

London Councils' Transport and Environment Committee

TEC Nominations to Outside Bodies and TEC Funding Sub-Group 2022/23

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Summary:

This report seeks the Committee's nominations to various outside bodies which relate to the work of the Committee for 2022/23. All nominations to outside bodies are made by the London Councils' Leaders Committee which has delegated this function to an Appointments Panel comprising of the Executive Officers. The Appointments Panel further delegated the task to the Chief Executive of London Councils, within agreed guidelines including consultation with the chair of the relevant London Councils member body, in this case the Chairman of London Councils' Transport & Environment Committee. The list of approved nominations will then go before London Councils Executive Officers sitting as the Appointments Panel for ratification. The committee also has the power to set up sub-groups to address specific matters of concern.

Recommendations

Members are asked:

- To agree names to be passed on to the Chief Executive of London Councils, for appointment to outside bodies.
- To decide whether to re-constitute the TEC funding sub-group in 2022/23
- To agree the membership of the TEC funding sub-group (dependent on the decision above). The group previously comprised of the three vice chairs of TEC (with the Labour Vice Chair chairing the meetings), along with two additional Labour TEC members and a Conservative TEC member.

1. Member Level Appointments to Outside Bodies

There are several outside bodies which have member-level representation from London Councils. All nominations to outside bodies are made by the London Councils Leaders' Committee which has delegated this function to an Appointments Panel comprising the Executive Officers of London Councils. The Appointments Panel further delegated the task to the Chief Executive of London Councils, within agreed guidelines including consultation with the chair of the relevant London Councils member body, in this case the Chair of London Councils' TEC. The list of approved nominations will then go before London Councils' Executive Officers, sitting as the Appointments Panel for ratification. This report seeks the guidance of London Councils' TEC in agreeing which names are to be passed on to the Chief Executive for appointment to the bodies listed below.

2. Bodies Seeking Nominations

The following bodies have sought member nominations from London Councils in the field of transport and the environment:

(a) Heathrow Airport Consultative Committee (HACC)

The HACC is a statutory "watchdog" for Heathrow Airport which reviews all matters of interest to stakeholders in London relating to Heathrow Airport, including surface access, employment and safety and operational issues. Meetings are held at Heathrow every two months. London Councils is asked to make one nomination per year, plus one deputy.

The TEC member for 2021/22 was Councillor Steve Curran (LB Hounslow). Councillor Peter Craske (LB Bexley) was the Conservative Deputy for 2021/22.

The HACC have requested that TEC select a representative from a borough that is not in the general vicinity of Heathrow Airport, for 2022/23, as these boroughs are already represented on the HACC in their own right.

(b) Thames Regional Flood & Coastal Committee (Thames RFCC)

The Thames Regional Flood & Coastal Committee (Thames RFCC) was established by the Environment Agency (EA) under the Flood and Water Management Act 2010. It brings together members appointed by Lead Local Flood Authorities (LLFAs) and independent members with relevant experience to ensure there are coherent plans for identifying and managing flood risks, to ensure investment is value for money and efficient, and provide links between the EA and LLFAs

Borough membership of the Committee (7 borough members) is made through London Councils' TEC. Nominations are made on a yearly basis, and deputies for each region are required. The Thames RFCC meets quarterly. The 7 areas are listed below.

Group	Boroughs	Rationale and characteristics
West	Hillingdon, Hounslow, Ealing, Brent, Harrow, Barnet (Conservative)	Virtually all of the Brent, Crane and Pinn catchments are contained within these boroughs
South West	Richmond upon Thames, Kingston upon Thames, Sutton, Merton, Wandsworth, Croydon (Liberal Democrat)	All of the Hogsmill, Beverley Brook, Wandle and Graveney catchments are contained within these boroughs

South East	Bromley, Lewisham, Greenwich, Bexley (Labour)	Virtually all of the Ravensbourne catchment is within these boroughs
North East	Havering, Barking and Dagenham, Redbridge (Labour)	These boroughs comprise the parts of the Roding, Beam and Ingrebourne catchments that flow through London
Central North	Hammersmith and Fulham, Kensington and Chelsea, City of Westminster, City, Camden, Islington (Labour)	Most of the risks within these boroughs are from surface water flooding (or from Thames tidal flooding managed by the Environment Agency).
Central South	Lambeth, Southwark (Labour)	Most of the risks within these boroughs are from surface water flooding (or from Thames tidal flooding managed by the Environment Agency).
North	Hackney, Tower Hamlets, Haringey, Enfield, Waltham Forest, Newham (Labour)	The River Lee and its tributaries are largely within these boroughs

The representatives to the Thames RFCC for last year (2021/22) for each of the seven groups are listed below:

- North West: Cllr Peter Zinkin – LB Barnet (Conservative)
- South West: Cllr Julia Neaden-Watts – LB Richmond (Liberal Democrat)
- South East: Cllr Sizwe James - RB Greenwich (Labour)
- North East: Cllr Syed Ghani – LB Barking & Dagenham (Labour)
- Central North: Cllr Johnny Thalassites - RB Kensington & Chelsea (Conservative)
- Central South: Cllr Johnson Situ - LB Southwark (Labour), and
- North: Cllr James Asser – LB Newham (Labour)

Nominations were now being sought for the Thames RFCC for 2022/23

(c) The London Sustainable Development Commission (LSDC)

The LSDC works to develop a coherent approach to sustainable development throughout London, not only to improve the quality of life of Londoners today and for generations to come but also to reduce London's footprint on the rest of the UK and the world. Nomination is sought to ensure the views of London boroughs are represented on the Commission and the work they are undertaking, including the setting of performance indicators. Meetings take place every quarter and nominations are made on an annual basis

Councillor Rowena Champion (LB Islington) was the TEC representative on the LSDC for 2020/21. A nomination for 2022/23 is now required.

