



Report of: **Assistant Chief Executive – Governance and Human Resources**

Meeting of	Date	Ward(s)
Planning Committee	17 November 2015	All

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## SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEES

### 1. Synopsis

1.1 The purpose of this report is to appoint a member to Planning Sub-Committee B following the change in membership to the Planning Committee at Full Council on 15 October 2015.

### 2. Recommendations

2.1. To appoint Councillor Alice Donovan to serve on Planning Sub-Committee B with immediate effect until her successor is appointed in place of Councillor Ismail.

### 3. Background

3.1 The Planning Committee is required to make arrangements for the determination of planning applications under the terms of the constitution of the London Borough of Islington.

3.2 The Planning Committee has appointed two Planning Sub-Committees. Appointments are usually made to the sub-committees from the membership of the Planning Committee. Councillor Ismail ceased to be a member of the Planning Committee on 15 October 2015 and this report is brought to the committee to enable the Labour Group to nominate a new member to be appointed to Councillor Ismail's seat on Sub-Committee B if it so wishes.

### 4 Implications

#### 4.1 Financial implications

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

4.2 Legal Implications

These are set out in the body of the report.

4.3. Resident Impact Assessment

Meetings are held at the Town Hall which is fully accessible. Other access needs are addressed as they arise. Meetings are held in public and members of the public are able to speak on application which enables participation across all the equality strands.

5 Conclusion and reasons for recommendations

The Committee should approve this report in order for Planning Sub-Committee B to have four members. One vacant position will remain.

Background papers:

None

Appendix:

Appendix A – Terms of Reference of the Planning Sub-Committees

Final Report Clearance

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## **PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEES**

### **Quorum**

The quorum shall be three members.

### **Terms of Reference**

To determine the following matters, unless they are made under section 73 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (and paragraph 14 applies) or are in respect of major developments as defined in the terms of reference of the Planning Committee and are not covered by paragraph 12:

1. Applications recommended for approval which involve the creation of 5 - 9 residential units or 250 - 999sq.m of new office floor space, where relevant planning objections have been received by the proper officer;
2. Applications which are recommended for approval but which do not conform to the Local Development Framework;
3. Applications which involve a legal agreement unless:
  - (i) The heads of terms relate only to securing affordable housing and/or affordable workspace and/or CO2 off-setting in line with planning policy and/or securing highway works in relation to the application site; or
  - (ii) The terms of the agreement are not materially different from any previous agreement approved by the sub-committee in relation to the same site;
4. Alterations: to Grade I or Grade II\* listed buildings, (except matters which in the opinion of the Service Director, Development and Planning/Head of Service, Development Management are minor); which involve substantial demolition of a Grade II listed building; where the Council has a difference of opinion with English Heritage;
5. Applications where the Council has an interest (except for matters which in the opinion of the Service Director, Development and Planning/Head of Service, Development Management are minor);
6. Applications submitted by or on behalf of a Member of the Council (or their spouse or partner), or any Council employee (or their spouse or

partner);

7. Decisions which are likely to result in a claim for compensation or the service of a purchase notice;
8. Applications which, in the opinion of the Service Director, Development and Planning /Head of Service, Development Management, should be considered by the appropriate sub-committee;
9. Applications which are recommended for approval where an objection to the current proposal has been received which is based on planning grounds (other than those applications where, in the opinion of the Service Director, Development and Planning/Head of Service, Development Management (in consultation with the Chair of the Planning Committee), the objection can be overcome by imposition of an appropriate condition, or where the application clearly complies with the relevant planning policies in which case the decision may be taken by officers) unless the objection relates to an application made under the procedure for prior approval under part 24 of the General Permitted Development Order;
10. The designation or alteration of conservation areas and making of directions under Article 4 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995;
11. Traffic management and stopping-up orders which are consequent upon the grant of planning permission by the sub-committee;
12. To determine any applications for planning permission, consent or approval falling within the terms of reference of the Planning Committee which the Planning Committee has specifically indicated it wishes a sub-committee to consider;
13. To determine any other application for planning permission, consent or approval, other than in respect of a major development, which the Chair or at least two members of the Council have requested by notice to the Service Director, Development and Planning/Head of Service, Development Management (setting out reasonable planning grounds for the request) be considered by a Planning Sub-Committee;
14. A Section 73 application need not be referred to the committee where:
  - (a) the Service Director Development and Planning/Head of Service Development Management would not recommend it for approval; or
  - (b) the Service Director Development and Planning/Head of Service Development Management, following consultation with the Chair (or in the Chair's absence, the vice-Chair) considers:
    - i) a condition can be imposed, varied or removed in respect of the permission as a result of which it would not be fundamentally different from or a substantial alteration to the permission which has been previously approved by the Council in relation to the same site;
    - ii) the application relates to minor material amendment(s) and the amended permission will not be substantially different from the permission which has been previously approved by the Council in relation to the same site.