Report No. RES12042

London Borough of Bromley

Agenda Item No.

PART 1 - PUBLIC

Decision Maker: General Purposes and Licensing Committee

Date: 14 March 2012

Decision Type: Non-Urgent Non-Executive Non-Key

Title: APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES

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Ward: N/A

1. Reason for report

1.1 In May each year, the Committee considers a report on the appointment of Council representatives to serve on Outside Bodies and Partnership Bodies. Most appointments are renewed annually, but a small number run for longer periods and do not necessarily tie in with the Council year. Three appointments are now due for consideration to (1) the Diocese of Rochester Board of Education, (2) the Hayes (Kent) Trust and (3) the Phillips and Lubbock Foundations.

2. **RECOMMENDATION**

- 2.1 That the Committee appoints a Councillor to serve as the Council's representative on the Diocese of Rochester Board of Education for the three year period expiring on 31st December 2014.
- 2.2 That the Committee re-appoints Mrs C Truelove to the Hayes (Kent) Trust for the four year period expiring in May 2016.
- 2.3 That, unless a nomination is made by the trustees, the vacancy on the Phillips and Lubbock Foundation be considered at the Committee's next meeting.

Corporate Policy

- 1. Policy Status: Existing policy.
- 2. BBB Priority: Excellent Council.

Financial

- 1. Cost of proposal: No cost
- 2. Ongoing costs: N/A.
- 3. Budget head/performance centre: Democratic Services
- 4. Total current budget for this head: £344,054
- 5. Source of funding: 2011/12 budget

Staff

- 1. Number of staff (current and additional): The Democratic Services Team consists of nine posts (8.22fte).
- 2. If from existing staff resources, number of staff hours: Liaison with outside bodies about Council appointments forms a small proportion of one post within the Democratic Services Team.

Legal

- 1. Legal Requirement: No statutory requirement or Government guidance.
- 2. Call-in: Call-in is not applicable.

Customer Impact

Estimated number of users/beneficiaries (current and projected): N/A

Ward Councillor Views

- 1. Have Ward Councillors been asked for comments? No.
- 2. Summary of Ward Councillors comments: N/A

3. COMMENTARY

3.1 Most outside body appointments are made on an annual basis by the Committee at its first meeting of the Council year in May, but a number of appointments are for longer periods which do not necessarily match the Council year. Three appointments now need to be considered as follows.

Diocese of Rochester Board of Education

The Council appoints one Councillor to the Diocese of Rochester Board of Education, which meets about six times per annum in Rochester. The Board supports Church of England Schools in Kent, Medway, Bexley and Bromley. Councillor Roger Charsley was appointed for a three year period ending on 31st December 2011, but he resigned before the end of his term of office, and the remainder of his term was covered by Councillor Stephen Carr. Councillor Carr now wishes to stand down and the Committee is requested to appoint a new Member for the three year period ending on 31st December 2014.

Hayes (Kent) Trust

The Council appoints two representatives (not necessarily Councillors) to the Hayes (Kent) Trust, which meets about six times per annum and makes grants for the benefit of residents of Hayes. Mrs Alison Naish was appointed in May 2010 for a four year period ending in May 2014. Mrs C Truelove was appointed in May 2008 and her term of office expires in May 2012. The Secretary of the Trust has indicated that Mrs Truelove would like to continue for a further four year period and has asked the Council to confirm her re-appointment.

Phillips and Lubbock Foundations

The Council has just been informed of the death of Mrs KB Freeman, a long-serving trustee of the Phillips and Lubbock Foundations. Mrs Freeman was one of four Council appointees to the Trust, which makes educational grants within the Parishes of Farnborough and Downe. Her term of office was for three years ending in May 2014. The trustees are currently considering whether to nominate someone to complete the remainder of Mrs Freeman's term – it is recommended that unless a nomination comes forward the appointment is deferred to the Committee's next meeting.

Non-Applicable Sections:	Policy, Financial, Legal and Personnel Implications
Background Documents:	Previous reports to General Purposes and Licensing
(Access via Contact	Committee on outside body appointments, including the
Officer)	annual appointments reports presented in May each year.