

	<p align="center">London Borough of Hammersmith & Fulham</p> <p align="center">WORMWOOD SCRUBS CHARITABLE TRUST COMMITTEE</p> <p align="center">12TH June 2015</p>
<p>APPOINTMENT OF CO-OPTees</p>	
<p>Report of the Director of Law</p>	
<p>Open Report</p>	
<p>Classification: For Decision</p> <p>Key Decision: No</p>	
<p>Wards Affected: All</p>	
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1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report sets out the appointment of the Committee's co-opted members.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 The Committee is asked to agree the appointment of the following non-voting co-opted members:

David Jeffreys – Friends of Wormwood Scrubs Representative
Miriam Shea – Friends of Wormwood Scrubs Representative

3. INTRODUCTION

- 3.1 Local authorities have a general power under the Local Government Act 1972 to co-opt persons from outside their membership to any committee appointed under the Act other than those established to regulate or control finance.
- 3.2 The terms of reference of the Wormwood Scrubs Charitable Trust Committee, as approved by Full Council on the 29th May 2013, make provision for the co-option of non-voting members to its committee.

- 3.3 As an appreciation for their commitment to supporting the work of the Trust it is proposed that the Committee appoints two non-voting co-opted members from representatives from the Friends of Wormwood Scrubs (“the friends”).
- 3.4 The Friends are an association of users of Wormwood Scrubs Park (“the Scrubs”). They are recognised as a charity by HMRC and have over 3,000 supporters. The objects of the Friends according to their constitution includes the protection and conservation of the Scrubs for the exercise, recreation and enjoyment of the public in accordance with the Wormwood Scrubs Act 1879 (“the 1879 Act”) and the resistance of encroachments and other inappropriate activity affecting the lawful use and enjoyment of the Scrubs by the public.
- 3.5 An application has been received from The Friends of Wormwood Scrubs for David Jeffreys to be appointed as one of its representatives. David is an active member of the Friends and is frequently in attendance at meetings of the Trust. David was Treasurer of the Friends from 2005 to 2012 and was re-appointed to the committee in 2014. David’s background as a lawyer allowed him to draft the first written constitution of the Friends which was approved in January 2005. David has been involved in many petitions and consultations during his time with the Friends, creating the Friends’ (ultimately successful) objection in 2011 to the removal of Linford Christie Stadium from MOL, as well as supporting the Friends’ responses to consultations on “Old Oak – A Vision for the Future”, Further Alterations to the London Plan, TFL’s proposals for an Overground link to HS2, LBHF’s Draft Local Plan, the OPDC boundary and OAPF and petitions against the HS2 Bill (in relation to Overground and wetland on the Scrubs).

David has been appointed a Roll B Parliamentary Agent for the purposes of the HS2 Bill.

- 3.6 An application has been received from The Friends of Wormwood Scrubs for Miriam Shea to be appointed as one of its representatives. Miriam’s use of the Scrubs as a place of recreation has developed into a much wider interest in the surrounding neighbourhood and the aspirations of the local residents, in particular in relation to the proposed development of Old Oak.

Over the last couple of years, she has been an extremely active member of the Friends of Wormwood Scrubs and has played a meaningful role within this group in its interactions and discussions with the GLA, Transport for London, HS2, the Local Authority and the Trust as well as other local stakeholders. She has had an active and positive influence over proposals, most notably in the encouragement of alternatives to the proposed railway viaduct which was a significant factor in the development of the two station solution to the issue of connectivity around Old Oak. Miriam is currently the Secretary of the Friends of the Scrubs and is

committed to the preservation of the Scrubs as a unique wilderness space for the recreation and enjoyment of all Londoners.

4. TERMS OF OFFICE

- 4.1 The non-voting co-opted roles of the Friends of Wormwood Scrubs have been nominated by the Trust. The co-opted members' period of office will expire at the end of the municipal year and the Committee will then decide whether these positions will be reappointed for a further year.

5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 The legal implications for this report are contained in the body of the report.

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6. FINANCIAL AND RESOURCES IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 The financial implications for this report are contained in the body of the report.

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2000 **LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS USED IN PREPARING THIS REPORT**

No.	Description of Background Papers	Name/Ext of holder of file/copy	Department/ Location
1.	Terms of Reference for Wormwood Scrubs Charitable Trust	http://lbh-vmw-p-mgov1:9070/documents/s31440/Appendix%201.pdf	Committee Services