

MAYOR OF LONDON

Gareth Bacon AM

Chairman
London Fire and Emergency Planning Authority
City Hall
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Date: 20.5.2015

Dear Gareth

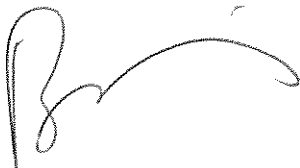
Appointment of the next London Fire Commissioner

I understand that not all Members of the London Fire and Emergency Planning Authority (LFEPA) are comfortable with the Mayoralty participating in the process to appoint the next London Fire Commissioner.

I am surprised that this is the case, particularly given that the Mayoralty would always be part of any process to appoint a Transport or Police Commissioner in the capital.

I enclose a direction which secures the participation of my Chief of Staff in the appointment process as my nominee.

Yours ever,



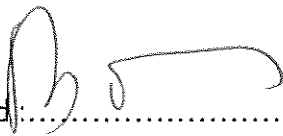
Boris Johnson
Mayor of London

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In exercise of the power conferred upon me by section 328A (1) of the Greater London Authority Act 1999, and having regard to the Fire and Rescue National Framework prepared under section 21 of the Fire and Rescue Services Act 2004, and fire safety enforcement guidance under article 26 of the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005, I hereby direct the London Fire and Emergency Planning Authority ("the Authority") as follows:

1. To involve the Mayor's nominee ("the nominee") in all formal considerations conducted by the Authority at the longlisting, shortlisting and interview stages of the appointment process being conducted by the Authority for the next London Fire Commissioner ("the appointment");
2. To note that the nominee will be my Chief of Staff, and in his absence, a member of staff at the Greater London Authority as specified by me or by the Chief of Staff;
3. To complete the longlisting process by 29 May 2015 so as not to lose momentum in making the appointment, noting that the deadline for responses to the advertisement for the post closed on 15 May 2015;
4. To obtain my consent to any proposed candidate for appointment to the post of London Fire Commissioner before making any offer of appointment; and
5. Not to make any offer of appointment until having first received my consent under paragraph (4.) above.

Signed:



Dated: 20th May 2015

Boris Johnson
Mayor of London