

# Subject: Action Taken by the Chair Under Delegated Authority

**Report to: London Assembly (Plenary)**

**Report of: Executive Director of Secretariat**

**Date: 2 December 2015**

**This report will be considered in public**

## 1. Summary

- 1.1 This report requests the Assembly to note recent action taken by the Chair of the London Assembly under delegated authority.

## 2. Recommendation

- 2.1 **That the Assembly notes the recent action taken by the Chair of the London Assembly, Jennette Arnold OBE AM, under delegated authority, namely not to hold a confirmation hearing in respect of the proposed reappointment of Gareth Bacon AM as Chairman of the London Fire and Emergency Planning Authority for the period 1 December 2015 to 16 June 2016.**

## 3. Background

- 3.1 The Mayor wrote to the Chair of the Assembly on 5 November 2015 regarding the reappointment of Gareth Bacon AM as the Chairman of the London Fire and Emergency Planning Authority. A copy of the letter from the Mayor is attached as **Appendix 1**.

## 4. Issues for Consideration

- 4.1 In accordance with the provisions of Schedule 4A to the Greater London Authority Act 1999 as amended (the "GLA Act"), the Chair of the Assembly has delegated authority to (i) decide whether to hold a confirmation hearing for the Mayor's candidate for appointment to any of the offices listed in Section 60A(3) of the Act; and (ii) to request that the Mayor's candidate for appointment produce, under paragraph 6(4) of Schedule 4A of the GLA Act, documents that relate to his or her proposed appointment.
- 4.2 Accordingly, following informal consultation with Assembly Group Leaders, the Chair decided that on this occasion it was not necessary to hold a confirmation hearing in relation to the Mayor's

proposed reappointment of Gareth Bacon AM to the office of Chairman of LFEPA. The Chair's letter of response to the Mayor is attached as **Appendix 2**.

## **5. Legal Implications**

5.1 There are no direct legal implications arising from this report.

## **6. Financial Implications**

6.1 There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

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### **List of appendices to this report:**

Appendix 1 – Letter from the Mayor to the Chair of the London Assembly dated 5 November 2015

Appendix 2 – Letter from the Chair of the London Assembly to the Mayor dated 10 November 2015

<b>Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985</b>	
List of Background Papers: Member Delegated Authority Form 646	
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