



Haringey Council

Summons to Attend

Full Council

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To: The Mayor and Councillors of Haringey Council.

Dear Sir/Madam,

A meeting of the Council of the London Borough of Haringey will be held at the Civic Centre, High Road, Wood Green, N22 8LE on MONDAY, 22ND NOVEMBER, 2010 at 19:30 HRS, to transact the following business:

AGENDA

- 1. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
- 2. 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**
- 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.

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4. **TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 18 OCTOBER 2010 (PAGES 1 - 10)**
5. **TO RECEIVE SUCH COMMUNICATIONS AS THE MAYOR MAY LAY BEFORE THE COUNCIL**
6. **TO RECEIVE THE REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE**
7. **TO RECEIVE THE REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER AND HEAD OF LEGAL SERVICES ON THE APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT MEMBERS FOR STANDARDS COMMITTEE. (PAGES 11 - 14)**
8. **TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES (PAGES 15 - 18)**
9. **TO CONSIDER REQUESTS TO RECEIVE DEPUTATIONS AND/OR PETITIONS AND, IF APPROVED, TO RECEIVE THEM**
10. **TO CONSIDER OPPOSITION BUSINESS SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO.12**
11. **TO ANSWER QUESTIONS, IF ANY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH COUNCIL RULES OF PROCEDURE NOS. 9 & 10**

PUBLIC QUESTION 1 TO THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL FROM TIM CAINES:

"How can the Council justify spending £2 million pounds on its website, the highest amount anywhere in the UK, when it has, largely of its own making, a £10 million pound budget black hole and when council tenants, especially in Tottenham, can't get basic repairs carried out?"

PUBLIC QUESTION 2 TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR FINANCE AND SUSTAINABILITY FROM QUENTIN GIVEN OF TOTTENHAM & WOOD GREEN FRIENDS OF THE EARTH:

"The climate change threat is greater than ever, but given that national governments have not been able to reach agreement on a binding treaty to cut CO2 emissions, the efforts of local government are even more important. What will the Council do to ensure that the vital work of cutting CO2 emissions in Haringey continues despite the regrettable cuts in public spending?"

ORAL QUESTION 1 - TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR COMMUNITY SAFETY AND COHESION FROM COUNCILLOR CHRISTOPHIDES:

Given that crime in the borough has fallen by 34 % between 2002/3 and 2009/10 Is the Cabinet Member worried about the impact of proposed Police cuts in London?

ORAL QUESTION 2 – TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR PLANNING AND REGENERATION FROM COUNCILLOR SOLOMON:

What tangible measures is the Council taking to support the local economy and businesses, including the many independent retailers and high streets in the Borough?

ORAL QUESTION 3 - TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR FINANCE AND SUSTAINABILITY FROM COUNCILLOR STRICKLAND:

Can the Lead Member please advise us on the phasing of cuts to Local Government funding advocated by the Coalition?

ORAL QUESTION 4 - TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR COMMUNITY SAFETY AND COHESION FROM COUNCILLOR STRANG:

What does the Anti-Social Behaviour Team cost per annum.

ORAL QUESTION 5 –TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR CHILDREN'S SERVICES FROM COUNCILLOR BROWNE:

Is the Lead member concerned about the increased cost pressures of inward migration of vulnerable families into the borough at time when Local Government has taken the biggest cut of any Government department?

ORAL QUESTION 6 – TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR ADULT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES FROM COUNCILLOR ERSKINE:

What is the future of the mobile library service?

ORAL QUESTION 7 - TO THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL FROM COUNCILLOR EGAN:

Can the Leader of the Council please explain the impact on Haringey residents of the Coalitions decision to scrap ringfencing for vital funding streams?

ORAL QUESTION 8 - TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR PLANNING AND REGENERATION FROM COUNCILLOR JENKS:

How much of the funds raised from the sale of Council assets has the Council invested in regeneration projects since 2006?

12. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM THE FOLLOWING BODIES (PAGES 19 - 36)

- a) Pensions Committee – Report No.1 – 2010/11.
- b) Constitution Review Working Group– Report No.2 – 2010/11.
- c) Cabinet – Report No.4 – 2010/11.

13. TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING MOTIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH COUNCIL RULES OF PROCEDURE NO. 13

Motion J (2010/11)

Councillor Bevan has given notice that he will move in the following terms:

Local Housing Allowance

Notes:

- The coalition Government's decision to slash the cap on the Local Housing Allowance (LHA), with a resulting reduction in the amount of housing benefit paid towards the rent.
- That it's estimated that 218 claimants in Haringey will be directly affected by this change
- That due to higher rents in the capital changes in the LHA cap disproportionately affects Londoners.
- London Council's predictions that nearly 15,000 families could lose their homes or live in overcrowded conditions as a result of this change.
- That more than one in three private sector homes are rented by families in receipt of LHA of Housing benefit, with 18,645 households in London affected.
- That 14,661 of households with children will be affected by the slash on Local Housing Allowance
- That 10,500 households living in inner London could be forced to move to outer London, putting a strain on local services
- That the new LHA cap is lower than the existing cap for all 33 London boroughs for five bedroom homes, in 25 boroughs for four bedroom homes and in 18 boroughs for homes with three and two bedrooms.

Believes:

- That this a socially divisive policy that will affect a wider range of people than just those in receipt of LHA
- That this cap could create major social dislocation as many families will be forced out of their communities because they will no longer be able to afford their rent
- That Haringey as an Outer London borough may see greater pressure put on services, as people are forced to move out of inner London
- The new cap will result in increased levels of rent arrears, overcrowding, and families living in temporary accommodation, as people will struggle to meet increased costs
- That creating transitional arrangements in London would allow the government to reduce the level of LHA being paid, while seeking to protect the most vulnerable households.

Resolves:

- Continue to work with members of the community who will be affected by this decision, liaise with other local authorities and our partner agencies to mitigate the impacts of the cap.
- Call on the Government to rethink its action and look at bringing transitional arrangements in London

Motion K (2010/11)

Councillor Gorrie has given notice that he will move in the following terms:

Fair Votes Motion

This Council supports moves to change our parliamentary voting system, which will see Haringey's Members of Parliament elected under a fairer system.

Council calls on the Returning Officer to take steps to promote participation in the Referendum.

Motion L (2010/11)

Councillor Gorrie has given notice that he will move in the following terms:

Rogue Landlord Motion

This Council notes:

- A recent survey by the Chartered Institute of Environmental Health (CIEH) showing that of those officers working on housing enforcement in the private rented sector, nine out of ten had encountered landlords engaging in harassment or illegal eviction, and 78% had dealt with landlords who persistently refuse to maintain their property to a safe condition
- It is only a minority of private landlords that are threatening and abusive to their tenants
- The damage rogue landlords can have on vulnerable tenants and the wider community
- The lack of protection for tenants if they make a complaint against a landlord
- Local authorities can serve an improvement notice or prohibition order where housing conditions fall below an acceptable standard. If the landlord fails to comply they can be prosecuted.
- Harassment and illegal eviction are criminal offences. Local authorities can prosecute landlords who commit these crimes.
- Shelter's recent survey with the CIEH, shows 66% of Environmental Health Officers working in the private rented sector said that in their area no landlords had been prosecuted in the last 12 months for failure to comply with an order under the 2004 Housing Act, although over 40% said that under a quarter of such orders issued by their local authority had been complied with.

