection details for the Longbridge area and, in respect of the interim collection arrangements that had been introduced at various points in the Borough, enquired how

pensioners and those without a vehicle could be expected to deliver their household waste to those points.

Councillor Twomey acknowledged that not all residents were expected to use the collection points and some additional, assisted services were available alongside the collection services that were running. Additional services were also being provided to deal with any increase in fly-tipping.

## **Question 5**

### **From Councillor Mullane**

“Does the Cabinet Member for Housing feel, in this financial climate with rents having been increased and Council Tax too, that removing a caretaker from the Ibscott Estate in Village Ward, with poorer standards witnessed by the three ward councillors already, that officers must start listening to residents and elected councillors and reinstate the caretakers to three?”

### **Response**

Councillor Ashraf, Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Housing, advised that the allocation of resources, including staffing, was solely a matter for officers to decide, within the financial parameters agreed by Members as part of the budget setting process.

### **Supplementary Question**

Councillor Mullane clarified that she had been told that a Housing officer had made the decision and asked Councillor Ashraf if she would be prepared to meet with the Village ward councillors to discuss the decline in the caretaking service since the changes were introduced. Councillor Ashraf agreed to the request.

## **Question 6**

### **From Councillor Mullane**

“Can the Cabinet Member explain why councillors’ emails regarding casework are generally being ignored?”

### **Response**

Councillor Twomey stressed that Members’ casework should not be ignored under any circumstances and should also be dealt with within the stated timescales. He encouraged Members to report any failing directly to the relevant Chief Officer.

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## Labour Group Nominations - May 2015

## Appendix 1

### Main Council Committees

Committee (and typical arrangements)	Positions to be Appointed to	Nominations
<b>Assembly</b>	<b>Chair</b> <b>Deputy Chair</b>	<b>Chair</b> Cllr Ramsay <b>Deputy Chair</b> Cllr Ghani
<b>DCB</b>	<b>Chair</b> <b>Deputy Chair</b> <b>16 other Members</b> Total Membership = 18	<b>Chair</b> Cllr Alasia <b>Deputy Chair</b> Cllr Shaukat Councillors Ahammad, Aziz, Chand, Fergus, Freeborn, Geddes, Ghani, Miah, Ogungbose, Oluwole, C Rice, Turner, Wade, Phil Waker, White and Young
<b>JNC Panels (various)</b>	<b>4 non-Cabinet Members</b>	Cllrs Fergus, Kangethe, Keller, Zanitchkhah
<b>Licensing &amp; Regulatory Board</b>	<b>Chair</b> <b>Deputy Chair</b> <b>8 other Members</b> Total Membership = 10	<b>Chair</b> Cllr Channer <b>Deputy Chair</b> Cllr Oluwole <b>8 other Members</b> Cllrs Ahammad, Chand, Choudhury, Haroon, Hughes, Kangethe, Rai, Lee Waker
<b>Personnel Board</b>	<b>Chair</b> <b>Deputy Chair</b> <b>7 other Members</b> Total Membership = 9	<b>Chair</b> Cllr Jones <b>Deputy Chair</b> Cllr Mullane <b>7 other Members</b> Cllrs Alasia, Fergus, Freeborn, Keller, Oluwole, Rai, P Waker
<b>Standards Committee</b>	<b>Chair</b> <b>Deputy Chair</b> <b>4 other Members</b> Total Membership = 6	<b>Chair</b> Cllr Chand <b>Deputy Chair</b> Cllr Miah <b>4 other Members</b> Cllrs Fergus, Freeborn, Shaukat, Worby

