

LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

HELD AT 7.30 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, 23 MARCH 2011

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

Members Present:

Councillor Helal Uddin (Chair)

Councillor Abdul Asad (Vice-Chair)
Councillor Aminur Khan

Councillor Craig Aston
Councillor Mizan Chaudhury

Other Councillors Present:

Nil

Officers Present:

Isobel Cattermole	– (Acting Corporate Director, Children, Schools & Families)
Lorraine Flanagan	– (Headteacher, Thomas Buxton School)
Hania Franek	– (Head of School Governance & Information)
Alan Ingram	– (Democratic Services)

COUNCILLOR HELAL UDDIN (CHAIR) IN THE CHAIR

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Md Maium Miah and Motin Uz-Zaman, for whom Councillors Craig Aston and Mizan Chaudhury deputised respectively.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Mizan Chaudhury declared a personal interest in agenda item 7.1 – Thomas Buxton JMI School – School Governor Appointments. The declaration was made on the basis that Councillor Chaudhury was a Ward Member for Spitalfields and Banglatown Ward, where the school was situated.

3. MINUTES

The Committee **RESOLVED**

That the Section One minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Committee held on 23 June 2010 and of the extraordinary meeting held on 4 November 2010 be confirmed as a correct record and be signed by the Chair.

Councillor Aminur Khan stated that a further meeting of the Committee had been held after 4 November, at which he had been present.

4. REPORTS FOR CONSIDERATION

There was no Section One business for consideration.

5. ANY OTHER SECTION ONE (UNRESTRICTED) BUSINESS WHICH THE CHAIR CONSIDERS TO BE URGENT

There were no items of urgent Section One business for consideration.

6. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

It was **RESOLVED:**

That pursuant to regulation 21(1)(b) of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2000, the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting:

- (a) As it was likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted in Section Two of the agenda, that if members of the public were present during consideration of this business there would be disclosure of exempt information.
 - Exempt information is defined in section 100I and, by reference, Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (“the 1972 Act”). To be exempt, information must fall within one of the categories listed in paragraphs 1 to 7 of Schedule 12A, must not fall within one of the excluded categories in paragraphs 8 and 9 and the public interest in maintaining the exemption must outweigh the public interest in disclosing the information.

7. SECTION TWO (RESTRICTED) REPORTS FOR CONSIDERATION

7.1 Thomas Buxton JMI School - School Governor Appointments

The Committee considered seven applications for the local authority governor vacancies at Thomas Buxton JMI School and made three appointments.

The meeting ended at 8.40 p.m.

Chair, Councillor Helal Uddin
General Purposes Committee