

18 February 2008

Full Council - Monday, 18th February, 2008

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Item 2

COUNCIL MEETING – 18 FEBRUARY 2008

LATE ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS**The Chief Executive**

Mr Mayor, there are three late items of business, which could not be available earlier, and which will need to be dealt with at this meeting. The reasons for lateness and urgency are given in the report laid round.

Item 5 – Minutes

Because of the very short timescale between the last meeting and the despatch date of the summons for this meeting, it was not possible to circulate the minutes with the Summons. The minutes should be confirmed at the next available Council meeting.

Item 11- Report of the Chief Financial Officer in respect of Financial Planning for 2008/09 – 2010/11 and to agree the Council Tax for 2008/09

The report could not be circulated earlier as vital information was awaited from preceptors. The report needs to be admitted in order that the Council Tax may be set for 2008/9.

Item 13 – Council Questions

Notice of questions is not requested until 8 clear days before the meeting, following which the matters raised have to be researched and replies prepared to be given at the meeting.

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COUNCIL QUESTIONS – 18 FEBRUARY 2008**Oral Question 1 – To the Cabinet Member for Environment and Conservation from Councillor Jones:**

Can the Cabinet Member provide the most recent figures in 2007-2008 for recycling in the borough?

Oral Question 2 – To the Cabinet Member for Housing from Councillor Gorrie:

When was the decision taken to give the Eastfield Road Community Centre to a Building Contractor, how much rent are they paying and why were residents not consulted on this change of use?

Oral Question 3 -To the Cabinet Member for Children and Young People from Councillor Dobbie:

Can the Cabinet Member explain how the current “Primary Strategy for Change” consultation will help improve facilities within the borough’s primary schools?

Oral Question 4 - To the Cabinet Member for Environment and Conservation from Councillor Newton:

Cllr Haley is on public record that he wants Haringey to be a 20mph zone. What action is Haringey now planning for a default 20mph borough-wide speed limit in all residential areas given the Mayor's commitments that TfL will work with boroughs to encourage and support the implementation of borough-wide default 20mph speed limits?

Oral Question 5 - To ask the Cabinet Member for Housing Services from Councillor Catherine Harris:

Can the Cabinet Member provide us with an update on negotiations with Government regarding Decent Homes funding for Haringey.

Oral Question 6 - To the Cabinet Member for Housing Services from Councillor Baker:

Could he please advise how many households have been moved out of temporary accommodation in the past three months and list the type of accommodation they have been transferred to (e.g. private rented, Homes for Haringey, RSL, Owner occupied, etc). Could he indicate the proportion of these people that are receiving housing benefit?

Oral Question 7 – To the Cabinet Member for Community Cohesion and Involvement from Councillor Peacock:

Can the Cabinet Member inform us how Councillors can support residents to “make a difference” in their local area?

Written Question 1– To the Cabinet Member for Children and Young People from Cllr Alexander:

The recent release of exam result figures show that Haringey schools still lag way behind the national average for GCSE and A-level performance. Why is the council continuing to fail our children and is there a plan to raise Haringey's performance up to the national average?

Answer

Haringey examination results continue to improve year on year. At GCSE results have improved consistently year on year since 2001 at more than twice the national rate. In 2007 steady progress continued at GCSE with gains in the number of pupils attaining 5+ GCSE A*-C grades. Since 2001 Haringey has improved from 30.9% to 56% in the national indicator (the national improvement is 50% to 61.5%). There is still much to do and plans are in place to continue to close the gap with the national figure.

At A Level the average point score per exam entry improved from 200.7 to 203.2 (national improved from 206.2 to 207.1). National analysis by Advanced Level Performance Systems of Level 3 attainment indicates a very good performance overall in the value added score for Haringey.

The improved standards which are being achieved by our schools are reflected in the high grades from Ofsted inspections. The Ofsted inspections in 2007 have consistently awarded our schools good and outstanding grades. Our secondary schools achieved 76% good/outstanding whereas nationally the percentage of good/outstanding was 51%.

We are in a strong position to continue our progress in 2008.

