

# **General Purposes Committee**

THURSDAY, 26TH JUNE, 2008 at 19:00 HRS - CIVIC CENTRE, HIGH ROAD, WOOD GREEN, N22 8LE.

MEMBERS: Councillors Griffith (Chair), Rahman Khan (Vice-Chair), Aitken, Bloch,

Diakides, Kober and Whyte

# 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (IF ANY)

### 2. URGENT BUSINESS

The Chair will consider the admission of any of any late items of urgent business. (Late items will be considered under the agenda item where they appear. New items will be dealt with at item 11 below).

#### 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

A member with a personal interest in a matter who attends a meeting of the authority at which the matter is considered must disclose to that meeting the existence and nature of that interest at the commencement of that consideration, or when the interest becomes apparent.

A member with a personal interest in a matter also has a prejudicial interest in that matter if the interest is one which a member of the public with knowledge of the relevant facts would reasonably regard as so significant that it is likely to prejudice the member's judgment of the public interest **and** if this interest affects their financial position or the financial position of a person or body as described in paragraph 8 of the Code of Conduct **and/or** if it relates to the determining of any approval, consent, licence, permission or registration in relation to them or any person or body described in paragraph 8 of the Code of Conduct.

### 4. **DEPUTATIONS/PETITIONS**

To consider any requests received in accordance with Part 4, Section B, paragraph 29 of the Council's constitution.

# 5. **MINUTES (PAGES 1 - 8)**

To confirm and sign the minutes of the meeting of the General Purposes Committee held on March 11<sup>th</sup> 2008.

# 6. MINUTES OF SUB-BODIES (PAGES 9 - 12)

To note the minutes of sub-bodies of the General Purposes Committee:

### **Council & Employee Joint Consultative Committee**

- 28 January 2008

# 7. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS (PAGES 13 - 144)

(Report of the Chief Financial Officer) To set out the Council's financial statements for approval. These statements have been prepared with the aim of giving clear and concise information about the financial affairs of the Authority to Members of the Council, the public and other stakeholders.

# 8. APPOINTMENT TO THE POST OF ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PLANNING, REGENERATION AND ECONOMY (PAGES 145 - 148)

(Report of the Director of Urban Environment) To brief Members about the arrangements for recruiting to the post of Assistant Director – Planning, Regeneration and Economy, and to receive the nominations of Members who will be able to take part in the recruitment process.

# 9. CONSULTANTS/AGENCY STAFF: ACTIONS TO REDUCE USAGE (PAGES 149 - 152)

(Report of the A.C.E. – People & O.D.) To provide information on actions to reduce consultancy usage and manage long term agency temps in the Council.

### 10. PEOPLE STRATEGY (PAGES 153 - 172)

(Report of the Assistant Chief Executive: People and Organisational Development) To set out the Council's People Strategy 2008-16 for member information.

### 11. NEW ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS

### Order Designating Public Places as Controlled Areas for Drinking in Public

(Report of the Director of Urban Environment) To Members' agreement to delegate to the Director, in consultation with the Chair, the decision to authorise a proposed extension of street drinking controls for the Police in two new controlled areas. Delegation to the Director is recommended as necessary in order to protect local residents by bringing into force these controls as rapidly as possible.

#### 12. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

The following items are likely to be the subject of a motion to exclude the press and public from the meeting as they contain information classified as exempt under the Local Government Act 1985 in that they contain information relating to a particular employee.

# 13. MINUTES OF MEMBER-LEVEL APPEALS (PAGES 173 - 176)

To note minutes of the following Member-level appeals:

- 18 January 2008
- 27 May 2008

### 14. NEW ITEMS OF EXEMPT URGENT BUSINESS

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