

LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

RECORD OF THE DECISIONS OF THE CABINET

HELD AT 5.30 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, 7 JUNE 2006

**COMMITTEE ROOM, 1ST FLOOR, TOWN HALL, MULBERRY PLACE, 5 CLOVE
CRESCENT, LONDON, E14 2BG**

Members Present:

Councillor Denise Jones (Chair)	(Leader of the Council)
	(Deputy Leader of the Council)
Councillor Helal Abbas	(Lead Member, Children's Services)
Councillor Ohid Ahmed	(Lead Member, Regeneration, Localisation and Community Partnerships)
Councillor Anwara Ali	(Lead Member, Equalities, Employment and Skills)
Councillor Abdul Asad	(Lead Member, Older People and Health)
Councillor Rupert Bawden	(Lead Member, Housing and Development)
Councillor Joshua Peck	(Lead Member, Resources and Performance)
Councillor Lutfur Rahman	(Lead Member, Culture)
Councillor Abdal Ullah	(Lead Member, Cleaner, Safer, Greener)

Other Councillors Present:

Councillor Rofique U Ahmed	
Councillor Louise Alexander	(Scrutiny Lead Member, Learning Achievement & Leisure)
Councillor Alibor Choudhury	
Councillor Shamim A. Chowdhury	
Councillor Stephanie Eaton	(Scrutiny Lead Member, Learning, Achievement and Leisure)
Councillor Peter Golds	
Councillor Abjol Miah	
Councillor Timothy O'Flaherty	
Councillor M. Mamun Rashid	
Councillor Simon Rouse	(Scrutiny Lead Member, Excellent Public Services)
Councillor Motin Uz-Zaman	(Chair, Overview and Scrutiny Committee)

Others Present:**Officers Present:**

Isobel Cattermole	– (Service Head, Strategic & Operational Services, Education)
Kevan Collins	– (Corporate Director, Children's Services)
Alex Cosgrave	– (Corporate Director, Environment & Culture)
Mary Durkin	– (Interim Service Head, Youth and Community Learning)
Alan Finch	– (Service Head, Corporate Finance)
Christine Gilbert	– (Chief Executive)
Chris Holme	– (Service Head, Resources, Development & Renewal)
Julia Jones	– (Interim Head of Communications)
Michael Keating	– (Service Head, Research & Scrutiny)
Karrie Kilpatrick	– (Supporting People Manager, Housing Services)
Bernadette Marjoram	– (Accommodation Programme Director)
Maureen McEleneay	– (Director of Housing Management)
Emma Peters	– (Corporate Director, Development & Renewal)
Claire Saul	– (Communications Manager)
Martin Smith	– (Director of Resources)
Ann Sutcliffe	– (Service Head, Building Schools for the Future)
Chris Weavers	– (Political Adviser to the Majority Group)
Graham White	– (Legal Adviser)
Sara Williams	– (Assistant Chief Executive)
Heather Wills	– (Idea Store Programme Director)
Ian Wilson	– (Deputy to the Chief Executive)
Angus Taylor	– (Senior Committee Officer, Democratic Services)

The following is a record of those decisions taken by the Cabinet at their meeting held on 5th April 2006.

Most decisions **may be 'called in'**, by the Assistant Chief Executive, for scrutiny by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to be held on Tuesday 4th July 2006, on receipt of a written request.

The **deadline** for the receipt of any such written request is **5.00pm on Friday 16th June 2006**. Such requests should be made to Tim Hogan, Democratic Renewal & Engagement-Tel 020 7364 4850.

The request to "call in" a decision must comply with the requirements set out in the Council's Constitution (Part 4 – Rules of Procedure, Section 4.5 – Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules, Paragraphs 16.2 and 16.3). This sets out the time-scale for "call in", those persons who may "call in" and those details the request must contain.

The Council's Constitution (Part 4 – Rules of Procedure, Section 4.5 – Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules, Paragraph 16.4 **sets out those decisions that may not be “called in”** for further consideration by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

Report authors will be advised by Democratic Renewal & Engagement if any decision in respect of an item they have placed on the agenda has been “called in”.

Any decision not “called in” for scrutiny can be implemented on Monday 19th June 2006.

Any decision ‘called in’ for scrutiny but supported by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, at its meeting on Tuesday 4th July 2006, can be implemented the following day, Wednesday 5th July 2006.

