

**MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL  
MONDAY, 18 FEBRUARY 2008**

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

Apologies Councillor Alexander, Baker, Beynon, Hoban, Oakes and Stanton

Absent: Councillor Rainger

MINUTE NO.	SUBJECT/DECISION	ACTION BY
<b>CNCL89.</b>	<p><b>TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b></p> <p>Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Alexander, Baker, Beynon, Hoban, Oakes and Stanton.</p>	
<b>CNCL90.</b>	<p><b>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</b></p> <p>See minutes 93, 101 &amp; 105.</p>	
<b>CNCL91.</b>	<p><b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b></p> <p>Councillor Beacham declared a personal interest in item 15 –Motion H, as he was an employee of London Underground.</p> <p>Councillor Butcher declared a personal interest in item 11 – Financial Planning and approval of the Council Tax for 2008/09 as he was a Member of the London Fire and Emergency Planning Authority for which a portion of the precept was paid to.</p> <p>Councillor Cooke declared a personal interest in item 10 – deputation on Wood Green Police Station design, as he was a resident of Bounds Green.</p> <p>Councillor Adje declared a personal interest in item 11 – Financial Planning and approval of the Council Tax for 2008/09 and Motion H, as he was an employee of the London Fire and Emergency Planning Authority for which a portion of the precept was paid to.</p> <p>Councillor Reith declared a personal interest in Motion H, as she was an appointed Member of London Travel Watch, which was part of the GLA</p>	

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	<p>group. Councillor Reith also declared a personal interest in Emergency Motion I, as she was a former Council tenant.</p> <p>Councillor Engert declared a personal interest in Motion H, as she was an appointed Member of London Travel Watch, which was part of the GLA group.</p> <p>Councillor Haley declared a personal interest in item 11 – Financial Planning and approval of the Council Tax for 2008/09 and Motion H, as he was employed as a Waterways Commissioner – part of the GLA group.</p> <p>Councillor Bevan declared a personal and prejudicial interest in item 15 – Emergency Motion J relating to Post Office closures, as he was a member of Post Office Watch.</p> <p>Councillor C Harris declared a personal interest in Emergency Motion I, as she was a former Council tenant.</p>	
<p><b>CNCL92.</b></p>	<p><b>TO ASK MEMBERS WHETHER THEY NEED TO MAKE A DECLARATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 106 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE ACT IN RELATION TO UNPAID COMMUNITY CHARGE OR COUNCIL TAX LIABILITY WHICH IS TWO MONTHS OR MORE OUTSTANDING.</b></p> <p>Members were reminded of the need to consider whether they needed to make a declaration in accordance with Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 in relation to unpaid community charge or council tax liability which was two months or more outstanding.</p> <p>No such declarations were made.</p>	
<p><b>CNCL93.</b></p>	<p><b>TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 4 FEBRUARY 2008 (TO FOLLOW)</b></p> <p>The Mayor agreed to admit the minutes as urgent business. Because of the short timescale between the last meeting and this, it was not possible to circulate the minutes with the summons. The minutes should be confirmed at the next available meeting of the Council.</p> <p>Copies of the Minutes having been circulated, they were taken as read.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <p>That the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 4 February 2008 be signed as a true record.</p>	
<p><b>CNCL94.</b></p>	<p><b>TO RECEIVE SUCH COMMUNICATIONS AS THE MAYOR MAY LAY BEFORE THE COUNCIL</b></p>	

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	<p>1. The Mayor on behalf of the Full Council congratulated graduate trainees Becky Cribb and Lucy Cranshaw who will represent Haringey next month at the Young Local Authority of the Year 2008 final. They won their place in the final by winning the London Borough Council of the Year. This competition recognised outstanding new talent within local authorities. The Mayor wished both Becky and Lucy good luck.</p> <p>2. The Mayor reminded Members of his second fundraising Jazz Evening on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> February at Elements Wine Bar. Tickets were only £10 available now or on the door and all proceeds would go towards supporting Haringey Young Musicians.</p>	
<b>CNCL95.</b>	<p><b>TO RECEIVE THE REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE</b></p> <p>There were no matters to report.</p>	
<b>CNCL96.</b>	<p><b>TO RECEIVE THE REPORTS OF THE MONITORING OFFICER AND HEAD OF LEGAL SERVICES</b></p> <p>There were no matters to report.</p>	
<b>CNCL97.</b>	<p><b>TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES</b></p> <p>There were no matters to report.</p>	
<b>CNCL98.</b>	<p><b>CHANGE OF ORDER OF BUSINESS:</b></p> <p>At this point Councillor Whyte moved that Emergency Motion I be considered after Item 10. The meeting agreed to the variation of business on the agenda.</p>	
<b>CNCL99.</b>	<p><b>TO CONSIDER REQUESTS TO RECEIVE DEPUTATIONS AND/OR PETITIONS AND, IF APPROVED, TO RECEIVE THEM</b></p> <p>A deputation was received from residents opposing the design of Wood Green Police Station. The deputation was lead by Kate Franzman.</p> <p>The Monitoring Officer advised members of the Planning Committee not to speak on this item as it was likely to be subject to a planning application.</p> <p>Members asked questions of the deputation and received responses thereto.</p> <p>The Cabinet Member for Enforcement and Safer Communities responded to the deputation.</p>	

