Report of General Purposes Committee to Council 21 July 2003

ALENDA ITEM 14

Chair: Councillor Reg Rice

 This report covers particular issues of interest which were before the General Purposes Committee on 15 July 2003.

2. Review of Constitution

- 2.1 The Committee at its meeting on 15 July considered recommendations of the Constitution Advisory Panel in relation to the review of the constitution relating to the Call-in Procedure. The recommendations of the Constitution Advisory Panel were approved and have been dealt with earlier this evening in the Chief Executive's report.
- 2.2 The Committee also considered the Constitution Advisory Panel's proposals relating to Terms of Reference for Member Bodies and agreed the suggested timetable for the consultation process. Formal proposals will come before the Council on 17 November.

3. Establishment of Pay, Performance Appraisal and Remuneration Panel

3.1 The Committee considered a report concerned with the establishment of a Pay, Performance Appraisal and Remuneration Panel to consider these issues with regard to the Council's senior managers/chief officers. The report as drafted suggested a membership comprising.

Councillor Basu
Councillor Diakides
Councillor Laird
Councillor Meehan
Councillor Rice (Chair)
Councillor Sulaiman

General Purposes Committee expressed the view that a membership of 2 Executive Members, 2 Members of General Purposes Committee and a member of the Opposition would be preferable.

- General Purposes Committee recommend that the Pay, Performance Appraisal and Remuneration Panel be established with the terms of reference detailed below:
 - 1. To review and consider a scheme for the pay, performance appraisal and remuneration of the Council's senior managers/chief officers.
 - 2. To appoint external consultants to assist the Panel in undertaking the review and; to oversee the work of, and receive reports from the consultants.
 - 3. To make recommendations to General Purposes Committee for the adoption and implementation of a scheme.

General Purposes Committee recommend that the membership of the Panel comprise 2 Executive Members, 2 Members of General Purposes Committee (Councillor Rice and Councillor Peacock) and one Member of the Opposition.

4. Items Of Interest From Planning Applications Sub Committee

4.1 Draft Lymington Avenue Planning Brief

Planning Committee at its meeting on 31 March agreed to put out to public consultation a draft planning brief for the redevelopment of two sites at Lymington Avenue, Wood Green. (11-25 Lymington Avenue/1-6 Noel Park Road and 10-18 Lymington Avenue). The adoption of the planning brief as Supplementary Planning Guidance will ensure that the redevelopment of the sites benefits the wider area. The primary aim of the brief is to ensure that the redevelopment of these sites provides a high-quality mixed-use development which both supports the role of Wood Green as a metropolitan shopping centre and to help meet the Borough's housing needs. The redevelopment of the site should also include key worker housing.

General Purposes Committee commended the scheme.

4.2 Draft Myddleton Road Neighbourhood Plan

On 4 March, Planning Sub Committee agreed to put the draft Myddleton Road Neighbourhood Plan out to public consultation. The plan has been developed in order to take account of current local issues, changes in local circumstances, national policy and recommends a range of policies, proposals and actions to tackle problems specific to Myddleton Road.

The objectives of the plan include: to maintain and improve the quality of life; to provide a choice of housing that meets the needs of all in the community, and promotes a sustainable and socially mixed community, and ensure that new residential accommodation is well designed, provide a more balanced housing tenure pattern in the area, reverse the decline of the local shopping centre, reduce traffic congestion and parking problems etc

General Purposes Committee commended the plan.