

# MINUTES

**Meeting:** EU Exit Working Group  
**Date:** Wednesday 19 July 2017  
**Time:** 3.30 pm  
**Place:** Chamber, City Hall, The Queen's Walk, London, SE1 2AA

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**Present:**

Len Duvall AM (Chair)  
Jennette Arnold OBE AM (in attendance for Item 4)  
Andrew Dismore AM (in attendance for Item 4)  
Caroline Pidgeon MBE AM  
Caroline Russell AM

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

1.1 Apologies for absence were received from Gareth Bacon AM and Peter Whittle AM.

**2 Declarations of Interests (Item 2)**

2.1 **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.**

**3 Minutes (Item 3)**

3.1 **Resolved:**

**That the minutes of the meeting of the EU Exit Working Group held on 15 December 2016 be signed by the Chair as a correct record**

#### **4 European Voices: EU Londoners Speak (Item 4)**

- 5.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat as background to putting questions to the following guests about the experience of EU citizens living in London, since the United Kingdom voted to leave the EU:
- Samia Badani, Head of Campaigns and Stakeholder Engagement, New Europeans;
  - Dr Charlotte O'Brien, Senior Lecturer, York Law School;
  - Christiane Link, Chair, Disire;
  - Sunder Katwala, Director, British Future; and
  - Carolyn Downs, Chief Executive, Brent Council;
- 5.2 The Chair explained that this meeting was an open mic session, and that guests who were seated on the floor of the Chamber were also able to comment and contribute to the discussion.
- 5.3 A transcript of the discussion is attached at **Appendix 1**.
- 5.4 At the conclusion of the discussion, the Chair requested the following:
- That the work of the EU Exit Working Group be shared with the Scottish Parliament, the Welsh Assembly and the Northern Island Assembly so that they can influence their executives in talking to the Government on issues raised;
  - That a letter be sent to the Mayor of London, setting out the issues raised at the meeting so that he and the Deputy Mayor for Social Integration, Social Mobility and Community Engagement can take the issues forward to resolve;
  - That a letter be sent to the Mayor of London, the Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime and the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis alerting them to the issue of underreporting of hate crimes against EU citizens and to request what steps were being taken to combat this;
  - That a letter be sent to London Councils to seek to commence an investigation into how Local Authorities in London could best support EU citizens at a local level; and
  - That the Members of the London Assembly all be approached to request their support for EU citizens and to raise awareness of the issues raised at this meeting.
- 5.5 **Resolved:**
- That the report and discussion be noted.**

## **5 Date of Next Meeting (Item 5)**

- 5.1 Since the publication of the agenda, the next meeting of the Working Group had been arranged to be held on Wednesday 18 October 2017 at 10am in Committee Room 5.

## **6 Any Other Business the Chair Considers Urgent (Item 6)**

- 6.1 There were no items of urgent business.

## **7 Close of Meeting**

- 7.1 The meeting ended at 6.05pm.

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Chair

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Date

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