

MINUTES OF THE MAYOR AND CABINET

Wednesday, 8 May 2024 at 6.00 pm

PRESENT: Councillors Brenda Dacres, Chris Barnham, Paul Bell, Juliet Campbell, Will Cooper and Edison Huynh

JOINING VIRTUALLY: Councillors Amanda De Ryk and James-J Walsh

ALSO PRESENT: David Austin - Acting Executive Director of Corporate Services, Emma Campbell Smith - Head of Governance and Committee Services, Councillor Stephen Penfold - Chair of Housing Select Committee, Councillor Rudi Schmidt - Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Committee, Jennifer Daothong - Chief Executive and Melanie Dawson – Deputy Monitoring Officer.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Louise Krupski and Councillor Kim Powell

1. Minutes

It was MOVED, SECONDED and RESOLVED that the Minutes of the last meeting were agreed as an accurate record.

2. Declarations of Interests

No interests were declared.

3. Matters Raised by Scrutiny and other Constitutional Bodies

The Chair of Overview & Scrutiny Committee summarised the comments of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee on Asset Management and on taking a Trauma Informed Approach. The Mayor and Cabinet noted the comments and committed to providing a response in due course.

The Mayor and Cabinet also heard a brief presentation by Cllr Penfold, Chair of the Housing Select Committee. The Mayor and Cabinet noted the select committee's comments on the use of Schedule 2, Ground 8 of the Housing Act 1988 by Housing Providers in Lewisham and agreed that a response to the Select Committee would be provided in due course.

4. Corporate Performance Report Q3 2023/24

David Austin, Acting Executive Director for Corporate Performance, introduced the report. It was MOVED by the Mayor, SECONDED by Cllr Barnham and RESOLVED that Mayor and Cabinet note the key highlights in the Corporate Performance Report in preparation for the publication of the Corporate Performance Dashboard and commentary on the Lewisham Council's website.

5. Change of age range - Brent Knoll School - Permission to consult

It was MOVED by Cllr Barnham, SECONDED and RESOLVED that Mayor and Cabinet note the report and agree to officers conducting a statutory consultation on the proposal to change the age range at Brent Knoll School.

6. Authority to Consult on a Local Enforcement Plan

Cllr Walsh introduced the report. It was MOVED by the Mayor, SECONDED and RESOLVED that Mayor and Cabinet:

1. Approve the content of the draft Local Enforcement Plan.
2. Delegate authority to the Director of Planning to make any corrections or clarifications to the draft Local Enforcement Plan prior to Public Consultation.

7. Implementation of a Public Space Protection Order (PSPO)

Cllr Campbell introduced the report, and Cllr Barnham and the Mayor both spoke in support of the proposals. It was MOVED by Cllr Campbell, SECONDED by Cllr Barnham and RESOLVED that Mayor and Cabinet:

1. note the evidence base for the introduction of the PSPO
2. approve the making of the PSPO related to anti-social behaviour and disorder linked to the consumption of alcohol/drugs and psychoactive substances limited to the wards set out in section 6 of the report
3. approve the making of the PSPO on a boroughwide basis with regards to amplified music and speech, anti-social behaviour in public spaces and parks that involves dog/s, illegal encampments and public urination on land open to the air in the areas defined in section 6 of the report and appendix 2
4. agree that the PSPO will come into force on 1 June 2024 and will have effect for a period of 3 years
5. agree that the PSPO is subject to regular monitoring and evaluation, including after 6 months in the first instance
6. agree the consequences of breach as being a Fixed Penalty notice of £100 as an alternative to prosecution which carries a maximum fine of £1000
7. delegate authority to the Executive Director for Community Services to agree the final wording of the order
8. delegate approval of signage to the Executive Director for Community Services

8. Annual progress update on the Autism Strategy Action Plan

Cllr Bell introduced and MOVED the report, and it was SECONDED and RESOLVED that Mayor and Cabinet note the update of the implementation of the Strategy and the action plans and priorities alignments to groups.

9. Award of contract for Interpreting, Translation and Transcription Services PART 1

It was MOVED by Cllr Barnham, SECONDED by Cllr Cooper and RESOLVED that Mayor and Cabinet approve the award of the contract to DA Languages for the provision of an Interpreting, Translation and Transcription Services from 1st July 2024 to 30th June 2027, with the option to extend for a period of up to one year (up to 30th June 2028).

10. Re-procurement of the Domestic Abuse and Violence Against Women And Girls Community And Refuge Service PART 1

Cllr Campbell introduced the report. It was MOVED by Cllr Campbell, SECONDED by Cllr Huynh and RESOLVED that Mayor and Cabinet:

1. Grant approval to procure a new contract service to provide a Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG) Community and Refuge Service, with a single point of access crisis management (including refuges), advocacy and support service for victims and any form of gendered based violence.
2. Approve the subsequent award of contract to the preferred service provider, provided the contract value is within authorised limits set out in the Part 2 report.
3. Delegate the decision to award the contract following the outcome of this process to Executive Director for Community Services (in consultation with the Director of Law, Governance and Elections and the Director of Communities, Partnerships and Leisure) in accordance with the award criteria published in the tender documentation and agree final form of contract.
4. Agree the recommendations as set out in the Part 2 report.

11. Millwall Football Club - agreement of new lease structure PART 1

Cllr Walsh introduced the report and thanked the Mayor for her prior involvement in her former capacity as Cabinet Member. It was MOVED by Cllr Walsh, SECONDED and RESOLVED that the Mayor and Cabinet:

1. Approve the restructuring and renewal of a 999-year lease for the Millwall stadium site – ‘The New Den’, John Berylson Way (formerly known as Zampa Road).
2. Approve the new 999-year leases being granted across three separate sites surrounding the Millwall stadium site to enable the delivery of mixed use

development, including the re-location of facilities for the Millwall Community Trust.

3. Delegate authority to the Executive Director of Place, in consultation with the Executive Director of Corporate Resources and the Director of Law and Corporate Governance, to negotiate and agree the final terms of the lease and all associated documentation.

12. Exclusion of Press and Public

All Part 2 reports were considered without discussion alongside the corresponding open reports.