Written Question 3 – To the Cabinet Member for Housing Services from Cllr Baker:

Would the lead member for Housing tell us how many Haringey Council House tenants pay for their electricity and gas via pre-payment metres? If no accurate figures are available please offer your best estimate.

Answer

We do not maintain such records as tenants are able to opt for pre-payment metres without reference to either Homes for Haringey or the Council.

Written Question 4 – To the Cabinet Member for Environment and Conservation from Cllr Beacham:

Can he explain why 8 metre high lighting columns were recently installed in Palace Gates Road N22 to replace columns which were only 6 metres high?

Answer

This is a heavily trafficked section of road. It has pavement parking and is also a bus route. For these reasons we wanted to keep the same locations for the new columns so that we did not lose any more parking spaces. We also wanted to achieve the improved level of lighting required for a road of this type. The solution was to raise the height of the columns. If we had not increased the height to 8 metres then we would have had to use more 6 metre columns to achieve an acceptable level of lighting and would have further restricted parking spaces. Back shields have been fitted to minimise the back spill of light onto adjacent properties and the suppliers have been approached to see if we can achieve the required level of light with a lower wattage of lamp.

Written Question 5 – To the Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Enterprise from Cllr Beynon:

What action is Haringey Planning and Enforcement taking to make sure that both new shops planning applications, and existent shops, are complying with the demands of disability access in both the case of toilet provision and level access?

Answer

In dealing with applications for planning permission for new shop fronts, the planning service take into account the provisions of SPG 6A Shop Fronts, Signage & Security specifically paragraphs 2.3 and 5.1 – 5.3 concerning access and safety to ensure that easy access is provided for all the community, including [people with disabilities.

Under the Building Regulations 2000 (as amended), new shop fronts need to comply with the requirements of Part M – Access to and use of Buildings: Regulation M1 requires that reasonable provision shall be made for people to a) gain access to; and b) use the building and its facilities. Regulation M3 provides more particular guidance on sanitary accommodation, including toilets.

In both planning and building control, where historic buildings are concerned, access and safety requirements will sometimes conflict with restoration and conservation requirements. In such cases, an appropriate balance needs to be achieved between historic building conservation and accessibility. In order to ascertain that reasonable provisions have been proposed and an appropriate balance secured, an access statement is sometimes required.

In relation to existing shopfronts the onus is open the property owner to ensure that it complies with the Discrimination Disability Act.

For existing premises which are not subject to alteration or change of use, the onus to comply with the disability legislation rests with the owner of the property or person in control. There are no enforcement powers to deal with existing premises which are not subject to structural change.

Written Question 6 –To the Cabinet Member for Resources from Cllr Bloch:

What is the current income to the council from telecommunications masts in the borough, and if he will set out their location and income?

Answer

The total income from telecommunications masts is £250k. Specific rental income from individual locations is commercially sensitive. The locations are listed below.

- 129-163 High Cross Road, N17
- Edgecot Grove, Oulton Road, N15
- Alexander House, Hillcrest, N6
- Chettle Court, Ridge Road, N8
- Cordell House, Newton Road, N15
- Eckington House, Fladbury Road, N15
- Elizabeth Blackwell House, Progress Way, N22
- Kenley, Gloucester Road, N17
- Kenneth Robbins House, Northumberland Park, N17
- Millicent Fawcett Court, Pembury Road, N17
- Thomas Hardy House, Commerce Road, N22
- Warren Court, High Cross Road, N17
- Wavell House, Hillcrest, N6
- Mountbatten House, Hillcrest, N6
- Hornsey Town Hall, The Broadway, N8
- Bounds Green Court, Bounds Green Road, N11

- River Park House, High Road, N22
- White Hart Lane Community Sports Centre, WHL, N22

Written Question 7 – To the Cabinet Member for Housing from Cllr Butcher:

When did Haringey’s Council properties last receive external decoration?

Answer

There are four housing management areas in the borough: North Tottenham, South Tottenham, Hornsey and Wood Green.