The Council resolves

- To take a zero tolerance approach to rogue landlords
- To use the full range of tools and powers at our disposal to tackle rogue landlords
- To carry out regular housing conditions surveys, focusing on areas in which the stock is poorly maintained and the level of private renting is highest.
- To use in instances where the Council becomes aware of rogue landlords operating in low demand areas, to consider using power to introduce a selective licensing scheme.
- To back up their enforcement policies with adequate resources to make them enforceable as the cost of rogue landlords' activities will be picked up in other ways, such as a higher number of tenants requiring homelessness assistance.
- To take advantage of the provisions of the 2004 Housing Act, which allows a recoup of costs by charging the landlord.

Motion M (2010/11)

Councillor Gorrie has given notice that he will move in the following terms:

Council welcomes

- The news that the Government has committed itself to the key Liberal Democrat pledge of providing more social housing by scrapping the Housing Revenue Account subsidy system.
- In particular it welcomes the council retaining all receipts from Right to Buy sales and the council retaining all money from rents in their area, rather than seeing the rent income and most of the Right to Buy receipts going to Whitehall.

Council recognises

- It will mean a much-needed boost for repair and maintenance of existing council properties, and for the building of new social housing.
- It congratulates all who worked hard for this change in approach, including the Local Government Association and all others involved with the "My Rent Went to Whitehall" campaign, and sees the announcement as another good example of Liberal Democrat influence inside the Coalition Government.

This Council resolves to:-

- Condemn the previous Labour Government for its 13 year long failure to reform the HRA system which meant few council homes being built and a continued backlog of repairs needed to council-owned housing stock across the country.
- Request the Chief Executive to write to the LGA commending them and partner organisations for their hard work and success with the "My Rent Went to Whitehall" campaign
- Request the Chief Executive write to the Coalition Government welcoming its commitment to scrap the HRA system

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Friday, 12 November 2010

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Councillors Griffith (Mayor), Adamou, Adje, Alexander, Allison, Amin, Beacham, Bevan, Bloch, Brabazon, Browne, Bull, Butcher, Canver, Christophides, Cooke, Demirci, Diakides, Dogus, Egan, Ejiofor, Erskine, Gibson, Goldberg, Gorrie, Griffith (Mayor), Hare, Jenks, Khan, Kober, Mallett, McNamara, Meehan, Peacock, Reece, Reid, Reith, Rice, Schmitz, Scott, Solomon, Stanton, Stennett, Stewart, Strang, Strickland, Vanier, Waters, Weber, Whyte, Williams and Wilson

Apologies Councillor Basu, Davies, Engert, Newton, Watson and Winskill

MINUTE NO.	SUBJECT/DECISION	ACTION BY
CNCL32.	TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors Basu, Engert, Newton Watson, and Winskill, and for lateness from Cllr Davies and McNamara.
CNCL33.	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	See Minute 42.
CNCL34.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST <p>Councillor Rice declared a personal & prejudicial interest in Agenda Item 11 Question 3, and Agenda Item 13 – Motion I as he was the Chair of school governors at Northumberland Park.</p> <p>Councillor Egan declared a personal & prejudicial interest in Agenda Item 11 Question 3, and Agenda Item 13 – Motion I as he was the Chair of school governors at St Thomas More School.</p> <p>Councillor Peacock declared a personal & prejudicial interest in Agenda Item 11 Question 3, and Agenda Item 13 – Motion I as she was a school governor at St Paul's and All Hallows and Secretary of the Tottenham Carnival.</p> <p>Councillor Schmitz declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 11 Question 3 and 13 – Motion I as he was a school governor at South Harringay Junior.</p> <p>Councillor Bloch declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 13 – Motion H in as he was a Non Executive Director of Haringey NHS Trust.</p>	

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	<p>Councillor Brabazon declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 11 Question 3 and 13 – Motion 1 as she was a school governor at Rowland Hill Nursery and Children's Centre and Seven Sisters Primary.</p> <p>Councillor Adje declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 11 Question 3 and 13 – Motion 1 as he was a school governor at South Harringay Junior.</p> <p>Councillor Demirci declared a personal & prejudicial interest in Agenda Item 11 Question 3, and Agenda Item 13 – Motion 1 as he was an employee at Spurs.</p> <p>Councillor Griffith declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 11 Question 3, and Agenda Item 13 – Motion 1 as he had received signed items for auction in the Mayor's Charity.</p> <p>Councillor Williams declared a personal interest in Item 12 as an employee of a UK License Trading promoter.</p>	
CNCL35.	<p>TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 19 JULY 2010</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 19 July 2010 be signed as a true record.</p>	
CNCL36.	<p>TO RECEIVE SUCH COMMUNICATIONS AS THE MAYOR MAY LAY BEFORE THE COUNCIL</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="276 1237 1334 1529">1. The Mayor reported with regret the death of Lord Andrew McIntosh who passed away on 27th August. The Mayor commented that Lord McIntosh had been a Councillor for the former borough of Hornsey and joined the newly created Haringey Council in 1964. He served as a Councillor for Turnpike Ward from 1964 until 1968. <p>Councillors Meehan and Kober spoke in remembrance of Lord Andrew McIntosh.</p> <p>The Council stood for 1 minute's silence in memory of Lord McIntosh.</p> <li data-bbox="276 1731 1334 1971">2. The Mayor congratulated all of the winners of the London in Bloom Awards announced in September, and reported that Haringey Council had improved on last year and was awarded a Silver Gilt for Albert Road Rec, a Silver for Finsbury Park and a Silver for Bruce Castle Park. On behalf of the Council the Mayor thanked all the staff in Parks department for their hard work. <li data-bbox="276 2001 1334 2113">3. The Mayor commented that he was delighted to announce that Haringey Council's sports development officer Lucy Pierce had been awarded the North London Partner of the Year by the London 	

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	<p>Football Association. The Mayor reported that the Award was well deserved and Lucy had provided invaluable help and support to clubs in Haringey.</p> <p>4. The Mayor also gave congratulations to Era Varellas - the Contract & Catering Manager of Haringey Community Meals Service who had scooped a national accolade. Era had been awarded honorary membership of the National Association of Care Catering, the organisation which represented professionals providing catering to the care industry.</p>	
CNCL37.	<p>TO RECEIVE A PRESENTATION FROM THE OFFICE FOR NATIONAL STATISTICS ON THE 2011 CENSUS.</p> <p>The meeting received a presentation from Nick O'Donnell & Simon McKeown from the Office for National Statistics on the 2011 Census.</p> <p>Members asked questions and received responses from Mr O'Donnell, and Mr McKeown.</p> <p>Councillor Meehan extended the invitation to all members to serve on the ad hoc Members Advisory Group to support the Census, which he would convene.</p> <p>The Mayor thanked Mr O'Donnell and Mr McKeown for their attendance.</p>	
CNCL38.	<p>TO RECEIVE THE REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE</p> <p>There were no matters to report.</p>	
CNCL39.	<p>TO RECEIVE THE REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER AND HEAD OF LEGAL SERVICES</p> <p>There were no matters to report.</p>	
CNCL40.	<p>TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That the appointments to outside bodies as set out in Appendix 1 be approved.</p>	
CNCL41.	<p>TO CONSIDER REQUESTS TO RECEIVE DEPUTATIONS AND/OR PETITIONS AND, IF APPROVED, TO RECEIVE THEM</p> <p>There were no deputations or petitions.</p>	
CNCL42.	<p>TO ANSWER QUESTIONS, IF ANY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH</p>	