Any decision ‘called in’ for scrutiny but not supported by Overview and Scrutiny Committee will be referred back to the Cabinet for further consideration on Wednesday 5th July 2006.

1. ELECTION OF CHAIR FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2006/ 2007

Resolved

That Councillor D. Jones be elected Chair of the Cabinet for the Municipal Year 2006 – 2007.

COUNCILLOR D. JONES IN THE CHAIR

2. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2006/ 2007

Resolved

That Councillor S. Islam be elected Vice-Chair of the Cabinet for the Municipal Year 2006 – 2007.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from: -

- Ms I. Freeman (Assistant Chief Executive Legal), for whom Mr G. White, Legal Adviser was deputising.
- Mr J. Goldup (Director Adult Services).

Noted

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor H. Abbas declared a personal interest in Agenda Items 7.2(1) "Report 'Called in' Disposal of Cheviot House" [Unrestricted] and 16.2(1) "Report 'Called in' Disposal of Cheviot House" [Exempt/ Confidential] . The declaration was made on the basis that the provisional decision of the Cabinet, taken in April 2006, included disposal of Cheviot House for use as a Foyer scheme run by East Homes. The Foyer scheme at Stratford was run by East Potential, a subsidiary company of East Thames Housing Association, a member of the East Homes Group, and Councillor Abbas worked with East Potential.

Councillor H. Abbas declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 9.2 "Integrated Health and Social Care Services for Adults of Working Age in Tower Hamlets – Future Governance Arrangements". The declaration was made on the basis that report, which contained recommendations relating to the East London and City Mental Health NHS Trust and referred to the Tower Hamlets Primary Care Trust and Councillor Abbas was a Non-Executive Director of North East London Health Authority.

Councillor O. Ahmed declared a personal interest in Agenda item 11.3 "Idea Store Half-Year Report". The declaration of interest was made on the basis that the report contained recommendations relating to the Idea Store Programme to which Leaside Regeneration Limited had given capital funding at an earlier stage of the programme and Councillor Ahmed was an employee of Leaside Regeneration Limited.

Councillor A. Ali declared a personal interest in Agenda item 9.1 "Supporting People Strategy 2005 - 2010". The declaration of interest was made on the basis that the report referred to the Tower Hamlets Primary Care Trust and Councillor Ali was an employee of the Tower Hamlets Primary Care Trust (partner in general practitioner's practice in Spitalfields).

Councillor A. Ali declared a personal interest in Agenda item 9.2 "Integrated Health and Social Care Services for Adults of Working Age in Tower Hamlets – Future Governance Arrangements". The declaration of interest was made on the basis that the report referred to the Tower Hamlets Primary Care Trust and Councillor Ali was an employee of the Tower Hamlets Primary Care Trust (partner in general practitioner's practice in Spitalfields).

Councillor A. Asad declared a personal interest in Agenda item 9.1 "Supporting People Strategy 2005 - 2010". The declaration of interest was made on the basis that the report referred to the Tower Hamlets Primary Care Trust and Councillor Asad was a representative of the Authority on the governing body of the Tower Hamlets Primary Care Trust.

Councillor A. Asad declared a personal interest in Agenda item 9.2 "Integrated Health and Social Care Services for Adults of Working Age in Tower Hamlets – Future Governance Arrangements". The declaration of interest was made on the basis that the report referred to the Tower Hamlets Primary Care Trust and Councillor Asad was a representative of the Authority on the governing body of the Tower Hamlets Primary Care Trust.

Councillor R. Bawden declared a personal interest in Agenda item 9.1 "Supporting People Strategy 2005 - 2010". The declaration of interest was made on the basis that the report referred to the Tower Hamlets Primary Care Trust and Councillor Bawden was an employee of the London Ambulance Service NHS Trust.

Councillor R. Bawden declared a personal interest in Agenda item 9.2 "Integrated Health and Social Care Services for Adults of Working Age in Tower Hamlets – Future Governance Arrangements". The declaration of interest was made on the basis that the report referred to the Tower Hamlets Primary Care Trust and Councillor Bawden was an employee of the London Ambulance Service NHS Trust.

Councillor S. Islam declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 11.1 "Strategic Business Case (SBC) for Building Schools for the Future (BSF)". The declaration was made on the basis that the report contained recommendations relating to Mulberry School and Councillor Islam's daughter attended Mulberry School.