The last external decoration programme works were completed in 2006/07 in North Tottenham, South Tottenham and Hornsey.

The programme planned for the current year, which includes Wood Green, was regrettably deferred following unforeseen delays in the procurement process and to avoid winter working. The work will be rolled forward into 2008/09 and a £4.5M programme is planned to start in April 2008 covering all the four housing management areas.

Written Question 8 – To the Cabinet Member for Community Cohesion and Involvement from Cllr Davies:

How many Freedom of Information requests has the Council had in the last six months, which directorates were they related to (where identifiable), what the average and longest time it has taken to respond to the requests in full and how many requests have been rejected?

Answer

- Including Homes for Haringey, 249 requests were responded to between 1 August 2007 and 31 January 2008.
- The average time taken to respond was 16.5 working days
- The longest time taken was 91 working days
- 4 requests were not responded to as they were classified as exempt
- The information by directorate is in the table below.

Directorate	Number of completed requests			Average Days	Longest Time Days
	Within Time	Late	Total Completed		
Adult, Culture & Community	9	2	11	16.0	23
Chief Executive	31	2	33	13.9	40
Children & Young People	39	1	40	15.2	36
Corporate Resources	43	8	51	14.0	40
Urban Environment	61	26	87	20.6	91
Homes for Haringey	25	2	27	13.1	50
Total	208	41	249	16.5	91

Written Question 9 – To the Cabinet Member for Community Cohesion and Involvement from Cllr Demirci:

Can he explain, in detail, why the Full Council Meeting of Monday 21st January is not available as a webcast and tell me what measures are being put in place to ensure that this does not happen again.

Answer

The webcast of Full Council meeting on Monday 21st January is unavailable due to technical faults which were encountered with the recording equipment on the night. Initially the adsl (broadband) line malfunctioned. IT support was able to rectify the problem but not until just before the start of the Council meeting. It became apparent once this problem was rectified that the audio feed from the Council Chamber's microphone system was not working. Unfortunately due to the earlier adsl problem there was insufficient time to carry out further troubleshooting as it would have disturbed the meeting. The decision was then taken by Public I and the operator to abort the webcast. This meant that no recording took place.

Officers from Local Democracy & Member Service and IT services reviewed the problem following the webcast. Testing revealed a loose audio connection which is the likely explanation of the audio feed problem. It has not recurred in any subsequent use of the equipment.

The adsl failure was due to faulty cabling, most probably caused by excessive movement of the cables when setting up and putting away the equipment. Following discussions with Facilities Management it has been agreed that the webcasting equipment cabling be permanently secured in place to avoid any similar fault in the future. An order has been placed for this work.

Written Question 10 – To the Cabinet Member for Resources from Cllr Edge:

How many more electric cars and bicycles will Haringey Council be purchasing as part of its Staff Travel plan? How much will this cost?

Answer

We have been allocated funding from Transport for London of £50,000 in 2007/8 and £20,000 for 2008/9 for the purchase electric vehicles. We are in the process of purchasing three electric cars. If the cost of the electric cars and the associated charging infrastructure is under £70,000, the balance will fund the purchase of electric bicycles in 2008/9.

Written Question 11 – To the Cabinet Member for Leisure, Culture and Lifelong learning from Cllr Engert:

Given that the Cabinet did not approve match funding for the sale of the land behind Muswell Hill Library, what guarantees can the Council give that the listed building of Muswell Hill Library will be properly refurbished and provide full disabled compliance especially as the children's library is on the first floor.

Answer

The Council's Corporate Property Service is currently preparing specifications to repair the roof of Muswell Hill Library and will tender the work in the near future. When the repairs to the roof have been undertaken, the original decorative features will be restored and the existing building will be redecorated. Funds for this work have been allocated from Corporate Property Services Repairs and Maintenance Budget and timescales are dependent upon the outcome of the tender process. Full disabled access to the children's library on the first floor is a key requirement and funds have also been allocated from this budget specifically for this work. It is not possible to create an internal lift within the building's existing structure and this is likely to be located to the rear of the building.

