

## Appendix 1

### Education Board Terms of Reference (including proposed changes refused by the Policy & Resources Committee in June 2020)

- (a) To monitor and review the City of London Strategies for Education, Cultural and Creative Learning, and Skills and to oversee their implementation (including skills and work-related learning, and cultural and creative learning) in consultation, where appropriate, with ~~the appropriate City of London Policy and Resources Committee~~ and the relevant Service Committees responsible for its implementation; referring any proposed changes to the Court of Common Council for approval;
- (b) To oversee generally the City of London Corporation's education activities (including, where relevant, the City Corporation's commitment to ensuring education promotes healthy lifestyles); consult with those Committees where education responsibilities are expressly provided for within the terms of reference of those Committees and liaise with the City's affiliated schools and co-sponsors; post school learning providers, and cultural organisations but excluding Gresham College and any responsibilities of the Gresham (City Side) Committee;
- (c) To be responsible for the oversight and monitoring of the City of London Corporation's sponsorship of its Academies, including the appointment of academy governors and, where relevant Members, Directors and Trustees;
- (d) To ~~The management of~~ The City of London Corporation Combined Education Charity (registered charity no. 312836), subject to consulting with the Community and Children's Services Committee as to any policy to be adopted for the application of the charity's funds;
- (e) To ~~The management of~~ the City Educational Trust Fund (registered charity no. 290840), subject to consulting with the Community and Children's Services Committee as to any policy to be adopted for the application of the charity's funds;
- (f) To constitute Sub-Committees in order to consider particular items of business within the terms of reference of the Board, including:-
  - Education Charity Sub (Education Board) Committee\*
- (g) To recommend to the Court of Common Council candidates for appointment as the City of London Corporation's representative on school governing bodies where nomination rights are granted and which do not fall within the remit of any other Committee;

- (h) To monitor the frameworks for effective accountability, challenge and support in the City Family of Schools\*\*;
- (i) To be responsible for the distribution of funds specifically allocated to it for education purposes, in accordance with the City of London Corporation's strategic policies;
- (j) To oversee Oversight of the City of London Corporation's promotion of skills training and education-business link activities together with the Policy & Resources Committee and Economic Development Office.

\* The constitution of The Education Charity Sub-Committee is set by the Court of Common Council and comprises four Members appointed by the Education Board and four Members appointed by the Community and Children's Services Committee.

\*\*The expression "the City Family of Schools" means those schools for which the City has either direct responsibility as proprietor, academy sponsor or local authority, or historic links. These include but are not restricted to: The Sir John Cass Foundation Primary School, The City Academy<sub>1</sub>, Hackney<sub>1</sub>; the City of London Academy Islington<sub>1</sub>; the academies managed by the City of London Academies Trust; the City of London School<sub>1</sub>; the City of London School for Girls<sub>1</sub>; the City of London Freeman's School (the latter three all being institutional departments of the City Corporation).<sub>1</sub> ~~and the academies managed by the City of London Academies Trust.~~

**Appendix 2: Excerpt from the Public Minutes of the Policy & Resources Committee meeting held on 6 June 2019**

**5. EDUCATION BOARD TERMS OF REFERENCE**

The Committee considered a report of the Town Clerk which presented proposed changes to the Education Board's terms of reference.

Some concern was expressed that the proposed wording at paragraph 4(J) in the terms of reference still left some scope for confusion in respect of the relative remits of the Education Board and Policy & Resources Committee. It was subsequently suggested that this be amended to read "assisting the Policy & Resources Committee and the Economic Development Office in their oversight of the City of London Corporation's promotion of skills training and education-business link activities."

Discussing the proposed amendment, Members raised further queries in respect of social mobility and cultural learning, expressing a lack of clarity as to the Education Board's role in these areas and the roles of the other relevant committees. Officers were asked to revisit the terms of reference with a view to providing clarity on these items, prior to resubmission.

**RESOLVED:** That officers be asked to revisit the terms of reference in line with comments made and re-submit them for consideration in due course.