

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE 30 JULY 2002

Councillors *Meehan (Chair), *Irwin (Deputy Chair), * Adje, *Basu, *Bax, Bull, Canver, * Dillon, * Dodds, and *Sulaiman.

*Members present.

Also present: Councillors Laird and Peacock

TEX40. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE : Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Canver and Bull

TEX41. MINUTES:

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 16 July 2002 be approved and signed.

TEX42. COMMUNITY STRATEGY 2002: (Report of the Assistant Chief Executive – Strategy – presented by the Executive Member for Regeneration -Agenda Item 7):

We received a presentation from the Executive member for Regeneration and Partnerships identifying the current position of the Council in terms of developing the Community strategy. The Community strategy was the top level overarching strategy for the borough. Producing the next community strategy for Haringey was a statutory duty for the Council. The strategy was intended to be an outcome of the Haringey Strategic Partnership (HSP) and to reflect the partnership's central aims.

The Council had the broadest and most complex remit amongst the partners, therefore it was important that the Council's vision was embedded in the community strategy. The HSP had formed a community strategy steering group which included Councillors. The HSP's approach to developing the community strategy was noted.

Through various discussions over the past three months an outline for the community strategy had been produced and priorities had been established. Along with familiar services areas (for example, health and education) there were two new overarching priorities:

- To narrow the gap between East and West by improving the most deprived areas;
- To create modern, high quality, accessible services for everyone who needed them.

The priorities of local residents and other stakeholders were known through recent consultation and research. In September and early October, further consultation on the community strategy itself would take place through existing mechanisms such as the area assemblies, regeneration partnerships and with the voluntary sector.

The suggested time span for the community strategy was five years, 2002- 2007, supplemented with annual action plans.

With our endorsement of the outline for the strategy, the HSP Community Strategy Steering Group would prepare a consultation draft for distribution in September.

RESOLVED:

1. That the outline of the next community strategy be endorsed.

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2. That Members supply the Executive Member for Regeneration with any additional comments for submission to the Haringey Strategic Partnership Community Strategy Steering Group to consider before the draft for consultation was prepared and a further report be presented to us in due course.

TEX43. DRAFT LONDON PLAN – IDENTIFICATION OF KEY ISSUES (Presentation by the Executive Member for Environment- Agenda item 8).

We received a presentation from the Executive Member Environment identifying issues for Haringey in respect of the Draft London Plan. We noted the Mayor's vision and the main principles underlying the Plan, together with the main drivers for change. The presentation outlined the key proposals in terms of the Sub-regional context, regeneration, housing, transport and the Environment. There were a number of issues of concern for Haringey identified such as the failure to provide a positive vision for the future of North London and insufficient support for creating new jobs in North London. Another concern was over transport investment lagging behind development doubts about the transport capacity being able to deliver change proposed at Tottenham Hale and Haringey Heartlands. Furthermore the Plan did not provide a solution to the housing demand in London. Also there was a lack of engagement with local communities on critical issues such as high density housing and transport policies.

We agreed that all Members and local MP's would receive a copy of this presentation and be invited to contribute to a Haringey response.

RESOLVED:

That the Deputy Mayor of the GLA be invited to a Special meeting of the Executive in September to discuss in more details the implications of the London Plan for Haringey and other Environmental issues as considered appropriate.

TEX44. ACCOMMODATION STRATEGY (Report of the Director of Support Services – presented by the Executive Member for Resources -Agenda item 9)

RESOLVED:

1. That the recommendation on an interim policy to allow renewal or extensions of existing leases whilst the options were examined be approved.
2. That a working party consisting of Councillors Dillon, Meehan, Dodds and Adje and Senior officers be set up to consider the proposals and options for future civic accommodation, and the Working Party report back to a wider group and to the Executive.

TEX45. COUNCIL PROCUREMENT POLICY AND STRATEGY (Report of Director of Finance – presented by the Executive Member for Resources -Agenda Item 10)

We were advised of the concerns that had been made by the Trade Unions over Tupe staff transfer conditions. However we were advised that we were meeting all current central government guidelines in respect of a two tier workforce.

RESOLVED:

1. That the Haringey Council Procurement Policy and Strategy be adopted.

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2. That the Head of Procurement seek clarification regarding the position of leaseholders in partnering contracts and report back to Members.

TEX46. CAPITAL STRATEGY AND ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN (Joint Report of the Directors of Finance and Support Services – Presented by the Executive Member for Resources -Agenda Item 11)

We noted that the capital strategy group had been transformed from an ad hoc group to a sub group of the Chief Executive's Management Board.