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<b>Children's Services Select Committee</b>	<b>Deputy Lead Member</b> <b>7 other Members</b> Total Membership = 9	<b>Deputy Lead Member</b> Cllr Bartlett <b>7 other Members</b> Cllrs Bremner, Fergus, Freeborn, Kangethe, D Smith (two vacancies)
<b>Health &amp; Adult Services Select Committee</b>	<b>Deputy Lead Member</b> <b>7 other Members</b> Total Membership = 9	<b>Deputy Lead Member</b> Cllr Chand <b>7 other Members</b> Cllrs Alasia, Aziz, Fergus, Oluwole, Rai (two vacancies)
<b>Living &amp; Working Select Committee</b>	<b>Deputy Lead Member</b> <b>7 other Members</b> Total Membership = 9	<b>Deputy Lead Member</b> Cllr McCarthy <b>7 other Members</b> Cllrs Bartlett, Freeborn, Jones, L Smith, Reason, L Waker, Zanitchkhah
<b>Safer and Stronger Select Committee</b>	<b>Deputy Lead Member</b> <b>7 other Members</b> Total Membership = 9	<b>Deputy Lead Member</b> Cllr Lee Waker <b>7 other Members</b> Cllrs Bremner, Choudhury, Haroon, Jones, Rai, Ramsay, D Smith
<b>Public Accounts and Audit Select Committee</b>	<b>Deputy Lead Member</b> <b>3 other Members</b> Total Membership = 9 (Four positions filled by the Lead Members of the other four Select Committees)	<b>Deputy Lead Member</b> Cllr Jamu <b>3 other Members</b> Cllrs Gill, Oluwole, Ramsay.

## Labour Group Nominations - May 2015

Appendix 1

**Other Internal / Outside Bodies**  
(Appointments are for one year unless otherwise stated)

Organisation	Positions to be Appointed to (annual appointment unless specified)	Nominations
<b>Barking Housing Forum</b>	<b>1 Councillor per Ward</b> (with voting rights) from: Abbey Becontree Eastbury Gascoigne Goresbrook Longbridge Mayesbrook Thames	Cllr Butt Cllr Choudhury Cllr Rai Cllr Aziz Cllr Quadri Cllr L Rice Cllr D Smith Cllr Channer
<b>Dagenham Housing Forum</b>	<b>1 Councillor per Ward</b> (with voting rights) from: Alibon Chadwell Heath Eastbrook Heath Parsloes River Village Valence Whalebone	Cllr Hughes Cllr Bright Cllr Fergus Cllr Miles Cllr C Rice Cllr Keller Cllr Mullane Cllr Jones Cllr L Smith
<b>East London Waste Authority</b>	<b>1 Councillor</b>  (Cabinet Member for Environment automatically a Member)	Cllr Wade

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<b>Elevate Strategic Partner Board</b>	<b>1 Councillor</b>  (Cabinet Member for Finance and Cabinet Member for Central Services automatically Members)	Cllr Haroon
<b>Employee Joint Consultative Committee</b>	<b>5 Councillors</b>  (Cabinet Member for Central Services automatically a Member)	Cllrs Keller, Miles, Oluwole, Reason, Zanitchkhah
<b>Employee Joint Health, Safety and Wellbeing Committee</b>	<b>3 Councillors</b>  (Cabinet Member for Central Services automatically a Member)	Cllrs Keller, Reason, Zanitchkhah
<b>OFSTED Report Panel</b>	<b>2 Councillors</b> (appointment co-terminus with Borough elections)  (Cabinet Member for Education and Schools automatically a Member, plus up to 9 other Councillors)	Cllrs L Rice and Haroon  <b>Resignations:</b> Cllrs Bright and Mullane
<b>The Kallar Lodge and Few Lodge Trust Fund (formerly Brocklebank Lodge)</b>	<b>2 Councillors</b>	Cllrs Keller and Wade

**COUNCILLOR MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES 2015/16**

**ASSEMBLY**

All 51 Councillors

**CABINET**

Councillors Ashraf, Butt, Carpenter, Geddes, L Rice, Rodwell, Turner, Twomey and Worby

**CEREMONIAL COUNCIL**

All 51 Councillors

**CHILDREN'S SERVICES SELECT COMMITTEE**

Councillors Bartlett, Bremner, Fergus, Freeborn, Kangethe, D Smith and White (two vacancies)

**DEVELOPMENT CONTROL BOARD**

Councillors Ahammad, Alasia, Aziz, Chand, Fergus, Freeborn, Geddes, Ghani, Miah, Ogungbose, Oluwole, C Rice, Shaukat, Turner, Wade, P Waker, White and Young

**HEALTH AND ADULT SERVICES SELECT COMMITTEE**

Councillors Alasia, Aziz, Chand, Fergus, Keller, Oluwole and Rai (two vacancies)

**HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD**

Councillors Butt, Carpenter, Turner and Worby

**JNC PANELS (various)**

Councillors Ashraf, Fergus, Kangethe, Keller, Rodwell, Twomey and Zanitchkhah (plus relevant Cabinet Members where appropriate)

**LICENSING AND REGULATORY BOARD**

Councillors Ahammad, Chand, Channer, Choudhury, Haroon, Hughes, Kangethe, Oluwole, Rai and L Waker

**LIVING AND WORKING SELECT COMMITTEE**

Councillors Bartlett, Freeborn, Jones, McCarthy, Reason, L Smith, L Waker, P Waker and Zanitchkhah

**PENSIONS PANEL (four-year appointments to May 2018)**

Councillors Bright, McCarthy, Ogungbose, Quadri, Shaukat, Twomey and Wade

**PERSONNEL BOARD**

Councillors Alasia, Fergus, Freeborn, Jones, Keller, Mullane, Oluwole, Rai and P Waker

**PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT SELECT COMMITTEE**

Councillors Alexander, Gill, Jamu, Keller, Miles, Oluwole, Ramsay, P Waker and White

**SAFER AND STRONGER COMMUNITY SELECT COMMITTEE**

Councillors Alexander, Bremner, Choudhury, Haroon, Jones, Rai, Ramsay, D Smith and L Waker

**STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

Councillors Chand, Fergus, Freeborn, Miah, Shaukat and Worby

**CHAIRS AND DEPUTY CHAIRS 2015/16**

**ASSEMBLY**

**Chair:** Councillor Ramsay

**Deputy Chair:** Councillor Ghani

**CEREMONIAL COUNCIL**

**Chair:** The Mayor (Councillor Kangethe)

**Deputy Chair:** Chair of the Assembly (Councillor Ramsay)

**CABINET**

**Chair:** The Leader of the Council (Councillor Rodwell)

**Deputy Chairs:** The Deputy Leaders of the Council (Councillors Ashraf and Twomey)

**CHILDREN'S SERVICES SELECT COMMITTEE**

**Chair:** Councillor White (two-year appointment to May 2016)

**Deputy Chair:** Councillor Bartlett

**DEVELOPMENT CONTROL BOARD**

**Chair:** Councillor Alasia

**Deputy Chair:** Councillor Shaukat

**HEALTH AND ADULT SERVICES SELECT COMMITTEE**

**Chair:** Councillor Keller (two-year appointment to May 2016)

**Deputy Chair:** Councillor Chand

**HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD**

**Chair:** The Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care & Health (Councillor Worby)

**Deputy Chair:** appointed by the Board from amongst its membership

**LICENSING AND REGULATORY BOARD**

**Chair:** Councillor Channer

**Deputy Chair:** Councillor Oluwole

**LIVING AND WORKING SELECT COMMITTEE**

**Chair:** Councillor P Waker (two-year appointment to May 2016)

**Deputy Chair:** Councillor McCarthy

**PENSIONS PANEL** (four-year appointments to May 2018)

**Chair:** The Cabinet Member for Finance (Councillor Twomey)

**Deputy Chair:** Councillor Shaukat

**PERSONNEL BOARD**

**Chair:** Councillor Jones

**Deputy Chair:** Councillor Mullane

**PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT SELECT COMMITTEE**

**Chair:** Councillor Miles (two-year appointment to May 2016)

**Deputy Chair:** Councillor Jamu

**SAFER AND STRONGER COMMUNITY SELECT COMMITTEE**

**Chair:** Councillor Alexander (two-year appointment to May 2016)

**Deputy Chair:** Councillor L Waker

**STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

**Chair:** Councillor Chand

**Deputy Chair:** Councillor Miah



**COUNCIL REPRESENTATION ON VARIOUS INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL BODIES**  
**May 2015**

<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Representation required</b>	<b>Representation 2015/16</b> (1 year unless specified)
<b>Admissions Forum</b>	The Cabinet Member for Education and Schools plus 4 Councillors (4 year appointments)	Cllr Carpenter (June 2014 – May 2018) Cllr Bright (June 2014 – May 2018) Cllr Keller (June 2014 – May 2018) Cllr Oluwole (June 2014 – May 2018) Cllr Shaukat (June 2014 – May 2018)
<b>Barking and Dagenham Adoption and Permanence Panel</b>	1 Councillor (4 year appointment)	Cllr Turner (June 2014 – May 2018)
<b>Barking &amp; Dagenham Citizens' Advice Bureau</b>	2 Councillors (4 year appointments)	Cllr Chand (June 2014 – May 2018) Cllr Ogungbose (June 2014 – May 2018)
<b>Barking and Dagenham Fostering Panel</b>	2 Councillors (4 year appointments)	Cllr Bright (June 2014 – May 2018) Cllr Zanitchkhah (June 2014 – May 2018)
<b>Barking and Dagenham Reside</b>	Relevant Cabinet Members (Finance, Housing and Regeneration)	<b>Cabinet Appointment</b> (13 November 2012) Cllr Twomey Cllr Ashraf Cllr Geddes
<b>Barking and Dagenham Safeguarding Adults Board</b>	Relevant Cabinet Member (Adult Social Care and Health)	Cllr Worby

Organisation	Representation required	Representation 2015/16 (1 year unless specified)	
<b>Barking and Dagenham Safeguarding Children Board</b>	Relevant Cabinet Member <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Children's Services &amp; Social Care</li> <li>• Education and Schools</li> </ul>	Cllr Turner Cllr Carpenter	
<b>Barking Housing Forum</b>	One Councillor per Ward with voting rights.	Cllr Butt Cllr Choudhury Cllr Rai Cllr Aziz Cllr Quadri Cllr L Rice Cllr D Smith Cllr Channer	Abbey Becontree Eastbury Gascoigne Goresbrook Longbridge Mayesbrook Thames
<b>Barking Riverside Community Interest Company</b>	Relevant Cabinet Member (Regeneration) plus 1 Councillor appointed by Cabinet Member and 1 Thames Ward Councillor as substitute representative	Cllr Geddes Cllr Rodwell Cllr Channer	
<b>Barking Riverside Limited Board</b>	Relevant Cabinet Member (Regeneration) (observer status only)	Cllr Geddes	
<b>Children's Trust</b>	Relevant Cabinet Members <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Children's Services &amp; Social Care</li> <li>• Education and Schools</li> </ul>	Cllr Turner Cllr Carpenter	
<b>Community Safety Partnership</b>	Relevant Cabinet Member (Crime and Enforcement)	Cllr Butt	

Organisation	Representation required	Representation 2015/16 (1 year unless specified)	
<b>Dagenham Housing Forum</b>	One Councillor per Ward with voting rights.	Cllr Hughes Cllr Bright Cllr Fergus Cllr Miles Cllr C Rice Cllr Keller Cllr Mullane Cllr Jones Cllr L Smith	Alibon Chadwell Heath Eastbrook Heath Parsloes River Village Valence Whalebone
<b>East London Housing Partnership</b>	Relevant Cabinet Member (Housing)	Cllr Ashraf	
<b>East London Solutions Leaders' Group</b>	Leader of the Council	Cllr Rodwell	
<b>East London Waste Authority</b>	Relevant Cabinet Member (Environment) plus 1 Councillor	Cllr L Rice Cllr Wade	
<b>Elevate Limited Liability Partnership Board</b>	Relevant Cabinet Member (Central Services) plus 1 Councillor as deputy to be appointed by the Cabinet Member	Cllr Twomey Cllr Channer	
<b>Elevate Strategic Partner Board</b>	Relevant Cabinet Members (Finance) and (Central Services) and 1 non-cabinet Councillor	Cllr Twomey Cllr Haroon	

