

Date: 30 July 2015

Item: Independent Investment Programme Advisory Group
Appointments

This paper will be considered in public

1 Summary

1.1 The Committee is asked to approve a process and selection panel that will recommend two candidates for appointment by the Mayor to the Independent Investment Programme Advisory Group (IIPAG). The candidates will have expertise in information and systems technologies and in highways/transport planning.

2 Recommendation

2.1 The Committee is asked to approve a process and selection panel that will recommend two candidates for appointment by the Mayor to the Independent Investment Programme Advisory Group.

3 Background

3.1 The IIPAG was established in 2010 to provide independent assurance and expert advice to the Mayor, Board and the Finance and Policy Committee concerning TfL's Investment Programme as published from time to time; including all maintenance, renewal, upgrades and major projects, but not operational issues or the activities of Crossrail Limited. The IIPAG considers issues of economy, efficiency and value for money in preparing its advice.

3.2 The IIPAG submits reports to the Mayor, which are also shared with the Secretary of State for Transport who wish to ensure that the financial support provided to TfL by Government delivers value for money to the taxpayer.

3.3 The appointment of members of the IIPAG requires that a shortlist is agreed between the Mayor and the Secretary of State for Transport. Appointments to the IIPAG are made by the Mayor.

4 IIPAG Skills Gap Identification

4.1 The IIPAG comprises independent expert advisers. The current members of the IIPAG were appointed or reappointed in June 2014. The selection process involved an advertisement and input from recruitment specialists to identify candidates. These were then shortlisted and interviewed by a panel consisting of Peter Anderson (Chairman, Finance and Policy Committee), David James (Chairman, IIPAG), Mike Brown (then Managing Director London Underground and London Rail) and Steve Allen (Managing Director Finance). The recommendations of the panel were then submitted to the Mayor to make the appointments.

- 4.2 The outcome of the review of the Assurance and Approval Processes applicable to Investment Projects, considered by the Committee in January and June 2015, identified the need for the IIPAG to include additional members with expertise in information and systems technologies and in highways/transport planning.
- 4.3 None of the other potential candidates considered in the last round of IIPAG recruitment have the necessary skills or knowledge.

5 Selection Process

- 5.1 The Committee is asked to approve a selection process to make recommendations to the Mayor for the appointment of the two additional members of the IIPAG.
- 5.2 It is proposed that a panel consisting of two members of the Committee, two senior officers nominated by the Commissioner and the Chairman of the IIPAG undertake the selection process.
- 5.3 The panel will interview the candidates that the Mayor and Secretary of State for Transport have agreed to shortlist and then make recommendations for appointment to the Mayor.

List of appendices to this paper:

None

List of background papers:

January and June 2015 Finance and Policy Committee papers and minutes on the Assurance and Approval Processes applicable to Investment Projects.

Mayoral Direction on the establishment of the IIPAG MD705

IIPAG Terms of Reference

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