# Council Meeting

**Meeting Date:** Wednesday 25th January, 2017

**Time:** 7.00 pm

**Venue:** Porchester Hall, Porchester Road, Bayswater, London, W2 5DU

**Members:**

All Councillors are hereby summoned to attend the Meeting for the transaction of the business set out.

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Corporate Website: [www.westminster.gov.uk](http://www.westminster.gov.uk)
1. Notification of Cabinet Members and Deputy Cabinet Members and Cabinet Member Terms of Reference (Pages 1 - 8)

2. Report of the General Purposes Committee (18.1.17) and Appendix C (Pages 9 - 16)

3. Priority Order of Business and Related Briefing Note (Pages 17 - 20)

Westminster City Hall
64 Victoria Street
London SW1
20 January 2017
1. **Executive Summary**

1.1 This report, submitted at the request of the Leader of the Majority Party, sets out the information, as required by Standing Order 2(2)(v)(a). These appointments are subject to the Leader of the Majority Group being elected as Leader of the Council at the Council meeting on 25 January 2017.

2. **Recommendations by the Leader of the Majority Group**

2.1 That the names of the Cabinet Members, proposed to be appointed, the wards they represent, be noted.

2.2 That the attached terms of reference of the Leader of the Council be endorsed.

3. **Background**

3.1 The Council’s Standing Orders require the elected Leader of the Council to advise of the information set out below:

- Names of Cabinet Members and their Wards
- Their delegated authorities (ie terms of reference)
- The terms of reference of the Cabinet and any Cabinet Committees.

3.2 The City Council’s Constitution requires the Leader of the Council, in addition to the matters set out in paragraph 3.1 above, to advise at the Council of any area committees or joint arrangements with other local authorities and the delegations of executive functions to officers. There are no Area Committees. Details of the joint committees with other local authorities are unchanged and set out in Article 11 of the
Constitution. The Constitution will also be updated to include the terms of reference of Cabinet Members as allocated by the Leader and available on the Council’s website.

3.3 Details of the executive functions delegated to officers are as set out in Appendix 7 of the Constitution which can be viewed on the Council’s website.

3.4 The Constitution will be updated to reflect the changes included here and in other reports on this agenda by the Head of Committee and Governance Services in accordance with his existing delegation.

If you have any queries about this report or wish to inspect any of the Background Papers please contact Mick Steward: 7641 3134; Email: msteward@westminster.gov.uk

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APPENDIX B

1. **THE LEADER (CABINET MEMBER)**

1. To provide leadership to the Cabinet in the delivery of City Policy, City for All and Corporate Strategy including the Council’s transformation programme, Triborough strategy and in consultation, where appropriate, with the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Services and Public Health the Sustainability and Transformation Plans.

2. To chair the Cabinet meetings, appoint/dismiss other Cabinet members and the Deputy Leader and appoint/dismiss committees of the Cabinet with terms of reference.

3. To determine the terms of reference of the Cabinet, the Deputy Leader and other individual Cabinet Members.

4. To exercise any executive function not otherwise allocated to either the Cabinet or any other individual Cabinet member, or to delegate such functions to another Cabinet member, a committee of the Cabinet, or to an officer.

5. In the absence or unavailability for any reason of another Cabinet Member, or on written notice to the relevant Cabinet Member, the Leader may exercise any of that Cabinet Member's functions him or herself or arrange for the discharge of those functions by another Cabinet Member(s), a committee of the Cabinet, or an officer, including those functions of the full Cabinet.

6. To co-ordinate links with external bodies and agencies in which the City Council has an interest, including the Royal Parks Board, West End Partnership and similar bodies and to optimise the benefits of those arrangements, including those where the lead is with another Cabinet Member.

7. To have oversight of the Council’s links with the local authority associations and to act as Lead Member on the Local Government Association and London Councils and London devolution and growth.

8. To have general oversight and responsibility for Government relations, public affairs of European Union matters in so far as they affect the Council’s interests.