RESOLVED

1. That the revised officer structure for co-ordinating capital matters be noted.
2. That the capital strategy as appended to the report be approved and the drafting changes and the finalisation of appendices A and C be delegated to the Director of Finance.
3. That the asset management plan as appended to the report be approved and the drafting changes be delegated to the Director of Support Services.
4. That the Directors of Finance and Support Services consult and agree with the Executive Member for Resources in respect of 2 and 3 above.

TEX47. HOUSING ALLOCATION SCHEME: PROPOSED CHANGES: (Report of the Director of Housing – Presented by the Executive Member for Housing -Agenda Item 12).

RESOLVED:

1. That the allocations scheme be changed to reflect Choose Haringey, as outlined in the report and detailed review of Choose Haringey take place in March 2003. The main changes being:
 - the advertising of available properties to a pool of people in housing need
 - the requirements of participation and the penalties for non participation
 - the introduction of a Fast Lets scheme.
2. That the changes introduced in the Homelessness Act and the Priority Needs Order and the potential impact be noted and a more detailed report be submitted to Members for their consideration of the Code of Guidance which was currently being produced by government.

TEX48. OPTIONS FOR FUTURE OF GOULDING COURT N8 (Report of the Director of Housing – Presented by the Executive Member for Housing -Agenda item 13)

RESOLVED:

1. That the outcome of the first stage of the partner selection process and resident consultation be noted.
2. That the option to sell the site to an RSL for redevelopment with a combined Key Worker and social housing scheme be pursued.
3. That London & Quadrant Housing Trust and Metropolitan Housing Trust be invited to submit detailed proposals as part of the second stage of the partner selection process.

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4. That the outcome of the competition be reported back to Members.
5. That the proposed options for decanting tenants and terms for compensating leaseholders be noted.

TEX49. RESTRUCTURING OF PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL SERVICES - PHASE 2 (Report of the Director of Environmental Services –Presented by the Executive Member for Environment -Agenda Item 14)

RESOLVED:

1. That the restructuring proposals set out in Appendix two of the report be agreed.
2. That the recruitment process set out in the report be agreed.
3. That the allocation of a £700k Investment Fund be noted.
4. That the budget virements arising from the re-structure be reported as part of the Council's budget management process.

TEX50. STATE OF THE ENVIRONMENT FOR HARINGEY 2001 (Report of the Director of Environmental Services – Presented by the Executive Member for Environment - Agenda Item 15)

RESOLVED:

1. That the State of the Environment Report for Haringey be noted and approved for publication.
2. That the indicators be monitored and the report updated every three years.

TEX51. INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT CONTRACT: WHEELED BIN MOBILISATION PLAN (Report of the Director of Environmental Services – Presented by the Executive Member for Environment -Agenda Item 16)

We were advised of the proposed programme for rolling out the introduction of wheeled bins as part of the development of the integrated waste management contract. Publicity of the scheme included posters, presentations at Area Assemblies and a helpline contact number.

RESOLVED:

1. That the planned roll-out programme as set out in paragraphs 5.4 and 6.1 of the report be agreed.
2. That the key stages associated with the roll-out programme as described in section 7 be noted.
3. That the policy that side waste and over production be not allowed and therefore residents be expected to manage their waste such that it can be contained within the bin be agreed.

TEX52. IN TOWN WITHOUT MY CAR DAY (Report of the Director of Environmental Services – Presented by the Executive Member for Environment -Agenda Item 17)

RESOLVED:

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1. That the traffic management plans be approved so that public consi
2. That subject to the results of the public consultation being positive planned and entertainment be arranged.

**TEX53. FAIRER CHARGING POLICIES FOR HOME CARE /
RESIDENTIAL SOCIAL SERVICES (Report of the Director c
by the Executive Member for Social Services and Health -Ag**

1. That the DoH Fair Charging guidance be implemented from 1st Oc
2. That one extra Advice & Assessment Officer post be establishe charging policy.
3. That the new charging policy, in line with DoH guidance and s consulted upon with interested groups and organisations prior to
4. That any changes to the charging policy, as a result of consul Member for Health & Social Services.

**TEX54. BEST VALUE REVIEW OF DAY SERVICES FOR P
DISABILITIES: WINKFIELD RESOURCE CENTRE (Report
Services – Presented by the Executive Member for Social S
Item 19)**

RESOLVED:

1. That a rehabilitative function be provided in order to improve t services provided by the Winkfield Resource Centre in the sho focus on enabling people with disabilities to fulfil their individual recently become disabled a respite facility be provided to sever
2. That the setting up of an independent living centre based at Wil partnership with service users / people with disabilities be inve

**TEX55. ST GEORGE'S INDUSTRIAL ESTATE WHITE H
the Directors of Support Services and Social Services -**

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RESOLVED:

That the report be noted.

