

**Unrestricted Minutes of the Special Alexandra Palace and Park Board
24 JULY 2006**

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AGENDA ITEM 3(iii)(b)

Councillors: * Adje (Chair), *Egan Vice-Chair), *Beacham, *Hare, *Peacock, Rainger, *Thompson.

Non-voting representatives: *Ms V. Paley, Mr M. Tarpey and Mr N Wilmott

Observer: * Ms J. Hutchinson (representing Mr D Liebeck - Chair, Alexandra Park and Palace Advisory Committee)

* indicates Members present

Also present:

Councillor M Whyte

Keith Holder	General Manager – Alexandra Palace
David Loudfoot	Facilities Manager - Alexandra Palace
Ken Harrington	Head of Finance – Alexandra Palace
Clifford Hart	Principal Support Manager (LB Haringey) – Clerk to the Board
Ian Harris	Trust Solicitor

Tessa Kimber	Berwin Leighton Paisner (Legal)
Laurie Heller	Berwin Leighton Paisner (Legal)
Roger Vail	King Sturge (Valuation, Market Knowledge & Building Surveyors)
Ian Harris	Trust Solicitor
Peter Conboy	ABROS

AP022 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (Agenda Item 1):

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Mr Tarpey, and from Mr Liebeck (for whom Ms Hutchinson was substituting) and lateness and possible non attendance from Councillor Rainger.

NOTED

AP023 URGENT BUSINESS (Agenda Item 2):

The Chair asked whether there were any items of urgent business. The Clerk advised the Board that the items were as stated on the agenda and there was no provision for other items of urgent business to be submitted. The Clerk also advised that the comments of the Acting Director of Finance of the London Borough of Haringey were TABLED in respect of Items 6 and 7 on the exempt part of the Agenda. The Board were also asked to consider the deliberations of the Statutory Advisory Committee following their meeting on 20 July 2006 in respect of Item 7. These deliberations had been circulated prior to the meeting and were also laid round the table.

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AP023 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS (Agenda Item 3):

Nil.

AP024 AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS (Agenda Item 4)

The General Manager – Mr Holder advised the Board that as previously reported on 4 July to the Board the audited accounts were normally submitted to the first meeting of the Board in the Municipal Year. He apologised that that on this occasion, due to further delays caused by the application of SORP 2005 and associated allocation of costs within the SORP definitions together with the requirement for full application of FRS 17 in respect of pension deficits, the external independent auditors had not yet concluded their work. The accounts and audit opinion would be formally submitted to a meeting of the Board on 12 September 2006.

Mr Holder TABLED a draft copy of the audit opinion that has been received earlier that afternoon. That opinion, although draft, showed there were not any underlying concerns over the accounts which were now waiting clearance through the internal Deloitte & Touche technical review. Further that the opinion as tabled would be sent to the Charity Commission should they request any information in respect of the 2005/06 accounts during their deliberations on the issuing of a sec. 36 order.

The Chair advised that the current auditors be advised that the Board had been unimpressed by their recent performance and that the Board's use of them would be reviewed if there was not a marked improvement.

AP025 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC (Agenda Item 5):

RESOLVED

That the Public and press be excluded from the proceedings as the following items contain exempt information as defined in section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 namely; Para 3 – Information relating to the business or financial affairs of any particular person (including the Authority holding that information).

SUMMARY OF EXEMPT/CONFIDENTIAL PROCEEDINGS

AP026 PROVISION OF SECURITY FUNCTION (Agenda Item 6)

Agreed the recommendations contained within the report.

AP027 FUTURE USE OF ALEXANDRA PALACE (Agenda Item 7)

Agreed the recommendations contained within the report.

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**AP028 THE MANAGEMENT OF THE RESIDUAL FUNCTIONS OF THE CHARITY
(Agenda Item 8)**

Item withdrawn.

AP029 REVIEW OF GENERAL MANAGER POSITION (Agenda Item 9)

Item withdrawn.

The meeting ended at 20:30HRS.

**Councillor Charles Adje
Chair**