

**MINUTES OF THE CABINET  
TUESDAY, 15 JULY 2008**

Councillors Meehan (Chair), \*Reith (Vice-Chair), \*Adje, \*Amin, \*Basu, \*Canver, \*Haley, \*B. Harris and \*Santry.

\*Present

Also Present: Councillor Allison, Engert, Jones, Newton and Wilson.

MINUTE NO.	SUBJECT/DECISION	ACTION BY
CAB24.	<p><b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b> (Agenda Item 1):</p> <p>An apology for absence was submitted by Councillor Meehan. In the absence of the Chair, the Vice Chair took the Chair.</p> <p>(Councillor Reith in the Chair)</p>	
CAB25.	<p><b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b> (Agenda Item 3):</p> <p>Councillor Haley – Items 8 Financial Planning and 20 Adoption of Revised North London Joint Waste Strategy (see below)</p> <p>Councillor Reith – Item 15 Service Improvement Initiatives for Leaseholders (see below)</p> <p>Councillor Santry – Item 19 New Approach to Consultation for the Extension of Controlled Parking Zones (see below)</p>	HLDMS
CAB26.	<p><b>MINUTES</b> (Agenda Item 4):</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <p>That the minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 17 June 2008 be confirmed and signed.</p>	HLDMS
CAB27.	<p><b>THE COUNCIL'S PERFORMANCE - APRIL/MAY 2008</b> (Joint Report of the Chief Executive and the Chief Financial Officer – Agenda Item 7):</p> <p>Arising from consideration of paragraph 18.4 concern was expressed about the further deterioration of the fabric of the Muswell Hill Library building which might occur if the refurbishment there was delayed. We noted that the works were to be funded from a capital receipt which was not now expected in 2008/09 as a result of which the expenditure profile would have to be re-phased to 2009/10.</p> <p>Reference was made to the proportion of 16-18 year olds not in education, employment and training (NEETS) and in particular to the increased level of 'Not Knowns'. We were informed that in overall terms the number of NEETS had reduced significantly and that because of the high levels of mobility of some Haringey residents the level of 'Not</p>	

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	<p>Knowns' always tended to be high. Difficulties remained with regard to NEETS generally but a number of measures were being implemented by Connexions.</p> <p>Disquiet having been voiced about the rate of issue of Special Educational Needs statements we were advised that the basis of the target had changed and now involved much consultation between officers and parents. However the Service was now moving towards a new target.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the report and the progress against Council priorities as shown in Appendix 1 to the interleaved report be noted.</li> <li>2. That approval be granted to the virements as set out in Appendix 2 to the interleaved report.</li> </ol>	CFO
<p><b>CAB28.</b></p>	<p><b>FINANCIAL PLANNING 2009/10 – 2011/12</b> (Joint Report of the Chief Financial Officer and the Director of Corporate Resources – Agenda Item 8):</p> <p>Arising from paragraph 10.4.3, Councillor Haley declared a personal interest in the report by virtue of being a member of the North London Waste Authority.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That approval be granted to the financial position for planning purposes as outlined in the interleaved report.</li> <li>2. That the budget changes and variations as set out in the interleaved report be approved.</li> <li>3. That approval be granted to the proposed business planning process as detailed in the interleaved report.</li> </ol>	<p>DCS/ CFO</p> <p>DCS/ CFO</p> <p>DCS/ CFO</p>
<p><b>CAB29.</b></p>	<p><b>LOCAL AREA AGREEMENT</b> (Report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Policy, Performance, Partnerships and Communications) – Agenda Item 9):</p> <p>Clarification was sought of the status of the figures shown against Indicator No. 154 – Net Additional Homes Provided and we were advised that the target figure of 680 units (with 340 of social housing) was a London Plan target which the Integrated Housing Board would monitor while the other figures shown of Haringey's projected additional units were local targets only and might be subject to change.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <p>That approval be granted to the report, including the changes made to the final selection of national indicators within the</p>	ACE- PPPC