Councillor D. Jones declared a personal interest in Agenda item 9.1 "Supporting People Strategy 2005 - 2010". The declaration of interest was made on the basis that the report contained referred to the Tower Hamlets Primary Care Trust and Councillor Jones was a member of the governing body of the Tower Hamlets Primary Care Trust.

Councillor D. Jones declared a personal interest in Agenda item 9.2 "Integrated Health and Social Care Services for Adults of Working Age in Tower Hamlets – Future Governance Arrangements". The declaration of interest was made on the basis that the report referred to the Tower Hamlets Primary Care Trust and Councillor Jones was a member of the governing body of the Tower Hamlets Primary Care Trust.

Councillor D. Jones declared a personal interest in Agenda Item Agenda item 10.1 "Rich Mix Cultural Centre". The declaration of interest was made on the basis that the report contained recommendations relating to the Rich Mix Cultural Centre and Councillor Jones was a member of the governing body of the Rich Mix Cultural Foundation the accountable body for the Rich Mix Centre project.

Councillor D. Jones declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 11.1 "Strategic Business Case (SBC) for Building Schools for the Future (BSF)". The declaration was made on the basis that the report contained recommendations relating to Mulberry School and Councillor Jones was a member of the governing body of Mulberry School.

Councillor J. Peck declared a personal interest in Agenda Items 7.2(1) "Report 'Called in' Disposal of Cheviot House" [Unrestricted] and 16.2(1) "Report 'Called in' Disposal of Cheviot House" [Exempt/ Confidential]. The declaration was made on the basis that the report and the provisional decision of the Cabinet, taken in April 2006, contained recommendations which could potentially have an impact on Weavers Fields and made significant references

to Weavers Fields, and Councillor Peck was a resident of Wilmot Street which adjoins Weavers Fields.

Councillor L. Rahman declared a personal interest in Agenda item 10.1 “Rich Mix Cultural Centre”. The declaration of interest was made on the basis that the report contained recommendations relating to the Rich Mix Cultural Centre and Councillor Rahman was a nominee of the Authority to the governing body of the Rich Mix Cultural Foundation the accountable body for the Rich Mix Centre project.

Councillor A. Ullah declared a personal interest in Agenda item 10.1 “Rich Mix Cultural Centre”. The declaration of interest was made on the basis that the report contained recommendations relating to the Rich Mix Cultural Centre and Councillor Ullah’s partner was a member of the governing body of the Rich Mix Cultural Foundation the accountable body for the Rich Mix Centre project.

Councillor A. Ullah declared a personal interest in Agenda item 11.2 “Lifelong Learning Service Fees and Charges 2006/ 2007”. The declaration of interest was made on the basis that the report referred to Tower Hamlets College and Councillor Ullah was a member of the governing body of Tower Hamlets College.

Councillor A. Ullah declared a personal interest in Agenda item 13.1 “Exercise of Corporate Director Discretions”. The declaration of interest was made on the basis that the report reported the exercise of a discretion relating to the undertaking of additional works for Doughty Court and Councillor Ullah was a resident of Doughty Court.

Councillor L. Alexander declared a personal interest in Agenda Items 7.2(1) “Report ‘Called in’ Disposal of Cheviot House” [Unrestricted] and 16.2(1) “Report ‘Called in’ Disposal of Cheviot House” [Exempt/ Confidential]. The declaration was made on the basis that the report and the provisional decision of the Cabinet, taken in April 2006, contained recommendations which could potentially have an impact on Weavers Fields and made significant references to Weavers Fields, and Councillor Alexander was an objector to the development of Weavers Fields.

5. UNRESTRICTED MINUTES

Resolved

That the unrestricted minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Cabinet held on 5th April 2006 be approved and signed by the Chair, as a correct record of the proceedings.

Action by:

ASSISTANT CHIEF EXECUTIVE (S. WILLIAMS)

Senior Committee Officer (A. Taylor)

6. DEPUTATIONS & PETITIONS

Nil items.

7. OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

7.1 Chair's advice of Key Issues or Questions in relation to Unrestricted Business to be considered

Two Sheets arising from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 6th June 2006 **Tabled** by the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee: -

- Detailing key issues or questions relating to unrestricted business to be considered.
- Detailing the advice / comments relating to Agenda item 12.2 "The Council's Strategic Plan 2006 – 2011: Year 1 Implementation Plan (2006/7) & Best Value Performance Plan (a Budget and Policy Framework Report).

