

# KING GEORGE'S FIELD CHARITY BOARD

Wednesday, 28 November 2018 at 7.00 p.m.

Room C1, 1st Floor, Town Hall, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent,  
London, E14 2BG

The meeting is open to the public to attend.

## Members:

Mayor John Biggs	(Executive Mayor)
Councillor Amina Ali	(Cabinet Member for Culture, Arts and Brexit)
Councillor Asma Begum	(Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member for Community Safety and Equalities)
Councillor Rachel Blake	(Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Air Quality)
Councillor David Edgar	(Cabinet Member for Environment)
Councillor Danny Hassell	(Cabinet Member for Children, Schools and Young People)
Councillor Sirajul Islam	(Statutory Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member for Housing)
Councillor Denise Jones	(Cabinet Member for Adults, Health and Wellbeing)
Councillor Candida Ronald	(Cabinet Member for Resources and the Voluntary Sector)
Councillor Motin Uz-Zaman	(Cabinet Member for Work and Economic Growth)

[The quorum for this body is 3 Members]

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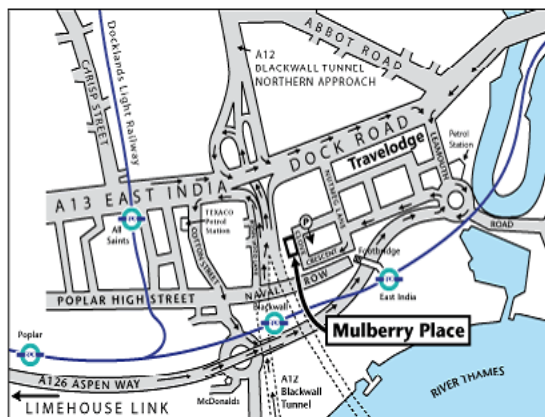
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## **A Guide to KING GEORGE'S FIELD CHARITY BOARD**

### **Decision Making at Tower Hamlets**

As Tower Hamlets operates the Directly Elected Mayor system, **Mayor John Biggs** holds Executive powers and takes decisions at Cabinet or through Individual Mayoral Decisions. The Mayor has also appointed this Board to administer the affairs of two charities of which the Council is sole trustee. Membership of the Board is set out on the front page of this agenda.

### **Which decisions are taken by King George's Field Charity Board?**

The Board administers the affairs of the King George's Field, Mile End charity, and the King George's Field – Stepney (Tredegar Square, Bow) charity and discharges all duties of the Council as sole trustee of these Charities. Decisions on these matters are executive decisions and so are treated much in the same way as decisions of the Mayor.

The Board may also take Key Decisions. The constitution describes Key Decisions as an executive decision which is likely

- a) to result in the local authority incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant having regard to the local authority's budget for the service or function to which the decision relates; or
- b) to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards in the borough.

Upcoming Key Decisions are published on the website on the 'Forthcoming Decisions' page through [www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/committee](http://www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/committee)

### **Published Decisions and Call-Ins**

Once the meeting decisions have been published, any 5 Councillors may submit a Call-In to the Service Head, Democratic Services requesting that a decision be reviewed. This halts the decision until it has been reconsidered.

- The decisions will be published on: **Friday, 30 November 2018**
- The deadline for call-ins is: **Friday, 7 December 2018**

Any Call-Ins will be considered at the next meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee. The Committee can reject the call-in or they can agree it and refer the decision back to the Mayor, with their recommendations, for his final consideration.

### **Public Engagement at King George's Field Charity Board**

The main focus of King George's Field Charity Board is as a decision-making body. However there is an opportunity for the public to contribute through making submissions that specifically relate to the reports set out on the agenda.

Members of the public may make written submissions in any form (for example; Petitions, letters, written questions) to the Clerk to King George's Field Charity Board (details on the front page) by 5 pm the day before the meeting.

## **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

### **1. DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS 7 - 10**

To note any declarations of interest made by Members, including those restricting Members from voting on the questions detailed in Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act, 1992.

See attached note from the Monitoring Officer.

### **2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING(S) 11 - 14**

To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Board held on 11<sup>th</sup> July, 2018.

### **3. UNRESTRICTED REPORTS FOR CONSIDERATION**

#### **3.1 Mile End Park update**

Report to follow.

### **4. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

In view of the contents of the remaining items on the agenda the Committee is recommended to adopt the following motion:

“That, under the provisions of Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985, the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting for the consideration of the Section Two business on the grounds that it contains information defined as Exempt in Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act, 1972.”

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### **5. EXEMPT MINUTES**

**15 - 18**

**All Wards**

To confirm as an accurate record of the proceedings the exempt minutes of the meeting of the Board held on 11<sup>th</sup> July, 2018.