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	<p>COUNCIL RULES OF PROCEDURE NOS. 9 & 10</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 2 public questions, 8 oral questions and 23 for written answer.</p> <p>Oral Questions 7 & 8 were not reached in the allotted time and written answers would be supplied to these questions.</p>	
<p>CNCL43. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM THE FOLLOWING BODIES</p> <p>1. <u>Report of General Purposes Committee 02/2010-11</u></p>	<p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That report 02/2010-11 of the General Purposes Committee for 2010/11 be received and that the following recommendations be agreed:</p> <p>(i) <u>Treasury Management 2010/11 Mid Year Activity & Performance Update</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) That the Treasury Management activity undertaken during the first half of 2010/11 and the performance achieved be noted. (b) That the proposed extended use of money market funds (as set out in Appendix 3 of the report) be approved. (c) That the reinstatement of Clydesdale Bank to the lending list be agreed and the reinstatement of Santander UK Bank be noted. (d) That the Treasury Management Practices document (as set out in Appendix 4 of the report) be noted. <p>(ii) <u>Feedback following consultation on the new draft Statement of Licensing Policy for 2011-14 under the Licensing Act 2003</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) That the new Statement of Licensing Policy (draft attached at Appendix 2 of the report) be adopted to take effect on 7 January 2011. 	

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	<p>(b) That officers be instructed to take all necessary steps to publish the new Statement of Licensing Policy including publication on the Council's website and by making copies available to the public at Council offices.</p> <p>(iii) <u>Census 2011</u></p> <p>That a presentation by the Office for National Statistics (ONS) Census Area Manager be received and an ad hoc Members Advisory Group to support the Census be agreed.</p> <p>2. <u>Report of Audit Committee – Report No.1/2010-11</u></p> <p>RESOLVED</p> <p>That the report of the Audit Committee – Report No.1/2010-11 and its contents be noted.</p> <p>3. <u>Report of the Constitutional Review Working Group – Report No. 01/2010-11</u></p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That report 1 of the Constitution Review Working Group 2010/11 be received and that the changes to the membership of the Standards Committee and its Sub-Committees set out in Appendices 1 and 2 to the report be adopted as amendments to the Council's Constitution at Part 2, Article 9 (main Committee) and Part 3, Section C (Sub-Committees).</p> <p>4. <u>Reports Of The Cabinet – Nos 2 & 3 /2010-11</u></p> <p>RESOLVED</p> <p>That Cabinet Reports 2 & 3 2010-11 be received and adopted.</p>	
CNCL44.	<p>TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING MOTIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH COUNCIL RULES OF PROCEDURE NO. 13</p> <p>MOTION E</p> <p>It was moved by Councillor Vanier and seconded by Councillor Stennett that:</p> <p>This Council Notes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The decision of Home Office Ministers to suspend the Migration Impact Fund (MIF), which was set up to manage the impact of 	

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	<p>immigration on public services and support local communities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The MIF enables the Council to deal with a number of pressing issues in the community, and the Government cutting this fund means the cancellation of the following schemes:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Turkish Speaking Key Worker• Haringey & Enfield Migrant Female Sex Workers Project• Tackling TB in Haringey's Somali Community• Reducing Teenage pregnancy, improving teenage sexual health and safeguarding vulnerable children and young people• Neighbourhood Liaison in St Ann's and Haringey wards
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This Council Believes

- We are one borough, with one future. Haringey Council is proud to be one of the most diverse boroughs in London, where all communities are welcomed and respected.
- That the MIF provided much needed funding to support local communities in Haringey.

This Council resolves:

- To call on the Home Office to rethink their decision to cut this funding.
- That despite the Government's apparent lack of concern for this area, this Council will continue to work with everyone who makes Haringey their home

An amendment to the motion was moved by Councillor Erskine and seconded by Councillor Gorrie that:

(Amendments are in italics and in bold, deletions have been struck through)

This Council Notes:

- The decision of Home Office Ministers to suspend the Migration Impact Fund (MIF), which was set up to manage the impact of immigration on public services and support local communities.
- The MIF enables the Council to deal with a number of pressing issues in the community, and the Government cutting this fund **could** means the cancellation of the following schemes:
 - Turkish Speaking Key Worker
 - Haringey & Enfield Migrant Female Sex Workers Project
 - Tackling TB in Haringey's Somali Community
 - Reducing Teenage pregnancy, improving teenage sexual health and safeguarding vulnerable children and young people
 - Neighbourhood Liaison in St Ann's and Haringey wards

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This Council resolves:

- To call on the Home Office to rethink their decision to cut this funding.
- ~~That despite the Government's apparent lack of concern for this area, This Council will continue to work with everyone who makes Haringey their home~~
- ***To consider whether any of the schemes affected should be continued with alternative sources of funding from the Council if they are considered a priority service and for the Leader of the Council to report to the next Full Council meeting on the Council's decision.***

On being put to the vote the amendment was declared LOST (18 for, 31 against).

The MOTION was put and on a VOTE there being 31 for, Nil against and 18 abstentions it was declared CARRIED.

Due to the late hour Motions F, G, H & I were not considered.

COUNCILLOR EDDIE GRIFFITH

Mayor

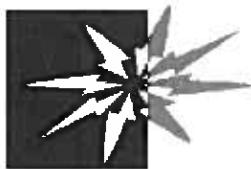
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Proposed Appointments to Outside Bodies**Council 18 October**

Body name	No of Reps		
Alexandra Park and Palace Advisory Committee			Category: Statutory
Granted Aid: no	8	Term of Office: 1 year	
Representative (s) / Expiry			
	Councillor Beacham	25/05/10	23/05/11
	Councillor Christophides	25/05/10	23/05/11
	Councillor Demirci	25/05/10	23/05/11
	Councillor Erskine	18/10/10	23/05/11
	Councillor Gibson	25/05/10	23/05/11
	Councillor Jenks	25/05/10	23/05/11
	Councillor Watson	25/05/10	23/05/11
	Councillor Whyte	25/05/10	23/05/11
Hornsey Parochial Charities			Category: Community
Granted Aid: no	6	Term of Office: 4 years	
Representative (s) / Expiry	6 LAB		
	Dr Vivienne Manhiem	18/05/09	31/05/13
	Lorraine Marshall	18/05/09	31/05/13
	Ann Gillespie	19/05/08	31/05/12
	Barbara Simon	19/05/08	31/05/12
	Councillor Eddie Griffith	25/05/10	31/05/14
	Paula Lanning	18/10/10	31/05/14
Tottenham District Charity The Management Committee	7 7LAB	Term of Office: 4 years	Category: Trust
	Eugene Akwasi-Ayisi	25/05/10	31/05/14
	Councillor Kaushika Amin	25/05/10	31/05/14
	Councillor Gideon Bull	25/05/10	31/05/14
	Robert Edmonds	19/07/10	31/05/14
	Tamsin Piper	18/10/10	31/05/14
	Peter R Jones	18/05/09	31/05/13
	Councillor Sheila Peacock	18/05/09	31/05/13

To replace Cllr Goldberg**Change term of office to 4 years
New appointment**

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Agenda item:

COUNCIL

On 22 November 2010

Report Title: Appointment of Independent Members for Standards Committee

Forward Plan reference number (if applicable): N/A

Report of: John Suddaby, Head of Legal Services and Monitoring Officer *John Suddaby*

Wards(s) affected: All

Report for: Decision

1. Purpose

- 1.1 To make provision for the Council having 6 independent members on its Standards Committee, by the filling of an Independent member vacancy from November 2010 for a 4 year term to November 2014, and to appoint to a vacancy which will arise from May 2011 for a 4 year term of office to May 2015. .
- 1.2 The Council's Constitution requires the Standards Committee to have at least one quarter of its membership as independent members, as agreed by Full Council on 18 October 2010. The report recommends that the Council confirms the appointment of Andrea Rabe and Christopher Watts as independent members following the recruitment process outlined below. The appointments are for a four year period, and one appointment is due to the resignation in June 2010 of an independent member appointed in May 2009, and also due to a vacancy which will arise from one of the existing independent members (Carol Sykes) term of office coming to end at the commencement of the new Municipal Year 2011/12.
- 1.3 Independent members to the Standards Committee for the remainder of the 2010/11 will therefore be: Rachael Hatch, James Darbyshire, Phillip Skinner, Annabel Loyd, Carol Sykes, and Andrea Rabe., and from May 2011: Rachael Hatch, James Darbyshire, Phillip Skinner, Annabel Loyd, Andrea Rabe and Christopher Watts.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 To approve the appointment of Andrea Rabe to serve as independent member on

the Standards Committee from 22 November 2010 for four years to November 2014, and Christopher Watts to serve as independent member on the Standards Committee from 23 May 2011 for four years to May 2015.

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3. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

- 3.1 Local Government Act 2000
- 3.2 Council's Constitution
- 3.3 Standards Board for England Guidance
- 3.4 Member Services and Legal Services files.

4. Background

- 4.1 The Standards Committee is required by national legislation to have at least one independent member and also independent members must form 25% of the committee. The rules in relation to political balance do not apply to Standards Committees. Legislation provides that:
 - Independent members must not have been a member or employee of Haringey Council within 5 years before the date of appointment.
 - Independent members must not be a relative or close friend of a member or employee of Haringey Council
 - Independent members must have filled in an application form
 - Independent members must have been approved by the majority of the Council's members.
 - All meetings of the Standards Committee or sub-committee meetings held, have to have an independent member present as chair in order for the meeting to be quorate.

- 4.2 This Council's Constitution provides that the Standards Committee is composed of councillors and independent members and that the independent members must not be councillors or officers of the Council or any other body with a Standards Committee.

4.3 In light of the need to recruit to the vacancy of one of the existing 6 Independent Members who resigned in June 2010 (Jonathan Batterham), and also with the need to appoint to the vacancy that will arise on 23 May 2011 (Carol Sykes) whose term of office expires on 23 May 2011 a recruitment process was commenced to fill the 2 vacancies. The interviews followed the Council interview procedure and the successful candidates were Andrea Rabe and Christopher Watts. Ms Rabe's appointment is from 22 November 2010 effect and for a 4 year term to 21 November 2014, and Mr Watts's appointment is from 23 May 2011 for a four year term. Both appointments are made under the arrangements prescribed in the Council's Constitution, and in accordance with the requirements in the Local Government Act 2000 and The Standards Committee (England) Regulations 2008. The relevant regulations provide that any appointment must be approved by a majority of members of the authority.

5. Recommendation

5.1 To approve the appointment of Andrea Rabe to serve as independent member on the Standards Committee from 22 November 2010 for four years to 21 November 2014, and Christopher Watts to serve as independent member on the Standards Committee from 23 May 2011 for four years to 22 May 2015.

6. Comments of the Chief Financial Officer

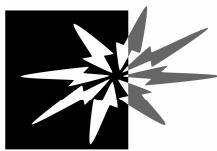
6.1 There are no financial implications.

7. Comments of the Head of Legal Services

7.1 The legal position is set out in the report.

8. Equalities Implications

8.1 Recruitment has taken place in accordance with the Council's policies.



Agenda item:

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Council Meeting on 22 November 2010

Report Title: **APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES**

Report for: Decision

1. Purpose

1.1 To advise the Council of nominations of Council representatives to fill current vacancies on outside bodies and seek approval for appointments.

2. Recommendations

2.1 That the appointments to outside bodies, as set out in the attached schedule, be approved.

Report Authorised by: **Chief Executive.**

Contact Officer: **Ken Pryor, Deputy Head of Local Democracy and Member Services.**
Tel: 0208 489 2915

3. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

3.1 The following papers have been used in the preparation of this report and can be inspected at River Park House, 225 High Road Wood Green, London, N22 8HQ by contacting Ken Pryor on 020 8489 2915:

Information supplied by the Party Groups.

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Proposed Appointments to Outside Bodies

22 November 2010 Report for Council

Body name	No of Reps		
<u>Hornsey Town Hall Creative Trust</u> 14/htct	2	Term of Office:	1 year
Granted Aid: no		1 LAB, 1 LIBDEM	
<u>Retiring Representative (s) / Expiry</u>	Councillor Matt Cooke Councillor Paul Strang	25/05/10 22/11/10	23/05/11 23/05/11
			To replace Councillor Gorrie

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**REPORT OF THE PENSIONS COMMITTEE No. 01/2010-11
COUNCIL 22 NOVEMBER 2010**

Chair:
Councillor Richard Watson

Deputy Chair:
Councillor Charles Adje

INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This report to full Council arises from the report entitled “Role of Representative members of the Pensions Committee” considered by the Pensions Committee at our meeting held on 1st November 2010.

ITEM FOR DECISION

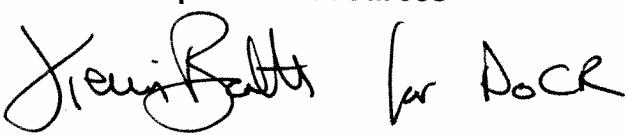
- 2.1 Role of Representative members of the Pensions Committee
(Appendix A)
 - 2.1.1 The report set out the background to the membership of the Pensions Committee, in particular the representative members, and the legal framework surrounding how membership of Pensions Committees is determined.
 - 2.1.2 The report proposed that in order for the Pension Fund to benefit fully from the representative members being on the Pensions Committee, the representative members are able to take part in exempt items and to share fully in the access to information of the Committee on an equal basis with the elected councillors.
 - 2.1.3 The report recommended that in order to ensure that representative members are bound by confidentiality they be required to sign an undertaking to observe the Members ‘Code of Conduct’.

WE RECOMMEND:

- (a) That the representative members of Pensions Committee have full access to all information including exempt information upon signing an undertaking to observe the Members ‘Code of Conduct’.

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Agenda item:

Pensions Committee	On 1 November 2010
Report Title. Role of Representative members of the Pensions Committee	
Report of Director of Corporate Resources	
Signed :	
Contact Officer : Nicola Webb – Corporate Finance Telephone 020 8489 3726	
Wards(s) affected: All	Report for: Non key decision
1. Purpose of the report	
1.1 To consider a proposal to change the role of the representative members of the Pensions Committee.	
2. Introduction by Cabinet Member	
2.1 Not applicable.	
3. State link(s) with Council Plan Priorities and actions and /or other Strategies:	
3.1 Not applicable.	
4. Recommendations	
4.1 That Pensions Committee recommend to Council that the representative members of Pensions Committee have full access to all information including	

exempt information upon signing an undertaking to observe the Members 'Code of Conduct'.

