MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL

Wednesday, 30 March 2016 at 7.30 pm

PRESENT: Councillors Obajimi Adefiranye (Chair), Abdeslam Amrani, Paul Bell, Peter Bernards, Chris Best, Kevin Bonavia, Andre Bourne, David Britton, Bill Brown, Sir Steve Bullock (Mayor), Suzannah Clarke, Liam Curran, Janet Daby, Brenda Dacres, Amanda De Ryk, Joe Dromey, Damien Egan, Colin Elliott, Alan Hall, Carl Handley, Maja Hilton, Simon Hooks, Ami Ibitson, Mark Ingleby, Stella Jeffrey, Liz Johnston-Franklin, Alicia Kennedy, Roy Kennedy, Helen Klier, Jim Mallory, Paul Maslin, David Michael, Joan Millbank, Pauline Morrison, John Muldoon, Olurotimi Ogunbadewa, Rachel Onikosi, Crada Onuegbu, Jacq Paschoud, John Paschoud, Pat Raven, Joan Reid, Gareth Siddorn, Jonathan Slater, Alan Smith, Luke Sorba, Eva Stamirowski, Alan Till, Paul Upex, James-J Walsh and Susan Wise.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Chris Barnham, Councillor John Coughlin, Councillor Jamie Milne and Councillor Hilary Moore.

47. Election of Chair

The election of Councillor Obajimi Adefiranye was proposed by Councillor Hall and seconded by Councillor Mallory.

In accepting re-election, for a sixth term, Councillor Adefiranye said he would be proud to again serve as Chair and would alongside his wife, Sandra, continue to promote the work of the Council in a large number of civic engagements. He observed 2016 had witnessed terrible tragedies in cities such as Brussells, Ankara and Lahore but would also see some special anniversaries such as the 100th anniversary of the Battle of the Somme, the Queen's 90th Birthday, and the 40th anniversary of the Race Relations Act. He thanked the Council for the honour that it had bestowed on him for a sixth time.

RESOLVED that Councillor Obajimi Adefiranye be elected as Chair of the Council for the Municipal Year 2016-17.

48. Election of Vice Chair

The election of Councillor Alan Till was proposed by Councillor Hall and seconded by Councillor Mallory.

RESOLVED that Councillor Alan Till be elected as Vice-Chair of the Council for the Municipal Year 2016-17.

49. Minutes

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 24 February 2016 be approved and signed as a true record.

50. Declarations of Interests

Councillors John Muldoon, Alan Hall and Crada Onuegbu all declared personal interests in Item 16(b) as Governors of the SLAM Foundation Trust.

Councillor Susan Wise declared a personal interest in Item 16(b) as a Member of the SLAM Foundation Trust.

51. Announcements or Communications

Former Councillor June Broome RIP

The death of former Councillor June Broome was recorded. A tribute to her was paid by Councillor Carl Handley, who recalled the services she had rendered to the community not only as a Councillor but as a School Governor, Health Authority Member and Conservation Area Planning Panel member.

A further tribute to her was paid by Councillor Stella Jeffrey who remembered her as a person dedicated to the highest standards of public service and who had encouraged her towards serving as a Councillor.

Former Councillor Bruce Robertson RIP

The death of former Councillor Bruce Robertson was recorded. A tribute to him was paid by Councillor Liam Curran who recalled him as a kind and civilized Councillors who held strong views.

A further tribute was paid to him by Councillor Chris Best who recounted that he had been a Founder and Trustee of Sydenham Gardens and who together with his devoted wife had been staunch supporters of the Labour Party.

Doug Smith RIP

The Mayor announced the recent death of Doug Smith who had been a long term supporter of the Pensioners Forum alongside his wife Doris who had served as Chair for many years. He had also held key positions as a local trade union official. A further tribute was paid by Councillor Jim Mallory who said they had played golf only 2 weeks before. His humanist funeral was to take place on April 25 at Hither Green Crematorium.

Brussells Atrocity

The Chair distributed a joint statement issued by Lewisham Faith Leaders which highlighted a proposed Lewisham Interfaith Walk for Peace due to commence at Catford Synagogue at 1pm on Sunday May 29 and he urged members to lend their support.