Resolved

That the questions/ comments/ advice of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee be noted, and that these be given consideration during the Cabinet deliberation of the items of business to which the questions and comments related.

7.2 Any Unrestricted Decisions "Called in" by the Overview & Scrutiny Committee

7.2(i) Report "Called in" Disposal of Cheviot House (CAB 206/056)

Reference from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, held on 6th June 2006, Tabled by the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

Resolved

1. That the advice / comments of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, as detailed in the Tabled Reference (CAB 000/067), be noted; and
2. That the provisional decision of the Cabinet, made on 5th April 2006, in relation to the Disposal of Cheviot House (CAB 206/056), be reaffirmed.

Action by:

**CORPORATE DIRECTOR DEVELOPMENT & RENEWAL (E. PETERS)
CORPORATE DIRECTOR ENVIRONMENT & CULTURE (A. COSGRAVE)**

8. A BETTER PLACE FOR LIVING SAFELY

8.1 Proposed Drinking Control Zones – Bethnal Green and Whitechapel (CAB 001/067)

Resolved

1. That the proposal to undertake statutory consultation for a Drinking Control Zone in accordance with the Criminal Justice and Police Act 2001 (and associated regulations), in the Museum Gardens area indicated on the plan attached at Appendix B to the report (CAB 001/067); be endorsed;
2. That the proposal to confirm the Drinking Control Zone currently running as a pilot initiative in the Whitechapel area, as indicated on the plan attached at Appendix A to this report, and to extend the scope of zone to cover the streets around Vallance Road, for the reasons outlined in paragraph 7.3 of the report (CAB 001/067), be endorsed; and
3. That the proposal that Council be recommended to authorise the Assistant Chief Executive to:
 - (a) Consider any representations received to the consultation referred to in resolution 1. above;
 - (b) Approve the making of the proposed Drinking Control Zones for the areas indicated on the plans attached at Appendices A and B to this report;
 - (c) Consider the inclusion of any additional areas within the Drinking Control Zones, referred to above, identified during the consultation as appropriate for such inclusion;be endorsed.
4. That consideration be given to: -
 - (a) Inclusion within the Whitechapel Drinking Control Zone of the burial ground indicated at the top of the plan attached at Appendix A to the report (CAB 001/067).
 - (b) Revision of the list of streets, detailed at Appendix A to the report (CAB 001/067) to correct errors and omissions: -
 - (c) Circulation of the information leaflet referred to in paragraph 5.1 of the report (CAB 001/067) in both English and Bengali languages.

Action by:

ASSISTANT CHIEF EXECUTIVE (S. WILLIAMS)

Interim Service Head, Crime Reduction Services (O. McLeod)

9. A BETTER PLACE FOR LIVING WELL

9.1 Supporting People Strategy 2005 - 2010 (CAB 002/067)**Resolved**

That the Supporting People Strategy Annual Plan 2006-2007, attached at Appendix A to the report (CAB 001/067), be approved.

Action by:

DIRECTOR HOUSING MANAGEMENT (M. MCELENEY)

Supporting People Manager (K. Kilpatrick)

9.2 Integrated Health and Social Care Services for Adults of Working Age in Tower Hamlets – Future Governance Arrangements (CAB 003/067)**Resolved**

That the Director of Adult Services be authorised to extend the Section 31 agreement between the Council and the East London and City Mental Health NHS Trust for the delivery of health and social care services to adults of working age with mental health problems in Tower Hamlets, on the existing terms, for the period 1.6.06 to 31.12.06, with an option of earlier termination if required.

Action by:

DEPUTY TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE (I. WILSON)

Director Adult Services (J. Goldup)

10. A BETTER PLACE FOR CREATING AND SHARING PROSPERITY**10.1 Rich Mix Cultural Centre (CAB 004/067)****Resolved**

1. That the current position of the Rich Mix Cultural Centre capital project as set out in paragraph 5 of the report (CAB 003/067), be noted;
2. That it be noted that the Rich Mix Cultural Foundation's current business plan projections, as set out in paragraph 6 of the report (CAB 003/067), be noted;
3. That subject to resolution 5. below it be agreed that the outstanding forward funding, as determined by the Council in 2003, be converted into a loan, as set out in paragraph 7 of the report (CAB 003/067);

4. That it be noted that in resolving 1 to 3 above, the Council is exercising its well-being powers, under section 2 of the Local Government Act 2000;
5. That annual reports regarding the business plan for the Rich Mix Cultural Centre be submitted to the Cabinet for consideration.