Written Question 12 – To the Cabinet Member for Resources from Cllr Gorrie:

What value of expenditure has "Corporate Procurement" procured over the last twelve months? What savings has this achieved in the last twelve months? On what contract or item has the best saving been achieved and how has that saving been calculated?

Answer

Corporate Procurement oversees and manages the procurement of corporate supplies and services and is the commissioning unit for all works projects across the Council.

In the last 12 months, CPU has managed:

Works commissioning of 140 projects valued at £98m

Managed Supplies & Services projects valued at £8.2m (net of savings)

On supplies and services £2.1m savings have been achieved on prices paid previously.

The best savings achieved relate to energy. In previous years when energy prices were stable, the method of procuring energy was by use of "traditional" methods which involved going to the market on a given day once per year and buying our full volume at that day rate.

However, since energy markets have become volatile, traditional methods are no longer considered best practice.

Therefore CPU procured a new energy trading contract and which offered flexible wholesale procurement where we purchase our energy in tranches throughout the year to hedge risk and obtain best market prices. Haringey was the first borough in London to change service providers and adopt this new procurement strategy; other boroughs are planning to follow suit.

In the last 12 months, through this flexible procurement strategy, we have managed to avoid costs of circa £1.3m attributed to falling gas prices and circa £0.2m by hedging and beating market average prices – making a total of £1.5m.

If CPU had not initiated flexible wholesale procurement we would have been locked in at high gas prices, fixed for 1 or 2 years against a falling market.

The market average prices are produced using a methodology approved and audited by the National Audit Office and provided to Haringey by OGCs.

Written Question 13 – To the Cabinet Member for Environment and Conservation from Cllr Hare:

Will he take action to implement parking controls in North Road, Highgate, as requested by residents following a consultation last year?

Answer

As the Councillor will be aware, consultation for a minor extension to the Highgate High Street CPZ to incorporate North Road and Hampstead Lane was conducted in July 2007. A further consultation for the inclusion of North Hill and North Hill Avenue into the Highgate High Street CPZ was conducted in October 2007.

During the two consultations some resident representations on the proposals required further investigation before going forward. A report of the feedback from both consultations with responses to representations is currently being prepared to be agreed under delegated powers. The extensions will then be carried out in March/April 2008.

Note: This does not include the pay and display bays in the vicinity of Highgate Group Practice, which are programmed to be implemented in February 2008.

Written Question 14 – To the Cabinet Member for Leisure, Culture and Lifelong Learning from Cllr Hoban:

Since opening, how many productions and live events have been staged at the Bernie Grant arts centre? How many members of the public have attended? How many bookings have been received for the main space, studio 1 and studio 2? How much revenue has the Bernie Grant arts centre generated since opening?

What is the current level of revenue support for the Bernie Grant Centre, for this financial year and budgeted over the next three years?

Answer

The council does not have retain information on; events, attendances, bookings and revenue income at the Bernie Grant Arts Centre (BGAC).

The level of Council revenue support for the BGAC in 2007/08 is £205,000. The amount budgeted for the next three years to 2010/11 is £210,100 per annum.

Written Question 15 – To the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Wellbeing from Cllr Mughal:

Does he now have the figures and knowledge with regard to the average length of time for residents waiting to have their homes adapted in each of the last 12 months?

If the member is unable to provide wider figures perhaps he could concentrate on the 120 residents (Haringey's Full Council figure Dec. 2007) still waiting for adaptations and give us the length of times that the 120 people have been waiting for these adaptations.

Whilst I appreciate that 60 residents will have adaptations before April'08 due to funding being drawn from next years allocation, this still poses the question of what additional funding provision is being made to ensure that the backlog of 60 residents who are being carried forward to 08/09 for adaptations will be met as soon as practical.

Plus how do you propose to fund new cases during 08/09?

What are the council's delivery performance objectives from the point that a GP or Hospital has raised requests on behalf of the resident i.e. Council response to installation?

Will the Member please assure the Council that there will not be a repeat in 08/09 of delayed provision of adaptations for residents?