9. To be responsible for the Council’s Communications, Government and public affairs.

10. To be responsible for the Government Relations Strategy including London Government; the Communications Strategy; the overall staffing arrangements of the Policy, Performance and Communications Directorate; and monitoring the effectiveness of the services provided by the Directorate including Members Services.
11. To refer matters for consideration by the Cabinet in accordance with paragraph 2(1)(e) of the Terms of Reference of the Cabinet.

12. To appoint and determine the membership and terms of reference of any non-decision making Cabinet Working Parties.

13. To appoint and determine the terms of reference of any non-decision making Lead Members.

14. To agree or confirm arrangements for the establishment of joint committees under Section 101 (5) of the Local Government Act 1972 in so far as the functions of any such joint committee are executive functions and to appoint Members thereto, save to the extent that the Leader delegates this function to another Cabinet Member or Cabinet Members.

15. To be responsible for any Partnerships not included in the Terms of Reference of any other Cabinet Member.

16. Subject to the policies and procedures approved by the Cabinet Member for Finance, Property and Corporate Services:

   1. To agree the general levels of service for all term contracts that are being let for the first time. In the case of contracts being re-let over the value of £1.5m to approve the service levels only where, in the opinion of the Executive Director, there are significant changes to these since the last contract award.

   2. To award all contracts exceeding £1,500,000 and consultants agreements exceeding £300,000 within the terms of reference of the Cabinet Member and contracts of lesser values where referred to the Cabinet Member by the relevant Chief Officer, with the exception of contracts which have been referred to the Cabinet Member for Finance and Corporate Services on the basis that there are corporate implications which need to be considered.

   3. To monitor the performance of contracts relating to the Cabinet Member’s terms of reference let by the said Cabinet Member for the first time or where the re-let of the contract has significant changes to service levels after the first six months after the award of the contract.

   4. To monitor all contracts within the terms of reference of the Cabinet Member where the contract value exceeds £1,500,000 (£300,000 in respect of consultant’s agreements).

   5. To approve extensions of contracts or contract overspends where the total contract value is more than £1.5 million and the extension or overspend would account for an additional cost of 10 per cent or more of the contract value.
6. To approve claims in excess of £150,000 from contractors for contracts within the Cabinet Member’s terms of reference.

7. To make decisions on requests for waiver of the Procurement Code in respect of contracts with overall values of more than £1,500,000 (£300,000 for consultancy agreements) for contracts within the Cabinet Member’s terms of reference).

8. To consider such other contractual matters as may be required by the Procurement Code.

9. To consider settlement of disputes which exceed £150,000.

10. To receive a briefing note advising of a contract award by an Executive Director or Corporate Leadership Team Member where the contract is more than £500,000 in value (£50,000 for consultancies) for contracts within the Cabinet Member’s terms of reference.
General Purposes Committee

Date: Wednesday 18 January 2017
Classification: For General Release
Title: Constitutional Issues
Report of: Head of Committee and Governance Services
Wards Involved: Not Applicable
Financial Summary: There are no financial implications
Report Author and Contact Details: Mick Steward
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1. Executive Summary

1.1 The recommendations in this report are submitted at the request of the Chief Whip of the Majority Party. They arise from the intention that Councillor Nickie Aiken, the Leader of the Majority Party, be nominated and formally elected Leader of the Council at the Council meeting on Wednesday 25 January 2017.

1.2 The reason and background for each of the recommendations is set out in the main body of the report.

2. Recommendations

2.1 That the Council be recommended to abolish Planning Applications Committee (5) and the City Plan Sub-Committee and that a new City Planning and Development Committee, with the Constitution and terms of reference as set out in Appendix A, be approved.

2.2 That the Council be recommended to approve the change of names of the Policy and Scrutiny Committees as set out below and their new terms of reference as set out in Appendix B.