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	<p>The Mayor thanked the deputation for attending.</p>	
<p><b>CNCL100</b></p>	<p><b>EMERGENCY MOTION I</b></p> <p>It was moved by Councillor Williams and seconded by Councillor Whyte that:</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>This council calls on the Leader of the council to apologise to the people of Haringey for this disgraceful and damaging breach of confidentiality.</p> <p>Other Members contributed to the debate.</p> <p>The Motion was put to the vote and declared CARRIED unanimously.</p>	
<p><b>CNCL101</b></p>	<p><b>TO CONSIDER THE 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</b></p> <p>The Mayor agreed to admit the report as urgent business. The report could not be circulated earlier as vital information was awaited from the preceptors. The report needed to be admitted in order that the Council Tax may be set for 2008/09.</p> <p>Councillor Adje highlighted the recommendations as detailed in the report. Other Members contributed to the debate.</p> <p>At this point Councillor Whyte moved that Emergency Motion K be considered. The meeting agreed to the variation of business on the agenda.</p> <p>It was moved by Councillor Wilson and seconded by Councillor Winskill that:</p> <p>“This Council</p> <p>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.</p>	

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	<p>Calls on the Leader of the Council to urgently clarify the position of the majority group at the Full Council on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> February.</p> <p>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 a the Full council meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2008”.</p> <p>Other Members contributed to the debate.</p> <p>On a vote there being 19 for, and 30 against the motion was declared LOST.</p> <p>Councillor Adje then moved the budget report. There being 30 for and 19 against it was:</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the final settlement be noted and the way forward as outlined in the circulated report in respect of the levying authorities and Local Authority Business Growth Incentive scheme be agreed.</li> <li>2. That the business unit cash limits, set out in Appendix C of the report, be agreed.</li> <li>3. That the Greater London Authority precept be noted.</li> <li>4. That the reserves policy as set out in Appendix E of the report, be agreed.</li> <li>5. That the budget resolution in the specified format as set out in the attached appendix be agreed.</li> </ol>	
<p><b>CNCL102</b></p>	<p><b>CHANGE OF ORDER OF BUSINESS</b></p> <p>At this point Councillor Whyte moved that Emergency Motion J be considered after Item 12. The meeting agreed to the variation of business on the agenda.</p>	
<p><b>CNCL103</b></p>	<p><b>TO CONSIDER OPPOSITION BUSINESS SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO.12</b></p> <p>The opposition gave notice of their wish to debate Crime in Haringey.</p> <p>Councillor Aitken spoke on behalf of the Opposition Group. Councillor Canver responded on behalf of the Majority Group.</p> <p>The Mayor thanked Councillors for their contributions</p>	
<p><b>CNCL104</b></p>	<p><b>EMERGENCY MOTION J</b></p>	