Organisation	Representation required	Representation 2015/16 (1 year unless specified)
<b>Employee Joint Consultative Committee</b>	Relevant Cabinet Member (Central Services) plus 5 Councillors	Cllr Twomey Cllr Keller Cllr Oluwole Cllr Miles Cllr Reason Cllr Zanitchkhah
<b>Employee Joint Health, Safety and Wellbeing Committee</b>	Relevant Cabinet Member (Central Services) plus 3 Councillors	Cllr Twomey Cllr Reason Cllr Keller Cllr Zanitchkhah
<b>Greater London Enterprise</b>	Relevant Cabinet Member (Regeneration)	Cllr Geddes
<b>Joint Committee of the Six Growth Boroughs</b> (formerly the Joint Cttee of the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Host Boroughs)	Two Cabinet Members	<b>Cabinet Appointment</b> (18 November 2014) Cllr Ashraf Cllr Rodwell
<b>Local Government Association - General Assembly</b>	Leader Deputy Leader (s) plus 1 Councillor appointed by the Leader	Cllr Rodwell Cllr Twomey Cllr Ashraf (1 x vacancy)
<b>Local Plan Steering Group</b>	The Leader of the Council and Relevant Cabinet Member(s): ❖ Regeneration ❖ Central Services ❖ Adult Social Care and Health	Cllr Rodwell Cllr Geddes Cllr Twomey Cllr Worby

Organisation	Representation required	Representation 2015/16 (1 year unless specified)
	(voting Members) plus the Chair and Deputy-Chair of the Development Control Board (non- voting)	Cllr Alasia Cllr Shaukat
<b>London Councils</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Children and Young People Forum</li> </ul>	Relevant Cabinet Member (Children's Social Care)	Cllr Turner
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Crime and Public Protection Forum</li> </ul>	Relevant Cabinet Member (Crime and Enforcement)	Cllr Butt
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Culture &amp; Tourism Forum</li> </ul>	Relevant Cabinet Member (Leader's portfolio)	Cllr Rodwell
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Economic Development / Regeneration Forum</li> </ul>	Relevant Cabinet Member (Regeneration)	Cllr Geddes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grants Committee (Associated Joint Committee)</li> </ul>	Relevant Cabinet Member (Leader's Portfolio) plus up to 4 named deputies (who must be Cabinet Members) to be appointed by the relevant Cabinet Member	Cllr Rodwell  (4 x deputy vacancies)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Greater London Employment Forum</li> </ul>	Relevant Cabinet Member (Central Services ) plus 1 deputy	Cllr Twomey Cllr Freeborn

Organisation	Representation required	Representation 2015/16 (1 year unless specified)
• Health and Adult Services Forum	Relevant Cabinet Member (Adult Social Care and Health)	Cllr Worby
• Housing Forum	Relevant Cabinet Member - Housing	Cllr Ashraf
• Leaders' Committee	Leader of the Council plus 2 named deputies to be appointed by the Leader	Cllr Rodwell Cllr Twomey Cllr Ashraf
• Planning Forum	Relevant Cabinet Member - Regeneration	Cllr Geddes
• Transport and Environment Committee (Associated Joint Committee)	Relevant Cabinet Member (Environment) plus up to 4 named deputies to be appointed by the Cabinet Member	Cllr L Rice Cllr Alasia Cllr Butt Cllr Geddes
<b>London Road Safety Council</b>	2 Councillors (2 year appointment)	Cllr Rai (June 2014 – May 2016) Cllr White (June 2014 – May 2016)
<b>May &amp; Baker Eastbrook Community Club</b>	3 Eastbrook Ward Councillors (co-terminus with Borough elections)	Cllr Fergus Cllr McCarthy Cllr Ramsay
<b>Members' Corporate Parent Group</b>	1 Councillor (appointed by the Relevant Cabinet Member - Children's Services & Social Care) – co-terminus with Borough elections	Cllr Channer (June 2014-May 2018)

Organisation	Representation required	Representation 2015/16 (1 year unless specified)
<b>OFSTED Report Panel</b>	Relevant Cabinet Member (Education and Schools) plus up to 9 other Councillors, for no longer than term of office as a Councillor.	Cllr Carpenter Cllr Geddes Cllr Haroon Cllr Rai Cllr P Waker Cllr White Cllr Kangethe Cllr L Rice (2 x vacancies)
<b>Public Transport Liaison Group</b>	Relevant Cabinet Member (Regeneration) plus 1 Councillor to be appointed by Cabinet Member	Cllr Geddes Cllr Turner
<b>Registered Provider Forum</b>	Relevant Cabinet Member (Housing) plus 2 Councillors to be appointed by the Cabinet Member	Cllr Ashraf Cllr Ahammad Cllr Fergus
<b>Reserve Forces and Cadets Association for Greater London</b>	The Leader or Deputy Leader(s) of the Council	Cllr Rodwell or Cllr Twomey or Cllr Ashraf
<b>Schools Investment Board</b>	Relevant Cabinet Members: ❖ Finance ❖ Education and Schools ❖ Regeneration	Cllr Twomey Cllr Carpenter Cllr Geddes
<b>Skills, Jobs and Enterprise Board</b>	Relevant Cabinet Member (Regeneration)	Cllr Geddes

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## TRUSTEES OF LOCAL CHARITIES 2015/16

### **Colin Pond Bursaries for Higher Education**

The Colin Pond Bursaries for Higher Education provides students with bursaries to continue into higher education. There is no specific term of office.

