

**MINUTES OF THE CABINET VOLUNTARY SECTOR COMMITTEE
THURSDAY, 10 JULY 2008**

Councillors *Reith (Chair), *Santry, *Canver, Amin and Adje

*Present

MINUTE NO.	SUBJECT/DECISION	ACTON BY
VSC01.	<p>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (agenda item 1)</p> <p>Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Adje and Councillor Amin. An apology for lateness was received from Councillor Canver.</p>	
VSC02.	<p>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST, IS ANY IN RESPECT OF ITEMS ON THE AGENDA (agenda item 3)</p> <p>Councillor Santry in respect of agenda item 4 – minutes.</p>	HLDMS
VSC03.	<p>MINUTES (agenda item 4)</p> <p>Councillor Santry declared an interest by virtue of her role as a trustee of the Selby Centre.</p> <p>RESOLVED That the minutes of the Cabinet Voluntary Sector Committee meetings held on 5 December 2006 and 21 February 2008 be approved.</p>	HLDMS
VSC04.	<p>REVIEW INFRASTRUCTURE AND CLIENT SPECIFIC VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS (Report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Policy, Performance, Partnerships and Communications – agenda item 6)</p> <p>The Assistant Chief Executive (Policy, Performance, Partnerships and Communications) introduced the report setting out the process for the review and evaluation of core grant funding awarded to Infrastructure and Client Specific Voluntary Organisations.</p> <p>We were advised that in relation to accommodating prospective core funding for new organisations, there may be the potential for the reallocation of funds depending on the outcome of the assessment and evaluation process for organisations currently receiving funding.</p> <p>RESOLVED</p> <p>1) That the process being used to assess and evaluate the organisations whose Core Funding comes to an end in March 2009 be noted.</p> <p>2) That it be noted that organisations that have proven through</p>	<p>ACE – PPP&C</p> <p>ACE –</p>

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	<p>the assessment and evaluation process to be 'fit for purpose and financially viable' will be recommended to the Committee to be considered for continued financial support through Core Funding.</p>	<p>PPP&C</p>
<p>VSC05.</p>	<p>FUNDING FOR DISABILITY INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT (Report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Policy, Performance, Partnerships and Communications – agenda item 9)</p> <p>The report was the subject of a motion to exclude the press and public from the meeting as it contained exempt information relating to the business or financial affairs of any particular person (including the Authority holding that information).</p> <p>The Assistant Chief Executive (Policy, Performance, Partnerships and Communications) updated on progress to establish a new mechanism to provide infrastructure support on disability issues and to disability agencies following withdrawal of funding from Haringey Disability Action.</p> <p>We noted the £80,000 ring fenced disability funding and that an update report will be provided to the next meeting of the Committee.</p> <p>RESOLVED</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) That the report be noted. 2) To recommend a provision is made of £3,000 from the disability ring fenced money to continue the Council's support to the Shopmobility project. 	<p>ACE – PPP&C</p>
<p>VSC06.</p>	<p>AFRICAN CARIBBEAN LEADERSHIP COUNCIL - PROPOSED CHANGES TO FUNDING ARRANGEMENT (Report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Policy, Performance, Partnerships and Communications – agenda item 10)</p> <p>The report was the subject of a motion to exclude the press and public from the meeting as it contained exempt information relating to the business or financial affairs of any particular person (including the Authority holding that information).</p> <p>We received this report updating the Committee on proposed changes to the funding of the African Caribbean Leadership Council (ACLC) following a request from the organisation to vary the current arrangements for the Council Officer seconded to ACLC. We noted that this request will be considered but will require further assessment of the impact of varying the current funding agreement.</p> <p>RESOLVED</p> <p>That it be delegated to the Assistant Chief Executive, PPP&C of the authority to agree, in consultation with the Lead Cabinet Member, to vary the current funding arrangements with ACLC, including the terms of the current funding agreement, if considered to be in the best interests of ACLC and having assessed the risk to the Council.</p>	<p>ACE – PPP&C</p>

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<p>VSC07.</p>	<p>HARINGEY LAW CENTRE PROGRESS REPORT (Report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Policy, Performance, Partnerships and Communications – agenda item 11)</p> <p>The report was the subject of a motion to exclude the press and public from the meeting as it contained exempt information relating to the business or financial affairs of any particular person (including the Authority holding that information).</p> <p>We received the update report on the continuation of core funding for the Haringey Law Centre and noted that the Centre has met the conditions attached to the original offer of grant aid. We were advised that the Chair of the Committee had approved the continuation of the core funding for the Law Centre at a Cabinet Member signing.</p> <p>RESOLVED</p> <p>That it be noted that approval had been granted by the Cabinet Member for Community Cohesion and Involvement to the release of core continuation funding for the period 2008-2010 for the Haringey Law Centre as the Law Centre have, overall, met the independent review recommendations. The remaining two year funding is a contribution toward the provision of legal advice and representation for the Haringey community, particularly in such matters as immigration, welfare rights, housing and debt.</p>	<p>ACE – PPP&C</p>
<p>VSC08.</p>	<p>KURDISH ADVICE CENTRE - PROGRESS REPORT (Report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Policy, Performance, Partnerships and Communications – agenda item 12)</p> <p>The report was the subject of a motion to exclude the press and public from the meeting as it contained exempt information relating to the business or financial affairs of any particular person (including the Authority holding that information).</p> <p>We received the progress report for the Kurdish Advice Centre and noted that the Centre has demonstrated improvement and met the additional conditions set out in the report received by our Committee on 5th December 2006.</p> <p>RESOLVED</p> <p>To award the Kurdish Advice Centre the remaining year two and three core cost continuation funding covering the period April 2008 until 31st March 2010. The amount of grant aid funding to be released in quarterly instalments in each of the above mentioned years is £28,500 per annum.</p>	<p>ACE – PPP&C</p>

LORNA REITH
Chair