All present observed a one minute silence in memory of June Broome, Bruce Robertson, Doug Smith and the victims of the Brussells atrocity.

Matagalpa, Nicaragua

The Chair welcomed, the Ambassador of Nicaragua, Her Excellency Ambassador Guisell Morales-Echaverry to the meeting. She had been invited to the AGM in honour of the 30th anniversary of Lewisham's twinning with Matagalpa.

Ambassador Guisell Morales-Echaverry addressed the meeting, stating that it was a great honour to appear and extending warm greetings from Nicaragua and Matagalpa in particular. She said co-operation between the two localities separated by the Atlantic Ocean was continuing as witnessed by the recent visit to Lewisham by a Matagalpa representative of the Coffee Fair Trade co-operative. She formally presented a letter from the Mayor of Matagalpa who had sent a 30th anniversary greeting and an invitation to visit his community.

The Mayor responded by saying by saying he had been delighted that Lewisham had been able to host Ivana Calderon Peralta and that she had been very successful in describing the benefits of Fair Trade to young people. He noted that there was only one serving member, Councillor Liam Curran, who had previously visited Matagalpa and that the letter now received from their current Mayor was extremely welcome. The Mayor said he would be responding positively to the invitation and would be giving serious thought as to how best to renew connections to ensure another thirty years of strong and powerful relationships.

Lewisham NHS Choir

The Chair was pleased to announce the chart topping Lewisham NHS Choir had accepted the invitation made by the Council in January to perform after the AGM had risen.

London Marathon

Councillor Paul Maslin was invited to announce details of Lewisham's participation in the London Marathon in aid of the Lavender Trust, a charity set up by a former Councillor to aid young women suffering from breast cancer. The participants were to be:

Theo Bahannack, Crime, Enforcement & Regulation Officer Robert Browning, Accountant Ann Marie de Cabral, Customer Service Officer Hannah Luik, Youth Offending Service Officer Terence Madgett, Principal Accountant Bill Turner, from 106 Regiment at Grove Park Matthew Impey, from 1475 ATC Squadron James Knibb, putative relative of Council employee in Governance Mark Curtis, Production Manager of Council's Holocaust event

52. Executive Composition

The Mayor informed the Chief Executive that the 9 members, listed below, would continue to serve as members of the Cabinet in the municipal year 2016/17.

Name Portfolio

Councillor Alan Smith Deputy Mayor & Growth & Regeneration Health, Wellbeing and Older People Councillor Chris Best Councillor Kevin Bonavia Resources Community Safety Councillor Janet Daby Councillor Joe Dromey Policy and Performance Councillor Damien Egan Housina Councillor Paul Maslin Children & Young People Councillor Joan Millbank Third Sector & Community Councillor Rachel Onikosi Public Realm

RESOLVED that the notification of appointments be received.

53. Scheme of Delegation

The Chair confirmed no changes had been made to the Mayor's Scheme of Delegation.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

54. Committee TOR

The Council allowed the submission of a late amendment proposed by Councillor Hall and seconded by Councillor Bonavia.

The amendment stated that the report be amended to reflect that its June 2015 meeting, the Council had resolved that Article 6 (7) (b), which relates to the terms of reference of the Business Panel, be amended to read as follows:-

"Where a particular issue would fall within the remit of more than one overview and scrutiny select committee to decide on the allocation of the issue for consideration. The Business Panel may allocate to a select committee. Alternatively until the AGM in 2016, it may reserve the matter to itself."

At its meeting in March 2016, the Constitution Working Party (CWP) agreed that it would recommend to Council that the words "until the AGM in 2016" should be deleted from this clause.

The Chair confirmed no other changes had been made to Committee terms of reference.

RECOMMENDED to agree the recommendation of the CWP in relation to Article 6(7) (b) to omit the words "until the AGM in 2016", but subject to that change to note that there are no changes to the terms of reference of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, Standards Committee or other committees.'

55. Allocation of seats 2016

The Council considered a report setting out an allocation of seats on

committees to political groups on the Council in compliance with the requirements of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989.

