

13A. ELECTION OF VERDERERS OF EPPING FOREST 2006

Recommendations:

(1) That the Chairman of the Council, Councillor B Sandler, be authorised to attend the meeting of electors on 6 March 2006 to make any nomination(s) on behalf of the Council and, if necessary, to vote at the poll on 8 March 2006; and

(2) To consider whether to make up to two nominations on behalf of the Council at the meeting of electors.

- 13A.1 (Head of Research and Democratic Services) Under the Epping Forest Acts 1878 and 1880, an election is held every seven years to appoint verderers to take seats on the Epping Forest and Open Spaces Committee of the Corporation of the City of London.
- 13A.2 A meeting of electors for the Northern Forest Parishes (Epping, Theydon Bois, Waltham Holy Cross, Loughton, Buckhurst Hill and Chingford) will be held on 6 March 2006 at Lopping Hall, High Road, Loughton at 11.00 a.m. This is for the purpose of nominating and seconding candidates.
- 13A.3 If a ballot is demanded this will be held on 8 March 2006 at various polling stations within the Forest Parishes. The Council's polling station will be the Jack Silley Pavilion, Stonards Hill, Recreation Ground, Stonards Hill, Epping. A ballot would normally only be held if more than two people are nominated.
- 13A.4 The Council may nominate or second up to two persons, resident in the North Forest Parishes, for the position of verderer. In any subsequent poll, the Council may cast votes for up to two candidates.
- 13A.5 In accordance with Section 100(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972, together with paragraphs 6 and 25 of the Council's Procedure Rules, the Chairman has permitted on grounds of urgency, considerations of this item in order to meet the timescale set by the Corporation of the City of London.

Background Paper: Letter from the Electoral Services Manager, Corporation of the City of London dated 13 February 2006.