MINUTES OF THE CABINET TUESDAY, 8 NOVEMBER 2011

Present: Councillor Lorna Reith (Chair), Councillor John Bevan, Councillor Dilek

Dogus, Councillor Joe Goldberg*, Councillor Alan Strickland and

Councillor Bernice Vanier.

Also Present:

Councillor Gideon Bull, Councillor Lyn Weber.

* Councillor Joe Goldberg arrived at 7.45pm

MINUTE ACTION NO. SUBJECT/DECISION BY

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CAB68.	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	
	Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Nilgun Canver and Councillor Claire Kober and apologies for lateness were received from Councillor Joe Goldberg.	
	NOTED	
CAB69.	URGENT BUSINESS	
	There were no new items of Urgent Business.	
	Item 8 – 'Shared Regulatory Services Between the London Borough of Waltham Forest and the London Borough of Haringey' was admitted as a late item of Urgent Business.	
	This was because details of the staff consultation, which formed part of the background of the report, remained subject to discussion between the Boroughs at the time of publication.	
	NOTED	
CAB70.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	
	There were no declarations of interest made.	
CAB71.	MINUTES	
	RESOLVED:	
	That the minutes of the meeting held on 4 October 2011 be confirmed as a correct record of the meeting.	HLDMS
CAB72.	DEPUTATIONS/PETITIONS/QUESTIONS	
	There were no deputations, petitions or questions received.	
CAB73.	FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE FORECASTS AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2011	

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The Cabinet received a report setting out the forecast financial revenue and capital outturns for 2011/12 based on actual performance to 30 September 2011. The report also sought approval of proposed management actions and budget adjustments.

It was noted that as changes to the NHS Continuing Care criteria came into effect and fewer people were eligible for support greater demand was likely to be placed on services provided by the Local Authority. This issue would continue to be monitored and reported on to Cabinet.

RESOLVED:

- i. That the progress being made against the Council's 2011/12 budget in respect of revenue and capital be noted.
- ii. That the budget virements set out in Appendix 3 and the carry forward requested in paragraph 8.4 of the report be approved.

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iii. That the Director of Children and Young People's Services be required to take the necessary action to bring current spending to within the approved budget.

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CAB74. PERFORMANCE MONITORING

The Cabinet received a report that provided an update with respect to progress against the Council's outcomes and priorities for the second quarter of 2011/12.

It was noted that it had recently been reported in the press that the level of young people in the Borough classed as Not in Education, Employment or Training (NEET) was higher than the levels set out in the report. Cabinet was advised that the disparity between the figures reported and the figures contained within the performance report was due to the use of two different measures.

Cabinet was advised that the target with respect to reducing the use of Temporary Accommodation (TA) had been revised down in order to reflect the pressures that the Borough faced due to the capping of Housing Benefit. Given the pressure that this would place on the demand for TA in Haringey it had been considered appropriate to introduce a new target of maintaining current levels of TA for the next two years.

A number of measures were being taken by the Council and Homes for Haringey to tackle under occupancy and a four Borough agreement had been formed between Haringey, Barnet, Enfield to help improve the way emergency accommodation was managed.

It was noted that the performance data Cabinet received had been chosen on the basis that it reflected the Council's key corporate priorities. The performance indicators included in the Cabinet report were not exhaustive and a wider a range of performance indicators were measured and reported on in detail to other Council bodies.

RESOLVED:

- i. That progress against the five outcome area during the second quarter of 2011/12 be noted.
- ii. That the issues and challenges moving forward into the reporting period be noted.

CAB75. SHARED REGULATORY SERVICES BETWEEN THE LONDON BOROUGH OF HARINGEY

The Cabinet received a report that outlined the approach being taken by the London Boroughs of Waltham Forest and Haringey to develop an initial proposal for a shared Regulatory Service.

It was noted that the 'Financial Planning 2012/13 to 2014/15 – Mid Year Budget Update' report, which had been received by the Cabinet on 4 October 2011, stated that there would be a review of delivery options for Trading Standards and Environmental Health and that the proposals set out in the report formed part of this review.

RESOLVED:

i. That it be agreed, in principle, to establish a joint regulatory service between the London Boroughs of Waltham Forest and Haringey for the regulatory services set out in the report and its appendices.