Chairs and Vice-Chairs of Overview and Scrutiny Select Committees would continue to be allocated in accordance with the proportion of seats held by the political groups on the Council.

At the proposal of Councillor Hall, seconded by Councillor Siddorn, Members agreed unanimously to form an Overview and Scrutiny Committee of all 45 non-executive Councillors, that was politically balanced.

RESOLVED that:

(i) seats be allocated to political parties as indicated on the schedule attached to the report;

(ii) the Overview & Scrutiny Committee shall comprise all 45 non-executive Councillors; and

(iii) the composition of the Constitution Working Party, the Appointments Committee, the Urgency Committee, 3 Planning Committees, a Strategic Planning Committee, a Licensing Committee, a Licensing (Supplementary) Committee, a Pensions Investment Committee, a Health & Safety Committee, an Elections Committee, an Electoral Registration Working Party and an Audit Panel with the Terms of Reference set out be agreed.

56. Appointments to Committees

It was moved by the Chair and duly seconded that members be appointed to serve on committees as listed below. The motion was declared carried and it was:

RESOLVED that members be appointed to serve on committees, as indicated, for the municipal year 2016/17.

Planning Committee (A) (10)	Councillor Skip Amrani (Catford South) Councillor Andre Bourne (Downham) Councillor Jimi Adefiranye (Brockley) Councillor Amanda De Ryk (Blackheath) Councillor Maja Hilton (Forest Hill) Councillor Stella Jeffrey (Lewisham Central) Councillor Roy Kennedy (Crofton Park) Councillor Pat Raven (Lee Green) Councillor Alan Till (Perry Vale) Councillor James Walsh (Rushey Green)
Planning Committee (B) (10)	Councillor Joan Reid (Lewisham C) Councillor Olurotimi Ogunbadewa (Downham) Councillor Mark Ingleby (Whitefoot) Councillor Alicia Kennedy (Brockley) Councillor Jim Mallory (Lee Green) Councillor John Muldoon (Rushey Green)

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	Councillor Hilary Moore (Grove Park) Councillor Jacq Paschoud (Bellingham) Councillor Gareth Siddorn (Blackheath) Councillor Susan Wise (Perry Vale)
Planning Committee (C) (10)	Councillor Paul Bell (Telegraph Hill) Councillor Simon Hooks (Lee Green) Councillor Peter Bernards (Forest Hill) Councillor Suzannah Clarke (Grove Park) Councillor Liam Curran (Sydenham) Councillor Brenda Dacres (New Cross) Councillor Ami Ibitson (Bellingham) Councillor Helen Klier (Rushey Green) Councillor Jamie Milne (Evelyn) Councillor John Paschoud (Perry Vale)
<i>Strategic Planning Committee</i> (10)	Councillor Amanda De Ryk Councillor John Paschoud Councillor Skip Amrani Councillor Paul Bell Councillor Kevin Bonavia Councillor John Coughlin Councillor Liam Curran Councillor Damien Egan Councillor Alan Hall Councillor Joan Reid
<i>Licensing (inc Supplementary) Committee (10)</i>	Councillor Eva Stamirowski Councillor David Britton Councillor Chris Barnham Councillor Bill Brown Councillor Colin Elliott Councillor Liz Johnston-Franklin Councillor David Michael Councillor Jonathan Slater Councillor Luke Sorba Councillor Paul Upex
Appointments Committee (5)	Councillor Alan Hall Councillor John Coughlin Councillor Brenda Dacres 2 Cabinet Members
Pensions Investment Committee (8)	Councillor Mark Ingleby Councillor Chris Best Councillor Maja Hilton Councillor Simon Hooks Councillor Liz Johnston-Franklin Councillor Paul Maslin Councillor John Muldoon Councillor Olurotimi Ogunbadewa

