

Leaders' Committee

Fire Safety Group – Membership and Terms of Reference Item no: 7

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Summary

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Recommendations

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Recommendation:

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Financial Implications for London Councils

There are no financial implications for London Councils arising from this report.

Legal Implications for London Councils

There are no legal implications for London Councils arising from this report.

Equalities Implications for London Councils

There are no equalities implications for London Councils arising from this report.

Appendix: Terms of Reference of the Fire Safety Group

6. Fire Safety Members' Group

6.1 The Fire Safety Members' group is a sub-Committee of Leaders' Committee, formed to consider the emerging pan-London response to developing fire safety issues, reporting back to Leaders' Committee.

6.2 Quorum

The quorum shall be one third of the membership.

6.3 Membership

TBD

6.4 Terms of Reference

- 6.4.1.1** provide a dedicated Leader level forum for discussion of fire safety issues and to offer advice on any pan-London response to Leaders' working together through London Councils decision making machinery including Executive and Leaders' Committee on associated policy and practical issues arising. The Members' Group will also receive reports from the work of the London Housing Directors' Fire Safety Sub Group. These reports would include but not be limited to:
- 6.4.1.2** Taking an overview of considerations on management and remediation where fire safety issues are found in borough stock and sharing information and learning.
- 6.4.1.3** Taking an overview of developing practice of managing fire safety issues in privately owned stock, including considering where changes to current guidance could make it easier for boroughs to ensure the safety of residents. Considering any appropriate pan-London responses to fire safety aspects of upcoming reports (including but not limited to the Hackitt review and aspects of the Grenfell Inquiry).
- 6.4.1.4** The Members' Group will report back to Executive and Leaders' Committee, having no delegated authority of its own.