- Adults, Health and Public Protection - unchanged
- Housing, Finance and Corporate Services - unchanged
- Children, Environment and Leisure – from Children, Sports and Leisure
- Business, Planning and Transport – from Environment and Customer Services

2.3 That the Council be recommended to appoint Councillors Julia Alexander and Karen Scarborough to replace Councillors Nickie Aiken and Nick Evans as members of the Licensing Committee.
3. **Background Information**

3.1 The Leader of the Majority Party has indicated that she would like a separate Committee, similar to that of the Licensing Committee, to be able to have sight, for consultation purposes, of proposed planning policy recommendations to the relevant Cabinet Member as the Committee sees fit. As this is currently the remit of the City Plan **Sub-Committee** it is proposed that this Sub-Committee be abolished.

3.2 The new City Planning and Development Committee (CP&D) is proposed to be constituted of 16 members (12 Majority party and 4 Minority party members). All being members of the four Planning Applications Committees. The CP&D Committee will be able to discuss issues common to all Committees and receive training on matters relating to their work.

3.3 Following the Cabinet re-shuffle announced by the Leader of the Majority Party, subject to her being formally elected Leader of the Council on 25 January 2017, some minor changes to the names and the Terms of References of Policy and Scrutiny Committees is required.

3.4 The revised Terms of Reference are as set out in Appendix A. These set out the revised reporting lines for Cabinet Members. As a result of the revised terms of reference more suitable names for the existing Policy and Scrutiny Committees are suggested. The proposed names are set out in recommendation 2.2 above.

3.5 The appointment of Members to the Licensing Committee is a matter reserved to full Council. Accordingly, the Council must be asked to agree the change in membership.

3.6 Arrangements will be made for Councillors Alexander and Scarborough to receive the necessary training to enable her to sit on the Licensing Sub-Committees which consider applications and reviews in accordance with the Licensing Act 2003.

3.7 Section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (rules relating to proportionality on Committees and Sub-Committees) does not apply to the Licensing Committee or its Sub-Committees.

4. **Legal Implications**

4.1 There are no legal implications arising from the contents of this report. The Council is required to have at least one Committee appointed to carry out the Policy and Scrutiny functions. No review of the proportionality of seats on Committees is triggered by these changes. The next review will be reported to the Annual Council meeting on 17 May 2017.

6. **Financial Implications**

None.

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1972  
BACKGROUND PAPERS - None
APPENDIX A

City Planning and Development Committee

Constitution

16 members of the Council (12 Majority party members and 4 Minority party members). Such members to be members of the Planning Applications Committees (Nos 1 to 4).

Terms of Reference

1. To consider proposed local plan policies (and supplementary planning documents) at appropriate stages of the statutory process for their preparation and adoption and make recommendations to the relevant Cabinet Member.

2. To have oversight of the practices and procedures of the Planning Applications Committees (but not to consider individual planning applications) making recommendations where necessary to officers, Planning Applications Committees and/or the Cabinet Member for Planning and Public Realm.

3. To consider and recommend a training programme for members of the Planning Applications Committees.
APPENDIX B

ADULTS, HEALTH AND PUBLIC PROTECTION POLICY AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

CONSTITUTION

8 Members of the Council (6 Majority Party Members and 2 Minority Party Member), but shall not include a Member of the Cabinet.

TERMS OF REFERENCE

(a) To carry out the Policy and Scrutiny functions, as set out in Article 6 of the Constitution in respect of matters relating to all those duties within the terms of reference of the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Services and Public Health and the Cabinet Member for Public Protection and Licensing.

(b) To carry out the Policy and Scrutiny function in respect of matters within the remit of the Council's non-executive Committees and Sub-Committees, which are within the broad remit of the Committee, in accordance with paragraph 13 (a) of the Policy and Scrutiny procedure rules.

(c) Matters within the broad remit of the Cabinet Members referred to in (a) above which are the responsibility of external agencies and in particular to scrutinise matters relating to the provision of Health Services within Westminster, including the consideration of any reports referred by the local Health Watch.

(d) To scrutinise the duties of the Lead Members which fall within the remit of the Committee or as otherwise allocated by the Westminster Scrutiny Commission.