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- ii. That the following be noted:
 - a. That a 30 day staff consultation with recognised trade unions and staff on Phase 1 of the shared regulatory service, as described within the report and at Appendix 1 and 2 of the report, commenced during the week commencing 31 October 2011.
 - b. That the Cabinet would consider the outcome of the consultation exercise and any equalities impact assessment and make a final decision on the proposal to enter into Phase 1 of the shared regulatory services in December 2011.
 - c. That the decision on the staffing structure of Phase 1 of the shared regulatory service would be referred to Corporate Committee following the conclusion of the formal staff consultation process.
 - d. That the implementation of the shared regulatory services proposals would require further decisions of the Council and / or Cabinet to delegate the statutory functions covered by the service.

CAB76. LONDON LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND TRANSPORT FOR LONDON ACT 2008 - APPOINTED DAY FOR ADOPTION OF POWERS UNDER PART 5 NON PAYMENT OF PENALTY CHARGE NOTICES

The Cabinet received a report that advised it of the intention to seek a Council resolution to adopt new powers provided in Part 5 of the London Local Authorities and Transport Act 2008 to fix an 'appointed day' for bringing those powers into operation.

In response to concern that the adoption of the new powers might result in some residents, who were not 'persistent evaders', having their vehicles removed it was noted that where an appeal had already been lodged this process would not be initiated.

Whilst the policy was not intended to target people who had simply forgotten to make a payment it was noted that individuals had a personal responsibility to ensure that parking permits were renewed and that any fixed penalty notices were paid on time or disputed via the relevant appeal process.

In response to concerns raised with regard to the use of bailiffs it was noted that the Benefits and Local Taxation team had recently been restructured to improve efficiency. The Cabinet Member noted that he would discuss with officers whether there was a need to review consistency in this area.

RESOLVED:

That it be noted that Council, at its meeting on 21 November 2011, would be asked to resolve that the appointed day for adopting Part 5 of the London Local Authorities and Transport for London Act 2008 should come into operation on public highways, which the London Borough of Haringey is the Highways Authority, on 1 March 2012.

CAB77. ADMISSION TO SCHOOLS - PROPOSED ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS FOR 2013/14

The Cabinet considered a report that set out proposals with respect to admission arrangements for Haringey schools for the academic year 2013/14.

In response to concerns raised with regard to the accessibility of the Admissions website it was noted that this was not managed by the Council and that the concerns raised would be fed back to the provider.

RESOLVED:

That the proposed admission arrangements and the proposed coordination scheme, outlined in the report, be approved to go out for public consultation (consultation was required to take place for a period of eight weeks between 1 November 2011 and 1 March 2012).

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CAB78. DISPOSAL OF COUNCIL PROPERTIES

The Cabinet received a report that sought approval to dispose of the

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	former Council offices at Crompton Crescent N17 which were surplus to the Council's requirements.	
	Exempt information with respect to this report was disclosed under Item 16.	
	RESOLVED:	
	That the Head of Corporate Property be authorised to dispose of the Council's freehold interest in the Council offices at Crompton Crescent for the best consideration reasonably obtainable on the open market.	DPS
CAB79.	MINUTES OF OTHER BODIES	
	RESOLVED:	
	That the minutes of the following bodies be noted:	
	 a) Children's Safeguarding Practice and Policy Advisory Committee – 13 September 2011 b) Cabinet Procurement Committee – 6 October 2011 c) Corporate Parenting Advisory Committee – 11 October 2011 d) Cabinet Member Signing – 17 October 2011 	
CAB80.	DELEGATED DECISIONS AND SIGNIFICANT ACTIONS	
	The Cabinet received a report that detailed the delegated and significant actions taken by Directors since the previous meeting of the Cabinet on 4 October 2011.	
	RESOLVED:	
	That the report be noted.	
CAB81.	NEW ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS	
	There were no new Items of Urgent Business.	
CAB82.	EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC	
	RESOLVED:	
	That the press and members of the public present be excluded for the remainder of the meeting in order to consider exempt information pertaining to Item 16.	
CAB83.	DISPOSAL OF COUNCIL PROPERTIES	
	As set out under minute CAB78 above.	
CAB84.	NEW ITEMS OF EXEMPT URGENT BUSINESS	

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