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	2008/08-2010/11 Local Area Agreement and the negotiated targets for the three year period, as set out in Appendix A thereto.	
<b>CAB30.</b>	<p><b>EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT: END YEAR 2007/08</b> (Report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Policy, Performance, Partnerships and Communications) – Agenda Item 10):</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <p>That the schedule of impact assessments carried out in 2007/8 be noted and approval granted to the areas identified for impact assessment in 2008/9.</p>	ACE-PPPC
<b>CAB31.</b>	<p><b>ANNUAL SCHOOL PLACE PLANNING REPORT</b> (Report of the Director of the Children and Young People’s Service – Agenda Item 11):</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That approval be granted to the following working priorities as set out below with the recommendations arising from this work being presented to the Cabinet in July 2009 – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• to develop plans and demographic data during the autumn of 2008 to ensure the potential PAN reinstatements are still required by 2010 and plans are in place to allow this to happen if necessary.</li> <li>• consultation on increased capacity at Rhodes Avenue primary school for September 2011</li> <li>• an update on the proposed additional provision around Tottenham Hale</li> <li>• monitoring the demand for school places in the Wood Green area</li> <li>• continue to work with colleagues on SEN data and projections</li> <li>• continue to work with colleagues on post 16 projections</li> </ul> </li> <li>2. That the consultation on the possible expansion of Rhodes Avenue primary school in the west children’s network to create an additional form of entry be endorsed and that a further report to Cabinet in January 2009 on the outcome of the consultation and to determine whether statutory notices are published.</li> <li>3. That approval be granted to the consultation on additional school capacity around Tottenham Hale be carried out from September 2009.</li> <li>4. That approval be granted to an additional school place planning principle arising from the recent Primary Strategy consultation.</li> <li>5. That a further report on school places be presented in July</li> </ol>	<p>DCYPS</p> <p>DCYPS</p> <p>DCYPS</p> <p>DCYPS</p> <p>DCYPS</p>

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<b>CAB32.</b>	<p><b>ADULT, CULTURE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES ANNUAL COMPLAINTS REPORT 2007/08</b> (Report of the Adult, Culture and Community Services – Agenda Item 12):</p> <p>In response to a question about the low number of suggestions received, we were informed that ways to address this issue were being considered and that suggestions also came via other routes including some ‘complaints’ received which were, in fact, suggestions.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <p>That the Adult Social Care Annual Complaints Report, the performance for 2007/08 and the proposed initiatives for performance improvements be noted.</p>	DACCS
<b>CAB33.</b>	<p><b>RESPONSE TO SCRUTINY REVIEW OF ACCESS TO SERVICES FOR OLDER PEOPLE</b> (Report of the Adult, Culture and Community Services – Agenda Item 13):</p> <p>Clarification was sought of whether action would be taken on Recommendations 2 and 5b of the Scrutiny Review that representations be made to the Department of Health to encourage more funding to allow the Council to support the low and moderate bandings of Fair Access to Care Services in line with the well being agenda, and also for Direct Payments to be extended to health care services.</p> <p>Confirmation was also sought that Recommendations 11 and 14 which had been referred to the Primary Care Trust would be followed up.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That approval be granted to the response to the Scrutiny Review of Access to Services for Older People as set out in the interleaved report and the Appendices thereto.</li> <li>2. That representations be made to the Department of Health on the matters detailed above subject to the Direct Payments for health care services proposed not including disability benefits.</li> <li>3. That the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Well Being pursue with the Haringey Teaching Primary Care Trust the Scrutiny Review’s recommendations 11 and 14 concerning the GP referral scheme and proposals for improving foot health in Haringey respectively.</li> </ol>	<p>DACCS</p> <p>DACCS</p> <p>DACCS</p>
<b>CAB34.</b>	<p><b>HARINGEY REGENERATION STRATEGY - DRAFT DELIVERY PAN</b> (Report of the Director of Urban Environment – Agenda Item 14):</p> <p>Our Chair agreed to admit the report as urgent business. The report was late because of the need to complete consultations. The report was too</p>	

