

LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER 2010

**MOTIONS SUBMITTED BY
MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL**

**REPORT OF THE SERVICE HEAD,
DEMOCRATIC SERVICES**

SUMMARY

1. Two motions have been submitted by Members of the Council under Council Procedure Rule 13 for debate at the Council meeting on Wednesday 15th September 2010.
2. In accordance with the protocol agreed by the Council on 21st May 2008, the order in which the motions are listed is by turns, one from each group, continuing in rotation until all motions submitted are included. The rotation starts with any group(s) not reached at the previous meeting.
3. Motions must be about matters for which the Council has a responsibility or which affect the Borough. A motion may not be moved which is substantially the same as a motion which has been put at a meeting of the Council in the previous six months unless notice of motion is given signed by at least twenty Members.
4. There is no specific duration set for this agenda item and consideration of the attached motions may continue until the time limit for the meeting is reached. The guillotine procedure at Council Procedure Rule 9.2 does not apply to motions on notice and any of the attached motions which have not been put to the vote when the time limit for the meeting is reached will be deemed to have fallen. A motion which is not put to the vote at the current meeting may be resubmitted for the next meeting but is not automatically carried forward.

MOTIONS

Set out overleaf are the motions that have been submitted.

11.1 Henry Moore Statue

Proposed: Councillor Tim Archer

Seconded: Councillor Peter Golds

This Council notes that:

- The original Henry Moore sculpture entitled Draped Seated Woman is worth several million pounds and is currently housed in the Yorkshire Sculpture Park in Wakefield, a 400 mile round trip from Tower Hamlets.

This Council believes that:

- local residents should be able to enjoy and benefit from our cultural heritage

This Council resolves: -

- to commence negotiations with Canary Wharf Group with a view to the sculpture being relocated to the Canary Wharf estate on loan where it could be put on public display.

11.2 Publication of Council expenditure

Proposed: Councillor Zara Davis

Seconded: Councillor David Snowdon

This Council notes:

- The Government will soon require all councils to publish expenditure above £500;
- Many councils across London including Islington, Wandsworth, Hammersmith & Fulham and Richmond Councils are already publishing all payments over £500.

This Council believes:

- That residents have a right to know how the Council is spending taxpayers' money and to be able to access this information quickly and easily;
- That in this time of financial restraint, residents can play a key role as armchair auditors helping the Council to find savings;
- That publishing our expenditure as soon as possible will ensure maximum openness, enable savings to be found now and improve our accountability to residents in Tower Hamlets.

This Council resolves:

- To publish details of all Council expenditure above £500 on the Tower Hamlets website within one month of this meeting.
- To update this data on the website every month.