LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

HELD AT 7.00 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, 3 MARCH 2010

THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, 1ST FLOOR, TOWN HALL, MULBERRY PLACE, 5 CLOVE CRESCENT, LONDON, E14 2BG

Members Present:

Councillor Helal Abbas
Councillor Ohid Ahmed
Councillor Rajib Ahmed
Councillor Rofique U Ahmed

Councillor Anwara Ali
Councillor Shahed Ali
Councillor M. Shahid Ali
Councillor Tim Archer
Councillor Abdul Asad
Councillor Lutfa Begum
Councillor Philip Briscoe

Councillor Rania Khan
Councillor Shiria Khatun
Councillor Harun Miah
Councillor Abjol Miah
Councillor Fozol Miah
Councillor Tim O'Flaherty
Councillor Ahmed Adam Omer

Councillor Alibor Choudhury
Councillor Stephanie Eaton
Councillor Rupert Eckhardt
Councillor Marc Francis

Councillor M. Mamun Rashid

Councillor Peter Golds Councillor Muhammad Abdullah Salique

Councillor Fazlul Hague Councillor A A Sardar

Councillor Shafiqul Haque
Councillor Carli Harper-Penman
Councillor Alexander Heslop
Councillor Shirley Houghton
Councillor Ahmed Hussain
Councillor Sirajul Islam
Councillor Waiseul Islam
Councillor Motin Uz-Zaman
Councillor Shafiqul Haque
Councillor Councillor Rachael Saunders
Councillor Bill Turner
Councillor Dulal Uddin
Councillor Abdal Ullah
Councillor Salim Ullah
Councillor Motin Uz-Zaman

The Mayor, Councillor Ahmed Adam Omer, in the Chair

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received on behalf Councillors Clair Hawkins, Abdul Matin and Mohammed Abdul Munim.

RESOLVED

That the apologies for absence be noted.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations were made.

3. TO RECEIVE ANNOUNCEMENTS (IF ANY) FROM THE MAYOR, LEADER OF THE COUNCIL, MEMBERS OF THE CABINET OR THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

No announcements were made.

4. NEW EXECUTIVE ARRANGEMENTS: PROPOSALS AND CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

The meeting considered a report of the Chief Executive which set out, following public consultation, draft proposals for a mayoral form of executive to be introduced from October 2010 subject to approval at the referendum on 6 May 2010. The report also recommended changes to the Council's Constitution necessary to implement the new Leader and Cabinet (England) form of executive as agreed by the Council from 6 May 2010.

Councillor Lutfur Rahman **MOVED** and Councillor Joshua Peck **SECONDED** the recommendations as set out in the report.

Following debate the recommendations were put to the vote and were unanimously **agreed**. Accordingly it was:-

RESOLVED

- 1. That amendments to the Council's constitution required to introduce the new-style Leader and Cabinet (England) form of executive to take effect from 6 May 2010, be agreed as set out at Appendix A to the report;
- 2. That the results of consultation on the draft proposals for a Mayoral form of executive as set out at Appendix B, be noted;
- 3. That the proposals for executive arrangements including a Directly Elected Mayor, to be introduced with effect from 21 October 2010 subject to approval at the referendum on 6 May 2010, be adopted as set out at Appendix C;
- 4. That the fallback proposals based on the 'Leader and Cabinet (England)' model that will continue to operate if the Mayoral system is not approved at the referendum on 6 May 2010, be formally adopted as set out at Appendix D;
- 5. That the Council notes that the proposed new executive arrangements will be likely to assist in securing continuous improvement in the way in which the local authority's functions are exercised, having regard to a combination of economy, efficiency and effectiveness; and

6. That the proposals and fallback proposals, together with a statement of the consultation undertaken, be sent to the Secretary of State, made available for inspection and advertised as required by statute.

The meeting ended at 7.10 p.m.

Chair, Council