

Cabinet

Cabinet Member's Decisions

**CABINET MEMBER
FOR RESIDENTS
SERVICES**

**APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL
REPRESENTATIVES TO THE BOARD OF THE
LYRIC THEATRE HAMMERSMITH LIMITED**

**Wards
All**

This report records the Cabinet Member for decision to appoint Council representatives to the Board of the Lyric Theatre Hammersmith Limited, which falls within the scope of his executive portfolio.

CONTRIBUTORS

ADLDS
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Decision taken by the Cabinet Member on:

- (i) To reappoint Councillors Frances Stainton as a Member of the Company and Director of the Lyric Theatre Hammersmith Limited for a period of one year from date of signature
- (ii) To appoint Councillors Tom Crofts, Greg Smith and Stephen Cowan as Members of the Company and Directors of the Lyric Theatre Hammersmith Limited for a period of one year from date of signature

**HAS A PEIA BEEN
COMPLETED?
YES**

AUTHORISED:

The Cabinet Member has signed this report

DATED: 21 July 2010

1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The Lyric Theatre is based in the centre of Hammersmith and consists of a 550-seat 19th century classical auditorium and a 110-seat studio. The company running the theatre describes its mission as to be '*the vanguard of modern theatre*'. It also runs one of the largest creative learning programmes in the United Kingdom, with a variety of activities for young people.
- 1.2 According to Article 34(a) of the Articles of Association for the Lyric Theatre Hammersmith Limited, four of the company's directors must be appointed by the London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham. The Council's previous appointees were Councillor Frances Stainton, and former Councillors Paul Bristow, Minnie Scott-Russell and Lisa Nandy.
- 1.3 The Cabinet Member is of the view that over the past year, Councillor Stainton has provided a positive contribution to the work of the Company, and should therefore continue to represent the Council in this regard.
- 1.4 As the 34(a) also states that those nominated by The Borough should "hold current office as Councillors of the borough", the Council's previous appointees cannot continue to serve. The Cabinet Member is of the view that, in their capacity as elected representatives in the Hammersmith and Fulham area, he, Councillor Tom Crofts and Councillor Stephen Cowan are well-placed to make a positive contribution to the work of the trust.
- 1.5 This decision does not seek to replace any currently eligible Director of the company.

2. COMMENTS OF ASSISTANT DIRECTOR (LEGAL AND DEMOCRATIC SERVICES)

- 2.1 Under the Council Constitution, Executive Members: Responsibilities and Portfolios – Cabinet Member for Residents Services, specifically the section 'Scope of portfolio' item 1.1 – the Cabinet member has the responsibility for "Appointing or nominating and where appropriate removing the Authority's representatives on appropriate organisations that fall within this portfolio". The above outside body is an appropriate organisation falling within the scope of the Cabinet Member for Residents Services' portfolio.

3. COMMENTS OF DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES

- 3.1 There are no financial implications arising from this decision.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2000
LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

No.	Description of Background Papers	Name/Ext. of Holder of File/Copy	Department/ Location
1.	Correspondence	Owen Rees x2088	Committee Services Room 203 Hammersmith Town Hall
2.	Council Constitution	Owen Rees x2088	Committee Services Room 203 Hammersmith Town Hall
3.	Details of individual organisations	Owen Rees x2088	Committee Services Room 203 Hammersmith Town Hall