Council Appointed Trustees: Cabinet Member for Education and Schools, the Chief Finance Officer, the Corporate Director of Children's Services and the Head of Legal and Democratic Services.

### **Dagenham United Charity**

The Dagenham United Charity gives financial assistance to those in need at Christmas time and the area of benefit is the former Borough of Dagenham as at 1921 to 1924.

There are five trustees, four of whom are appointed by the Council and may be, but do not need to be, elected Members of the Council. They are elected for a four year term of office (June 2014 - May 2018):

Council Appointed Trustees: Councillors Chand, Mullane, Reason and L Waker

### **King George V Silver Jubilee Trust Fund**

This applies the net income from investments for the purpose of relieving cases of need, hardship or distress of children resident in the area.

The Council of the London Borough of Barking and subsequently Barking & Dagenham (being the successors to the said Urban District Council) appointed the Mayor, the Chairman of Social Services Committee (now the Lead Member for Children's Services) and the Director of Social Services (now the Corporate Director of Children's Services) to convene a meeting for the purpose of distribution. There is no specific term of office.

Council Appointed Trustees: The Mayor and the Corporate Director of Children's Services.

### **The Kallar Lodge and Fews Lodge Trust Fund**

This was established some years ago following a bequest to Brocklebank Lodge. Following approval by the Charity Commission in 2008 the Trust Fund was transferred to Lake Rise Residential Home, which is now known as Kallar Lodge, and the Trust Fund was renamed as The Kallar Lodge Trust Fund. The Trust Fund provides extra amenity for Kallar Lodge, over and above that which is provided by the Council.

The Trust usually meets once a year to approve the minutes, accounts and expenditure for the following year. The trustees are the former Directors of Finance and Social Services (both to be replaced at the Trust's Annual General Meeting) and two Member representatives who are nominated annually.

Council Appointed Trustees: Councillors Keller and Wade

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## STATUTORY CO-OPTED MEMBERS 2015/16

### Education co-opted members

Education co-opted members have a statutory right to be involved in the Council's decision making processes. However, under the legislation this only applies to an Overview and Scrutiny committee where their functions relate wholly or partly to educational matters which are the responsibility of the Authority's Cabinet.

The Regulations state that a Local Education Authority shall appoint at least two but not more than five Parent Governor representatives to Overview and Scrutiny and, on the assumption that the Council still maintains Roman Catholic schools, the total number of Church representatives to be appointed shall be one Church of England and one Roman Catholic.

Both Parent Governor and Church representatives, who are elected for a four year period, have the right to vote on education matters and the right to Call-In Cabinet decisions as any other non-Cabinet Member.

The current Church representatives are:-

Church of England	Ms Ingrid Robinson (from 18/7/2013)
Roman Catholic Church	Mrs G Spencer (re-appointed 18/7/2013)

The Parent Governor representatives are elected for a four year period - one representing primary schools, the other representing secondary schools. The current holders of these positions are:-

Primary Schools	Mrs Toluwalope Elizabeth Dahunsi (from 17/09/14)
Secondary Schools	vacant

### Standards Committee Independent Persons – 3 posts

Section 28 (7) of the Localism Act 2011 requires local authorities to appoint at least one Independent Person, who will have an advisory role in the determination of allegations that a Member has not complied with the Members' Code of Conduct.

Mr Michael Carpenter	10 October 2012 to Assembly meeting following the Annual Assembly in 2018
Dr Gurpreet Singh Bhatia	1 March 2015 to Assembly meeting following the Annual Assembly in 2018
Pastor Thomas Aderounmu	1 March 2015 to Assembly meeting following the Annual Assembly in 2018

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