(e) To scrutinise any Tri-borough proposals which impact on service areas that fall within the Committee’s terms of reference.

(f) Any other matter allocated by the Westminster Scrutiny Commission.

(g) To have the power to establish ad hoc or Standing Sub-Committees as Task Groups to carry out the scrutiny of functions within these terms of reference.

(h) To oversee any issues relating to Performance within the Committee’s terms of reference.

(i) To have the power to scrutinise those partner organisations that are relevant to the remit of the Committee.

(j) To consider any Councillor Calls for Action referred by a Ward Member to the Committee.

(k) To discharge the Council’s statutory responsibilities under Section 7 and 11 of the Health and Social Care Act 2001 with regard to any planned substantial developments and variations to NHS services.

(l) To oversee strategic and accountability issues within local health commissioners and providers.
CHILDREN, ENVIRONMENT AND LEISURE POLICY AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

CONSTITUTION

8 Members of the Council (6 Majority Party Members and 2 Minority Party Members, but shall not include a Member of the Cabinet.

4 co-opted Members with voting rights ie one co-opted representative each from the Church of England and Roman Catholic Diocesan Education Boards and two Parent Governor Representatives. 2 co-opted Members without voting rights, ie 2 Headteachers of Westminster maintained schools.

NB: The voting rights of the co-opted only extend to matters relating to Education.

TERMS OF REFERENCE

(a) To carry out the Policy and Scrutiny functions, as set out in Article 6 of the Constitution, in respect of matters relating to all those duties within the terms of reference of the Cabinet Member for Children, Families and Young People and the Cabinet Member for Environment, Sports and Community.

(b) To carry out the Policy and Scrutiny function in respect of matters within the remit of the Council’s non-executive Committees and Sub-Committees, which are within the broad remit of the Committee, in accordance with paragraph 13 (a) of the Policy and Scrutiny procedure rules.

(c) Matters, within the broad remit of the Cabinet Members referred to in (a) above which are the responsibility of external agencies.

(d) Any other matter allocated by the Westminster Scrutiny Commission.

(e) To have the power to establish ad hoc or Standing Sub-Committees as Task Groups to carry out the Scrutiny of functions within these terms of reference.

(f) To scrutinise the duties of the Lead Members which fall within the remit of the Committee or as otherwise allocated by the Westminster Scrutiny Commission.

(g) To scrutinise any Tri-borough proposals which impact on service areas that fall within the Committee’s terms of reference

(h) To oversee any issues relating to Performance that fall within the Committee’s terms of reference.

(i) To have the power to scrutinise those partner organisations that are relevant to the remit of the Committee.

(j) To consider any Councillor Calls for Action referred by a Ward Member to the Committee.
HOUSING, FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES POLICY AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

CONSTITUTION

8 Members of the Council (6 Majority Party Members and 2 Minority Party Members), but shall not include a Member of the Cabinet.

TERMS OF REFERENCE

(a) To carry out the Policy and Scrutiny functions, as set out in Article 6 of the Constitution in respect of matters relating to all those duties within the terms of reference of the Cabinet Member for Housing and Cabinet Member for Finance and Property, Corporate Services.

(b) To carry out the Policy and Scrutiny function in respect of matters within the remit of the Council's non-executive Committees and Sub-Committees, which are within the broad remit of the Committee, in accordance with paragraph 13 (a) of the Policy and Scrutiny procedure rules.

(c) Matters within the broad remit of the Cabinet Members referred to in (a) above which are the responsibility of external agencies.

(d) Any other matter allocated by the Westminster Scrutiny Commission.

(e) To have the power to establish ad hoc or Standing Sub-Committees as Task Groups to carry out the scrutiny of functions within these terms of reference.

(f) To scrutinise the duties of the Lead Members which fall within the remit of the Committee or as otherwise allocated by the Westminster Scrutiny Commission.

(g) To scrutinise any Tri-borough proposals which impact on service areas that fall within the Committee’s terms of reference.