4.2 That Pensions Committee recommend to the stakeholder groups represented on the Committee that representatives are elected for a period equivalent to an elected member.

5. Reason for recommendations

5.1 To ensure that the Pension Fund fully benefits from the representative members being part of the Pensions Committee.

6. Other options considered

6.1. Not applicable.

7. Summary

7.1 Pensions Committee representative members are currently excluded from exempt items of business including receiving the related reports and minutes. The report proposes this is changed to enable them to take part fully in Pensions Committee meetings.

8. Head of Legal Services Comments

8.1 The Head of Legal Services has been consulted on the content of this report. The legal framework enabling the Council to exercise its discretion concerning the provision of voting rights and access to exempt information to non-voting members of the Pensions Committee is set out within the body of the report. There is no legal obligation to give voting rights to non-councillor members. As indicated in the report, should voting rights be given to non-voting members of the Committee, they would be subject to the Members' Code of Conduct following their written agreement to observe the Code.

9. Equalities & Community Cohesion Comments

9.1 There are no equalities issues arising from this report.

10. Consultation

10.1 Not applicable.

11. Service Financial Comments

11.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report.

12. Use of appendices /Tables and photographs

None

13. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

14. Background

14.1 The Pensions Committee was originally made up of only elected councillor members, however in recent years representatives of various stakeholder groups have been invited to join the Committee to provide a wider perspective on pensions matters and to ensure all groups have an input. This is in accordance with guidance from the Communities and Local Government Department.

14.2 There are now three representative members on the Committee representing:

- Employees (nominated by UNISON)
- Pensioners (elected annually by pensioners attending the AGM)
- Scheduled and Admitted Bodies (elected annually by the bodies)

These representative members do not have voting rights and are not permitted to attend any "exempt" items of business or receive the reports or minutes associated with them.

15. Legal Position

15.1 Legislation places the main responsibility for administering the Pension Fund on those elected councillors of the Administering Authority who are appointed to the Pensions Committee. These members are subject to the discipline of the statutory Members Code of Conduct.

15.2 Section 13(3) of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 gives the Council a discretion whether to confer voting rights and the right to receive exempt information on non-Councillor members of a few specific Committees including Pensions Committees. Therefore if any changes were to be made to the current position, they would need to be agreed by full Council.

16. Proposals for the future

16.1 In order for the Pension Fund to benefit fully from the representative members being on the Pensions Committee, it is proposed that the representative members are able to take part in exempt items and to share fully in the access to information of the Committee on an equal basis with the elected councillors.

- 16.2 However, given that the nature of the “exempt” items of business is that it is either commercially sensitive or the potential harm caused by its unauthorised public disclosure would outweigh any public benefit from open discussion and debate, a way of ensuring that representative members are bound by confidentiality is required. This is proposed to be addressed through those members being required to sign an undertaking to observe the Members ‘Code of Conduct’.
- 16.3 To ensure that the representative members can participate fully and make use of training provided, it is considered appropriate for them to serve for the same term as the elected councillor members rather than being subject to re-election annually. It is proposed that at the next elections of the pensioner and scheduled and admitted body representatives, the bodies are advised to elect a representative to serve until 2014. It is also proposed Unison are advised of this recommendation in respect of their nominated representative.

Chair
Councillor Clare Kober

Deputy Chair
Councillor Lorna Reith

INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This report covers matters considered by the Cabinet at our meeting on 12 October 2010. For ease of reference the report is divided into the Cabinet portfolios.
- 1.2 We trust that this report will be helpful to Members in their representative role and facilitate a fruitful dialogue between the Cabinet and all groups of Councillors. These reports are a welcome opportunity for the Cabinet on a regular basis to present the priorities and achievements of the Cabinet to Council colleagues for consideration and comment. The Cabinet values and encourages the input of fellow members.

ITEM FOR DECISION

Planning and Regeneration

2. **HARINGEY'S LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK: PROPOSED SUBMISSION CORE STRATEGY – RESULTS OF PUBLIC CONSULTATION**
 - 2.1 We considered a report which advised us that following consultation in May and June 2010 on the Proposed Submission Core Strategy a number of minor amendments had been suggested. Before these changes were submitted to the Secretary of State they required our approval. Our approval was also required to carry out a further four week public consultation on the revised affordable housing policy (part of Strategic Policy (SP) 2 Housing) and on employment land designations.
 - 2.2 We noted that the Core Strategy was the new spatial plan for Haringey 2011-2026 and was the primary spatial planning policy document in Haringey's Local Development Framework. The Strategy set out the Council's vision and key policies for the future development of the Borough up to 2026.
 - 2.3 The Core Strategy built on the Regional Plan (the London Plan prepared by the Mayor of London) and sought to support the Haringey Strategic Partnership in delivering the Sustainable Community Strategy. The Core Strategy was a corporate document that set out where growth and change would happen in the Borough over the coming 15 years and, where possible, identify the infrastructure needed to support this growth. The Core Strategy document (a copy of which has been published on the Council's web site) also included a set of 17 key planning policies for a number of borough wide priorities including provision of affordable housing; economic prosperity, conservation and heritage; high quality urban design; climate change and provision of open and children's play space.
 - 2.4 We also noted that extensive consultation had taken place at each stage of the development of the Core Strategy and account had been taken of both a comprehensive evidence base and earlier representations in line with the adopted Statement of Community Involvement.

2.5 We report that we approved the suggested minor amendments to Haringey's proposed Submission Core Strategy. We also approved a revision to the Affordable Housing Policy, part of Strategic Policy (SP) 2 Housing, and changes to employment land designations for the purpose of a further four week public consultation. Authority to approve subsequent changes to SP2 Housing, the employment land designations and other minor amendments was delegated to the Director of Urban Environment in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Planning and Regeneration.

WE RECOMMEND

That Haringey's Core Strategy, a schedule of suggested minor amendments, a revised SP2 Housing, changes to the employment land designations (incorporating changes from the final four week consultation) and other supporting documents be submitted to the Secretary of State for examination by an Independent Planning Inspector and, subject to the outcome of that examination, be adopted.

ITEMS OF REPORT

Planning and Regeneration

3. DRAFT SUSTAINABLE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT

3.1 We considered a report which sought our approval to go out to public consultation on a draft 'Sustainable Design and Construction Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)' which had been prepared as part of the Council's Local Development Framework.

3.2 We noted that the Sustainable Design and Construction (SDC) SPD did not create new policy but aimed to complement and provide clarity on the implementation of national, regional and local planning policies which promoted sustainable buildings and reduction in carbon dioxide emissions. The SPD supported the implementation of Haringey's decentralised energy initiatives and provided guidance on -

- Use principles of passive solar design
- Promote decentralised energy networks and renewable energy
- Make buildings more resilient to climate change
- Reduce water use
- Protect biodiversity
- Reduce waste, improve resource efficiency and promote sustainable waste management

3.3 The SPD, once adopted, would form part of the Council's Local Development Framework and have to be in conformity with the national, regional and local policies. Consequently, its full adoption would follow the emerging local spatial plan, i.e. Haringey's Core Strategy adoption timeline. It would also be taken into account in the determination of planning applications for major and minor development proposals and would also be utilised to guide design and construction projects including schemes in Muswell Hill Low Carbon Zone and housing refurbishment programmes.

