

City of London Corporation Committee Report

Committees: Hampstead Heath Consultative Committee – For Discussion Hampstead Heath Highgate Wood & Queen’s Park Committee – For Decision	Dated: 16 September 2025 21 October 2025
Subject: Appointment of the Member of English Heritage to the Hampstead Heath Highgate Wood & Queen’s Park Committee	Public report: For Discussion/Decision
This proposal: • Provides statutory duties	N/A
Does this proposal require extra revenue and/or capital spending?	No
If so, how much?	N/A
What is the source of Funding?	N/A
Has this Funding Source been agreed with the Chamberlain’s Department?	N/A
Report of:	The Town Clerk
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Summary

Approval is sought for the appointment of a new external Member of the Hampstead Heath Highgate Wood & Queen’s Park Committee, nominated by English Heritage, to represent the Kenwood lands.

Recommendations

It is recommended:

- a) That Simon Cranmer, nominated by English Heritage, be appointed as a Member of the Hampstead Heath, Highgate Wood and Queen’s Park Committee for the consideration of business relating to Hampstead Heath, in accordance with the London Government Reorganisation (Hampstead Heath) Order 1989.

Main Report

Background

1. Victoria Stone, the previous Member nominated by English Heritage as the owner of the Kenwood lands, stepped down from her role as Interim General Manager at Kenwood on 28 May 2025. As a result, a vacancy is now available on the Management Committee. English Heritage have expressed their desire to fill the vacancy.

Current Position

2. Under Article 8(3)(c) of The London Government Reorganisation (Hampstead Heath) Order 1989, one Member of the Hampstead Heath Management Committee shall be appointed from among persons who are neither Members nor employees of the City Corporation and "...after consultation with the owners for the time being of the Kenwood lands."
3. Subsequent discussions have taken place with the representative of English Heritage, Simon Cranmer, and he is willing to take on the role if this meets with approval.
4. There is a statutory framework for the appointment of external Members and the terms of reference delegate authority to the Hampstead Heath, Highgate Wood and Queen's Park Committee to exercise all of the City Corporation's powers and duties relating to Hampstead Heath.

Proposal

5. Following consultation with the Hampstead Heath Consultative Committee, that Simon Cranmer, nominated by English Heritage, be appointed as a Member of the Management Committee for the consideration of business relating to Hampstead Heath, in accordance with the London Government Reorganisation (Hampstead Heath) Order 1989.

Corporate & Strategic Implications –

Financial implications – None.

Resource implications – None.

Legal implications – Contained within the body of this report.

Risk implications – None.

Equalities implications – None.

Climate implications – None.

Security implications – None.

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