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	<p>urgent to await the next meeting because the report was on the Forward Plan and to defer consideration would delay acting on the matter.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <p>That approval be granted to the draft Delivery Plan for Haringey's Regeneration Strategy as set out in the interleaved report and the Appendix thereto.</p>	DUE
CAB35.	<p><b>SERVICE IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVES FOR LEASEHOLDERS</b> (Report of the Director of Urban Environment – Agenda Item 15):</p> <p>Councillor Reith declared an interest in this item by virtue of being a leaseholder.</p> <p>In response to a question about billing in advance for major works and also about ensuring the quality of work, it was confirmed that there had been a positive response from leaseholders about the concept of advance payment and that work carried out as part of the Decent Homes programme would be carried out to a high standard and would be subject to inspection.</p> <p>In response to a further question about conditions for granting leaseholders permission to install windows and doors we noted that one of the conditions was that those installed would have to meet design requirements. Concern having been expressed about how this requirement would be enforced, the Cabinet Member for Housing agreed to take this matter back to the Homes for Haringey Board.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <p>That approval be granted to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The commencement of billing in advance for major works in order to improve the cash flow to the Council by bringing forward the start date for the receipt of payments by up to 18 months;</li> <li>2. The provision to leaseholders of a higher discount (5%) for payment in full in order to provide an incentive to pay in full at the start of work, since they were only obliged to pay in instalments;</li> <li>3. The provision of instalment periods of up to 3 years (including the 18 month advance billing period referred to above) on an interest-free basis;</li> <li>4. Proposals to allow Interest only loans and a voluntary charge against the property;</li> <li>5. Leaseholders being allowed to install and maintain their own windows and external doors in agreed circumstances and on a case by case basis; and</li> <li>6. Leaseholders being enabled to benefit from the volume discounts available from the Decent Homes Programme (DHP) supply</li> </ol>	DUE

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	chains in respect of kitchen and bathroom units.	
<b>CAB36.</b>	<p><b>HARINGEY'S HOMELESSNESS STRATEGY 2008 – 11</b> (Report of the Director of Urban Environment – Agenda Item 16):</p> <p>Our Chair agreed to admit as urgent business. The report was late because of the amount of time and work involved in consulting on, and writing, this important multi agency Strategy. A key element of the Homelessness Strategy was the Action Plan which had taken longer than expected to complete. The report is too urgent to await the next meeting because the Homelessness Act 2002 placed a statutory obligation on all local authorities to undertake a review of homelessness and produce a homelessness strategy at least once every five years. Haringey's last Homelessness Strategy was published in July 2003. Therefore the new Homelessness Strategy had to be approved and published by 31 July 2008. Failure to do so would affect the reputation of the Council and leave it extremely vulnerable to Judicial Review.</p> <p>We noted that the Action plan to which reference was made in the report was now available and would be circulated to Members.</p> <p>Our attention was drawn to the over-representation of ethnic minority and black households in temporary accommodation and clarification was sought that targets for reduction suggested in the report were achievable.</p> <p>We noted that the Homelessness Strategy proposed would demand a fresh approach to the way in which everyone in Haringey tackled and prevented homelessness. With its emphasis on multi agency working, implementation of the Strategy would ensure that all of the key issues were discussed and addressed. In order to make a meaningful impact on the number of homeless people who were not in education, employment or training, homelessness services would be aligned with Jobcentre Plus, the employment advisers and the Haringey Guarantee.</p> <p>The creation of a homeless households support service would ensure that service users received consistent messages and were kept fully informed about services, initiatives and their move-on options. More than ever before, service users would be actively consulted and involved in designing, monitoring and improving the services provided for people who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless.</p> <p>The Action Plan had the potential to completely transform Haringey's housing and homelessness services and, given the impact that homelessness was having on the health, educational attainment, life chances and well-being of Haringey's residents, it was essential that everyone in the Borough contributed to assist its implementation.</p> <p>Concern was expressed about a perceived lack of clarity in the strategy report around links to worklessness and the way in which the benefits system operated. Also, with regard to the rebate system, about the number of households in receipt of benefit and whether there would be</p>	

