Agenda

Corporate Parenting Board

Date       Tuesday 8th October 2019
Time       4.30 p.m.
Venue      Council Chamber, Newham Town Hall, East Ham, E6 2RP - Newham Town Hall

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## Attendance

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<td>Councillor Carleene Lee-Phakoe (Chair)</td>
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<td>Councillor Aisha Siddiqah</td>
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<td>Terry Reynolds</td>
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<td>Beverley Halligan</td>
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<td>Mohamed Hammoudan</td>
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<td>Michelle Edwards</td>
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<td>Lynne Crank</td>
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<td>Samantha Martin</td>
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<td>Ian McKay</td>
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## Observers

- Rokhsana Fiaz OBE
  - Mayor of Newham
- Althea Loderick
  - Chief Executive
Agenda

1. Welcome
2. Apologies for Absence
3. Declarations of Interest

This is the time for Members to declare any personal or personal and prejudicial interests they may have in any matter being considered at this meeting having regard to the guidance attached to the agenda.

4. Minutes of the Last Meeting (Pages 1 - 6)

To approve, as a correct record, the minutes of the last meeting of the Board, held on 23 July 2019.

5. Children Looked After and Care Leavers Pledge

A verbal report will be made by the Young People and the Pledge documents will be circulated at the meeting.

6. Children Looked After Performance Report (Pages 7 - 28)

7. Annual Virtual School Report (Pages 29 - 52)

8. Annual Fostering Report (Pages 53 - 74)
Members' Declarations of Interest

Matters for Consideration
Revised Guidance – October 2012

The following is offered as a guide. Further details are set out in the Members' Code of Conduct, attached as Part 5.1 of the Council's Constitution.

1. Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) are covered in detail in the Localism Act 2011. Breaches of the law relating to these may be a criminal offence.

1.1 If you have a DPI in any matter on the agenda you must not participate in any discussion or vote on that matter. If you do so without a prior Dispensation (see below) you may be committing a criminal offence, as well as a Breach of the Code of Conduct. The Council's Constitution requires any Member declaring a DPI to leave the meeting (including any public seating area) during consideration of the matter.

1.2 Members will be asked at the start of the meeting if they have any declarations of interest. The Council's Code of Conduct requires you to make a verbal declaration of the fact and nature of any DPI. You are also required to declare any DPIs before the consideration of the matter, or as soon as the interest becomes apparent, if you were not aware of it at the start of the meeting.

2. Non-Disclosable Pecuniary Interest or Non-Pecuniary Interest

2.1 The Council's Code of Conduct requires you to make a verbal declaration of the existence and nature of any "Non-Disclosable Pecuniary Interest or Non-Pecuniary Interest". Any Member who does not declare these interests in any matter when they apply may be in breach of the Code of Conduct.

2.2 You may have a "Non-Disclosable Pecuniary Interest or Non-Pecuniary Interest" in an item of business where:

2.2.1 A decision in relation to that business might reasonably be regarded as affecting your well-being or financial standing, or a member of your family, or a person with whom you have a close association with to a greater extent than it would affect the majority of the Council taxpayers, ratepayers or inhabitants of the ward or electoral area for which you have been elected or otherwise of the authority's administrative area, or

2.2.2 It relates to interests which would be a DPI, but in relation to a member of your family or a person with whom you have a close association and that interest is not a DPI. If the matter concerns your spouse, your civil partner or someone you live with in a similar capacity, it is covered by the provisions relating to DPIs.

2.2.3 It could also cover membership of organisations which you have listed on your Register of Interests (including appointments to outside bodies), where there is no well-being or financial benefit accruing to you but where your membership might be said to be relevant to your view of the public interest.

2.3 A person with whom you have a close association is someone who is more than an acquaintance, and is someone you are in contact with over a period of time, whether regularly or not. It is someone that a reasonable member of the public might think you would be prepared to favour or disadvantage when discussing a matter which affects them and so covers friends, colleagues, business associates, or someone you know through social contact.
2.4 Family should be given a wide meaning. In relation to the family of both you and your partner, it would include the parents, parents-in-law, children and step children, brothers and sisters, grandparents, grandchildren, uncles and aunts, nephews or nieces, together with the partners of any of these persons.

2.5 You should make a verbal declaration of any such interest in a matter to be considered at the meeting at the start of the meeting, or before the consideration of the item of business, or as soon as the interest becomes apparent if you are not aware at the start of the meeting of the interest.

3. **Register of Members interests**

Members are required to complete the Register of Interests and to keep this register up to date by informing the Monitoring Officer in writing within 28 days of becoming aware of any change in respect of their DPIs.

4. **Dispensations**

In certain circumstances the Monitoring Officer is able to grant a dispensation to you which will enable you either to participate in the discussion on a matter, to vote on the matter, or both. Dispensations can only be granted in limited circumstances. If you believe that you are able to claim a dispensation you must seek advice as soon as possible from the Monitoring Officer, who will consider your request. In some circumstances they may grant this request themselves, in other circumstances they may need to refer your request to the Council's Standards Advisory Committee.

The Monitoring Officer has delegated authority to grant dispensations under Section 33 of the Act. The Monitoring Officer has granted the following general dispensations to all Members on the grounds that the dispensation is in the interests of the inhabitants of Newham and/or it is appropriate to grant the dispensation to maintain a similar position as applied under the previous code of conduct. This means Members do not need to leave the meeting if their Disclosable Pecuniary Interest arises and is:

- An interest common to the majority of inhabitants in their ward.
- An interest so remote that it is not likely to prejudice their judgement of the public interest.
- Council housing unless related to their own particular tenancy.
- School meals and/or transport unless relating to their own child’s school.
- Statutory sick pay for members.
- Members allowances.
- Setting Council Tax or precept.
- Agreeing any Local Council Tax Benefit Scheme.
- Interests arising from membership of an outside body to which the authority has appointed or proposes to appoint them.
- The Local Government Pension Scheme unless relating specifically to their own circumstances.

5. **Bias and Predetermination**

If in relation to any decision, your outside connections may make it appear to a reasonable person that there is a real danger of bias, or predetermination you should seek advice as to whether it is appropriate for you to participate in any discussion about the matter and in the decision, regardless of whether or not you consider that you should declare an interest as defined above.

For further advice about these matters please contact the Monitoring Officer on 020 3373 1063.
Members Attendance at Meetings - Statutory Requirements

Section 85 of the Local Government Act 1972 provides that a Member (councillor) of an authority must attend a meeting of the authority as a whole (i.e. Full Council) at least once every six months. Attendance at a meeting of a committee or sub-committee of Council (Standards Advisory Committee, Local or Strategic Development Committee, Licensing, Overview and Scrutiny, Investment and Accounts and Chief Officers Appointment Committees) would count in lieu of a meeting of the Full Council. Members of the Executive (the Mayor and Cabinet Members) also need to attend a meeting of the Executive i.e. Cabinet at least once every six months.

Attendance at a meeting of an outside body to which a Member has been formally nominated as the Council Representative would also count in lieu of a meeting of the council or one of its committees or sub-committees but not in lieu of attendance at a meeting required by the Executive and Mayor (i.e. Cabinet). The list of outside bodies is appended to the Council's constitution. As there is no guidance we take the view that these bodies would count, as would attendance at a LEA governor at a school governing body meeting. However Members are strongly advised to seek advice if they intend to rely on attendance at one of these meetings rather than a meeting of the Council.

If you have any queries with regard to this guidance you should contact:

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