Answer

The average waiting time for a major adaptation in Council Properties is 117 days.

In 2007/08 to date 141 Council tenants have had a major adaptation. (There have also been 124 completed in the Private sector.)

With regard to the 120 residents referred to in the previous response, 60 resident's works have been issued to contractors and that work is progressing. The remaining 60 cases are currently with surveyors for technical specification and will be ready to issue to contractors at the start of the new financial year.

The Council Business Planning process agreed a substantial increase in the budget allocation to this area of activity. That allocation has taken into account the backlog of cases in 2007/08 as well as providing sufficient resources for new cases. The total value of funding in this area for 2008/09 is set at £3.2 million; that represents an increase of £1 million over the 2007/08 allocation.

The Council performance in responding to Hospital referrals for adaptations are in the main related to minor adaptations. In 2007/08 there were no delayed hospital discharges arising out of the failure to deliver equipment or a minor adaptation. The Council's performance indicator for delivery of equipment and minor adaptations within 7 days is currently at 98% year to date.

Referrals for an Occupational Therapy Assessment from first contact to completion of an assessment within 28 days, is currently in the region of 90% year to date. This represents a significant improvement on the situation that existed prior to the Council Scrutiny Review of this service in 2005 and the subsequent investments made by the Council to promote residents' independence.

Members recently agreed for officers to complete a review of the adaptation service with a view to further modernise the service and deliver the Council's vision of a single end to end adaptations systems for all Haringey residents regardless of tenure of property, without any unnecessarily delayed provision.

Written Question 16 – To the Cabinet Member for Environment and Conservation from Cllr Newton:

How many people have free parking permits to park in any of Haringey's Controlled Parking Zones (CPZs)? How many have been given out in the past year, how many are currently in circulation and what criteria has been used to provide these? In light of any changes to eligibility criteria please expand on these changes and why changes were made?

Answer

Free parking permits are only issued for the Spurs Matchday CPZ which was implemented on the 19 January 2008. These permits are issued to those who reside in the CPZ area and who keep and use a car, or businesses in the CPZ area who need to use a vehicle to carry out their business. To date we have issued 1830 residential permits and 61 business permits.

Written Question 17 – To the Cabinet Member for Community Cohesion and Involvement from Cllr Oakes:

When the Mayor of Bethany/Aizaria visited were journalists and photographers forbidden from interviewing him and/or taking photographs of him inside the Mayor's parlour?

Answer

For reasons of security, health and safety, and above all respect and courtesy to the Mayor's civic guests; journalists, photographers, film and television crews were asked to undertake their activities at the entrance to the Civic Centre and in the Foyer. Both the Mayor of Aizaria/Bethany and the Mayor of Haringey kindly facilitated this arrangement by making themselves available for interviews and photographs before and after their private meeting and reception for their invited guests in the Mayor's Parlour. Notwithstanding that the Council's Communications Service had

advised the press of this beforehand it was disappointing that some individuals tried to enter the Parlour.

The Mayor has asked me to advise Councillor Oakes that if he would care to take time to view the Mayor's photograph gallery on the Council's website he will find a very nice photograph of Councillor Thompson in his Parlour welcoming Mayor Issam Faroun to Haringey.

Written Question 18 – To the Cabinet Member for Environment and Conservation from Cllr Oatway:

In view of officers' recent responses to members' enquiries and as local residents were promised action well over two years ago and more recently by the end of 2007, could he:

- a) Detail the exact stage of the traffic consultation in the Palace Gates Road area;
- b) Advise when plans will be available for the focus groups to view;
- c) Explain the delay in getting to this stage and set a date for public consultation.

Answer

The Palace Gates Road Area forms part of the A406 Complimentary Package of Measures consisting of 15 area based schemes in both Haringey and Enfield. Working in partnership, with Enfield as the lead borough, a forward plan was developed for the delivery of this work. The Palace Gates Road Area was always programmed for implementation in 2008/09 and we are on course to meet this timescale.