### **6. EXEMPT REPORTS FOR CONSIDERATION**

**7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS WHICH THE CHAIR CONSIDERS TO BE URGENT**

**Next Meeting of the Board**

Wednesday, 3 April 2019 at 5.30 p.m. in the Room C1, 1st Floor, Town Hall, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, London, E14 2BG

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# Agenda Item 1

## **DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS - NOTE FROM THE MONITORING OFFICER**

This note is for guidance only. For further details please consult the Members' Code of Conduct at Part 5.1 of the Council's Constitution.

Please note that the question of whether a Member has an interest in any matter, and whether or not that interest is a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, is for that Member to decide. Advice is available from officers as listed below but they cannot make the decision for the Member. If in doubt as to the nature of an interest it is advisable to seek advice **prior** to attending a meeting.

### **Interests and Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPIs)**

You have an interest in any business of the authority where that business relates to or is likely to affect any of the persons, bodies or matters listed in section 4.1 (a) of the Code of Conduct; and might reasonably be regarded as affecting the well-being or financial position of yourself, a member of your family or a person with whom you have a close association, to a greater extent than the majority of other council tax payers, ratepayers or inhabitants of the ward affected.

You must notify the Monitoring Officer in writing of any such interest, for inclusion in the Register of Members' Interests which is available for public inspection and on the Council's Website.

Once you have recorded an interest in the Register, you are not then required to declare that interest at each meeting where the business is discussed, unless the interest is a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (DPI).

A DPI is defined in Regulations as a pecuniary interest of any of the descriptions listed at **Appendix A** overleaf. Please note that a Member's DPIs include his/her own relevant interests and also those of his/her spouse or civil partner; or a person with whom the Member is living as husband and wife; or a person with whom the Member is living as if they were civil partners; if the Member is aware that that other person has the interest.

### **Effect of a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest on participation at meetings**

Where you have a DPI in any business of the Council you must, unless you have obtained a dispensation from the authority's Monitoring Officer following consideration by the Dispensations Sub-Committee of the Standards Advisory Committee:-

- not seek to improperly influence a decision about that business; and
- not exercise executive functions in relation to that business.

If you are present at a meeting where that business is discussed, you must:-

- Disclose to the meeting the existence and nature of the interest at the start of the meeting or when the interest becomes apparent, if later; and
- Leave the room (including any public viewing area) for the duration of consideration and decision on the item and not seek to influence the debate or decision

When declaring a DPI, Members should specify the nature of the interest and the agenda item to which the interest relates. This procedure is designed to assist the public's understanding of the meeting and to enable a full record to be made in the minutes of the meeting.

Where you have a DPI in any business of the authority which is not included in the Member's register of interests and you attend a meeting of the authority at which the business is considered, in addition to disclosing the interest to that meeting, you must also within 28 days notify the Monitoring Officer of the interest for inclusion in the Register.

**Further advice**

For further advice please contact:-

Asmat Hussain, Corporate Director, Governance and Monitoring Officer – 020 7364 4800.



## APPENDIX A: Definition of a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest

(Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012, Reg 2 and Schedule)

Subject	Prescribed description
Employment, office, trade, profession or vacation	Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain.
Sponsorship	<p>Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from the relevant authority) made or provided within the relevant period in respect of any expenses incurred by the Member in carrying out duties as a member, or towards the election expenses of the Member.</p> <p>This includes any payment or financial benefit from a trade union within the meaning of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.</p>
Contracts	<p>Any contract which is made between the relevant person (or a body in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest) and the relevant authority—</p> <p>(a) under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed; and</p> <p>(b) which has not been fully discharged.</p>
Land	Any beneficial interest in land which is within the area of the relevant authority.
Licences	Any licence (alone or jointly with others) to occupy land in the area of the relevant authority for a month or longer.
Corporate tenancies	<p>Any tenancy where (to the Member's knowledge)—</p> <p>(a) the landlord is the relevant authority; and</p> <p>(b) the tenant is a body in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest.</p>
Securities	<p>Any beneficial interest in securities of a body where—</p> <p>(a) that body (to the Member's knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of the relevant authority; and</p> <p>(b) either—</p> <p>(i) the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; or</p> <p>(ii) if the share capital of that body is of more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.</p>

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**LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS**