Action by:

CORPORATE DIRECTOR DEVELOPMENT AND RENEWAL (E. PETERS)

Service Head Resources, Development and Renewal (C. Holme)

11. A BETTER PLACE FOR LEARNING, ACHIEVEMENT AND LEISURE

11.1 Strategic Business Case (SBC) for Building Schools for the Future (BSF) (CAB 005/067)

Resolved

1. That the Building Schools for the Future Strategic Business Case be approved for submission to the Department for Education and Skills (DfES);
2. That the Corporate Director (Children's Services) be authorised to make any further amendments to the Strategic Business Case consistent with its spirit in order to complete the approval process from the Department for Education and Skills (DfES) and Partnership for Schools (PfS);
3. That the retention of the Wessex Centre for educational use and allocation of part of the Education Supported Capital expenditure allocation, equivalent to the estimated disposal value, to fund Other Services Block capital projects, be approved;
4. That the use of £5.2m supported capital borrowing to fund the delivery of the Building Schools for the Future programme, including the Building Schools for the Future project team, be approved; and
5. That a further detailed report regarding the procurement strategy, including the options around the role and scope of the Local Education Partnership (LEP) be submitted to the Cabinet for consideration on 6th September 2006.

Action by:

CORPORATE DIRECTOR CHILDREN'S SERVICES (K. COLLINS)

Service Head, Building Schools for the Future (A. Sutcliffe)

11.2 Lifelong Learning Service Fees and Charges 2006/ 2007(CAB 006/067)

Resolved

1. That the following Lifelong Learning tuition fees for the 2006/2007 academic year be agreed: -

- (a) **Non-accredited Courses:** The tuition fee for lifelong learning **non-accredited** courses to go up from £30 to £33 per course per term. For learners entitled to a concessionary rate, the recommended registration fee is £10.00 per course per term.
- (b) **Accredited Courses:** The tuition fees for lifelong learning **accredited** courses should be charged in fee bands, dependent on the level of qualification, length of the course and area of specialism, for 2006/2007 academic year as follows:

FEE BAND	TUITION FEES FOR ACCREDITED COURSES 2006/07	CONCESSIONARY RATE FOR ACCREDITED COURSES 2006/07
A	£40 - £60	£10
B	£80 - £110	£10
C	£120 - £180	£10
D	£210 - £300	£10
E	£340 - £475	£10
F	£520 - £970	£10

Students should also be charged for course materials, examination fees, books and field trips. For learners entitled to a concessionary rate, the tuition fee should be £10.00 per course per term. All students eligible for concessionary rates, and those on low income, should be able to apply to the discretionary Learner Support Fund for help towards tuition fees, exam fees, course materials, books, and field trips.

- (c) **Nil Fees:** The following students should be eligible for nil fees on both accredited and non-accredited courses:
- Students aged 16 to 18 years (under 19 years old on 31 August).
 - Students taking Basic Skills, ESOL and Family Learning.

These students could be charged for incidentals such as course materials, books and field trips.

- (d) **Concessionary Fees:** The following students should be eligible for the concessionary rate of £10 per course per term on both **non-accredited** and **accredited** courses:

- Students (including refugees or asylum seekers) who are on means tested state benefits or job seekers allowance, or are dependent on someone on such benefits.
 - Students who have special needs, such as a sensory disability, hearing or visual impairment or severe learning difficulties.
 - Students who are 60 years and over.
- (e) Employees of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets should pay 80% of standard tuition fees, for both accredited and non-accredited courses, but could be charged for course materials, examination fees, books and field trips.
- (f) Students eligible for the above concessionary rate on accredited courses could be charged for examination fees but could apply to the Learner Support Fund for help towards tuition fees, course materials, examination fees, books and field trips.

(g) **Premises Hire Fees:**

That Members agree a 3% increase in the hire rate for premises used by the Lifelong Learning Service from 1 April 2006, in line with the rise in the cost of living.

