MINUTES

Meeting: Health Committee

Date: Wednesday 24 June 2015

Time: 10.00 am

Place: Chamber, City Hall, The Queen's

Walk, London, SE1 2AA

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Present:

Dr Onkar Sahota AM (Chair) Andrew Boff AM (Deputy Chair) Kit Malthouse AM MP Murad Qureshi AM Valerie Shawcross CBE AM

1 Apologies for Absence and Chair's Announcements (Item 1)

- 1.1 There were no apologies for absence.
- 1.2 The Chair welcomed pupils from Avenmore Primary School to the public gallery.
- 2 Declarations of Interests (Item 2)
- 2.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat.
- 2.2 **Resolved:**

That the list of offices held by Assembly Members, as set out in the table at Agenda Item 2, be noted as disclosable pecuniary interests.

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3 Membership of the Committee (Item 3)

3.1 **Resolved:**

That the membership and chairing arrangements for the Committee, as agreed by the London Assembly at its Annual Meeting on 13 May 2015, be noted as follows:

Dr Onkar Sahota AM (Chair) Andrew Boff AM (Deputy Chair) Kit Malthouse AM MP Murad Qureshi AM Valerie Shawcross CBE AM

4 Terms of Reference (Item 4)

4.1 **Resolved:**

That the Committee's terms of reference, as agreed by the London Assembly at its Annual Meeting on 13 May 2015, be noted as follows:

- 1. To examine and report from time to time on -
 - the strategies, policies and actions of the Mayor and the Functional Bodies
 - matters of importance to Greater London

as they relate to the promotion of health in London.

- 2. To consider health matters on request from another standing committee and report its opinion to that standing committee.
- 3. To take into account in its deliberations the cross cutting themes of: the health of persons in Greater London; the achievement of sustainable development in the United Kingdom; climate change; and the promotion of opportunity.
- 4. To respond on behalf of the Assembly to consultations and similar processes when within its terms of reference.

5 Standing Delegations (Item 5)

5.1 **Resolved:**

That the following decisions taken by the London Assembly at its Annual Meeting on 13 May 2015 be noted:

- (a) That Andrew Boff AM be re-appointed as a rapporteur for the Health Committee on access to health services for d/Deaf people; and
- (b) That a general authority to Chairs of all ordinary committees and sub-committees be delegated to respond on the relevant committee or sub-committee's behalf, following consultation with the lead Members of the party Groups on the committee or sub-committee, where it is consulted on issues by organisations and there is insufficient time to consider the consultation at a committee meeting.

6 Minutes (Item 6)

6.1 **Resolved:**

That the minutes of the meeting held on 11 March 2015 be signed by the Chair as a correct record.

7 Summary List of Actions (Item 7)

7.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat.

7.2 **Resolved:**

That the completed and outstanding actions arising from previous meetings of the Committee be noted.

8 Tuberculosis in London (Item 8)

- 8.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat as background to putting questions on tuberculosis (TB) in London to the following invited quests:
 - Lynn Altass, National TB Strategy Implementation Manager, NHS England;
 - Prof Yvonne Doyle, London Regional Director, Public Health England;
 - Dr Marc Lipman, Consultant Physician, Royal Free Hospital; and

- Jacqui White, Lead Nurse, North Central London TB Service.
- 8.2 A transcript of the discussion is attached at **Appendix 1**.
- 8.3 **Resolved:**

That the report, and subsequent discussion, be noted.

- 9 Access to GP Care (Item 9)
- 9.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat.
- 9.2 **Resolved:**

That the Committee's report *Access to GP Care*, as agreed by the Chair under delegated authority in consultation with the Deputy Chair, be noted.

- 10 Access to Health Services for Deaf People (Item 10)
- 10.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat.
- 10.2 Andrew Boff AM, the Committee's rapporteur for access to health services for d/Deaf people, placed on record his thanks to the officers of the Secretariat who drafted the report and provided support to him, as rapporteur, throughout the investigation.
- 10.3 Resolved:

That the Committee's report *Access to GP Care*, as agreed by the Chair under delegated authority in consultation with the Deputy Chair, be noted.

- 11 Health Committee Work Programme (Item 11)
- 11.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat.
- 11.2 Resolved:
 - (a) That the work programme be agreed; and
 - (b) That authority be delegated to the Chair, in consultation with the Deputy Chair, to agree the topic, scope and terms of reference for the main topic at the October meeting of the Committee.

12	Date of Next Meeting (Item 12)
12.1	The date of the next meeting of the Committee was scheduled for Wednesday, 8 July 2015 at 2.00pm in Committee Room 5, City Hall.
13	Any Other Business the Chair Considers Urgent (Item 13)
13.1	There were no items of business that the Chair considered to be urgent.
14	Close of Meeting
14.1	The meeting ended at 11.50 am.
Chair	Date
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