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	<p>It was moved by Councillor Williams and seconded by Councillor Wilson that:</p> <p>“This Council deplores the Government’s plans to close 2,500 post offices across the UK.</p> <p>This council notes how vital all the boroughs Post Offices are to the communities and retail centres of Haringey.</p> <p>This Council will oppose any plans to close Post Office branches in Haringey.</p> <p>This Council therefore calls on the Government to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Scrap the consultation due to start on 19th February, and end its branch closure programme;</li> <li>2. Remove the Royal Mail restrictions on the Post Office to open up further business opportunities for the network;</li> <li>3. Stop removing Government business from Post Offices;</li> <li>4. Carry out a review of which additional Government functions could be carried out through the Post Offices;</li> <li>5. Invest in the Post Office Network”.</li> </ol> <p>The Motion was put to the vote and declared CARRIED unanimously.</p>	
<p><b>CNCL105</b></p>	<p><b>TO ANSWER QUESTIONS, IF ANY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH COUNCIL RULES OF PROCEDURE NOS. 9 &amp; 10</b></p> <p>The Mayor agreed to the admission of this report as urgent business. Under Standing Orders, notice of questions was not requested until eight clear days before the meeting, following which matters raised had to be researched and replies prepared, in order to be given at the meeting.</p> <p>There were 7 oral questions and 25 for written answer.</p> <p>Oral Questions 3 -7 were not reached in the allotted time and written answers were supplied to these questions.</p>	
<p><b>CNCL106</b></p>	<p><b>CLOSURE OF MEETING.</b></p> <p>The Mayor announced that he wished to bring the meeting to a close as it was past 22.00 hours.</p> <p>The Chief Executive read out Council Procedure Rule 7 relating to the procedure for dealing with remaining business. In view of the ambiguity</p>	

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	<p>within Council Procedure Rule 7, the Monitoring Officer advised that the previous practice of adopting outstanding reports without debate and the remaining business falling should be adhered to, but it would be open to the Mayor to agree that the remaining Motion H be carried over to the following meeting as an acceptable solution whilst the Council Procedure Rule was clarified.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <p>That Cabinet report number 9 be received and adopted.</p>	
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COUNCILLOR SHEIK THOMPSON

Mayor

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**COUNCIL TAX RESOLUTION**

1. That it be noted that on 17 January 2008 the Chief Financial Officer in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Resources agreed the amount of 85,056 as the council tax base for the year in accordance with regulation 3 of the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax base) Regulations 1992 made under Section 33(5) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.
2. That the following amounts now be calculated by the Council for the year 2008/09 in accordance with the Sections 32 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.
  - (a) £849,110,000 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 32(2) of the Act.
  - (b) £610,149,000 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 32(3) of the Act.
  - (c) £238,961,000 being the amount by which the aggregate at 2(a) above exceeds the aggregate at 2(b) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with the Section 32(4) of the Act, as its budget requirement for the year.
  - (d) £140,154,855 being the aggregate of the sums which the Council estimates will be payable for the year into its general fund in respect of redistributed non-domestic rates, revenue support grant, additional grant, or SSA reduction grant increased by the amount of the sums which the Council estimates will be transferred in the year from its collection fund to its general fund in accordance with Section 97(3) of the Local Government Act 1998 or reduced by the amount of sums which the Council estimates will be transferred in the year from its general fund to its collection fund in accordance with Section 97(4) of the Local Government Finance Act 1998 and increased by the amount of any sum which the Council estimates will be transferred from its collection fund to its general fund pursuant to the Collection Fund (Community Charges) directions under Section 98(4) of the Local Government Finance Act 1998 made on 7 February 1994 or reduced by the amount of any sum which the Council estimates will be transferred from its general fund to its collection fund pursuant to the Collection Fund (Community Charges) directions under Section 98(5) of the Local Government Finance Act 1998 made on 7 February 1994.
  - (e) £1,161.66 being the amount at 2 (c) above less the amount at 2(d) above, all divided by the amount at 1 above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 33(l) of the Act, as the basic amount of its council tax for the year.

(f) Valuation Bands

	£
A	774.45
B	903.52
C	1,032.59
D	1,161.66
E	1,419.70
F	1,677.97
G	1,936.10
H	2,323.33

Being the amounts given by multiplying the amount at 2(e) above the number which, in the proportion set out in Section 5(l) of the Act, is applicable to dwellings listed in a particular valuation band divided by the number in which that proportion is applicable to dwellings listed in valuation band D, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 36(l) of the Act, as the amounts to be taken into account for the year in respect of categories of dwellings listed in different valuation bands.

3. That it be noted that for 2008/09 the amounts in precepts issued to the Council, in respect of the Greater London Authority and its functional bodies, in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:

Valuation Bands

	£
A	206.55
B	240.97
C	275.40
D	309.82
E	378.67
F	447.52
G	516.37
H	619.64

4. That having calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts at 2(f) and 3 above, the Council, in accordance with Section 30(2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, hereby sets the following amounts as the amounts of Council Tax for the year 2008/09 for each of the categories of dwellings shown below.

Valuation Bands

	£
A	981.00
B	1,144.49
C	1,307.99
D	1,471.48
E	1,798.37
F	2,125.49
G	2,452.47
H	2,942.97