3.4 We report that we agreed the draft Sustainable Design and Construction Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) for the purpose of public consultation between November 2010 and January 2011 and, prior to its full adoption as an SPD, to the utilisation of the draft SPD as an interim guide for planning and regeneration decisions on all planning schemes. We also agreed to delegate authority to make minor clarifications and amendments to the draft guide which might be necessary prior to the public consultation to the Assistant Director Planning and Regeneration in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Planning and Regeneration.

4. HOUSE EXTENSIONS IN SOUTH TOTTENHAM SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT

4.1 We considered a report which sought our approval to the adoption of the House extensions in South Tottenham Supplementary Planning Document prepared for house extensions in the South Tottenham area of the Borough.

4.2 We recognised the need to provide design guidance to householders seeking planning permission for house extensions to relieve overcrowding and to provide for additional habitable accommodation for large families in parts of South Tottenham. We noted that there was a pressing case for new design guidance to regularise some design principles for roof extensions in the area and that such guidance had to be of Supplementary Planning Document status to ensure that it was of sufficient planning merit for decision making in the development management functions of the Council.

4.3 We report that we approved the adoption of House Extensions South Tottenham Supplementary Planning Document as planning guidance as part of the Local Development Framework.

Housing

5. GOVERNMENT POLICY CHANGES IN HOUSING AND THE IMPACT ON TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATION AND HOUSING PROVISION IN THE BOROUGH

5.1 We considered a report which provided us with an update on recent Government policy changes in relation to housing and the likely impact that these changes would have on future housing provision and the Council's medium term financial strategy. The report also sought our approval to a series of actions that were needed to minimise the impact of changes to the housing subsidy regime and the Housing Benefit system.

5.2 We noted that a series of important changes to Government policy were putting additional pressures on the Borough at a time when it was already responding to significant housing challenges. As a result we needed to respond as a Council both in policy terms and to mitigate the impact on our financial position. As well as updating us on the work done to respond to the Borough's challenges including the high levels of homelessness the report identified further options for moving forward in uncertain times. It also recommended a course of action that would help the Council mitigate the immediate financial impact of changes to the housing subsidy regime and housing benefit system and shape our housing function so that it provided a sustainable way to

meet our housing aspirations over the medium term.

5.3 We report that having noted the Government's policy changes and the progress that had been made in reducing the number of homeless households in temporary accommodation we approved revised targets of 3,000 and 2,600 for March 2011 and March 2012 respectively. We also noted some of the other issues and options under consideration including –

- The role of the private rented sector in meeting the housing needs of those households who were unlikely to be offered social rented housing in the foreseeable future;
- The role of the new Housing Allocations Policy in helping the Council to make best use of the Borough's social housing stock;
- The different ways in which the Council commissions services and works collaboratively across service boundaries in order to maximize new housing supply;
- The different ways in which the cost of the Council's temporary accommodation could be reduced to an amount that would be fully met by the housing subsidy payments;
- The future of the entire temporary accommodation stock portfolio; and
- The different options available to the Council in relation to its investment in and management of its existing and future housing stock.

6. HOUSING ALLOCATIONS, LETTINGS AND HOMELESSNESS SERVICES RE-INSPECTION - FINAL REPORT

6.1 We considered a report which informed us of the outcome of the Audit Commission's re-inspection of the Council's housing allocations, lettings and homelessness services and to summarise the contents of the final inspection report. The report also sought our approval to the approach to be taken in responding to the Audit Commission's recommendations.

6.2 We noted that the Audit Commission's final report had been published in August 2010 and that it was their judgment that the Council was providing a 'Fair' (one star) service that had 'excellent prospects for improvement'. The Commission identified a number of improvements achieved by the Housing Service since the previous inspection, along with a number of areas where strengths were adjudged to outweigh weaknesses.

6.3 The Commission also made 4 specific recommendations in relation to the following areas –

- Access to services and customer focus;
- Allocation of vacant social housing;
- Prevention of homelessness
- Unit cost benchmarking and value for money.

6.4 We were informed that the Council was expected to act on the recommendations and to address the weaknesses identified in the Commission's report. The Housing Improvement Plan, developed by the Strategic & Community Housing Service shortly after the self assessment submitted to the Commission for inspection, anticipated to a great extent the improvements and weaknesses that were identified in the report and it provided a ready made framework within which the required local improvement actions

were being managed and monitored. A review was to be carried out to ensure that all of the Audit Commission's recommendations and findings were reflected appropriately in the Housing Improvement Plan and its underlying action plans.

- 6.5 We were also informed that the Audit Commission had invited the Council to submit a formal response to the inspection recommendations to be published alongside the report on the Commission's website. There were no material issues with the inspection's findings or the conduct of the inspection and, overall, the inspection was balanced, professional and a positive experience for the Service. Consequently, and with the deadline for submission of the Council's response being 11 October, this was submitted following consultation with the Cabinet Member for Housing.
- 6.6 Having noted the Audit Commission's final report and judgements in relation to its re-inspection we approved the proposed approach for responding to the Audit Commission's recommendations and findings and we asked that our thanks to staff for their efforts be placed on record.

7. WITHDRAWAL OF THE TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATION WORKER'S REBATE SCHEME

- 7.1 We considered a report which informed us of the Haringey Workers Rebate Scheme which was introduced in 1989 to limit the amount of rent that working households were required to pay for the temporary accommodation provided for them under the homelessness legislation. The report described the purpose of the scheme, how it operated, who benefited from the 'capping' of rents, the unintended consequences for both the Council and local residents of operating such a scheme and it sought our approval to the withdrawal of the Scheme.
- 7.2 We were informed that since the introduction of the Scheme twenty one years ago there had been numerous changes that had helped to increase the disposable income of homeless households living in temporary accommodation and in employment. Only two London authorities were known to operate a scheme of this type and one of those was in the process of withdrawing it.
- 7.3 The Scheme was at odds with the Council's objective of reducing the number of homeless households living in temporary accommodation as working households living in the private rented sector were not entitled to this rebate. The Scheme's continued operation discouraged households from accepting the offer of private rented accommodation even when this would meet their needs.
- 7.4 The Scheme was expensive and might actually contribute to higher levels of homelessness in Haringey since it might encourage homeless households in neighbouring boroughs to pursue homelessness applications with Haringey. By reducing the households' Workers Rebate by £50 per week from 1 January 2011 we would be allowing those households in receipt of much more than £50 per week to continue to receive part of their rebate for a further three months until the end of March 2011.
- 7.5 We report that we approved the withdrawal of the Workers Rebate Scheme with immediate effect and agreed to a £50 reduction in the weekly Workers Rebate awarded to

all existing recipients with effect from 1 January 2011. We also approved the withdrawal of the weekly Workers Rebate for all existing recipients with effect from 31 March 2011.

Neighbourhoods

8. WINTER SERVICE PLAN

8.1 The Council will be aware that as a highway authority we have an obligation to keep highways free of snow and ice as far as reasonably practicable. The report sought our approval to the 2010/11 Winter Service Plan which detailed the policies and operational procedures for dealing with snow and ice on the highway.

8.2 Last winter was the worst for 30 years and had placed all local authorities under severe pressure and tested winter service plans to the extreme. We considered a report which advised us that there had been some useful learning points from the experience but care needed to be taken not to put in place unnecessary and possibly costly changes to the Winter Service Operational Plan that might not be required for a less severe winter.