**MINUTES OF THE KING GEORGE'S FIELD CHARITY BOARD**

**HELD AT 5.34 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, 11 JULY 2018**

**COMMITTEE ROOM ONE - TOWN HALL MULBERRY PLACE**

**Members Present:**

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| Mayor John Biggs          | – (Executive Mayor)  |
| Councillor Amina Ali      | – (Cabinet Member for Culture, Arts and Brexit)                            |
| Councillor Asma Begum     | – (Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member for<br>Community Safety and Equalities) |
| Councillor Danny Hassell  | – (Cabinet Member for Children, Schools and Young<br>People)               |
| Councillor Sirajul Islam  | – (Statutory Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member for<br>Housing)               |
| Councillor Denise Jones   | – (Cabinet Member for Adults, Health and Wellbeing)                        |
| Councillor Candida Ronald | – (Cabinet Member for Resources and the Voluntary<br>Sector)               |
| Councillor Motin Uz-Zaman | – (Cabinet Member for Work and Economic Growth)                            |

**Other Councillors Present:**

Councillor Peter Golds

**Apologies:**

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| Councillor Rachel Blake | – (Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member<br>for Regeneration and Air Quality) |
| Councillor David Edgar  | – (Cabinet Member for Environment)                                      |

**Officers Present:**

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|-----------------|--|
| Agnes Adrien    | – (Team Leader, Enforcement &<br>Litigation, Legal Services)       |
| Alan McCarthy   | – (Asset Strategy Capital Delivery &<br>Property Services)         |
| Neville Murton  | – (Divisional Director, Finance,<br>Procurement & Audit)           |
| Lisa Pottinger  | – (Head of Sport & Physical Activity)                              |
| Judith St John  | – (Divisional Director, Sports, Leisure<br>and Culture)            |
| Matthew Mannion | – (Committee Services Manager,<br>Democratic Services, Governance) |

**1. DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

There were no Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.

**2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING(S)**

**RESOLVED**

1. That the unrestricted minutes of the Board meeting held on 6 March 2018 be approved and signed by the Chair as a correct record of proceedings.

**3. UNRESTRICTED REPORTS FOR CONSIDERATION**

**3.1 Mile End Stadium Upgrade to Step 4 of the Football National League System**

The Mayor introduced the report. He explained that a number of Members, including himself, had been lobbied about whether it was possible to upgrade the Mile End Stadium to reach the standards required at higher levels of the football pyramid than it could currently meet. This could have benefits in supporting local football teams with ambitions to grow. There were also more general potential benefits in encouraging sporting activity in the Borough.

However, following investigation the officer report set out that it was highly unlikely that this could be achieved given the competing requirements for the site and the agreements that would be needed.

The Board discussed the report and agreed that from the information set out it appeared that these upgrades were not possible. However, they requested that officers provide a background note with more detailed information about the problems encountered and solutions explored, particularly relating to the discussions with Fields in Trust about their objections to the upgrade works.

**RESOLVED**

1. To note the proposals set out in the report.
2. To not agree the proposals at this stage.
3. To request that further information be sought in relation to why the proposals would not be accepted and to see whether there are options that would allow the proposal to be taken forward.

**3.2 Mile End Park Update July 2018**

Councillor Amina Ali, Cabinet Member for Culture, Arts and Brexit, introduced the report. She updated the Board on a number of recent activities and also highlighted the Council's Summer Activities guide which set out a large

number of activities and events over the summer holiday period, many of which made use of the Council's parks facilities.

She also highlighted the value of the rental income from the Mile End shops as any surplus income was used to support the maintenance of the park itself.

The Board considered the report and discussed recent issues such as the work on the leaking pond and wildlife issues. They also noted the financial information provided and in particular the risk of owing money to the Council and noted there were disputes around some of the charges listed.

#### **RESOLVED**

1. To note the update on the budget outturn for 2017-18 financial year.
2. To note the update on activities in Mile End Park.
3. To note the update on the Pavilion Ponds.

#### **4. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

##### **RESOLVED**

1. That, under the provisions of Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985, the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting for the consideration of the Section Two business on the grounds that it contains information defined as Exempt in Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act, 1972.

#### **5. EXEMPT REPORTS FOR CONSIDERATION**

##### **5.1 Rent Review - 383-387 Mile End Road, London, E3**

The report was discussed by the Board. Following that discussion, and a number of questions to officers, the report recommendations were agreed.

##### **RESOLVED**

1. The recommendations as set out in the report were agreed.

##### **5.2 Rent Review - 556 Mile End Road, London, E3.**

The report was discussed by the Board. Following that discussion, and a number of questions to officers, the report recommendations were agreed.

##### **RESOLVED**

1. The recommendations as set out in the report were agreed.

**6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS WHICH THE CHAIR CONSIDERS TO BE URGENT**

None.

The meeting ended at 6.12 p.m.

Chair, Mayor John Biggs  
King George's Field Charity Board

# Agenda Item 5

By virtue of paragraph(s) 1, 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A  
of the Local Government Act 1972.

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