As the Councillor will be aware however, the informal consultation period was brought forward due to the lack of consensus on possible proposals from the residents' group representatives within the area. At present we are still finalising proposals with the focus group prior to full consultation. Preliminary plans will be made available to the members of the focus group by 22 February and it is anticipated that, subject to approval of proposals with the focus group, formal consultation will take place in May 2008.

Written Question 19 – To the Cabinet Member for Environment and Conservation from Cllr Rainger:

How many School Crossing Patrol positions have been approved across the borough? How many of these positions are currently not filled?

Answer

There are currently 35 School Crossing Patrol (SCP) sites which have been approved in the Borough, 17 of which are staffed at present. The Highways Service is actively seeking to recruit people for the vacant posts. Due to difficulties in recruiting and turnover of staff in these posts, the recruitment process is ongoing throughout the year.

Written Question 20 – To the Cabinet Member for Housing from Cllr Reid:

At a time when the government is actively encouraging the transfer of council property to the Community through such schemes as the Community Assets Fund why is the Council giving Eastfield Road Community Centre, Hornsey, to a Building contractor and how many other Council sites have similarly been given to building contractors throughout Haringey?

Answer

The council has not made any decisions as yet about Eastfield Rd Community Centre, there are no proposals for "giving it" to anybody at this stage and as far as I am aware the council has not given any sites to any contractors in the way implied in the question.

As regards Eastfield Community Centre, after a preliminary discussion at the cross-agency Campsbourne regeneration steering group, officers have been exploring options for securing adequate community facilities on the estate (including a Youth Centre requested by many of the residents) and also in parallel for securing funding to refurbish this particular centre. One of the options raised at the steering group and pursued since its last meeting involves the use of part of this substantial building as a temporary base (for the duration of the Decent Homes Standard programme) for staff from Homes for Haringey and the partner Contractor involved in the programme and an associated showroom of the proposed works and materials for the benefit of the estate's residents. The proposal, that is currently being explored along these lines, involves the partner contractor for the area refurbishing the whole building at no cost to the authority, so that the remaining part could be used from next year as a community facility and the whole of the building being ready for full community use at the end of the DHS programme.

A final decision on whether to proceed with this proposal will be taken after the current consultation with residents and other stakeholders has been completed

Written Question 21 – To the Cabinet Member for Environment and Conservation from Cllr Weber:

Please confirm where we are in the process of consultation and implementation of an agreed scheme for the Crouch End Ward to resolve on-going difficulties due to unacceptable parking stress which has resulted from the Highgate CPZ extension; Stroud Green CPZ Scheme and the Crouch End stop and shop scheme amongst others.

When will the Crouch End draft consultation document be ready for review?

When will the consultation process commence?

When will implementation of the agreed scheme start?

Answer

As the Councillor will be aware, meetings were held in December 2007 with resident and trader representatives to discuss parking issues in the Crouch End and Highgate areas resulting, in particular, from the introduction of the Hillrise East CPZ in the LB Islington.

A draft consultation document for comment will be ready at the end of February. As agreed, the document will be distributed to the members of the working group who attended the meeting in December 2007 along with all ward Councillors.

Subject to feedback, and taking into account the purdah period for local and Mayoral elections, it is envisaged that public consultation will start in May 2008. Implementation of the scheme is dependent on the feedback received during the public consultation and objections received during the statutory notification.

Written Question 22 – To the Cabinet Member for Environment and Conservation from Cllr Whyte:

What representations, written or oral, has he or any other cabinet member made to Transport for London, the GLA or any other interested parties over the A406 widening scheme in the last 12 months?

Answer

The consultation process regarding the A406 improvements was completed some years ago, at which time extensive representations were made. There is a consistent level of contact between the council and TfL all the time, though no specific representations have been made on this issue recently.

Written Question 23 – To the Cabinet Member for Environment and Conservation from Cllr Williams:

With regard to the promise of more pay and display at the Highgate Group Practice, can he set out when this will be implemented, given that he told the Council it would be in March, but the area assembly it would be in February?

Answer

Additional pay and display parking in the vicinity of Highgate Group Practice is programmed to be implemented in February 2008.