Action by:

CORPORATE DIRECTOR CHILDREN'S SERVICES (K. COLLINS)

Interim Service Head, Youth and Lifelong Learning (M. Durkin)

Idea Store Learning and Development Manager (J. Lockett)

Idea Stores Strategy & Project Manager (J. St John)

11.3 Idea Store Half-Year Report (CAB 007/067)

Resolved

1. That the progress relating to the implementation of the Idea Store strategy be noted;
2. That the comments of the Director of Resources in relation to additional costs on the Idea Store Whitechapel project be noted;
3. That a revised capital estimate for the Whitechapel Idea Store of £18,289,400 be adopted, as set out in report (CAB 007/067);
4. That the Assistant Chief Executive be authorised to enter into a settlement agreement with Verry Construction, as outlined in section 5.8 of the report (CAB 007/067).

Action by:

ASSISTANT CHIEF EXECUTIVE (S. WILLIAMS)

Idea Store Programme Director (H. Wills)

12. A BETTER PLACE FOR EXCELLENT PUBLIC SERVICES**12.1 Tower Hamlets Community Plan to 2010 Year 6 (2006/2007) Revision (CAB 008/067)****Resolved**

1. That the Tower Hamlets Community Plan to 2010: Year 6 (2006-07) revision, attached at Appendix 1 to the report (CAB 008/067), be endorsed and that full Council be recommended to approve the Plan, subject to necessary and appropriate amendments to ensure that the plan is accurate, coherent and reflects the views of Members;
2. That the Chief Executive be authorised to make appropriate and necessary amendments to the Tower Hamlets Community Plan to 2010: Year 6 (2006-07) in advance of final publication; and
3. That the outturn figures for the Neighbourhood Renewal Fund (NRF) for 2004-2006, be noted and it be agreed that the Chief Executive and Corporate Directors be authorised to agree and implement proposals for the use of NRF in 2006-2008, which have been developed and evaluated through the process described in Appendix 2 to the report (CAB 008/067).

Action by:**CHIEF EXECUTIVE (C. GILBERT)****ASSISTANT CHIEF EXECUTIVE (S. WILLIAMS)**

Policy and Partnership Adviser (A. King)

12.2 The Council's Strategic Plan 2006 – 2011: Year 1 Implementation Plan (2006/7) & Best Value Performance Plan (CAB 009/067)**Resolved**

1. That the Council's Strategic Plan 2006 – 2011: Year 1 Implementation Plan (2006/7) & Best Value Performance Plan be endorsed and that full Council be recommended to approve these Plans, attached at Appendix 1 and 2 to the report (CAB 009/067), subject to necessary and appropriate amendments to ensure that the plan is accurate, coherent and reflects the views of Members; and
2. That the Chief Executive be authorised to make appropriate and necessary amendments to the Strategic Plan 2006-2011 Year 1 and BVPP (2006/2007) in advance of final publication, the latter to include appropriate accommodation of the advice and comments of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, as set out in the paper Tabled by the Chair of the latter Committee earlier in the proceedings.

Action by:
CHIEF EXECUTIVE (C. GILBERT)
ASSISTANT CHIEF EXECUTIVE (S. WILLIAMS)
Policy and Partnership Adviser (A. King)

12.3 Equalities Action Plan 2006/2007 (CAB 010/067)

Resolved

That subject to the revisions set out below, the Equalities Action Plan 2006/2007, attached at Appendix 1 to the report (CAB 010/067), be approved:

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(a) That the preamble to the Equalities Action Plan 2006/2007 include reference to the performance of the Authority in relation to the targets for 2005/2006.

(b) Core targets for 2006/2007 to be highlighted.

Action by:
ASSISTANT CHIEF EXECUTIVE (S. WILLIAMS)
Service Head Research and Scrutiny (M. Keating)

12.4 Accommodation Strategy Implementation (CAB 011/067)

Addendum report Tabled.

Staffside comments Tabled.

Resolved

1. That the progress made to date in the implementation of the Council's Accommodation Strategy, be noted;

2. That the contents of the Accommodation Strategy Implementation Addendum report (CAB 015/067) be noted;

3. That the Director of Resources be authorised to enter into Capital Works Contracts and a Quantity Surveying Management Contract in accordance with the recommendations of the tender evaluation panel as follows: -

(a) Award the Capital Works Contract (Design & Build) for Mulberry Place, 62 Roman Road and Gladstone Place to the preferred bidder, Morgan Lovell, in accordance with their tender dated 24th May 2006.