(h) To oversee any issues relating to Performance within the Committee’s terms of reference.

(i) To have the power to scrutinise those partner organisations under a duty to that are relevant to the remit of the Committee.

(j) To consider any Councillor Calls for Action referred by a Ward Member to the Committee.
BUSINESS PLANNING AND TRANSPORT POLICY AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

CONSTITUTION

8 Members of the Council (6 Majority Party Members and 2 Minority Party Members).

TERMS OF REFERENCE

(a) To carry out the Policy and Scrutiny functions, as set out in Article 6 of the Constitution in respect of matters relating to all those duties within the terms of reference of the Cabinet Member for Business, Culture and Heritage, Cabinet Member for Planning and Public Realm and Cabinet Member for City Highways.

(b) To carry out the Policy and Scrutiny function in respect of matters within the remit of the Council’s non-executive Committees and Sub-Committees, which are within the broad remit of the Committee, in accordance with paragraph 13 (a) of the Policy and Scrutiny procedure rules.

(c) Matters within the broad remit of the Cabinet Members referred to in (a) above which are the responsibility of external agencies.

(d) Any other matter allocated by the Westminster Scrutiny Commission (WSC).

(e) To have the power to establish ad hoc or Standing Sub-Committees as Task Groups to carry out the scrutiny of functions within these terms of reference.

(f) To scrutinise the duties of the Lead Members which fall within the remit of the Committee or as otherwise allocated by the Westminster Scrutiny Commission.

(g) To scrutinise any Tri-borough proposals which impact on service areas that fall within the Committee’s terms of reference.

(h) To oversee any issues relating to Performance that fall within the Committee’s terms of reference.

(i) To have the power to scrutinise those partner organisations whose services fall within the Committee’s terms of reference.

(j) To consider any Councillor Calls for Action referred by a Ward Member to the Committee.
1. **Constitutional Issues**

(a) The Leader of the Majority Party has, subject to her being elected as Leader of the Council, made changes to her proposed Cabinet to which constitutional changes arise, as follows:

(i) **Planning:** It is proposed to abolish the current City Plan Sub-Committee and Planning Applications Committee No 5. The work of the City Plan Sub-Committee being undertaken by a new City Planning and Development Committee whose terms of reference and Constitution are fully set out in the report we considered attached as Appendix C. The work of Planning Applications Committee No 5 will be absorbed by the remaining Planning Applications Committees.

(ii) **Policy and Scrutiny Committees:** The proposals result from the changes to Cabinet Member portfolios and the new names, where necessary and revised terms of reference are included in Appendix C for approval.

(iii) **Licensing Committee Membership:** The Majority party wish to replace Councillors Aiken and Evans with Councillors Alexandra and Scarborough. The full Council is asked to approve these changes.

We recommended that the Council approve the changes to Committees/Sub-Committees, including terms of reference and memberships of the Licensing Committee, as set out in Appendix C.

Tim Mitchell, Chairman

**Background Papers**

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A Briefing Note is attached

### MAJORITY PARTY

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Charlie Parker  
Chief Executive  
20 January 2017
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Council Meeting: 25 January 2017

Briefing Note

Subject: **Sports and Leisure Services- Active Westminster: An Active City for All**

**Background**

Sports, leisure and physical activity opportunities in Westminster are delivered through a 'mixed economy' of voluntary, public, private and charitable organisations. The Council’s Sports and Leisure team plays a key leadership, brokerage and commissioning role in coordinating, promoting and developing the overall offer to ensure the best possible opportunities are available to meet the needs of Westminster’s diverse communities. The ActiveWestminster partnership and strategy has helped to provide a collective purpose for approximately 300 organisations with an interest and influence in the delivery and development of sport and physical activity opportunities across the city and the annual ActiveWestminster awards provides an opportunity to celebrate and recognise the excellent work being delivered across the City.