(d) Urban Design London (UDL)

The UDL aims to help practitioners create and maintain well-designed, good quality places. It does this through events, training, networking and online advice. Nominations take place on an annual basis. The UDL meets 3 to 4 times per year.

Councillor Nigel Haselden (LB Lambeth) and Councillor Johnny Thalassites (RB Kensington & Chelsea) were previously nominated to this body in 2021/22. Nominations are now sought for the UDL for 2022/23.

(e) London City Airport Consultative Committee (LCACC)

The London City Airport Consultative Committee (LCACC) was set up by London City Airport in 1986 as a consultative body whose membership represents users of the airport, local authorities in whose area the airport is situated or whose area is in the neighbourhood of the airport and other organisations representing local communities. Its primary function is to serve as an organised forum in which the Airport can inform its stakeholders of current issues and seek their feedback. It meets four times a year.

The membership includes representatives from the boroughs most directly affected by the Airport's operations namely Newham (three members as required by the Airport's S106 planning agreement), Tower Hamlets, Greenwich, Bexley and Barking and Dagenham. Changes by National Air Traffic Services to flight paths in the Terminal Control North area mean that residents of other boroughs are also affected by the Airport's operations, particularly those in Waltham Forest, Redbridge and Havering. In January 2010, the LCACC invited London Councils to nominate a representative from one of these boroughs to represent all three of them on the Committee. The LCACC meets four times a year and nominations are on an annual basis.

The position was vacant. *The Committee may wish to nominate the TEC member from LB Havering, who's turn it is to represent TEC at the LCACC for 2022/23.*

(f) ReLondon (formerly the London Waste & Recycling Board/LWARB)

The Greater London Authority (GLA) Act 2007 provided the legal framework for the establishment of a statutory Board to facilitate waste management across London – ReLondon (formerly the London Waste and Recycling Board (LWARB)). The objective of the Board is to promote and encourage the production of less waste, an increase in the proportion of waste that is re-used or recycled, and the use of methods which are more beneficial to the environment.

Appointments to the Board are for 4 years (renewable once). Current London Councils' appointments are:

Councillor Nesil Caliskan (LB Enfield)
Councillor Claire Holland (LB Lambeth)
Councillor Krupa Sheth (LB Brent)
*Councillor Guy Senior (LB Wandsworth)
Chantelle Nicolson (Independent)
Joe Murphy (Independent)

*No nominations are required until 2024, except for Councillor Guy Senior (LB Wandsworth) whose first term ends on 13 August 2022. *A new Conservative nomination will be required from 13 August 2022, for a period of four years.*

(g) London Cycling Campaign (LCC) Policy Forum

On the request of TEC, the LCC policy Forum has included a representative from TEC since September 2012.

Members of this Forum are voted in, which is why the TEC representative is a non-voting member. The Policy Forum meets quarterly and reviews and develops LCC's policy positions and priority issues. Nominations are on an annual basis

Councillor Mike Hakata (LB Haringey) was the TEC representative for 2021/22. *A Nomination to the LCC Policy Forum is now sought for 2022/23.*

(h) London Fuel Poverty Partnership

In May 2018 the Mayor established the London Fuel Poverty Partnership to deliver his Fuel Poverty Action Plan. The partnership brings together stakeholders from sectors including local suppliers and the energy efficiency industry. The group aims to not only assist the Mayor in delivering fuel poverty support but also works across support services to identify households living in fuel poverty, so they can get the support they need. The Partnership encourages all sectors and organisations to play their part and its members act as advocates for improvements in policy and delivery.

Alongside London Councils the Association of Local Energy Officers (ALEO) London and the London Association of Directors of Adult Social Services (London ADASS) are represented. The Partnership meets three times a year.

The Partnership is co-chaired by Shirley Rodrigues, Deputy Mayor for Environment & Energy, and Debbie Weekes-Bernard, Deputy Mayor for Social Integration, Social Mobility and Community Engagement.

A Labour nomination to the London Fuel Poverty Partnership is now sought for 2022/23.

3. TEC Funding Sub Group

In 2021/22, the committee decided to set up a funding sub-group reflecting the political make-up of the committee. The group previously comprised of the three vice chairs of TEC (with the Labour Vice Chair chairing the meetings), along with two additional Labour TEC members and a Conservative TEC member.

The group's aims were to:

- a. Better understand the current funding arrangements in London
- b. identify key challenges London boroughs are facing
- c. identify possible solutions to the challenges and to coordinate a strategic, pan-London, cross-party approach.

The committee is asked to decide whether it wishes to re-establish this group and if so, decide on its membership.

4. Financial Implications

There are no financial implications.

5. Legal Implications

There are no legal implications.

6. Equalities Implications

There are no equalities implications from this report.

Background Papers:

Short Title of Document	Date	File Location	Contact Officer	Exempt Info Para under Schedule 12A
TEC AGM Mins	June 2013	London Councils/ K-Drive/ Committees/TEC /June 2013	Alan Edwards	N/A