8.3 The Winter Service Operational Plan recommended to us which had been the subject of prior consideration by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee contained a number of changes that should help to improve the Council's response to severe weather conditions. These were:

- Thirty two carriageways have been lifted out of Priority 2 or 3 into Priority 1, these changes were due to review of risk factors and also the presence of certain types of premises like the Mortuary and SEN schools. Five carriageways have been taken out of Priority 1 for opposite reasons.
- A new Priority 1B Carriageway category has been devised so that in term time schools on Priority 2 or 3 carriageways can be given accelerated treatment if it is warranted.
- Sixty one carriageways have been lifted out of Priority 3 into Priority 2 in recognition of the need to help support services gain access to Residential Care Homes from an earlier stage than would otherwise have been the case.
- Town Centre and Residential Care Home pavement gritting is now known as Priority 1 pavement gritting and has been extended to automatically include gritting outside transport hubs, hospitals and emergency service premises.
- A new Resilience Network has been devised in conjunction with Transport for London which ensures that in the event of another severe shortage of grit like last winter, there will be a recognised pan-London minimum gritted carriageway network that will keep London's main roads moving.
- Arrangements for gritting pavements for schools have been formalised into a new Priority 2 pavement gritting schedule that can be used in term time if required.
- There is a proposed extension of the grit bin network from 103 sites up to 147 sites.

8.4 We were informed that many of these changes had arisen as a result of feedback and suggestions from various sources. Also, that it was important to understand that the Winter Service Operational Plan was only designed to deal with gritting of public

highways. Homes for Haringey, the Parks Service, the Children and Young People's Service, Adult Culture and Community Services and Corporate Property Services all had responsibility for winter service and gritting arrangements within the external areas and premises for which they were responsible. Similarly, HSP partners and Registered Social Landlords had responsibility for their own property.

- 8.5 We noted that guidance and support was available from the Environmental Resources Team and that the Plan did not address the issue of pot-holes that might arise after severe weather.
- 8.6 We report that we adopted the Winter Service Operational Plan 2010/11 for the coming winter including the policies that determined when gritting would be undertaken and the prioritisation of locations for gritting activity. We also granted approval to the extension of the grit bin network to include 44 new sites of high and medium priority at a cost of £15,000 and to the maintenance of medium grit stock levels throughout the winter. Where stock fell below these minimum levels then in-season grit top up orders were to be placed to bring the stock back up to at least the minimum levels. The Winter Service Operation Plan would be reviewed annually.

Finance and Sustainability

9. **TREASURY MANAGEMENT 2010/11 MID YEAR ACTIVITY AND PERFORMANCE UPDATE**
 - 9.1 This matter was the subject of a report to the Council meeting on 18 October 2010 by the General Purposes Committee (meeting held on 23 September 2010).
10. **ESTABLISHMENT OF THE INSURANCE LONDON CONSORTIUM (ILC) UNDER AN S.101 AGREEMENT**
 - 10.1 We considered an exempt report which proposed the establishment of an Insurance London Consortium (ILC) on a formal basis under an agreement under Section 101(5) of the Local Government Act 1972 which allowed a local authority to arrange for any other authority to discharge a function on its behalf.
 - 10.2 We noted that through an alliance of like-minded London Boroughs, the aim was to reduce the cost of risk for the public sector through a long term collaborative commitment to risk management excellence. The exercise would meet the objectives of improving value for money and the shared services agenda by the combined purchasing power and shared workload of a consortium approach.
 - 10.3 We report that we authorised the Leader or a nominated Cabinet Member to conclude an agreement under Section 101 (5) of the Local Government Act 1972 by the Council with the London Boroughs of Camden, Croydon, Harrow, Islington, Lambeth and Tower Hamlets, and the Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames, in order to set up the Insurance London Consortium with the London Borough of Croydon as the Accountable Body. We also delegated authority to make payments and to agree financial arrangements, within the limits of financial delegation, for the purposes of the proposed

ILC agreement to the Director of Corporate Resources. Authority to act on behalf of the Council as 'Representative' was delegated to the Risk and Insurance Manager and as 'Alternate' to the Head of Audit and Risk Management for the purposes of the proposed ILC agreement.

Leader

11. PROPOSED ADDENDUM TO THE LONDON LOCAL AUTHORITY 'GOLD' RESOLUTION ON JOINT EMERGENCY ARRANGEMENTS

- 11.1 The Council have resolved to delegate their powers under Section 138 of the Local Government Act 1972 (power to incur expenditure to avert or alleviate the effects of an emergency or disaster) to an outside Chief Executive appointed to co-ordinate the response of London local authorities to a catastrophic incident or a lesser emergency. The terms of the delegation are specified in Part 2 Article 11.07 of the Constitution – London Councils Arrangements for Co-ordinating Response to Emergencies. This 'Gold' Chief Executive will be appointed under arrangements approved by Central Government, London Councils and the London Resilience Forum and will have power to incur expenditure needed in connection with a catastrophic incident or in certain circumstances an emergency.
- 11.2 The Council last agreed a change to the terms of the delegation on 20 March 2006 and we considered a report which sought our approval to a proposed addendum to the existing 'Gold' resolution intended to improve London wide arrangements for responding both to exceptional crises and to lower impact emerging disruptive events.
- 11.3 The proposed Addendum was intended to improve London-wide arrangements for responding both to exceptional crises and to lower impact emerging disruptive events. We also noted that the Addendum had been approved in principle by the Leaders' Committee of London Councils but that before the new arrangements could take effect, the Cabinet/ Executive of every London local authority had to pass a similar resolution to agree and accept the Addendum.
- 11.4 We were informed that subject to our approval, the Constitution Review Working Group would be requested to recommend the incorporation of the new arrangements into the Council's Constitution through amendments to Article 11.07 in Part 2.
- 11.5 We report that we approved the Addendum to the existing London Local Authority "Gold" resolution proposed in the report subject to it taking effect only once London Councils had notified that all London local authorities had agreed and accepted it. We also noted that a Memorandum of Understanding for Mutual Aid between the Boroughs was to be entered into by the Chief Executive under his delegated powers.

12. THE COUNCIL'S PERFORMANCE

- 12.1 We considered a report which presented, on an exception basis, performance information for the year to July 2010, sought our agreement to budget virements in accordance with financial regulations and to other action necessary in order to address the in year budget reductions imposed by the Government.

12.2 We noted that of the 37 key service indicators monitored 25 had improved since 2009/10, 3 were roughly the same, 5 were worse with no comparison possible for the remaining 4 indicators. Some areas where targets were being met or where there had been an improvement were:

- Continued good performance on adult social care clients receiving self directed support.
- Progress on children's social care assessments is being made whilst keeping the quality on an improvement trajectory. The recent Ofsted unannounced inspection found performance management arrangements and case auditing to be a strength.
- Call centre telephone answering indicators continue to show improvement over time and the target was exceeded in August.
- There has been a 13.6% reduction in acquisitive crime compared with the same period last year.
- Recycling and cleanliness targets continue to be exceeded.