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	<p>officers who engaged with them. We noted that these matters would require changes over the next two years to the way in which the service currently operated.</p> <p>Clarification was then sought of the position with regard to victims of domestic violence and, more specifically, whether they would have the right to return to the homes they had been obliged to leave. We were informed that the Strategy would actively promote the take up of the sanctuary scheme as a housing option and amend the Lettings Policy to enable Council tenants and housing association tenants to obtain emergency transfers rather than be placed in temporary accommodation and wait for a lengthy period until they were offered somewhere settled. However, this would involve giving up the right to a secure tenancy where such an entitlement had previously existed.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That approval be granted to Haringey's Homelessness Strategy 2008-11 as set out in the Appendix to the interleaved report.</li> <li>2. That authority to approve any minor amendments to the Strategy considered reasonable in the light of feedback received during consultation with stakeholders be delegated to the Director of Urban Environment in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Housing.</li> </ol>	<p>DUE</p> <p>DUE</p>
<p><b>CAB37.</b></p>	<p><b>TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATION REDUCTION PLAN 2008/2010</b> (Report of the Director of Urban Environment – Agenda Item 17):</p> <p>Clarification was sought of whether any assessment of the planned actions had been carried out in the light of the present state of the housing market and the current economic climate. We noted that while no detailed work had been done, the Housing Corporation had made a sum available to housing associations to purchase some private sector housing. We asked that a briefing be provided to us on the implications for housing of the present credit crunch and that consideration also be given to any policy changes consequent on the election of a new Mayor of London.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That approval be granted to a target of no more than 4,000 households in Temporary Accommodation by 31 March 2009 as set out in Appendix 1 to the interleaved report and no more than 2,600 by 31 March 2010.</li> <li>2. That approval be granted to the following the key objectives - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Objective 1 - Controlling the gateway for households entering Temporary Accommodation.</li> <li>• Objective 2 - Managing the Temporary Accommodation client base.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	<p>DUE</p> <p>DUE</p> <p>DUE</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Objective 3 - Improving the supply of permanent accommodation to reduce numbers of households in Temporary Accommodation</li> </ul> <p>3. That approval be granted to the funding for the additional costs of providing assured short hold tenancy properties in 2008/09 as set out in paragraph 4.3 of the interleaved report.</p>	DUE
CAB38.	<p><b>PUBLIC REALM COMMISSIONING STRATEGY - OPTION APPRAISAL</b> (Report of the Director of Urban Environment – Agenda Item 18):</p> <p>We noted that a revised version of the report had been circulated because amendments to the layout of the original version had been found to be necessary.</p> <p>The Appendices to the interleaved report were the subject of a motion to exclude the press and public from the meeting as they contained exempt information in relation to which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That approval be granted to the Specialised Contracts option as set out at Option 2 in the interleaved report.</li> <li>2. That approval be granted to the use of a Competitive Dialogue procurement process.</li> <li>3. That approval be granted to the extension of the Integrated Waste Management and Transport contract with Haringey Enterprise Ltd as proposed in the interleaved report.</li> <li>4. That approval be granted to the extension of the proposed Highways/Street Lighting contract period as detailed in the interleaved report.</li> <li>5. That approval be granted to the extension of the current Highways and Street Lighting contracts with John Crowley (Maidstone) Ltd and EDF Energy Contracting respectively as proposed in the interleaved report.</li> <li>6. That approval be granted to a Cross Party Member Steering Group being established to oversee and steer the development of the ongoing waste and highways procurement projects, the constitution including the membership of the Group to be determined by Cabinet Member for Environment and Conservation.</li> </ol>	<p>DUE</p> <p>DUE</p> <p>DUE</p> <p>DUE</p> <p>DUE</p> <p>DUE</p>



