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**Title:** Letter to the Mayor regarding the proposed appointment of Andy Roe to the Office of London Fire Commissioner

**Executive Summary**

At the Fire, Resilience and Emergency Planning Committee of 3pm, on 17 December 2019, the Committee held a Confirmation Hearing in respect of the appointment of the London Fire Commissioner.

At the meeting the Committee agreed to delegate authority to the Chair in consultation with party Group Leads to agree the wording of the letter to be sent to the Mayor conveying the Committee's recommendation that the Mayor proceed with the appointment and noting the undertakings made by the candidate during the question and answer session.

A copy of the letter was sent within the required three week period of the Committee being notified of the appointment (23 December 2019), and is included in **Appendix 1**.

**Decision**

To approve the wording of the letter to be sent to the Mayor conveying the Committee's recommendation and noting the undertakings made by the candidate during the question and answer session.

**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.

\* The letter was agreed by e-mail on 19 December 2019.

**Signature**



**Date**

14/1/20

**Printed Name**

**Andrew Dismore AM**

## Decision by an Assembly Member under Delegated Authority

*Notes:*

1. *The Lead Officer should prepare the instance where the Member proposes form is to record the advice received*
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 Annex (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:**

On the 10 December, the Chair of the Fire, Resilience and Emergency Planning Committee received notification of the proposed appointment of Andy Roe, to the office of London Fire Commissioner.

On 17 December 2019, at 9am, the Fire, Resilience and Emergency Planning Committee held a meeting and confirmed that it would hold a confirmation hearing for the proposed appointment of Andy Roe to the office of London Fire Commissioner.

On 17 December 2019, at 3pm, the Fire, Resilience and Emergency Planning Committee held a confirmation hearing for the appointment of Andy Roe to the office of London Fire Commissioner. At the meeting the Committee agreed to recommend to the Mayor that he proceed with the appointment, and also delegated authority to the Chair, in consultation with party Group Lead Members to agree the wording of the letter to be sent to the Mayor conveying the Committee's recommendation and noting the undertakings made by the candidate during the question and answer session.

Following consultation with the Chair and party Group Lead Members, the letter to the Mayor was sent on 23 December 2019.

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

Signed by Committee Services



Date 10/01/20

Print Name:

J A Baker

Tel:

2825

**Financial implications**

**NOT REQUIRED**

Signed by Finance

N/A

Date

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Print Name

N/A

Tel:

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**Legal implications**

The Committee has the power to make the decision set out in this report.

Signed by Legal

..... *Emma Strain* .....

Date

..... 14.1.20 .....

Print Name

Emma Strain, Monitoring Officer

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X 4399

Additional information should be provided supported by background papers. These could include for example the business case, a project report or the results of procurement evaluation.

**Supporting detail/List of Consultees:**

Susan Hall AM

David Kurten 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 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?**

Until what date: N/A

**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 J. Baker.....

Date 17/01/20

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Countersigned by Director E. Williams.....

Date 20.01.20

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**Andrew Dismore AM**

Chair of the Fire, Resilience and Emergency Planning Committee

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23 December 2019

**Sadiq Khan**

Mayor of London,  
City Hall,  
The Queen's Walk  
London, SE1 2AA

Dear Sadiq,

**Fire, Resilience and Emergency Planning Committee Confirmation Hearing:  
Proposed appointment of Andy Roe to the Office of London Fire Commissioner**

In accordance with Schedule 4A to the GLA Act 1999, I write to inform you of the Fire, Resilience and Emergency Planning Committee's recommendation about your proposed appointment of Deputy Commissioner Andy Roe to the office of London Fire Commissioner.

The Fire, Resilience and Emergency Planning Committee put questions to Andy Roe at its meeting of 3pm on 17 December 2019 concerning the confirmation of his proposed appointment to that office. The Committee agreed unanimously to recommend that you should proceed with the appointment of Andy Roe, to the office of London Fire Commissioner.

The Committee also noted the Deputy Commissioner's commitment during the question and answer session to undertake the following actions upon his appointment, which are set out below.

The Committee welcomed Andy Roe's undertaking to us, to provide a detailed implementation plan outlining how the London Fire Brigade will deliver the improvements required by the recommendations included within the HMICFRS inspection report and the Grenfell Tower Inquiry Phase 1 report. This plan will be supplied by the time of the first Fire, Resilience and Emergency Planning Committee meeting in the New Year, in January, for our consideration at that meeting. The plan will include priorities, timescales, benchmarking, and owners for each recommendation.

## **LONDON** ASSEMBLY

The Committee also noted Andy's particular undertaking to provide the London Fire Commissioner's training delivery plan in the context of incident command, alongside timescales for the next meeting of the Committee on the 30 January 2019, as the Committee will be scrutinising London Fire Brigade training at that meeting.

Finally, on behalf of the Fire, Resilience and Emergency Planning Committee, I would like to wish Andy Roe well in carrying out his new role.

Yours sincerely



Andrew Dismore AM  
**Chair of the Fire, Resilience and Emergency Planning Committee**