

# Greater London Authority Act 2007

## **2007 CHAPTER 24**

#### PART 1

GENERAL FUNCTIONS OF THE AUTHORITY

### Officers and staff

## 8 Head of paid service

- (1) Section 72 of the GLA Act 1999 (head of paid service) is amended as follows.
- (2) For subsection (1) substitute—
  - "(1) The Mayor and the Assembly, acting jointly, shall appoint a person to be head of the Authority's paid service.
  - (1A) Section 4 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (designation and reports of head of paid service) shall apply in relation to the Authority as if—
    - (a) the person appointed under subsection (1) above were a person designated under subsection (1)(a) of that section;
    - (b) the Authority were a relevant authority for the purposes of that section; and
    - (c) the Mayor and Assembly members were members of that authority.
  - (1B) Any appointment under subsection (1) above is an appointment as an employee of the Authority and—
    - (a) section 7 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (staff to be appointed on merit) shall apply in relation to any such appointment as if the Authority were a local authority;
    - (b) section 8 of that Act (duty to adopt standing orders with respect to staff) shall apply in relation to a person appointed under subsection (1) above as if the Authority were a relevant authority.

- (1C) The terms and conditions of employment of the person appointed under subsection (1) above (including conditions as to remuneration) are to be such as the Mayor and the Assembly acting jointly think fit.".
- (3) For subsection (2) substitute—
  - "(2) A person must not at the same time be both—
    - (a) the head of the Authority's paid service appointed under subsection (1) above, and
    - (b) a member of staff appointed under section 67(1) above.".
- (4) In subsection (3) for "subsection (1)" substitute "subsection (1A)".
- (5) Omit subsection (4) (appointment).
- (6) After subsection (10) insert—
  - "(11) The head of the Authority's paid service may arrange for a member of staff of the Authority, other than a member of staff appointed under section 67(1)above, to exercise on his behalf any function exercisable by the head of paid service under section 67(2) or 70(2) above.".
- (7) Where this section amends any provision relating to the appointment of a person as head of the Authority's paid service, any appointment made under the provision before the commencement day and in force on that day has effect on and after that day as if made under the provision as amended.
- (8) Where this section amends any provision relating to the terms and conditions of employment of any such person, the terms and conditions of employment of the person that are in force on the commencement day have effect on and after that day as if imposed under the provision as amended.
- (9) In this section "the commencement day" means the day on which the amendment in question comes into force.