

## Appendix 2

### **The London Borough of Hammersmith & Fulham – Governance Arrangements**

In accordance with the provisions of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 the London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham has undertaken a review of its governance arrangements. As a consequence, at its meeting on 28 October 2009 the Council resolved to operate a new style Leader and Cabinet with effect from 9 May 2010.

The Leader and Cabinet model is similar to the current arrangements, with the Leader of the Council being elected by Full Council. However, under the new arrangements the Leader will be elected for a period of four years (or until the expiry of his or her term of office as a Councillor) rather than annually. The Council may choose to adopt procedures which would allow the removal of the Leader from office during the four year period.

All executive functions will be vested in the Leader who may delegate them as he or she considers appropriate. The Leader may appoint up to nine councillors who will act as Cabinet Members and determine the allocation of responsibilities to each. He or she will appoint a Deputy Leader who will also serve a four year term. Other Councillors will continue to scrutinise the decision making of the Leader, Cabinet Members, Officers and certain partner organisations.

A copy of a document setting out the arrangements is available for inspection by members of the public at the address below between Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm:

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