Committee(s)	Dated:
Hampstead Heath, Highgate Wood and Queen's Park	18 May 2015
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Report of:	For Decision
Town Clerk	

## Summary

The Committee is asked to consider its appointments for the next twelve months. Appointments made to the various Consultative Committees and Joint Consultative Group during 2014/15 are explained in the attached appendix.

## Recommendation(s)

Members are asked to:

- consider the Committee's appointments to the Hampstead Heath Consultative Committee, Highgate Wood Joint Consultative Committee, Queen's Park Joint Consultative Group and the Keats House Consultative Committee for 2014/15; and
- approve the appointment of an officially nominated representative from Barnet Mencap to the Hampstead Heath Consultative Committee with effect from July 2015.

## Main Report

### Background

- 1. The Committee makes a number of appointments to Consultative Committees and a Joint Consultative Group that fall within its remit. These are considered annually.
- 2. The constitution of the Hampstead Heath Consultative Committee provides that it shall consist of the Chairman of the Management Committee and not less than 19 other members of whom one shall be appointed from among the members of this Committee. Your customary practice has been to appoint your Chairman and Deputy Chairman for the time being.
- 3. The Hampstead Heath Consultative Committee constitution states that the no less than 18 other members of the Hampstead Heath Consultative Committee in addition to your Chairman and Deputy Chairman, must include a member representing an organisation for disabled users of the Heath. This obligation is currently being met by a member of <u>Barnet Mencap</u> who does not represent the organisation in an official capacity.
- 4. After careful consideration and consultation with local organisations, as well as a successful meeting between the Chairman of this Committee, the Superintendent of Hampstead Heath, and the Chief Executive of Barnet

Mencap, it is recommended that this Committee approves the appointment of an officially nominated representative from Barnet Mencap to the Hampstead Heath Consultative Committee.

- 5. Other options considered for membership to the Hampstead Heath Consultative Committee included the disability charities Scope and The Camden Society, who both declined the opportunity to nominate a representative of their organisation to the Committee.
- 6. The City Corporation membership of the Highgate Wood Joint Consultative Committee comprises the Chairman and Deputy Chairman for the time being and three other Members of this Committee.
- 7. The City Corporation membership of the Queen's Park Joint Consultative Group currently includes your Chairman and Deputy Chairman and three other Members of this Committee. The membership of the Queen's Park and Highgate Wood Consultative Groups is not as strictly determined as the Hampstead Heath Consultative Committee.
- 8. The City Corporation membership of the Keats House Consultative Committee currently includes representation from one Member of this Committee.

## Proposals

- 9. That consideration be given to making the various appointments detailed above, from amongst the Committee membership.
- 10. That consideration be given to the appointment of a representative from Barnet Mencap to the Hampstead Heath Consultative Committee.

## **Corporate & Strategic Implications**

11. There are no Corporate & Strategic Implications.

## Implications

12. By recommending a partnership and engagement approach, this report supports the City Together Theme: A World Class City, which supports our communities and the associated departmental strategic and improvement aims to work in partnership with communities and local authorities.

## Conclusion

13. That consideration be made to making appointments to the various Consultative Committees and Joint Consultative Group detailed in the report.

## Appendices

• Appendix 1: 2014/15 Committee appointments

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