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	<p>7. That approval be granted agree to a formal public consultation on future waste management services being undertake with Haringey Sustainable Community Partners, residents, traders and visitors.</p>	DUE
<p><b>CAB39.</b></p>	<p><b>NEW APPROACH TO CONSULTATION FOR THE EXTENSION OF CONTROLLED PARKING ZONES</b> (Report of the Director of Urban Environment – Agenda Item 19):</p> <p>Councillor Santry declared a personal interest in the report by virtue of being resident in one of the roads affected by the proposals.</p> <p>In response to concern expressed it was confirmed that the approach proposed would relate only to the extension of existing controlled parking zones where evidence of a majority of support had been provided by residents.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That approval be granted to the adoption of the new approach to consultation for the introduction of extensions to existing controlled parking zones as set out in Section 11 of the interleaved report.</li> <li>2. That in the light of 1 above, funding be identified and secured to enable the new Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ) schemes to be implemented.</li> <li>3. That approval be granted to the proposed programme of extensions as set out in Appendix 2 to the interleaved report.</li> </ol>	<p>DUE</p> <p>DUE</p> <p>DUE</p>
<p><b>CAB40.</b></p>	<p><b>ADOPTION OF REVISED NORTH LONDON JOINT WASTE STRATEGY</b> (Report of the Director of Urban Environment – Agenda Item 20):</p> <p>Councillor Haley declared a personal interest in the report by virtue of being a member of the North London Waste Authority.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That approval be granted to the North London Joint Waste Strategy (NLJWS) 2008 and to it's formal adoption.</li> <li>2. That, subject to any amendments remaining broadly in line with the content of the existing version of the NLJWS, authority to agree any amendments to the Strategy that become necessary following consideration of the draft by each partner Borough's formal approval process be delegated to the Director of Urban Environment in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Environment and Conservation.</li> </ol>	<p>DUE</p> <p>DUE</p>

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<p><b>CAB41.</b></p>	<p><b>RESPONSE TO SCRUTINY REVIEW OF WASTE RECYCLING COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL</b> (Report of the Director of Urban Environment – Agenda Item 21):</p> <p>With regard to recommendations 3 and 4 of the Scrutiny Review in relation to a policy of compulsory recycling in Haringey which the response proposed be not agreed, we noted that should the Chair of the Review Panel so choose she could ask for these recommendations to be discussed further with her Member colleagues on the Council.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That approval be granted to the response to the Scrutiny Review of Waste Recycling Collection and Disposal as set out in the interleaved report and the Appendix thereto.</li> <li>2. That the agreed recommendations be incorporated within the Front Line Services business plan and that any recommendations requiring additional funding be dealt with as part of the Council’s budget setting process in 2009/10 and beyond as appropriate.</li> </ol>	<p>DUE</p> <p>DUE</p>
<p><b>CAB42.</b></p>	<p><b>DELEGATED DECISIONS AND SIGNIFICANT ACTIONS</b> (Report of the Chief Executive – Agenda Item 22):</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <p>That the report be noted and any necessary action approved.</p>	
<p><b>CAB43.</b></p>	<p><b>MINUTES OF OTHER BODIES</b> (Agenda Item 23):</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <p>That the report be noted and any necessary action approved.</p>	
<p><b>CAB44.</b></p>	<p><b>RELOCATION OF HORNSEY RE-USE AND-RE-CYCLING CENTRE</b> (Joint Report of the Director of Corporate Services and the Director of Urban Environment – Agenda Item 26):</p> <p>The interleaved report was the subject of a motion to exclude the press and public from the meeting as it contained exempt information relating to the business or financial affairs of any particular person (including the Authority holding that information).</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the Head of Corporate Property Services be authorised in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Resources to acquire the site referred to in paragraph 3.1 of the interleaved report.</li> <li>2. That approval be granted to an additional capital budget</li> </ol>	<p>HP</p> <p>DCS</p>

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	<p>provision in the sum set out in paragraph 3.2 of the interleaved report for the purpose of acquisition of the site.</p> <p>3. That approval be granted to an additional capital budget provision in the sum specified in paragraph 5.3 of the interleaved report for the redevelopment and fit-out of the replacement site.</p>	DCS
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In the Chair