

REPORT FOR:

**TRAFFIC AND ROAD
SAFETY ADVISORY PANEL**

Date of Meeting:

2 October 2014

Subject:

Appointment of Adviser to the Panel 2014/15

Key Decision:

No

Responsible Officer:

Hugh Peart, Director of Legal and
Governance Services

Portfolio Holder:

Councillor Varsha Parmar, Portfolio Holder
for Environment, Crime & Community Safety

Exempt:

No

**Decision subject to
Call-in:**

Yes (following consideration by the Portfolio
Holder)

Enclosures:

Appendix 1 – Details of Nomination

Section 1 – Summary and Recommendations

This report advises Members about the appointment of an additional co-opted, non-voting adviser to the Panel for the 2014/15 Municipal Year, following a recommendation from the Scrutiny Review Group Report on Accessible Transport.

Members are requested to consider the report and agree the nomination for 2014/15 Municipal Year.

Recommendations: That the Panel recommend to the Portfolio Holder for Environment, Crime & Community Safety that the nomination for an additional Adviser to the Panel, as set out at appendix 1, be agreed.

Reason: (For recommendation)

To appoint an additional adviser to the Panel for the 2014/15 Municipal Year, to assist in the work of the Panel.

Section 2 – Report

- 2.1 Rule 36.4 of the Executive Procedure Rules of the Constitution provides for a Panel to recommend to the Executive that advisers be appointed to assist in the work of the Panel either generally or on specific matters.
- 2.2 At its meeting of 21 November 2013, Cabinet received a report which recommended the actions to be taken in response to the Scrutiny Review Group Report on Accessible Transport. One of the recommendations from the review was as follows: ‘to enable a representative from a disability group such as the Harrow Association of Disabled people (HAD) to become an advisory member (of TARSAP). This will enable continuous input from a representative on any of the Council’s proposals to change infrastructure.’
- 2.3 HAD has nominated the following individual: Nicky Baker. The nominee’s supporting statement is attached at appendix 1.

Financial Implications

- 2.2 None.

Risk Management Implications

- 2.3 If not appointed, the Panel may not have access to external expert advice from suitably qualified persons when conducting its business.

Equalities implications

- 2.4 The appointment would promote and enhance local democracy by enabling representation from the voluntary and community sector in Harrow on an advisory panel of the Executive and would contribute to the Council's fulfillment of its Public Sector Equality Duty.

Corporate Priorities

- 2.7 Contributes to the following Corporate Priority: 'Making a difference for communities', by enabling representation from the voluntary & community sector in Harrow on an advisory panel of the Executive.

Section 3 - Statutory Officer Clearance

Name: Steve Tingle	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	on behalf of the Chief Financial Officer
Date: 23.9.14		
Name: Paresh Mehta	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	on behalf of the Monitoring Officer
Date: 24.9.14		

Section 4 - Contact Details and Background Papers

Contact: Manize Talukdar, Democratic & Electoral Services Officer
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Background Papers:

The Council's Constitution, Report to TARSAP meeting held on 23 June 2011,
Portfolio Holder Decision (PHD) 002/11

Accessible Transport - Scrutiny Review Group Report and Recommendations,
September 2013

Appendix 1 – Nomination Received

Nominee: Nicky Baker

Nominating Organisation: Harrow Association of Disabled People

Supporting Statement:

The Nominee has been working for HAD for 12 years. During this time, she has worked across several different departments.

The nominee's speciality is accessibility from a pan-disability perspective. She is a registered member of the National Register of Access Consultants.

The nominee wants to use her skills and experience to help improve the lives of disabled people.