- (b) Award the Capital Works Contract (Design & Build) for Sutton Street Depot to the preferred bidder, Lakehouse Construction Limited, in accordance with their tender dated 24th May 2006.
 - (c) Award the Quantity Surveying Contract Management contract for the Capital Works Contracts (Design & Build) above to Nisbet LLP, in accordance with their tender dated 19th May 2006; and
4. That the retention of 62 Roman Road principally as the location for the Council's Housing Advice Centre/Homeless Persons Unit as well as an access point for residents and staff, be agreed.

Action by:**DIRECTOR OF RESOURCES (M. SMITH)**

Accommodation Programme Director (B. Marjoram)

Interim Service Head, Property and Facilities Management (I. Brown)

Corporate Premises Manager (M. O'Regan)

12.5 Award of Contracts for Grocery Provisions, Ready Prepared Frozen Meals, Fruit and Vegetables, School Milk and Fresh and Frozen Meat (CAB 012/067)**Resolved**

1. That the Corporate Director of Children's Services be authorised to award three year contracts with options of two, one year extensions for the supply of grocery foods, the supply of ready prepared frozen meals, the supply of fresh fruit and vegetables and the supply of fresh and frozen meat and the supply of milk; and
2. That the London Contract Supplies Group be used for the supply of frozen foods, non-food products and catering light equipment.

Action by:**CORPORATE DIRECTOR CHILDREN'S SERVICES (K. COLLINS)**

Service Head, Strategic and Operational Services (I. Cattermole)

Head of Education Contract Services [A] (M. Hales)

12.6 Cabinet Sub Bodies 2006/2007 Terms of Reference and Membership (CAB 013/067)

Motion Tabled by Councillor D. Jones (Chair).

Resolved

- 1) That the establishment of the Sub-Bodies, to discharge functions on behalf of the Cabinet, with Terms of Reference, Membership and Quorum, as set out in paragraphs 4.1.1 and 4.1.2 of the report (CAB 013/067), be noted; and

- 2) That the appointments to the Grants Panel for the Municipal Year 2006/2007, as set out below, be agreed: -

Grants Panel

Members

Councillor R. Bawden (Chair)
Councillor H. Abbas
Councillor O. Ahmed
Councillor A. Ullah
Councillor A. Ali

Deputies

Councillor D. Jones
Councillor S. Islam
Councillor J. Peck
Councillor A. Asad
Councillor L. Rahman

Action by: -

ADVISER TO CHIEF EXECUTIVE (S. WILLIAMS)

Interim Service Head Democratic Renewal & Engagement (T. Revell)
Senior Committee Officer (A. Taylor)

13. UNRESTRICTED REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

13.1 Exercise of Corporate Directors Discretions (CAB 014/067)

Resolved

That the exercise of Corporate Directors discretions, as set out in Appendix 1 to the report (CAB 014/067), be noted.

Action by: -

CORPORATE DIRECTOR (M. SMITH)

Corporate Accounting Manager (J. Ricketts)

14. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

Resolved

That in accordance with 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 contained information defined as exempt or confidential in Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government, Act 1972.

SUMMARY OF EXEMPT PROCEEDINGS

15. EXEMPT / CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES

Cabinet 5th April 2006 approved.

16. OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

16.1 Chair's advice of Key Issues or Questions in relation to Exempt / Confidential Business to be considered.

Nil items.

16.2 Any Exempt / Confidential Decisions "Called in" by the Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Reference from Overview and Scrutiny Committee of 6th June 2006 Tabled in the unrestricted part of the proceedings.

Motion from Chair approved.

17. A BETTER PLACE FOR LIVING SAFELY

Nil items.

18. A BETTER PLACE FOR LIVING WELL

Nil items.

19. A BETTER PLACE FOR CREATING AND SHARING PROSPERITY

Nil items.

20. A BETTER PLACE FOR LEARNING, ACHIEVEMENT AND LEISURE

Nil items.

21. A BETTER PLACE FOR EXCELLENT PUBLIC SERVICES

Nil items.

22. EXEMPT / CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

Nil items.

The meeting ended at 7.40 p.m.

Christine Gilbert
CHIEF EXECUTIVE