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Title: Proposed Changes to GLA Standing Orders

### **Executive Summary**

This form seeks approval to amend Standing Orders, largely to reflect legislative updates introduced by The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020 in response to the Coronavirus Pandemic, namely the enablement of virtual and hybrid meetings up until May 2021.

### **Decision**

To approve and adopt the revised version of Standing Orders published [here](#).

### **Assembly Member**

I confirm that I do not have any disclosable pecuniary interests in the proposed decision and take the decision in compliance with the Code of Conduct for elected Members of the Authority.

The above request has my approval.

**Signature**



**Date: 28/09/20**

**Printed Name** Len Duvall AM

## Decision by an Assembly Member under Delegated Authority

Notes:

1. *The Lead Officer should prepare this form for signature by relevant Members of the Assembly to record any instance where the Member proposes to take action under a specific delegated authority. The purpose of the form is to record the advice received from officers, and the decision made.*
2. **The 'background' section (below) should be used to include an indication as to whether the information contained in / referred to in this Form should be considered as exempt under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FoIA), or the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR). If so, the specimen Annexe (attached below) should be used. If this form does deal with exempt information, you must submit both parts of this form for approval together.**

### Background and proposed next steps:

At the Mayor's Question Time meeting on 17 September 2020, the London Assembly considered and approved a revised version of Standing Orders.

The report considered by the Assembly outlining the proposed changes, and setting out the revised version of Standing Orders, is available to [here](#).

In accordance with Standing Order 1.1, changes to Standing Orders may only be effected if at least two-thirds of the whole number of the Members of the Assembly is present when a proposal to do so is voted upon. Although two-thirds of the Assembly must be present, only a simple majority is required to agree the changes.

As two-thirds of the Assembly was not present at the point in the meeting on 17 September 2020 when the changes to Standing Orders were voted upon, the changes to Standing Orders agreed at that meeting do not take effect.

In accordance with the provisions of The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020, for the period that the Regulations remain in force, approval to changes to Standing Orders may be agreed by a single Assembly Member acting under a delegation of authority.

At its meeting on 3 September 2020, the London Assembly agreed that, in relation to urgent matters only, a general delegation of authority in respect of the Assembly's powers and functions (apart from those that cannot under the Greater London Authority Act 1999 be delegated) be given to the Chair of the GLA Oversight Committee, in consultation with the Deputy Chairman of that Committee, party Group Leaders, Caroline Pidgeon MBE AM and any relevant committee Chair(s), from 3 September 2020 to 17 December 2020.

Approval to the changes to Standing Orders is now sought in accordance with the terms of that delegation of authority.

**Confirmation that appropriate delegated authority exists for this decision**

Signed by Committee  
Services



Date 24/09/20

Print Name: Rebecca Arnold

Tel: 020 7983 4421

**Financial implications NOT REQUIRED**

**NOTE: Finance comments and signature are required only where there are financial implications arising or the potential for financial implications.**

Signed by Finance N/A Date .....

Print Name N/A Tel: .....

**Legal implications**

The Chair of the GLA Oversight Committee has the power to make the decision set out in this report.

Signed by Legal Date 24/09/20



Print Name Emma Strain, Monitoring Officer Tel: X 4399

**Supporting detail/List of Consultees:** Deputy Chairman of the GLA Oversight Committee, Assembly party Group Leaders, Caroline Pidgeon MBE AM

**Public Access to Information**

Information in this form (Part 1) is subject to the FoIA, or the EIR and will be made available on the GLA Website, usually within one working day of approval.

If immediate publication risks compromising the implementation of the decision (for example, to complete a procurement process), it can be deferred until a specific date. Deferral periods should be kept to the shortest length strictly necessary. **Note:** this form (Part 1) will either be published within one working day after it has been approved or on the defer date.

**Part 1 – Deferral**

**Is the publication of Part 1 of this approval to be deferred? NO**

Until what date: (a date is required if deferring)

**Part 2 – Sensitive information**

Only the facts or advice that would be exempt from disclosure under FoIA or EIR should be included in the separate Part 2 form, together with the legal rationale for non-publication.

**Is there a part 2 form - NO**

**Lead Officer/Author**

Signed



Date:  
24/09/20

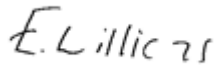
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Countersigned by  
Executive Director



Date:  
28/09/20

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