

# MDA No.: 1321

## Title: Confirmation Hearing for the office of Chair of ReLondon

### 1. Executive Summary

- 1.1 In accordance with the Assembly's Standing Orders and the provisions of Schedule 4A to the GLA Act 1999 (as amended), the Chair of the Assembly has delegated authority to: (i) decide whether to hold a confirmation hearing for the Mayor's candidate for appointment to the office listed in Section 60A(3) of the Act; and (ii) to request that the Mayor's candidate for appointment produce, under paragraph 6(4) of Schedule 4A of the GLA Act 1999 (as amended), documents that relate to his or her proposed appointment.
- 1.2 The Chair of the London Assembly received a letter from the Mayor on 6 August 2021 indicating his intention to appoint Dr Liz Goodwin OBE to the office of Chair of ReLondon (formerly the London Waste and Recycling Board). A copy of the letter from the Mayor is attached at **Appendix 1**.
- 1.3 Following receipt of the letter and informal consultation with party Group Leaders, the Chair of the London Assembly has decided to hold a confirmation hearing in relation to this proposed appointment to the office of Chair of ReLondon, and to ask the candidate to provide a CV and supporting statement. Copies of the Chair's letters to the Mayor and Dr Liz Goodwin OBE are attached at **Appendices 2 and 3**.

### 2. Decision

- 3.1 **That the Chair of the London Assembly agreed to:**
  - (a) **Hold a confirmation hearing in relation to the Mayor's proposed appointment of Dr Liz Goodwin OBE to the office of Chair of ReLondon; and**
  - (b) **Ask the candidate to provide a CV and supporting statement.**

#### 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:



Printed Name: **Andrew Boff AM, Chair of the London Assembly**

Date: **16 August 2021**

### 3. Decision by an Assembly Member under Delegated Authority

#### Background and proposed next steps:

- 3.1 The exercise of delegated authority agreeing to hold a confirmation hearing in respect of the proposed appointment of Dr Liz Goodwin OBE as Chair of ReLondon will be formally noted at the London Assembly's next appropriate meeting.

#### Confirmation that appropriate delegated authority exists for this decision:

Signature (Committee Services): L. Harvey

Printed Name: Lauren Harvey, Senior Committee Officer

Date: 10/08/2021

Telephone Number: 020 7983 4383

#### Financial Implications: NOT REQUIRED

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

Signature (Finance): Not Required


Printed Name:

Date:

Telephone Number:

#### Legal Implications:

The Chair of the London Assembly has the power to make the decision set out in this report.

Signature (Legal): 

Printed Name: Emma Strain, Monitoring Officer pp Rebecca Arnold, Assistant Director, Committee & Member Services

Date: 10/08/2021

Telephone Number: 020 7983 4421

#### Supporting Detail / List of Consultees:

- Len Duvall AM, Leader of the Labour Group
- Susan Hall AM, Leader of GLA Conservatives Group
- Caroline Pidgeon MBE AM, Leader of London Assembly Liberal Democrat Group
- Caroline Russell AM, Leader of City Hall Greens Group

#### **4. Public Access to Information**

- 4.1 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.
- 4.2 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.
- 4.3 **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

If yes, until what date:

##### **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

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#### **Lead Officer / Author**

Signature: L. Harvey

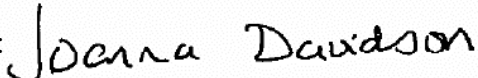
Printed Name: Lauren Harvey

Job Title: Senior Committee Officer

Date: 10/08/2021

Telephone Number: 020 7983 4383

#### **Countersigned by Executive Director:**

Signature: 

Printed Name: Joanna Davidson, Interim Executive Director of Secretariat

Date: 11.08.2021

Telephone Number: 07813 796175

# MAYOR OF LONDON

**Andrew Boff AM**

Chair of the London Assembly  
[Andrew.Boff@london.gov.uk](mailto:Andrew.Boff@london.gov.uk)

**Date:** 6 August 2021

Dear Andrew,

**Reappointment – Chair of ReLondon (formerly London Waste and Recycling Board)**

I write to give notice to the London Assembly of my intention to reappoint Dr Liz Goodwin OBE as Chair of ReLondon (formerly the London Waste and Recycling Board), when her current term ends on 1 September 2021.

Liz Goodwin is the Senior Fellow and Director of Food Loss and Waste for WRI (World Resources Institute) and is also a Champion of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 12.3, the aim of which is to halve food waste around the globe by 2030. Previously she was the CEO of the waste reduction charity, WRAP (Waste & Resources Action Programme) from 2007 to 2016. In 2015, she was recognised in the Queen's Birthday Honours list and received an OBE for her services to business resource efficiency and the environment.

Under her leadership ReLondon has led efforts in reducing food waste, including securing London the status of a Flagship City for food, and is helping to make London a leading circular economy city, making the link between a circular economy and the climate emergency. During the first lockdown she led ReLondon's valuable contribution to keeping London's waste services running and is contributing to recovery efforts by supporting London's SMEs through my Green New Deal funding.

I propose to reappoint Liz Goodwin until 1 November 2024, to ensure continued strong leadership and providing certainty in the role up to and beyond the end of the current Mayoral term with sufficient time for a recruitment exercise if required early in the next administration.

