

Committee(s): Community and Children's Services Committee	Dated: 5 th March 2021
Subject: Review of Committee's Terms of Reference: Community Safety and Public Protection	Public
Which outcomes in the City Corporation's Corporate Plan does this proposal aim to impact directly?	3, 8, 10
Does this proposal require extra revenue and/or capital spending?	Members are asked to consider the current scope of the Committee's Terms of reference, and bear in mind the impact of any proposed changes, particularly resource, legal and equalities implications.
If so, how much?	
What is the source of Funding?	
Has this Funding Source been agreed with the Chamberlain's Department?	
Report of: Town Clerk	For Decision
Report author: Committee and Member Services Officer	

Summary

At your last meeting on 29th January 2021, Members agreed to recommend the Committee's Terms of Reference to the Policy and Resources Committee and the Annual Meeting of the Court of Common Council in April 2021.

As part of the new Target Operating Model, the Community Safety Team now falls under the remit of the Director of Community and Children's Services. At the last meeting of the Safer City Strategic Partnership Group (SCSPG), Members welcomed this move, as it represents a better corporate fit and will ensure a multi-agency approach to public protection. The Chairman of the Community and Children's Services Committee agreed that it made sense for the Community and Children's Services Committee to become substantially more involved in the work of the Safer City Partnership Group.

The SCSPG subsequently agreed that the Chairman or Deputy Chairman of the Community & Children's Services Committee be elected Chairman of the SCSPG, with the Chairman or Deputy Chairman of the Police Authority Board acting as Deputy SCSPG Chairman, with effect from April 2021.

This report seeks to amend the Terms of Reference of the Community and Children's Services Committee, to reflect the Community Safety Team's move to the Community and Children's Services Department and the role of its Chairman or Deputy Chairman in chairing the SCSPG.

Recommendation:

The Terms of Reference of the Community and Children's Services Committee (**set out at Appendix 1**) be approved and recommended to the Court in April 2021, **subject to the following addition under 2 (b) viii:**

Safer Communities

'In order to reflect a multi-agency approach to public protection, the Chairman or Deputy Chairman of Community & Children's Services Committee shall also be elected as Chairman of the Safer City Strategic Partnership Group (SCSPG), with the Chairman or Deputy Chairman of the Police Authority Board acting as Deputy Chairman.

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COMMUNITY AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE

1. Constitution

A Ward Committee consisting of,

- two Aldermen nominated by the Court of Aldermen
- up to 34 Commoners representing each Ward (two representatives for the Wards with six or more Members regardless of whether the Ward has sides), those Wards having 200 or more residents (based on the Ward List) being able to nominate a maximum of two representatives
- a limited number of Members co-opted by the Committee (e.g. the two parent governors required by law)

In accordance with Standing Order Nos. 29 & 30, no Member who is resident in, or tenant of, any property owned by the City of London and under the control of this Committee is eligible to be Chairman or Deputy Chairman.

2. Quorum

The quorum consists of any nine Members. [N.B. - the co-opted Members only count as part of the quorum for matters relating to the Education Function]

2. Terms of Reference

To be responsible for:-

- (a) the appointment of the Director of Community & Children's Services;
- (b) the following functions of the City of London Corporation (other than in respect of powers expressly delegated to another committee, sub-committee, board or panel):-
 - i. Children's Services
 - ii. Adults' Services
 - iii. Education - to include the nomination/appointment of Local Authority Governors; as appropriate
 - iv. Libraries - in so far as the library services affects our communities (*NB - the budget for the Library Service falls within the remit of the Culture, Heritage and Libraries Committee but the Head of the Libraries Service reports to the Director of Community and Children's Services*)
 - v. Social Services
 - vi. Social Housing - (i.e. the management of the property owned by the City of London Corporation under the Housing Revenue Account and the City Fund in accordance with the requirements of all relevant legislation and the disposal of interests in the City of London Corporation's Housing Estates (pursuant to such policies as are from time to time laid down by the Court of Common Council)
 - vii. Public health - (within the meaning of the Health and Social Care Act 2012), liaison with health services and health scrutiny
 - viii. Safer Communities - in order to reflect a multi-agency approach to public protection, the Chairman or Deputy Chairman of Community & Children's Services Committee be elected Chair of Safer City Strategic Partnership Group (SCSPG), with the Chairman or Deputy Chairman of the Police Authority Board acting as Deputy Chairman
 - ix. Sport/Leisure Activities
 - x. Management of the City of London Almshouses (registered charity no 1005857) - in accordance with the charity's governing instruments
 - xi. Marriage Licensing and the Registration Serviceand the preparation of all statutory plans relating to those functions and consulting as appropriate on the exercise of those functions;
- (c) appointing Statutory Panels, Boards and Sub-Committees as are considered necessary for the better performance of its duties including the following areas:-
 - Housing Management and Almshouses Sub-Committee
 - Safeguarding Sub-Committee
 - Integrated Commissioning Sub-Committee
 - Homelessness and Rough Sleepers Sub-Committee
- (d) the management of The City of London Corporation Combined Relief of Poverty Charity (registered charity no. 1073660);
- (e) making recommendations to the Education Board on the policy to be adopted for the application of charitable funds from The City of London Corporation Combined Education Charity (registered charity no. 312836) and the City Educational Trust Fund (registered charity no. 290840); and to make appointments to the Sub-Committee established by the Education Board for the purpose of managing those charities.
- (f) the management of the Aldgate Pavilion.