Decisions of the General Functions Committee

8 November 2017

Members Present:-

Councillor Joan Scannell (Chairman) Councillor Wendy Prentice (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Richard Cornelius	Councillor Barry Rawlings
Councillor Alison Moore	Councillor Daniel Thomas
Councillor Ammar Naqvi	

1. MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 9 October 2017 be approved as a correct record.

2. ABSENCE OF MEMBERS

None.

3. DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND NON PECUNIARY INTERESTS

None.

4. REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER (IF ANY)

None.

5. PUBLIC QUESTION AND COMMENTS (IF ANY)

None.

6. MEMBERS ITEM (IF ANY)

None.

7. STREET SCENE RESTRUCTURE

The Street Scene Director presented a report which set out a proposed restructure of the Street Scene service.

John Burgess (Branch Secretary) addressed the Committee on behalf of Barnet Unison Trade Union.

Following debate on the item, the Chairman moved the recommendations set out in the report.

The Committee RESOLVED:

- 1. That the new Street Scene Structure as set out in Appendix A be approved.
- 2. That the deletion and creation of the post as set out in Appendix B be approved.
- 3. That the Street Scene Director be authorised to take all necessary steps to appoint to the posts including Assistant Director within the new Street Scene Structure as set out in Appendices A and B.

Votes were recorded as follows:

For 4 Against 3 Abstain 0

8. RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION PAYMENTS

The Strategic HR Director presented a report on recruitment and retention payments.

The Committee RESOLVED

- 1. That the report be noted.
- 2. That a further review be reported to the Committee in October 2018.

9. BI-ANNUAL HEALTH AND SAFETY REPORT

The Head of Health, Safety & Wellbeing presented a report which set out the Council's health and safety performance for the period 1 October 2016 to 31 March 2017.

In response to a question, the Head of Health, Safety & Wellbeing advised the Committee that health and safety performance for the council's outsourced services would also be included in future performance reports.

The Committee RESOLVED:

That the Council's health and safety performance for the period 1 October 2016 to 31 March 2017 be noted.

10. CORPORATE HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY - ASBESTOS MANAGEMENT

The Head of Health, Safety & Wellbeing presented a report which proposed amendments to Part C of the Corporate Health and Safety Policy and the arrangements for the management of the risk of exposure to asbestos.

The Committee RESOLVED:

- 1. That the revisions to Part C Section 8; Asbestos Management be approved.
- 2. That the Head of Health, Safety & Wellbeing be instructed to publicise the revised arrangement in accordance with paragraph 1.6 of the report.

11. NOMINATION OF LOCAL AUTHORITY REPRESENTATIVES ON SCHOOL GOVERNING BODIES

The Committee received a report in the name of the Head of Governance. The report asked the Committee to nominate representatives to local authority governor vacancies on the 13 school governing bodies listed in Appendix A to the report.

Having considered the report, the Committee RESOLVED:

1. That the following representatives be nominated to vacancies on school governing bodies

School Governing Body	Representative
Akiva Primary School – N3 2SY	Mr Terry Feller (Governor Support
	Nomination)
Brunswick Park Primary – N14 5DU	Cllr Lisa Rutter
Deansbrook Infant – NW7 3ED	Cllr Hugh Rayner

2. That nominations to the following school governing bodies be deferred.

School Governing Body	
All Saints CE – NW2 2TH	
Barnfield Primary – HA8 0DA	
Chalgrove Community Primary – NW3 3PL	
Childs Hill School – NW7 3ED	
Finchley Catholic High School – N12 8TA	
Hasmonean – NW4 1NA	
Holy Trinity C of E Primary School – N2 8GA	
Moss Hall Infant – N12 8PB	
St James Catholic High School – NW9 5PE	
Sunnyfields School – NW4 4JH	

12. COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME

The Committee reviewed their 2017/18 Work Programme as set out at Appendix A.

RESOLVED that the Committee Work Programme be approved.

The meeting finished at 7.52 pm