The core areas of the sports and leisure service include:
- Sports and Leisure Facilities
- Sports Development
- PE and School Sport

**Sports and Leisure Facilities**

The Council’s sports and leisure facilities attract over 3.7 million visits per annum and visitor numbers have risen consistently over the past decade. Residents benefit from a variety of accessible activity programmes and discounted fees and charges which includes free swimming for young residents and resident concessions. The Council has recently awarded a new management contract to Everyone Active which has secured a number of additional benefits including:

- **£9m capital investment** in a variety of improvements in facilities and new equipment across the centres
- **130 hours of ‘free to access’ sport and physical activities** per week through a new ActiveCommunities programme, delivered in community settings
- **A free to access GP exercise referral** programme
- **£20,000 per annum additional financial support for local talented athletes**
- **Improved marketing and communications** activities
- **Increased social value** including Time Credits for volunteers to earn and spend, improved opportunities to promote local employment including 10 new Westminster apprenticeships per year and a free Christmas Lunch and entertainment for 300 lonely & isolated residents at Porchester Hall.

Significant investment in community sports and leisure facilities has been made including a £7m regeneration of Paddington Recreation Ground, the new Little Venice Sports Centre, a £12m investment to re-develop Marshall St Leisure Centre and a major capital investment across existing centres to enhance services and provide a wider range of facilities to promote accessibility. The Council has also achieved community use of new sports facilities at secondary schools and has invested in a variety of free to access facilities to help residents become active at no cost including outdoor gyms and new games areas.

Positive progress is being made with the £28m Active Queens Park project and the new Moberly Sports Centre is due for completion in March 2018. A new community sports and leisure centre has also been secured as part of the Chelsea Barracks development which is due for completion in 2024.
Officers are currently reviewing feedback from the first round of consultation on the use of a Development Opportunity Framework (DOF) for the Queen Mother Sports Centre site. A new or renovated sports and leisure centre would form a major part of any redevelopment of the site, as the site’s use is strongly protected by planning policy. It is anticipated that a second round of consultation on the DOF will take place later this year.

**Sports Development**

Key sports development programmes include:

- **The Neighbourhood Sports Club Programme** - a flagship programme of over 120 hours of free ‘door-step’ sports activities in housing estates and community venues for children and young people, which engages 15,000 participants a year.
- **Low cost school holiday activities** including the popular ‘Edutain’ programme which attracts 2,000 participants each year.
- **‘Unity in the Community’ tournaments** which attract young people from different parts of Westminster and help to promote community cohesion.
- A range of **participation programmes** including ‘ParkMakers’ which encourages physical activity opportunities in parks and open spaces.
- **Health and Wellbeing activities** including a free to access exercise referral programme which attracts 6,000 participants annually.
- **Specific activities and programmes to encourage ‘low participation groups’** including those with limiting disabilities, older people and women and girls.
- **Vocational training programmes** providing coaching courses for over 100 volunteer young people wishing to develop a career in sport.
- **School Competitions and London Youth Games** which engages over 14,000 participants in a variety of competitive sports opportunities throughout the year.
- **Participatory events** including the flagship ‘Westminster Mile’ which attracted over 6,000 participants in 2016. A new Daily Mile programme is also set to be launched to all Westminster Primary Schools in 2017.

**PE and School Sport**

A comprehensive offer of **PE and School Sport services** has been developed in partnership with schools and includes:

- **An annual competitions programme** which provides around 300 competition fixtures each year and engages around 7,500 participants.
- **PE and School Sport ‘health checks’** which ensures quality programmes and teaching is in place throughout Westminster Schools.
- **A Continued Professional Development** (CPD) programme that benefits around 120 teachers and coaches who work in schools every year.
- **A Leadership Academy** for over 100 older students each year which provides leadership training and opportunities to develop skills in coaching and sports management.
- **A Satellite Sports Clubs programme** utilising community use of schools to expand and develop community clubs throughout the city.

**Summary**

This briefing note provides a summary of the Council’s sports and leisure offer. Overall participation in sport and physical activity continues to increase and Westminster is now the 5th most active borough in London.