I hereby give the required 21 days' notice from receipt of this letter for the Assembly to consider my proposed reappointment and convene a meeting of the Confirmation Hearings Committee to make a recommendation about it if appropriate. Liz Goodwin's correspondence address is [REDACTED], or by email at [Liz.goodwin@relondon.gov.uk](mailto:Liz.goodwin@relondon.gov.uk) or [REDACTED]

# MAYOR OF LONDON

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Sadiq Khan', with a small number '2' written below the name.

**Sadiq Khan**  
Mayor of London

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**Andrew Boff AM**  
**Chair of the London Assembly**

**Sadiq Khan**  
Mayor of London

16 August 2021

Dear Mr Mayor,

## **Proposed Appointment to the Office of Chair of ReLondon**

Thank you for your letter dated 6 August 2021, in which you advised of your proposed appointment of Dr Liz Goodwin OBE to the office of Chair of ReLondon.

I write formally to confirm that I have decided to hold a Confirmation Hearing in respect of the proposed appointment. The Confirmation Hearings Committee will meet on Tuesday 24 August 2021, in the Chamber, City Hall at 10.00am. The candidate will be attending virtually via Zoom. Your letter will be included in the agenda papers for the meeting.

As you know, in advance of the Hearing the Assembly requests that you provide an up-to-date summary of the role and responsibilities of the relevant office, together with a summary of key issues and priorities for the relevant organisation.

A notice in relation to the meeting has been sent to the nominee in accordance with Schedule 4A of the GLA Act 1999.

The Committee's recommendation regarding this appointment will be sent to you following the meeting.

Yours sincerely,



**Andrew Boff AM**  
**Chair of the London Assembly**

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**Andrew Boff AM**  
**Chair of the London Assembly**

**Dr Liz Goodwin OBE**

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16 August 2021

Dear Dr Goodwin,

**Confirmation Hearings Committee – Tuesday 24 August 2021, 10.00am, City Hall**

Further to the Mayor's notification to the Assembly of his proposal to appoint you to the office of Chair of ReLonon, I am writing to advise that, in accordance with Schedule 4A of the GLA Act 1999 (as amended), I have determined that the London Assembly will hold a Confirmation Hearing in relation to your proposed appointment.

It is requested, therefore, that you attend a meeting of the Confirmation Hearings Committee on Tuesday 24 August 2021. It has been agreed that you will participate in this meeting virtually via Zoom, for which a calendar invitation will be sent. The meeting will begin at 10.00am. The hearing is likely to be of approximately one and a half hours in duration.

The Authority's Head of Paid Service has issued a statutory notice to you in relation to this meeting (please see attached). I have also enclosed, for your information, a copy of the Mayor's letter to me.

I am also writing to request that you provide to the Committee in advance of the meeting a CV with any relevant details. In advance of the meeting you may also wish to provide a supporting statement or any other details which may be of interest to the Committee in relation to your appointment to this office. Please note that information provided will be made public. (Information under Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 is only exempt from publication if and so long as, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.)

Questions and supplementary questions to you will relate to the following areas:

- whether the candidate is qualified for the position;
- whether the candidate has the time and capacity for the position;
- whether the candidate is fit (independent and impartial) for the position; and
- key responsibilities and issues for Transport for London for the future.

Please also note that, at the agenda's standing item *Declarations of Interests*, the Chair may invite you to declare any relevant interests in terms of the business of the meeting and regarding the (proposed) appointment.

If there is anything else in relation to this session that you wish to discuss, please contact Lauren Harvey, Senior Committee Officer, by telephone on 020 7983 4383 or by email: [lauren.harvey@london.gov.uk](mailto:lauren.harvey@london.gov.uk).

Yours sincerely,

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**Andrew Boff AM**  
**Chair of the London Assembly**



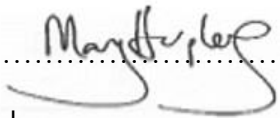
**SCHEDULE 4A TO THE GLA ACT 1999  
CONFIRMATION HEARINGS**

**NOTICE REQUESTING ATTENDANCE AT PROCEEDINGS OF THE  
LONDON ASSEMBLY'S CONFIRMATION HEARINGS COMMITTEE**

To: Dr Liz Goodwin OBE

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1. The Confirmation Hearings Committee is an opportunity for Assembly Members to put questions to you, Dr Liz Goodwin OBE, on the Mayor's proposal to appoint you to the office Chair of ReLondon.
2. You are requested to attend a meeting of the Confirmation Hearings Committee for the purposes of giving evidence on the matters described in paragraph 1 above on the time, date and location set out in paragraph 3 below.
3. The meeting of the Confirmation Hearings Committee which you are requested to attend to give evidence will be held –
  - On Tuesday 24 August 2021
  - Commencing at 10.00am
  - Virtual participation via Zoom, for which a calendar invitation will be sent
4. The attached covering letter from the Chair of the Assembly requests that you provide a CV, a supporting statement if you would wish and any other information that the Committee would be interested in in relation to your appointment to this office. This request is made under paragraph 6(4) of Schedule 4A of the GLA Act 1999 (as amended).

Signed: .....  


Mary Harpley  
Head of Paid Service  
Greater London Authority

Dated: 16 August 2021