

**NORTH EAST SURREY CREMATORIUM BOARD****9 June 2015-05-26****REPORT OF THE CLERK ON THE CONSTITUTION OF THE BOARD**

1. Section 6 (2) of the North East Surrey Crematorium Board Act 1956 as amended by the London Government Order 1965 states *“As from the first day of June in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixty five, and in every subsequent fifth year the constitution of the Board shall be revised so that the number of members to be appointed by each of the constituent authorities to hold office during the next following period of five years shall be on the basis of one member for every 70,000 inhabitants of the constituent district or any part of 70,000 inhabitants above 70,000 or above a multiple thereof according to the population of the constituent district at that time.”*
2. In May 2015, the Office for National Statistics website gave the following estimated population numbers for mid 2013 (the most current year available at this point):
  - LB Merton                    203,223
  - LB Sutton                    195,914
  - LB Wandsworth            310,516
3. When Sutton or Merton’s population reaches 210,000 or Wandsworth’s reaches 350,000, the relevant authority will qualify for an additional member of the Board.
4. Merton is the closest to qualifying for an additional board member, with their population predicted to rise to 239,000 by 2020. Similarly, it is predicted that the population of Sutton will rise to 222,000 by 2021.
5. There is no requirement to review the Consitution of the Board this year, and the membership will remain as shown below until the next review in June 2020:
  - LB Merton: three members
  - LB Sutton: three members
  - LB Wandsworth: five members.

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