Agenda item 5.1

LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS
CABINET 8TH FEBRUARY 2006

Question and comments from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on Tuesday 7th February, 2006 in relation to Unrestricted Business for consideration

Agenda Item 10.1 General Fund Budget 2006/2007
Budget Requirement and Council Tax (CAB 154/056)

The Committee welcomed the improved final settlement figures for the Borough reported by the Director of Resources. They also noted the significant charge on local people by the Mayor of London to pay for the Olympic Games.

The Committee were concerned that the Committed Growth bid for the Transportation, Treatment and Disposal of Waste (page 214 of the Cabinet agenda papers) was, wherever possible, used to increase recycling services for local people rather than the payment of Landfill Tax. Can the Director of Resources and the Corporate Director, Environment and Culture, provide more detail of this item, and the estimated costs respectively of landfill tax payments and of recycling in the Council’s budget?

Councillor Alan Amos
Chair, Overview and Scrutiny Committee
7th February, 2006