



Full Council
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**Report from the
Democratic Services Manager**

For Action

Wards Affected:
None

Brent Council's Representation on Outside Bodies 2009/10

1.0 Summary

1.1 This report requests nominations to outside bodies that currently require representation from Brent Council.

2.0 Recommendations

2.1 That member's note that a review of appointments to outside bodies has been carried out and the Council will no longer appoint representatives to a number of outside bodies.

2.2 That nominations be made to those outside bodies listed in Appendix 1 of this report.

3.0 New Bodies since May 2008

3.1 No new organisations have been added to the Council's outside bodies list since May 2008.

4.0 Changes to Outside Bodies

4.1 Officers have been conducting a review of Council appointments to outside bodies by consulting with the members appointed to the respective outside bodies, the organisations themselves, lead officers and the relevant lead members.

4.2 The Council ceased making appointments to a number of outside bodies in May 2008 as a result of the early findings of the review. Following the completion of the review officers now recommend that the Council also cease making appointments to the following outside bodies:

- Heritage of London Trust
- London Home and Water Safety Council
- London Archaeological Forum
- North West London Chamber

4.3 Responses from the current representatives and Lead Members indicate no support for continuing with appointing a Council representative. In the absence of information from these organisations on the need for a Council representative it is suggested that no appointments be made to these organisations for 2009/10.

4.4 Also as a result of the review officers will prepare a report for the General Purposes Committee regarding adopting criteria against which to assess any new requests for Council nominations to outside bodies. The report will also highlight the need for a means by which members can report back on the activities of the outside body to which they have been appointed.

5.0 Financial Implications

5.1 None.

6.0 Legal Implications

6.1 None.

7.0 Diversity Implications

7.1 The proposals in this report have been subject to screening and officers believe that there are no diversity implications.

8.0 Background Information

8.1 Outside Bodies and Appointments Information List.

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