



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 THURSDAY, 24TH FEBRUARY, 2011 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.

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. TO ASK MEMBERS WHETHER THEY NEED 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 IS TWO MONTHS OR MORE OUTSTANDING.

Members to whom this applies must make a declaration if they are present at any part of the meeting and must not vote on any matter relating to the budget. It is not sufficient for such members to refrain from voting or to absent themselves from the chamber for particular parts of the meeting. Failure to make a relevant declaration constitutes a criminal offence.

5. TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 17 JANUARY 2011 (PAGES 1 - 6)

6. TO RECEIVE SUCH COMMUNICATIONS AS THE MAYOR MAY LAY BEFORE THE COUNCIL

7. TO CONSIDER A "STATE OF THE BOROUGH" REPORT BY THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL.

8. TO RECEIVE THE REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE ON "RETHINKING HARINGEY" (PAGES 7 - 46)

9. TO RECEIVE THE REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER AND HEAD OF LEGAL SERVICES

10. TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES

11. TO CONSIDER REQUESTS TO RECEIVE DEPUTATIONS AND/OR PETITIONS AND, IF APPROVED, TO RECEIVE THEM

12. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM THE FOLLOWING BODIES (PAGES 47 - 184)

a) Cabinet – Reports 7 & 8 – 2010/11.

b) General Purposes Committee – Reports 3 & 4 – 2010/11.

13. TO CONSIDER THE REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE RESOURCES IN RESPECT OF MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL PLANNING FOR 2011/12 - 2013/14 AND TO AGREE THE COUNCIL TAX FOR 2011/12 (PAGES 185 - 236)
14. TO CONSIDER OPPOSITION BUSINESS SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO.12
15. TO ANSWER QUESTIONS, IF ANY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH COUNCIL RULES OF PROCEDURE NOS. 9 & 10

ORAL QUESTION 1 - TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR CHILDREN'S SERVICES FROM COUNCILLOR PEACOCK:

Will the cabinet member comment on the Prime Minister's assertion that the Tory-led government has not cut funding to Sure Start children's centres?

ORAL QUESTION 2 – TO THE LEADER FROM COUNCILLOR WINSKILL:

Considering the recent public statements from Tottenham Hotspur FC saying that they will not stay at White Hart Lane even if they are not successful in their bid for the Olympic stadium, should the Leader or any of her predecessors have done anything different in the handling of the Spurs application?

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

Can the cabinet member provide an update on the government's assistance to Councils in capitalising redundancy costs?

ORAL QUESTION 4 - TO THE LEADER FROM COUNCILLOR ENGERT:

What meetings have Council members or officers had with Tottenham Hotspur FC officials since 26th Jan 2011?

ORAL QUESTION 5 –TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR PLANNING AND REGENERATION FROM COUNCILLOR EJIOFOR:

Can the cabinet member say more about the council's work to assist local people access affordable credit?

ORAL QUESTION 6 – TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR FINANCE AND SUSTAINABILITY FROM COUNCILLOR REID:

Please provide details on whether the Council and or Newlyn Plc have been forced to concede and or forced to make compensation or refund payments as a result of complaints received from residents about "phantom visits" by bailiffs.

ORAL QUESTION 7 - TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR NEIGHBOURHOODS FROM COUNCILLOR BROWNE:

What plans does Haringey have to improve air quality in the borough?

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

With the loss of council apprenticeships how is the council going to help tackle youth unemployment in the borough?

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

Motion R (2010/11)

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

Sustainable Transport

- Cuts of £1.7bn to London's bus services and £16m cut to London Underground.
- Boris Johnson's decision to axe plans to make London Underground step free and close 400 ticket offices across the capital.
- Under Tory Mayor of London, Boris Johnson, bus fares have already increased by 20% last year, with further planned Tube and bus fares increases of approximately 7%.
- The Coalition's decision to impose revenue savings of 21% to the Department of Transport, 28% cuts to TFL budgets, reduction of the bus subsidy by 20% and cuts of local government resource grants by 28%.
- The scrapping of the Western Congestion Charge resulting in a Transport for London revenue loss of £55 million per annum
- The low car ownership in the east of borough, and the subsequent importance of public transport
- The successful completion of Labour's manifesto pledge to establish a Sustainable Transport Commission.
- The Labour manifesto commitment to continue educational and awareness raising work on sustainable transport.
- Ongoing work to extend the successful car club, to reduce private car use in the borough.

This Council Believes:

- That cuts to transport funding do not represent a "soft cut" and severely undermine our capacity to tackle climate change.
- Increased costs of public transport will place residents under greater financial strain.
- Reducing private car usage should continue to be a priority.
- Income from the Western Congestion Charge could have been invested in services or used to keep bus and tube fares down

This Council Resolves:

- To lobby the Tory Mayor of London, and Coalition Ministers to reconsider these plans.
- To continue to work towards our goal of reducing carbon emissions in spite of swingeing cuts to Local Government funding.

Motion S (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 Head of Electoral Services to take steps to promote participation in the Referendum.

Motion T (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 Councils 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.

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