

## **NORTH LONDON WASTE AUTHORITY**

**REPORT TITLE:** MEMBERSHIP OF THE AUTHORITY 2025/26

**REPORT OF:** MANAGING DIRECTOR

**FOR SUBMISSION TO:** AUTHORITY MEETING

**DATE:** 19 JUNE 2025

### **SUMMARY OF REPORT:**

This report contains details of the membership of the North London Waste Authority for the municipal year as notified by the seven constituent Boroughs who are each entitled to appoint two representatives.

It also notifies Members of the retirement of Jenny Rowlands as Chief Executive of the London Borough of Camden (LB Camden) and Clerk to the Authority. Jon Rowney has been appointed as the new Chief Executive of LB Camden and also as Clerk to the Authority, and will take up appointment on 1 August 2025. It notifies Members that a new financial adviser will be appointed following Jon Rowney's change of role.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

The Authority is recommended to:

- (a) note the membership of the Authority for 2025/26 and
- (b) record the Authority's thanks to Jenny Rowlands for her contribution to the Authority as Clerk

**SIGNED:** .....  ..... Managing Director

**DATE:** 09 June 2025

## **1. INTRODUCTION**

- 1.1. The Authority comprises two representatives appointed by each of the seven constituent councils and notified to the Authority in writing. No substitute representatives are permitted.
- 1.2 The term of office of appointed members is normally until the next annual meeting of the constituent Council making the appointment, or until notification in writing by a constituent Council of a change in their appointment(s) before their next annual Council meeting.

## **2. MEMBERSHIP**

- 2.1. The Membership of the North London Waste Authority for the 2025/26 municipal year is as follows:

### **London Borough of Barnet**

Councillor Arjun Mittra (L), Councillor Alan Schneiderman (L)

### **London Borough of Camden**

Councillor Camron Aref-Adib (L), Councillor Adam Harrison (L),

### **London Borough of Enfield**

Councillor Sinan Boztas (L), Councillor Elif Erbil (L)

### **London Borough of Hackney**

Councillor Robert Chapman (L), Councillor Sarah Young (L)

### **London Borough of Haringey**

Councillor Mike Hakata (L), Councillor Dana Carlin (L)

### **London Borough of Islington**

Councillor Rowena Champion (L), Councillor Flora Williamson (L)

### **London Borough of Waltham Forest**

Councillor Clyde Loakes (L), Councillor Paul Douglas (L)

## **3. CLERK TO THE AUTHORITY**

- 3.1 The Clerk of the Authority is a statutory role, acting as Head of Paid Service for the Authority. Among other powers exercised by the Clerk is the power to act on any

matter which in his or her opinion does not admit of delay. This power must be exercised in consultation with the Chair (or, where unable to act, the vice-chairs) and where relevant the leaders of the Opposition parties. When no members are appointed (for example after elections but prior to appointments to the Authority) he/she has delegated authority to take decisions which in his or her opinion cannot be delayed until the Authority meets.

- 3.2 The Clerk to the Authority also carries out important practical roles: challenging and supporting the Authority's officers in the delivery of the Authority's duties, supervising the advice provided for Authority meetings and working with chief executives of all boroughs to ensure there is good dialogue and information sharing about the Authority's work at that level.
- 3.3 Jenny Rowlands, as Chief Executive of the London Borough of Camden (LB Camden) has been Clerk since April 2019 but is retiring in July. LB Camden has appointed Jon Rowney as the new Chief Executive with effect from 1 August 2025, moving from his current role in the Council as Executive Director of Corporate Services. Under the Statement of Arrangements between NLWA and LB Camden, LB Camden is required to provide a suitable officer as the Clerk to the Authority. The appointment of Jon as Chief Executive therefore means he becomes Clerk to the Authority, complying with the terms of the agreement.
- 3.4 Members are therefore recommended to note the appointment of Jon Rowney to the position of Clerk to the Authority and to thank Jenny Rowlands for her excellent service to the Authority.

#### **4. FINANCIAL ADVISER TO THE AUTHORITY**

- 4.1 The Financial Adviser to the Authority is a statutory role. He/she acts as the person responsible for the proper administration of the Authority's financial affairs in accordance with Section 73 of the Local Government Act 1985 (officer responsible for administration of financial affairs, and the equivalent of a section 151 officer in the boroughs), the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 (responsibility for internal controls), Section 114 of the Local Government Act 1988 and Sections 25 to 27 Of the Local Government Act 2003 (chief financial officer duties for precepting authorities and certain authorities in London).
- 4.2 Jon Rowney has been the Authority's financial adviser since 1 January 2019. The financial adviser role is also covered by the Statement of Arrangements between LB Camden and NLWA. Jon will be taking the clerk's role at the NLWA from 1 August when he begins as Chief Executive of LB Camden and until that date he will continue as Financial Adviser. He will before that date, in accordance with the terms of the agreement between LB Camden and the NLWA, confirm the name of the Authority's financial adviser being a suitable officer from LB Camden to begin from 1 August 2025.

**5. EQUALITIES IMPLICATION**

5.1. There are no equalities implications.

**6. COMMENTS OF THE LEGAL ADVISER**

6.1. The Legal Adviser has been consulted in the preparation of this report and comments have been incorporated.

**7. COMMENTS OF THE FINANCIAL ADVISER**

7.1. The Financial Adviser has been consulted in the preparation of this report and has no comments to add.

**List of documents used:**

Correspondence with constituent Boroughs relating to membership.

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