TEX57. THE CORPORATE FUNDING APPROACH AND OPTIONS FOR AWARDING GRANTS FROM APRIL 2003 (Report of the Assistant Chief Executive – Strategy – Presented by the Executive Member for Regeneration -Agenda item 25)

This item was the subject of a motion to exclude the press and public from the meeting as it contained exempt information relating to the terms proposed or to be proposed by or to the Authority in the course of negotiations for a contract for the acquisition or disposal of property or the supply of goods or services.

We were informed of the corporate funding approach, detailing the process and criteria for awarding Council grants to the Community and Voluntary Sector as from April 2003.

A new corporate funding approach to support the development of a voluntary sector compact was agreed by establishing a funding strategy which was consistent, transparent and planned. The Council would adopt a more strategic focus on its funding in order to provide the investment and stability to those organisations that were identified as key deliverers of services and support the community as a whole. In order to achieve this, the following five key areas were agreed:

- Funding principles
- Assessment criteria
- Organisational funding priorities
- Funding approach
- Decision making

We noted that the structure would provide flexibility in terms of the assessment criteria and in supporting initiatives which complemented the Council's key community plan objectives.

RESOLVED:

1. That the new corporate funding approach including funding principles, assessment criteria, organisational funding priorities, funding approach and decision making as set out in section 5 of the report be agreed.
2. That the establishment of a member panel to consider applications and make recommendations on funding to the Executive be agreed.
3. That the "Corporate Funding Approach" and the process for the "Awarding of the Main Stream Grants Programme" from April 2003", as set out in section 5 and 6 of the report be agreed.

TEX58. GLADSTONE MEWS N22 (Report of the Director of Support Services – Presented by the Executive Member for Resources -Agenda item 26)

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We noted that there were no comments from the Regeneration Manager as to whether this site could be used for the Haringey Heartlands Masterplan.

RESOLVED:

1. That subject to the site not being required for the Haringey Heartlands Masterplan officers be instructed to accept the highest offer for Gladstone Mews and in the event of the best offer failing to proceed, be authorised to proceed with the next highest offer.
2. That in the event that the two highest offers do not proceed, the Head of Property Services and Facilities be authorised to re-advertise the property for sale.

TEX59. THE LODGE COLD FALL WOOD, 82 CREIGHTON AVENUE, MUSWELL HILL N10 - (Report of the Director of Support Services – Presented by the Executive Member for Resources -Agenda item27)

This item was the subject of a motion to exclude the press and public from the meeting as it contained exempt information relating to the terms proposed or to be proposed by or to the Authority in the course of negotiations for a contract for the acquisition or disposal of property or the supply of goods or services.

RESOLVED:

1. That the Head of Property Services and Facilities Management be authorised to dispose of the property at auction or by private treaty (subject to the Resolution at 3).
2. That the Head of Property Services and Facilities Management be authorised to set a reserve price or accept the highest offer received (or as advised) by the retained agent or auctioneer.
3. That the Head of Property Services and Facilities Management be authorised to enter into negotiations with The Church Commissioners to release the restrictive covenant and to report back to Members prior to agreement.
4. That a sum of up to £25,000 be set aside from the proceeds of disposal as a contribution towards parks improvements.

TEX60. 725/731 LORDSHIP LANE, WOOD GREEN N22 (Report of the Director of Support Services –Presented by the Executive Member for Resources -Agenda Item 28)

This item was the subject of a motion to exclude the press and public from the meeting as it contained exempt information relating to the terms proposed or to be proposed by or to the Authority in the course of negotiations for a contract for the acquisition or disposal of property or the supply of goods or services.

We discussed the possible options for the future use of this site. Our preferred option was for a mix-use concept combining mixed- tenure residential on the upper and commercial development on the ground level.

RESOLVED:

1. That the revised offer for the site by London Buses be rejected.

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2. That the Head of Property Services and Facilities Management give further consideration as to whether the offer from Circle 33 represents the best use for the site and be authorised to dispose of the site for the best available consideration.

**TEX61. FORMER BOILER HOUSE AND ADJOINING LAND AT BLAYDON CLOSE N17
(Report of the Director of Support Services – Presented by the Executive Member for
Resources -Agenda Item 29)**

This item was the subject of a motion to exclude the press and public from the meeting as it contained exempt information relating to the terms proposed or to be proposed by or to the Authority in the course of negotiations for a contract for the acquisition or disposal of property or the supply of goods or services.

RESOLVED:

1. That the lack of progress in negotiations with the owners of the former police section house be noted.
2. That consideration be given to the bids received from interested parties and the Head of Property Services be authorised to sell the freehold of the subject site to London and Quadrant Housing Association.

GEORGE MEEHAN
Chair