MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL **TUESDAY, 9 DECEMBER 2008**

Councillors

Dobbie (Mayor), Adamou, Adje, Aitken, Alexander, Allison, Amin, Beacham, Bevan, Bevnon, Bloch, Bull, Butcher, Canver, Cooke, Davies, Demirci, Diakides, Dodds, Dogus, Edge, Egan, Engert, Gorrie, Griffith, Haley, Hare, B. Harris, C. Harris, Jones, Rahman Khan, Kober, Lister, Mallett, Meehan, Newton, Oakes, Oatway, Patel, Peacock, Reith, Santry, Stanton, Thompson, Vanier, Weber, Whyte, Williams, Wilson, Winskill and Scott

Councillor Baker, Basu, Rainger and Reid **Apologies**

Councillor Mughal. Absent:

MINUTE ACTION NO. BY SUBJECT/DECISION

CNCL65. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Baker, Basu, Rainger and Reid.

CNCL66. TO ASK THE MAYOR TO CONSIDER THE ADMISSION OF ANY LATE ITEMS OF BUSINESS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 100B OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

See Minute 69.

At this point in the proceedings the meeting agreed to the suspension of Standing Orders in order to permit the Mayor to make a statement regarding the recent and sudden death of Mike Terry.

The Mayor reported with great sorrow the tragic and sudden death of Mike Terry, who was known to all Members of the Council for both his tremendous dedication and tireless campaigning on behalf of the antiapartheid movement and for a Free South Africa and as a teacher and Assistant Head at Alexandra Park School. The Mayor went on to comment that Mike Terry had combined both roles in building the links that now existed between schools here and those in South Africa and for the successful creation of the fitting memorial to Oliver Tambo in Albert Road Recreation Ground. He remembered that Mike had been a lovely. warm and self-effacing man, who would be sorely missed by his family and friends, his students, his teaching colleagues and his comrades here and in South Africa.

Councillors Meehan, Scott and Haley also paid tribute to Mike Terry.

The Council then stood and observed 1 minute's silence in memory of Mike Terry.

CNCL67. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interests.

At this point in the proceedings Councillor Whyte sought clarification as to the reasons why the emergency motion was not being considered at this meeting.

The Mayor asked that the Monitoring Officer respond to Councillor Whyte.

The Monitoring Officer - Mr Suddaby advised that in accordance with Section 100B the Mayor had a discretion to admit items as urgent business where he was satisfied that the matter was urgent due to special circumstances. Mr Suddaby stated that his advice to the Mayor had been to the effect that given the issue of the emergency Motion related to the Joint Area Review (JAR) this would warrant special circumstances. The question however arose as to whether the item proposed was a matter of urgency in its nature to have a serious effect either on the Council or the Public. Certain factors needed to be weighed by the Mayor including the public's interest in the JAR, and also the fact that there had been a further extraordinary Full Council meeting called for the following week (17 December 2008) where a statement would be made in response to the findings of the JAR essentially what was being asked for in the emergency motion . Mr Suddaby advised that the preparation of statements in response to the emergency motion could be expected to be carefully considered and that therefore the Mayor could reasonably conclude that postponing a statement on the JAR to the Council meeting called for the following week would not seriously prejudice the Council or the people of Haringey.

The Mayor thanked Mr Suddaby for his response and advised that he would not be taking the emergency motion, given that a special Full Council meeting had been confirmed which would consider the findings of the JAR and allow for a full debate.

The Mayor responded that he was happy to put to the vote whether the emergency motion should be allowed.

On a Motion to consider whether the emergency motion be put, there being 21 for and 30 against, the Motion was declared lost.

CNCL68.

TO ELECT THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2008/09.

Councillor Lister proposed that Councillor Claire Kober be elected Leader of the Council. Councillor Bull seconded.

Councillor Wilson proposed that Councillor Robert Gorrie be elected Leader of the Council. Councillor Williams seconded.

On a vote there being 30 votes for Councillor Claire Kober, and 21 votes

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for Councillor Robert Gorrie it was:

RESOLVED:

That Councillor Claire Kober be elected Leader of the Council for remainder of the Municipal Year 2008/9.

CNCL69. TO RECEIVE THE REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE IN RELATION TO APPOINTMENTS TO THE CABINET, COMMITTEES, **OUTSIDE BODIES, POLITICAL GROUP OFFICERS AND OTHER** VACANCIES CONSEQUENT FROM THE CABINET RESIGNATIONS.

The Mayor agreed to admit the report as urgent business. The report could not be circulated earlier as information was awaited from the Party Groups. The report needed to be admitted in order that the vacancies on the Cabinet and other non executive decision making committees could be filled for the remainder of municipal year 2008/09.

The Chief Whip moved that the recommendations contained in the report be agreed.

On a vote there being 30 votes for and 21 votes against it was:

RESOLVED

- That the appointments to Cabinet, as set out in Appendix 1 of 1 the report, be agreed.
- 2 That the changes to Committees be agreed as follows:

Alexandra Palace & Park Board.

- Remove Councillor Cooke from the membership.
- Councillor Egan to become Chair.
- Councillor Dogus to become Vice Chair.
- Councillor Stanton to be added to the membership.

Alexandra Palace Consultative Committee.

- Remove Councillor Cooke from the membership.
- Councillor Egan to become Chair .
- Councillor Dogus to become Vice Chair.
- Councillor Stanton to be added to the membership.

Alexandra Palace & Park Panel.

- Remove Councillor Cooke from the membership.
- Councillor Egan to become Chair .
- Councillor Dogus added to membership and to become Vice Chair.

Alexandra Palace Consultative Forum

- Remove Councillor Cooke from the membership.
- Councillor Egan to become Chair.
- Councillor Dogus added to membership and to become

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Vice Chair.

General Purposes Committee

Councillor Vanier to replace Councillor Kober.

Licensing Committee

Councillor Demirci to replace Councillor Vanier.

Miscellaneous Functions Sub-Committee

Councillor Lister to replace Councillor Kober

Haringey Council & Employee JCC

Councillor Kober to replace Councillor Meehan

Remuneration Committee

- Councillor Kober to replace Councillor Meehan
- That the changes to Outside Body Appointments, as set out in appendix 2 of the report, be agreed.
- 4 That following changes to Political Group Officers be noted:

Leader: Councillor Claire Kober
Chief Whip: Councillor Harry Lister
Chair: Councillor Ali Demirci

5 That the staffing and related issues detailed in paragraph 9 be noted.

COUNCILLOR ALAN DOBBIE

Mayor