Hoalth & Safaty Committee	Councillor Dovid Dritton
Health & Safety Committee	Councillor David Britton
(6)	Councillor Bill Brown
	Councillor Carl Handley
	Councillor Helen Klier
	Councillor David Michael
	Councillor Alan Till
Elections Committee	Councillor John Paschoud
(6)	Councillor Suzannah Clarke
	Councillor Alan Hall
	Councillor Stella Jeffrey
	Councillor Roy Kennedy
	Councillor Jamie Milne
Electoral Registration Working Party	Councillor Roy Kennedy
(10)	Councillor Kevin Bonavia
(10)	Councillor John Coughlin
	Councillor Joe Dromey
	Councillor Alan Hall
	Councillor Stella Jeffrey
	Councillor David Michael
	Councillor Jacq Paschoud
	Councillor Jonathan Slater
	Councillor Paul Upex
Standards Committee	Councillor Colin Elliott
(16)	Councillor Andre Bourne
	Councillor Jimi Adefiranye
	Councillor Paul Bell
	Councillor Brenda Dacres
	Councillor Alan Hall
	Councillor Simon Hooks
	Councillor Jim Mallory
	Councillor Hilary Moore
	Councillor Pauline Morrison
	Cathy Sullivan
	Gill Butler
	David Roper Newman
	Leslie Thomas
	Fasil Bhatti
	Joy Walton
Council Urgency Committee (6)	Councillor Jimi Adefiranye
	Councillor Kevin Bonavia
	Councillor John Coughlin
	Councillor Alan Hall
	Councillor Alan Smith
	Councillor Alan Till
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Constitution Martine Drute	
Constitution Working Party	Councillor Alan Hall
Constitution Working Party (7)	Councillor Alan Hall Councillor Kevin Bonavia Councillor Jimi Adefiranye

Audit Panel (6 plus 4 co-optees)	Councillor John Coughlin Councillor Brenda Dacres Councillor Jim Mallory Councillor Gareth Siddorn Councillor Jonathan Slater Councillor Chris Barnham Councillor Chris Barnham Councillor Bill Brown Councillor Mark Ingleby Councillor Amy Ibitson Councillor Helen Klier Paul Dale
Overview & Scrutiny Committee	3 vacancies Councillor Alan Hall (Chair)
(all 45 non executive councillors)	Councillor Siddorn (Vice-Chair)
Business Panel & O&S (Education) Business Panel (10)	Councillor Alan Hall Councillor Gareth Siddorn Councillor Liam Curran Councillor Brenda Dacres Councillor Carl Handley Councillor Jim Mallory Councillor Jamie Milne Councillor Jamie Milne Councillor Hilary Moore Councillor John Muldoon
Public Accounts (10)	Councillor Jamie Milne (Chair) Councillor Chris Barnham (Vice-Chair) Councillor Skip Amrani Councillor Amanda De Ryk Councillor Brenda Dacres Councillor Ami Ibitson Councillor Ami Ibitson Councillor Mark Ingleby Councillor Roy Kennedy Councillor Jim Mallory Councillor Crada Onuegbu
Healthier Communities (10)	Councillor John Muldoon (Chair) Councillor Stella Jeffrey (Vice-Chair) Councillor Paul Bell Councillor Colin Elliott Councillor Ami Ibitson Councillor Jamie Milne Councillor Jacq Paschoud Councillor Joan Reid Councillor Alan Till Councillor Susan Wise
Children & Young People (10)	Councillor Hilary Moore (Chair) Councillor Luke Sorba (Vice-Chair)

	Councillor Chris Barnham Councillor Andre Bourne Councillor David Britton Councillor Simon Hooks Councillor Liz Johnston-Franklin Councillor Helen Klier Councillor Jacq Paschoud Councillor Alan Till
Safer & Stronger Communities (10)	Councillor David Michael (Chair) Councillor Jamie Walsh (Vice-Chair) Councillor Brenda Dacres Councillor Colin Elliott Councillor Stella Jeffrey Councillor Alicia Kennedy Councillor Jim Mallory Councillor John Paschoud Councillor Luke Sorba Councillor Paul Upex
Sustainable Development (10)	Councillor Liam Curran (Chair) Councillor Suzannah Clarke (Vice-Chair) Councillor Bill Brown Councillor Amanda De Ryk Councillor Jamie Walsh Councillor Mark Ingleby Councillor Pauline Morrison Councillor Eva Stamirowski Councillor Pat Raven Councillor Paul Upex
Housing (10)	Councillor Carl Handley (Chair) Councillor Peter Bernards (Vice-Chair) Councillor John Coughlin Councillor Maja Hilton Councillor Simon Hooks Councillor Liz Johnston-Franklin Councillor Olurotimi Ogunbadewa Councillor John Paschoud Councillor Joan Reid Councillor Jonathan Slater

57. Appointments to Bodies

The Chair reported there was no bodies where there were more candidates than places available, the Chair therefore moved and the Vice-Chair seconded a proposal that the tabled schedule of appointments be adopted.

