

Constitutional and Nomination Committee Minutes of the meeting held on 27 October 2020

Present: Councillor Curley - In the Chair
Councillors: Flanagan, Lanchbury, Leech and N Murphy

Apologies: Councillor Karney

CN/20/03 Appointment of Chair

In the absence of Councillor Karney the Committee was requested to nominate a member to chair the meeting.

Councillor Curley was proposed by Councillor Lanchbury and this was seconded by Councillor N Murphy.

Decision

To appoint Councillor Curley as Chair for the duration of the meeting.

CN/20/04 Minutes

Decision

To approve as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting held on 29 January 2020.

CN/20/05 Membership of Council committees and representation on joint boards and joint committees

Decisions

1. To recommend that the Council appoints Daniel Vaughan (Head of Metrolink - Transport for Greater Manchester) to the Manchester Tramway Company Board.
2. To recommend the Council to make the following changes in appointments to Committees and Joint Committees of the Council, and to the membership of GM bodies and committees.

COMMITTEE	MEMBER APPOINTED	MEMBER REMOVED
Health Scrutiny Committee	Councillor Hitchen Councillor Doswell	-
Communities and Equalities Scrutiny Committee	Councillor Moore	-
Resources and Governance Scrutiny Committee	-	Councillor Moore
Economy Scrutiny Committee	-	Councillor Abdullatif*

Children and Young People	Councillor Abdullatif*	-
Communities Scrutiny Committee	Councillor Russell	-
Planning and Highways Committee	Councillor Leech	-
Joint Bodies / GM Bodies and Committees		
GMCA Scrutiny pool	Councillor Leech (substitute member)	

3. To recommend to Council increase the number of members of the Planning and Highways Committee from 15 to 16 members.

(*Amended at Council on 28 October 2020.)

CN/20/06 Freedom of the City of Manchester for Battery 209 (The Manchester Artillery)

Consideration was given to a report of the City Solicitor which sought to ask the Committee to recommend that a special meeting of the Council be convened on 25 November 2020 for the purpose of adopting a resolution granting Freedom of the City of Manchester to 103 Royal Artillery Battery 209 (The Manchester Artillery) in recognition of their distinctive and eminent service.

The Committee discussed the importance of recognising the contributions made by the City's diverse population and how nominations are made for Freedom of the City.

It was reported that the Council can recognise individuals and organisations through the Freedom of the City and in addition, since October 2017 the introduction of the 'City of Manchester Award' to recognise outstanding and exceptional contributions to Manchester.

Decisions

1. That the City Council be recommend to convene a special meeting on 25 November 2020 for the purpose of adopting a resolution, to be proposed by the Lord Mayor and seconded by the Leader of the Council, that 103 Royal Artillery Battery 209 (The Manchester Artillery) be granted Freedom of the City of Manchester in recognition of the Battery's distinctive and eminent service.
2. That the Chief Executive be requested to submit a report to a future meeting to set out how the use of Freedom of the City and the 'City of Manchester Award' might better reflect the diversity of the City and the contributions made.