LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL

HELD AT 6.52 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, 17 MAY 2023

COUNCIL CHAMBER - TOWN HALL, WHITECHAPEL

Members Present:

Mayor Lutfur Rahman (Member) Councillor Kabir Ahmed (Member) Councillor Leelu Ahmed (Member) Councillor Musthak Ahmed (Member) Councillor Saied Ahmed (Member) Councillor Shafi Ahmed (Member) Councillor Suluk Ahmed (Member) Councillor Ohid Ahmed (Member) Councillor Sabina Akhtar (Member) Councillor Asma Begum (Member) Councillor Maisha Begum (Member) Councillor Nathalie Bienfait (Member) Councillor Rachel Blake (Member) Councillor Mufeedah Bustin (Member) Councillor Bodrul Choudhury (Member) Councillor Gulam Kibria Choudhury (Member) Councillor Jahed Choudhury (Member) Councillor Abu Chowdhury (Member) **Councillor Mohammad Chowdhury** (Member) Councillor Marc Francis (Member) Councillor Peter Golds (Member) Councillor Igbal Hossain (Member)

Councillor Kabir Hussain (Member) Councillor Kamrul Hussain (Member) Councillor Shahaveer Shubo Hussain (Member) Councillor Asma Islam (Member) Councillor Sirajul Islam (Member) Councillor Ahmodul Kabir (Member) Councillor Saif Uddin Khaled (Member) Councillor Ahmodur Khan (Member) Councillor Sabina Khan (Member) Councillor James King (Member) Councillor Amy Lee (Member) Councillor Abdul Malik (Member) Councillor Abdul Mannan (Member) Councillor Ana Miah (Member) Councillor Ayas Miah (Member) Councillor Harun Miah (Member) Councillor Amin Rahman (Member) Councillor Rebaka Sultana (Member) Councillor Maium Talukdar (Member) Councillor Bellal Uddin (Member) Councillor Abdal Ullah (Member) Councillor Abdul Wahid (Member)

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from:

- Councillor Amina Ali and
- Councillor Faroque Ahmed

2. DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND OTHER INTERESTS

There were no declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests.

3. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

The Speaker **MOVED** and Councillor Talukdar **seconded** the motion to exclude the press and public for the remaining part of the meeting.

Council

RESOLVED:

 In view of the contents of the remaining items on the agenda to agree: "That, under 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 contains information defined as Exempt in Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act,1972."

4. AGREE AN EXIT PAYMENT

Councillor Saif Uddin Khaled, Chair of the General Purposes Committee introduced the report which set out the process for agreeing an exit Payment for the Corporate Director of Place.

Members expressed their praise and thanks to the Corporate Director before agreeing the severance payment.

Council **RESOLVED** to:

- a) Note and approve the exit payment, including redundancy and the cost of the early payment of pension benefits, resulting from the deletion of the post as part of an organisational restructure.
- b) Note that the redundancy payment is part of the individuals' contractual terms and conditions of employment and that the early payment of pension benefits is linked to the Local Government Pension Scheme.
- c) Note and approve the ex-gratia payment to compensate for nonconsultation about potential redundancy.

The meeting ended at 7.03 p.m.

Speaker of the Council