The motion was declared carried and it was:

RESOLVED that members be appointed to serve on other committees

and organisations as set out in below:

Ackroyd Community Centre Management Committee (1)	Councillor Chris Barnham
Age Concern Reminiscence Theatre (1)	Councillor Amanda De Ryk
Albany 2001 Council of Management (1)	Councillor Jamie Milne
Albion Millennium Green Trust (1)	Councillor Susan Wise
Beckenham Place Park Working Party (2)	Councillor Jacq Paschoud Councillor Jonathan Slater
Blackheath Joint Working Party (3)	Councillor Amanda De Ryk Councillor Gareth Siddorn Councillor Kevin Bonavia
Deptford Challenge Trust (1)	Councillor Jimi Adefiranye
Forest Hill & Sydenham Voluntary Service Association (2)	Councillor Alan Till Councillor Paul Upex
Ladywell/Dressington Day Centre (1)	Councillor Carl Handley
Lewisham Citizen's Advice Bureau Management Committee (2)	Councillor David Michael Councillor Maja Hilton
Lewisham Disability Coalition (1)	Councillor Colin Elliott
Lewisham Environment Trust (2 + 1 officer)	Defunct
Lewisham Local History Council/Society (1)	Councillor Alan Till
Lewisham Pensioners' Forum Management Committee (1)	Councillor David Britton
Lewisham Safer Neighbourhood Board (1)	Councillor Janet Daby
London Youth Games (2)	Councillor Hilary Moore Councillor Alan Till
Marsha Phoenix Memorial Trust (2)	Councillor Alicia Kennedy Councillor Alan Till

58. Council Calendar

The Calendar was proposed for adoption by the Chair and seconded by the Vice-Chair, with the proviso that because of the addition of the Euro Referendum to the Municipal Calendar, the meetings of the Council proposed for June 22 and the Housing Select Committee of June 23 be rearranged on dates to be agreed. The Council Budget meeting would be held on February 22 2017.

RESOLVED that

(i) ordinary meetings of the Council be held on 22 June, 21 September, 23 November 2016, 18 January, 22 February and 1 March 2017 (fall back) and that the Annual General Meeting be held on Wednesday 29 March 2017; and

(ii) the attached schedule of meetings, as amended, be approved for the municipal year 2016/17.

59. Mayoral Appointments 2016

The Chair proposed and the Vice-Chair seconded a proposal that the schedule of appointments made by the Mayor be noted.

RESOLVED to note the appointments made by the Mayor to the following external bodies/committees.

Adoption & Permanency Panel (1)	Councillor Helen Klier
Catford Regeneration Partnership Ltd (2)	Mr Selwyn Thompson Mr Ralph Wilkinson
Children and Young People's Stakeholders Forum. (2)	Councillor Helen Klier Councillor Paul Maslin
"Champions" Cycling Heritage Mental Health RSPCA	Councillor Mark Ingleby Councillor Chris Best Councillor Jonathan Slater Councillor Ami Ibitson
Corporate Parenting Group (8)	Councillor Stella Jeffrey Councillor Helen Klier Councillor Paul Maslin Councillor Joan Millbank Councillor Crada Onuegbu Councillor Jacq Paschoud Councillor John Paschoud Councillor Alan Till
Greater London Enterprise (1)	Councillor Alan Smith
Greenwich Co-operative	Councillor Paul Upex