12.3 However, there were also areas where targets were not being met and these included:

- Performance on the timely completion of core assessments for children's social care has reduced over the past few months and they remain below average. The recent Ofsted unannounced inspection found that assessments are undertaken in a timely and focused manner under clear management direction.
- 15.7% of looked after children have had 3 or more placements, higher than average although performance on placements lasting 2 years or more is slightly better than average for London.
- The average time for processing new benefit claims and change events remains comparatively high at 28 days. The service remains dedicated to ensure that demonstrable month on month improvement continues, through the implementation of the action plan.
- Average re-let times for local authority dwellings increased in August to 46 days significantly higher than the target of 25 days.
- Households in temporary accommodation continue to reduce but not at the targeted level.

12.4 With regard to financial information, we noted that the overall general fund revenue budget, based on the August position stood at a projected £8.5 million above budget, a decrease of £0.7 million since the last period. The actions to restrict expenditure put in place since July were beginning to take effect in particular a top slicing of supplies and services budgets. The underlying causes of the forecast over spend remained the high level of service demand particularly within Children and Young Peoples Services (CYPS) along with the increased financial liability due to changes in Housing Benefit Subsidy rules. The forecast level of overspend was extremely serious and if not addressed would utilise most of the Council's general fund general reserve. Significant reductions in funding from Government grants was also expected in future years as well as in-year

reductions in grant in the current year for which preparations were being made. It was imperative that there was no significant overspend in 2010/11 in advance of the tight budget position expected in years to come. While the reduction in the forecast overspend was welcomed there should be no let up in effort to bring the budget in on target by the year-end.

12.5 The Council's Non-Service Revenue (NSR) budget had a £1.0 million general contingency built in for 2010/11 as part of the budget planning process. This was now being held uncommitted thus contributing a year end under spend of £1.0 million to help offset the significant service pressures being experienced. The dedicated schools budget (DSB) element of the overall Children & Young People's (CYP) Service budget was projected to spend at budget. The forecast revenue over spend within the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) had reduced to £0.7 million from £0.8 million and was due to budget pressures within the building services section of the company accounts. The projected capital year end variance, based on the August position, was an under spend of £1.4 million.

12.6 We report that we agreed as follows -

- To note the report and the progress being made against the Council's priorities;
- To require Directors to take necessary action to bring current year spending to within their approved budget;
- To agree the budget changes (virements) in the table below –

Revenue Virements						
Period	Service	Key	Amount current year (£'000)	Full year Amount (£'000)	Reason for budget changes	Description
5	ACCS	Rev*	300	300	Corrective Budget Realignment	Virement of under spend in No Recourse to Public Funds (NRPF) to address pressure within Physical Disabilities Commissioning
5	ACCS	Rev	156	0	Corrective Budget Realignment	Virement from OPS Providers Services to offset overspend in OPS Commissioning.
5	ACCS	Rev	145	145	Corrective Budget Realignment	Transfer of Social Worker posts from OPS Assessment & Care Mgt to Safeguarding Team
5	ACCS	Rev*	341	341	Corrective Budget Realignment	Allocation of budgets within No Recourse to Public Funds cost centres
5	ACCS	Rev	124	124	Corrective Budget Realignment	Reflecting salaries and income budgets for posts funded by Disabled Facilities Grant Fees
5	ACCS	Rev	149	0	Corrective Budget Realignment	Reflecting one off external funding for Increasing Fitness budget
5	ACCS	Rev*	489	489	Corrective Budget Realignment	Director's Budget zero base exercise
5	UE	Rev	150		2010/11 Grant Allocation	Grant award from Communities and Local Government: Growth Area Coordinator project
5	UE	Rev*	342		2010/11 Grant Allocation	Budget set up for 2010-11 for Future Jobs Fund block 2 from Department for Work and Pensions

5	UE	Rev	155		Budget correction	Allocation of supporting people grant and ABG.
5	UE	Rev	106		Budget correction	Adjustment of depreciation charges.
5	UE	Rev	224		Corrective Budget Realignment	Realign budgets on sundry cost for housing GF.
5	UE	Rev*	691		Corrective Budget Realignment	Realign budgets according to staff structure within housing GF.
5	UE	Rev	142		Corrective Budget Realignment	Re-allocation of budget per TFL portal. Corridors to neighbourhoods
5	UE	Rev	155		Corrective Budget Realignment	Adjusting the income budget for Traffic Management Orders to match 2009-10 income.
5	UE	Rev	209		2010/11 Grant Allocation	New grant funding received for young people's substance misuse
5	UE	Rev*	1,085		2010/11 Grant Allocation	New grant funding received for the Haringey Drug Action Team.
5	UE	Rev*	268		2010/11 Grant Allocation	Realign budget to match grant funding received for young people's substance misuse.
P3	UE	Rev	191	191	Budget realignment	Budget adjustment.
5	PP/CR	Rev	112		Corrective Budget Realignment	One off budget for information governance.
5	PP	Rev*	521		Grant Allocations 2010-11	Drug and Alcohol Action Team (DAAT) S256 2010/11 grant funding
5	PP	Rev*	377		Grant Allocations 2010-12	Haringey / Enfield PCT HIV Prevention Grant contribution 2010/11
5	Council Wide	Rev*	1,145		Budget savings	10% Top Slice of Supplies & Services budgets
5	Council Wide	Rev*	534	534	Corrective Budget Realignment	2010/11 Insurance recharge adjustments to reflect revised policy charges

Capital Virements

Period	Service	Key	Amount current year (£'000)	Full year Amount (£'000)	Reason for budget changes	Description
P5	ACCS	Capital	133		Grant allocation to be utilised in 2010/11	Framework i 2009 Social Care Single Capital Pot Grant
P5	ACCS	Capital	217		Grant allocation to be utilised in 2010/11	Framework i 2008 2009 & 2010 Social Care IT Infrastructure Grant
P5	ACCS	Capital	150		Funding allocation to be utilised in 2010/11	Allocation of SIF funding for Park Road Pools filtration project
P5	ACCS	Capital	200		Corrective budget realignment	Re-allocation of funds from Parks to Park Road Pools filtration project
P5	CR	Capital*	266		Funding allocation to be utilised in 2010/11	AP&P Ice Rink Project additional budget
P5	CR	Capital*	360		Corrective budget realignment	Broadwater Farm Community Centre transferring from PPP&C to ACCS
P5	CYPS	Capital	129		Corrective budget realignment	Budget alignment due to reduction in DfE grants and utilisation of contingency
P5	CYPS	Capital	(200)		Corrective budget realignment	Budget alignment due to reduction in DfE grants and utilisation of contingency
P5	CYPS	Capital*	(454)		Corrective budget realignment	Budget alignment due to reduction in DfE grants and utilisation of

						contingency
P5	CYPS	Capital*	(492)		Corrective budget realignment	Budget alignment due to reduction in DfE grants and utilisation of contingency
P5	CYPS	Capital	100		Corrective budget realignment	Budget alignment due to reduction in DfE grants and utilisation of contingency

Under the Constitution certain virements are key decisions. Key decisions (highlighted by an asterisk in the table) are:

- For revenue, any virement which results in change in a Directorate cash limit of more than £250,000; and
- For capital, any virement which results in the change of a programme area of more than £250,000.

13. DELEGATED DECISIONS AND SIGNIFICANT ACTIONS

13.1 We were informed of the following significant actions taken by a Director under delegated powers - - -

Director of Adult, Culture and Community Services

Deletion of Contracts Assistant Post.

Director of Corporate Services

Award of Framework Agreement for the Collection, Transport and Sustainable End-of-Life Management of Fixtures, Fittings and Equipment (Lot 1 – Furniture).