



## **Full Council – 27 February 2025**

### **Agenda Item 5 – Appointments to Committees and Outside Bodies**

Standing Order 30(g) states that, if necessary, Full Council is required to agree appointments to committees and outside bodies. In addition to the changes listed Council is being asked to confirm the appointment of an Independent Person

Such appointments are set out below:

#### Cabinet Membership

Council is asked to note that effective from 30 January 2025 the Leader of the Council has appointed Councillor Teo Benea to fill the position of Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Planning & Property.

*Please note: Any further membership changes notified will be circulated in advance of the meeting*

#### Independent Co-opted Member Audit & Standards Advisory Committee

Full Council's agreement is sought to the proposed appointment of an Independent co-opted member of the Audit & Standards Advisory Committee. Appointments to Council Committees require the agreement of Full Council in accordance with the Council's Constitution, Standing Order 30(g).

Following a recent change in its membership arrangements, the Audit & Standards Advisory Committee now has provision for up to three Independent co-opted members who have a particular responsibility for Standards matters with one of these positions being vacant. Having recently completed a recruitment process to fill this vacancy, Council is asked to agree the appointment of Sebastian Evans to the remaining position for a 4-year term. Mr Evans is an experienced public sector external auditor and is currently working



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as a senior manager for BDO LLP, where his external auditor portfolio focusses primarily on Major Local Audits, with those being local authorities and NHS bodies that by virtue of their size and public interest, fall within the Financial Reporting Council's Audit Quality Review inspection regime. In this capacity, Mr Evans is also the firm's public sector Value for Money technical lead. Mr Evans has also been a Brent resident since 2019.

Full Council is therefore asked:

To agree the appointment of Sebastian Evans (as detailed above) as an Independent co-opted member of the Audit & Standards Advisory Committee for a four-year term of office, ending at the Council's Annual Meeting in May 2029 (subject to confirmation of the ongoing appointment at the Annual Council meeting each year).