Written Question 24 – To the Cabinet Member for Housing from Cllr Wilson:

How many families have been made homeless by Haringey Council over the last five years for breach of tenancy? How many had mental health problems? In how many cases were children involved? How many days schooling have been lost due to homelessness?

Answer

The number of household evicted in the last five years for breach of tenancy due to rent arrears is broken down as follows:

03/04	119
04/05	124
05/06	103
06/07	92
07/08 (to date)	77

In addition a further 19 evictions for have been carried out for anti social behaviour or other breaches of tenancy in the last 2 years (we have only been recording these on our IT system since then).

Without going through individual eviction reports we are unable to break these down further by family or case type. However we can say that eviction procedures are used as a last resort; the need for additional support and advice is always considered and any necessary referral made; and in the case of anyone with known mental health problems such action would only usually be taken where it was clear that the person could not maintain a tenancy and that some type of supported accommodation was needed. In such cases we would have discussed and agreed the strategy with the relevant agencies before proceeding to eviction.

Written Question 25 – To the Cabinet Member for Environment and Conservation from Cllr Winskill:

How many council officers will staff the new pothole hotline and what hours will the hotline be open? Will this be a dedicated service or will it be part of existing Council centre centres?

Answer

The hotline will be part of the existing council call centres.

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Item 15

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Amendment 1 to Motion H (2007/08)

INSERT AT END:

'This Council also welcomes the police investigation into several projects funded by the London Development Agency (LDA) and call for a full independent inquiry into all aspects of LDA funding in order to begin to restore confidence in the use of Haringey taxpayer's money by the LDA.'

Propose: Cllr Williams

Second: Cllr Hare

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Item 15

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Amendment 2 to Motion H (2007/08)

INSERT AT END:

Further, calls on the Mayor to reduce the amount he spends on excessive propaganda, travel and subsistence allowances that could save Londoners over £3million per year and allow greater investment in the areas that matter to Haringey taxpayers.

Proposed: Cllr Mughal

Seconded: Cllr Oatway

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Amendment 3 to Motion H (2007/08)

Insert, at start:

This Council believes that Haringey residents would prefer their tax money to be used to fight knife crime instead of being wasted by the Mayor on self-promotion

Proposed: Cllr Aitken

Seconded: Cllr Demirci

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Item 15

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EMERGENCY MOTION I

This Council calls on the Leader to make an urgent statement on media reports that sensitive personal data has been left dumped in a vacated council building in Crouch End, including all the information required to commit identity fraud.

This council calls for an independent review on how this situation has arisen, and to contact urgently all those affected whose confidentiality has been compromised.

This council calls on the Leader of the council to apologise to the people of Haringey for this disgraceful and damaging breach of confidentiality.

Proposer – CLLR WILLIAMS

Secunder – CLLR WILSON

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EMERGENCY MOTION J

This Council deplores the Government's plans to close 2,500 post offices across the UK.

This council notes how vital all the boroughs Post Offices are to the communities and retail centres of Haringey.

This Council will oppose any plans to close Post Office branches in Haringey.

This Council therefore calls on the Government to:

1. Scrap the consultation due to start on 19th February, and end its branch closure programme;
2. Remove the Royal Mail restrictions on the Post Office to open up further business opportunities for the network;
3. Stop removing Government business from Post Offices;
4. Carry out a review of which additional Government functions could be carried out through the Post Offices;
5. Invest in the Post Office Network.

Proposer CLLR WILLIAMS

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EMERGENCY MOTION K

This Council

Notes that Labour councillors are writing to residents saying that Labour is to again change its policy of charging those over 65s for leisure services.

Calls on the Leader of the Council to urgently clarify the position of the majority group at the Full Council on Monday 18th February

Calls on the Council to scrap any changes to the charging structure for leisure services, and to finance the retention of the current charging structure by deleting Cabinet posts as proposed in the Lib Dem alternative budget at the Full council meeting on 2nd February 2008.

Proposer – Cllr Winskill

Secunder – Cllr Whyte

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