

# KING GEORGE'S FIELD CHARITY BOARD

**Tuesday, 27 June 2017 at 6.30 p.m. OR at the rise of Cabinet,  
whichever is later.**

**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 Environment)
Councillor Asma Begum	(Cabinet Member for Community Safety)
Councillor Rachel Blake	(Cabinet Member for Strategic Development and Waste)
Councillor David Edgar	(Cabinet Member for Resources)
Councillor Sirajul Islam	(Statutory Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member for Housing)
Councillor Abdul Mukit MBE	(Cabinet Member for Culture and Youth)
Councillor Joshua Peck	(Cabinet Member for Work & Economic Growth)
Councillor Amy Whitelock Gibbs	(Cabinet Member for Education and Children's Services)
Councillor Rachael Saunders	(Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member for Health & Adult Services)

[The quorum for this body is 3 Members]

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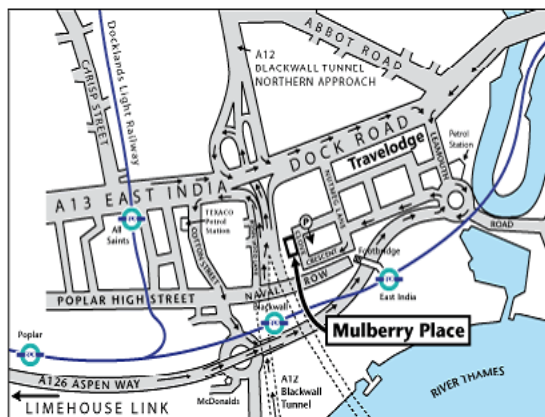
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## **A Guide to KING GEORGE'S FIELD CHARITY BOARD**

### **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.

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### **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: **Thursday, 29 June 2017**
- The deadline for call-ins is: **Tuesday, 4 July 2017**

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 (Pages 1 - 4)**

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) (Pages 5 - 6)**

To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Board held on 4 April 2017.

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

#### **3.1 Erection of a statue of Swami Vivekananda at Mile End Park (To Follow)**

The board will be asked to consider an application for the installation of a statue in Mile End Park from the Vivekanda Human Centre.

#### **3.2 Update on Mile End Park (To Follow)**

The Board will be asked to consider:

- Update on summer activities programme in Mile End Park;
- Report on commercial events in Mile End; and
- Update on repairs to Ecology Lakes.

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

#### **Next Meeting of the Board.**

Tuesday, 17 October 2017 at 5.30 p.m. in the Room C1, 1st Floor, Town Hall, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, London, E14 2BG

# 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:-

Graham White, Graham White, Acting Corporate Director, Governance and Interim 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 6.35 P.M. ON TUESDAY, 4 APRIL 2017**

**ROOM C1, 1ST FLOOR, TOWN HALL, MULBERRY PLACE, 5 CLOVE  
CRESCENT, LONDON, E14 2BG**

**Members Present:**

Mayor John Biggs	(Executive Mayor)
Councillor Rachel Blake	(Cabinet Member for Strategic Development)
Councillor David Edgar	(Cabinet Member for Resources)
Councillor Amy Whitelock Gibbs	(Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Services)
Councillor Sirajul Islam	(Statutory Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member for Housing Management and Performance)
Councillor Rachael Saunders	(Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member for Education and Childrens' Services)

**Apologies:**

Councillor Asma Begum	(Cabinet Member for Culture)
Councillor Shiria Khatun	(Cabinet Member for Community Safety)
Councillor Ayas Miah	(Cabinet Member for Environment)
Councillor Joshua Peck	(Cabinet Member for Work & Economic Growth)

**Officers Present:**

Judith St John	(Acting Divisional Director, Sports, Leisure and Culture)
Stephen Murray	(Head of Arts and Events, Communities Localities & Culture)
Graham White	(Acting Corporate Director, Governance)
Joel West	(Senior Democratic Services Officer)

**1. DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

None were declared.

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

**RESOLVED:**

That the unrestricted minutes of the Board meeting held on 24 January 2017 be approved and signed by the Chair as a correct record of proceedings.

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

#### **3.1 Update on Mile End Park**

Stephen Murray, Head of Parks and Events, introduced the report. Judith St. John, Interim Divisional Director, Sports, Leisure and Culture, provided further details on some of the proposals within the Management Plan.

The Board asked that a note be provided to the Mayor and Lead Member on the projected costs of repairing leaks at the Eco Lake.

The Board asked for a note explaining where the proposed pay and display car parks, referred to on page 19 of the agenda pack, will be sited.

The Mayor noted that other councils, for example Milton Keynes, had set up trusts as vehicles to make parks self-sustaining. He asked that options are developed for adopting a similar approach in Tower Hamlets.

The Board noted that it had yet to receive an update on the work of the Mile End Park Management Plan working party, first established at the October 2016 meeting of the Board.

**RESOLVED** that the Board:

1. Considered and commented on the Annual Management Plan for Mile End Park set out in Appendix 1.
2. Noted the funding for 2017/18 and the forecast out turn projection for 2016/17.

### **4. EXEMPT MINUTES**

**RESOLVED:**

That the exempt minutes of the Board meeting held on 24 January 2017 be approved and signed by the Chair as a correct record of proceedings.

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

None.

The meeting ended at 7.01 p.m.

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