

**LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS**

**COUNCIL MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> FEBRUARY 2011**

**QUESTIONS SUBMITTED BY  
MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

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

**SUMMARY**

1. Set out overleaf are the questions submitted by members of the public, for response by the appropriate Cabinet Member or committee chair at the Council Meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> February, 2011.
2. The Council's Constitution sets a maximum time limit of twenty minutes for this item.
3. A questioner who has put a question in person may also put one brief supplementary question without notice to the Member who has replied to his or her original question. A supplementary question must arise directly out of the original question or the reply. Supplementary questions and Members' responses to written and supplementary questions are each limited to two minutes.
4. Any question which cannot be dealt with during the twenty minutes allocated for public questions, either because of lack of time or because of non-attendance of the questioner or the Member to whom it was put, will be dealt with by way of a written answer.
5. Unless the Chair of Council decides otherwise, no discussion will take place on any question, but any Member of the Council may move, without discussion, that the matter raised by a question be referred for consideration by the Cabinet or the appropriate Committee or Sub-Committee.

## **QUESTIONS**

Four questions have been submitted as set out below:-

### **6.1 Question from Mr. Richard Desmond to the Mayor, Lutfur Rahman**

“A Pride March For East London in 2011

The group Out East is working to establish solidarity and build community among people who identify as Lesbian, Queer, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender or who are questioning issues about sexuality or gender identity in Tower Hamlets, Hackney and Newham. Thus in the face of homophobic prejudice and hate crimes, it is this group's intention to have a Pride March from Hackney into Tower Hamlets late this summer and we would like to end the march with an event in Victoria Park, it expected to be less than 2000 people for under three hours on a Saturday afternoon. We ask that the Mayor help facilitate this with the use of the park to and show his support for this campaign against all hate crimes and in solidarity with the diverse communities of our borough.”

### **6.2 Question from Mr. Ahmed Hussain to the Mayor, Lutfur Rahman**

“Can the Mayor kindly let us know how is he progressing in creating more jobs in the borough?”

### **6.3 Question from Mr. John Wright to Councillor Rabina Khan, Cabinet Member for Housing**

“As a resident of the Glamis Estate E1 which is managed by East End Homes, I and many other residents including residents of other East End Homes estates are deeply concerned that the views of these residents are not being represented. We feel this could be due to poor attendance by Councillors. Could we be informed of their attendance records since appointment to the board of EEH and I also seek help from the council on the lack of transparency and information from EEH main Board?”

### **6.4 Question from Ms. Anna Begum to the Mayor, Lutfur Rahman**

“Like many residents, I am concerned at the increase in the number of Tesco's across the borough. I am worried that the Council may have been unduly influenced by big business. Can you confirm whether any councillors are either linked to Tesco directly or work for organisations responsible for lobbying and other public affairs/public relations work on behalf of Tesco?”