

Governance and Human Resources Town Hall, Upper Street, London, N1 2UD

AGENDA FOR THE VOLUNTARY AND COMMUNITY SECTOR COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Voluntary and Community Sector Committee will be held at the Town Hall, Upper Street, N1 2UD on **18 April 2013 at** <u>*6.00pm</u>* **in Committee Room 1**

* please note start time*

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Membership 2012/13

Councillor Greening Councillor Sidnell (Vice-Chair) Councillor West (Chair)

Observers

Councillor Janet Burgess Councillor Debono Councillor Kaseki Councillor Kelly Councillor Stacy Councillor Watts

Quorum is 2 councillors

AGENDA

A. Formal Matters

1. Apologies for absence

2. Declarations of Interest

If you have a **Disclosable Pecuniary Interest*** in an item of business:

- if it is not yet on the council's register, you must declare both the existence and details of it at the start of the meeting or when it becomes apparent;
- you may choose to declare a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest that is already in the register in the interests of openness and transparency.

In both the above cases, you **must** leave the room without participating in discussion of the item.

If you have a **personal** interest in an item of business **and** you intend to speak or vote on the item you **must** declare both the existence and details of it at the start of the meeting or when it becomes apparent but you **may** participate in the discussion and vote on the item.

- *(a)Employment, etc Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain.
- (b) **Sponsorship -** Any payment or other financial benefit in respect of your expenses in carrying out duties as a member, or of your election; including from a trade union.
- (c) Contracts Any current contract for goods, services or works, between you or your partner (or a body in which one of you has a beneficial interest) and the council.
- (d) Land Any beneficial interest in land which is within the council's area.
- (e) Licences- Any licence to occupy land in the council's area for a month or longer.
- (f) Corporate tenancies Any tenancy between the council and a body in which you or your partner have a beneficial interest.
- (g) Securities Any beneficial interest in securities of a body which has a place of business or land in the council's area, if the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body or of any one class of its issued share capital.

This applies to **all** members present at the meeting.

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3. Presentation from Ruth Hayes, Director of Islington Law Centre, on 'Community advice services and welfare reform'

C Urgent non-exempt matters

Any non-exempt items which the Chair agrees should be considered urgently by reason of special circumstances. The reasons for urgency will be agreed by the Chair and recorded in the minutes.

D Exclusion of press and public

To consider whether, in view of the nature of the remaining items on the agenda, any of them are likely to involve the disclosure of exempt or confidential information within the terms of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 and, if so, whether to exclude the press and public during discussion thereof.

E Confidential/exempt items for information (if any)

F Urgent Exempt Matters

Any exempt items which the Chair agrees should be considered urgently by reason of special circumstances. The reasons for urgency will be agreed by the Chair and recorded in the minutes

The next meeting of the Committee will be on 20 May 2013