Development Agency (1)	
Groundwork London (1)	Councillor Susan Wise
Groundwork Local Authority Strategic Input Board	Councillor Susan Wise
Health and Wellbeing Board	The Mayor Councillor Chris Best
Joint Street Lighting Committee (2)	Councillor Kevin Bonavia Councillor Alan Smith
Lewisham Homes Board (3)	Councillor Joan Reid Councillor Gareth Siddorn Councillor Susan Wise
Local Authorities Action for South Africa - National Steering Committee	Councillor Crada Onuegbu
Local Government Association High Ethnicity Special Interest Group (1)	Councillor Paul Maslin
Local Government Association - General Assembly (4)	The Mayor Councillor Alan Smith Councillor Joe Dromey Councillor Janet Daby
London Accident Prevention Council (2)	Councillor David Britton VACANCY and Road Safety Officer
London Council's	
(a) Leaders' Committee	Mayor Councillor Alan Smith (Deputy)
(b) Grants Committee	Councillor Joan Millbank (Dep Councillor Best)
(c)Greater London Employment Forum	Councillor Kevin Bonavia (Dep. Councillor Dromey)
(d) Transport & Environment Committee	Councillor Alan Smith (Dep. Councillor Onikosi)
New Cross Gate Trust (1)	Councillor Brenda Dacres
Positive Ageing Council Steering Group	Councillor Chris Best
Phoenix Community Housing	Councillor Alan Hall

Association (2)	Councillor Jonathan Slater
Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education (SACRE) (3)	Councillor David Britton Councillor Hilary Moore Councillor Jacq Paschoud
Social Services (Access to Personal Files) Panel	All members Healthier Communities Select Committee
Social Services Fostering Panel (1)	Councillor Jacq Paschoud
South East London Combined Heat & Power (SELCHP) Board (1)	Councillor Liam Curran
South East London Transport Strategy Group (1)	Councillor Alan Smith
South East London Waste Disposal Group (1)	Councillor Rachel Onikosi
Voluntary Action Lewisham (2)	Councillor Joan Millbank Councillor Chris Best
Wide Horizons Education Trust (1)	Mr John Russell
Works Council	All Members of Cabinet except the Mayor

60. Final pay statement

The report was moved by the Cabinet Member for Resources, Councillor Kevin Bonavia and was formally seconded by Councillor Alan Hall and it was:

RESOLVED that the pay policy statement as attached to the report be approved.

61. Catford Regeneration Partnership Ltd Business Plan

The report was moved by the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Alan Smith and was formally seconded by Councillor Liam Curran and it was:

RESOLVED that the 2016/17 Business Plan for the Catford Regeneration Partnership Limited (CRPL) be approved.

62. Constitutional Matters

The reports, as shown in a supplementary agenda were moved by the Councillor Alan Hall and was formally seconded by Councillor Garteth Siddorn and it was:

RESOLVED that:

Public Transport Liaison Committee

(1) a Public Transport Liaison Forum be created;

(2) the terms of reference in appendix 1 be approved and the Chair and Vice-Chair of Sustainable Development Select Committee and the Cabinet Member with responsibility for Transport be appointed to it;

(3) article 12 of the Council's constitution be amended in order to incorporate the forum as a body of the Council;

Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee

(4) a JHOSC be created with the participant authorities being Lambeth, Southwark, Croydon and Lewisham, with the terms of reference set out in Appendix 1;

(5) Councillors Alan Hall and John Muldoon be appointed to sit on the joint committee;

(6) Councillors appointed to the JHOSC be able to nominate substitutes to attend meetings of the JHOSC in their place in the event that they are unable to attend;

(7) the terms of reference do not include the power to make a report to the Secretary of State (under regulation 23(9) of the Regulations in relation to the proposal from SLaM for Croydon, Lambeth, Lewisham and Southwark Councils;

Broadway Theatre Working Group

(8) the life of the Broadway Theatre Working Group be extended by six months or until the completion of a final report, whichever is the sooner.

63. Annual Report of the Standards Committee

The report was moved by the outgoing Chair, Councillor Brenda Dacres and was seconded by the Councillor Simon Hooks and it was:

RESOLVED that the annual report of the Standards Committee be received.

64. Annual Mayoral Report

The Mayor delivered the address shown at:

http://www.lewisham.gov.uk/mayorandcouncil/mayor/Pages/Mayor-annualreport.aspx The meeting ended at 9.11pm.