

Committee(s) Policy and Resources	Dated: 16 July 2015
Subject: Appointment of City of London Corporation Governor to the Board of Governors of the Museum of London	Public
Report of: Town Clerk	For Decision

Summary

This report sets out the background to the appointment of external candidates to the Board of Governors of the Museum of London and recommends the reappointment of Sir Steve Bullock as the London Councils-nominee to the Board for a further two year term ending 15 July 2017.

Recommendation(s)

- Members are asked to appoint Sir Steve Bullock to the Board of Governors of the Museum of London for a term of two years, expiring 15 July 2017.

Main Report

Background

1. Under the provisions of the Greater London Authority Act 2007, the Greater London Authority and the City of London both appoint nine Governors to the Board of Governors of the Museum of London. Of the City's nine appointments, six are elected by the Court of Common Council and three are external appointments. One of the external appointments is made available to London Councils to make a nomination.
2. The Court of Common Council has delegated authority to the Policy and Resources Committee to appoint external candidates to the Board of Governors of the Museum of London. External candidates appointed to the Board of Governors by the City of London Corporation are typically appointed to two-year terms.

Current Position

3. Sir Steve Bullock has completed two terms as the London Councils-nominee to the Board of Governors of the Museum of London. His second term commenced in 2013 and came to an end this year.
4. The Town Clerk has consulted with the Chairman of the Board of Governors, the Director of the Museum, and Sir Steve Bullock, to confirm that they each wish for him to be appointed for a further term. All three parties are content with for him to do so.

5. The Town Clerk has further consulted with London Councils to confirm they wish to retain Sir Steve as their nominated candidate to the Board of Governors and they too have confirmed they are content.
6. Sir Steve is the first directly elected mayor of the London Borough of Lewisham (2002) having previously served as a councillor in the borough since 1982. During his 20 years as councillor Sir Steve served as Chairman of the borough's Finance and Leisure Committees, as Deputy Leader, and finally as Leader of the Council. He is currently also Deputy Leader of the Local Government Association Labour Group and was knighted in 2007.
7. During his recent term as Governor of the Museum of London Sir Steve has played a full part in Board meetings and has an excellent rate of attendance. He also served on the Board's Audit and Risk Management Committee.

Corporate & Strategic Implications

8. London Councils, the Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Museum of London, and the Director of the Museum of London have been consulted on the proposal to appoint Sir Steve Bullock for a further two year term, ending 15 July 2017.

Conclusion

9. A vacancy has arisen on the Board of Governors of the Museum of London for a London Councils nominee, who requires appointment by the City of London Corporation's Policy Committee. Following consultation with relevant parties it is recommended that the incumbent, Sir Steve Bullock, be appointed for a further two year term.

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