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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, 4TH APRIL, 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 APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 24 FEBRUARY 2011 (PAGES 1 - 22)**
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**
8. **TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES**
9. **TO CONSIDER REQUESTS TO RECEIVE DEPUTATIONS AND/OR PETITIONS AND, IF APPROVED, TO RECEIVE THEM**
10. **TO RECEIVE A PRESENTATION IN RESPECT OF HARINGEY CREDIT UNION**
11. **TO CONSIDER OPPOSITION BUSINESS SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO.12**
12. **TO ANSWER QUESTIONS, IF ANY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH COUNCIL RULES OF PROCEDURE NOS. 9 & 10**

**ORAL QUESTION 1 - TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR NEIGHBOURHOODS FROM COUNCILLOR WILSON:**

What has the Council done to increase the number of battery recycling points in the last 12 months?

**ORAL QUESTION 2 – TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR CHILDREN’S SERVICES FROM COUNCILLOR STEWART:**

Can the Cabinet Member outline the Council's position in relation to Alexandra Park School's consultation on academy status?

**ORAL QUESTION 3 - TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR PLANNING AND REGENERATION FROM COUNCILLOR SOLOMON:**

Why has Haringey not taken the trouble to send any information to its own residents about the proposal for the Pinkham Way waste disposal facility?

**ORAL QUESTION 4 - TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR HOUSING FROM COUNCILLOR DEMIRCI:**

What is the impact on Haringey tenants of the coalition government's decision to slash the Decent Homes programme by 75 per cent?

**ORAL QUESTION 5 – TO THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL FROM COUNCILLOR GORRIE:**

What steps will the Leader of the Council be taking to publicly correct her misrepresentation of the facts contained in her written introduction to the Council Guide recently mailed to all residents with their Council Tax Bills which refers specifically to a budget reduction over three years of more than £83 million when her own budget papers show funding, including Council Tax, last year of £307.8m and forecast funding for 2013/14 of £273.0m, a reduction of £34.8m?

**ORAL QUESTION 6 – TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR NEIGHBOURHOODS FROM COUNCILLOR PEACOCK:**

What measures is the council taking to protect children and young people from under age alcohol sales ?.

**ORAL QUESTION 7 - TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR CHILDREN'S SERVICES FROM COUNCILLOR ALLISON:**

How will Children's Services be scrutinised under the proposed new governance arrangements?

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

To the Cabinet Member for Planning and Regeneration: What difference do you think the new Haringey credit union will make to those on low incomes in the borough?

**13. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM THE FOLLOWING BODIES (PAGES 23 - 36)**

- a) Alexandra Palace and Park Board Report No.1 - 2010/11 (ATTACHED)

b) Governance Review Delivery Group Report No. 1 – 2010/11 (TO FOLLOW)

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

Motion U (2010/11)

Councillor Scott 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 V (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.

#### Motion W (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.

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