

## LONDON BOROUGH OF LEWISHAM

MINUTES of that part of the meeting of the MAYOR AND CABINET, which was open to the press and public, held on WEDNESDAY, 19 JANUARY 2011 at LEWISHAM TOWN HALL, CATFORD, SE6 4RU at 6.00 p.m.

### Present

The Mayor (Sir Steve Bullock)(Chair); Councillor Smith (Vice-Chair), Councillors Best, Egan, Klier, Maslin, Millbank, Onuegbu and Wise.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Fitzsimmons.

<u>Minute No.</u>	<u>Action</u>
1.	<p><u>Declarations of Interests</u> (page</p> <p>The Mayor declared a npersonal non prejudicial interest in Item 9 as Chair of London Councils Grants Committee.</p>
2.	<p><u>Minutes</u> (page</p> <p>RESOLVED that the minutes of that part of the meetings of the Mayor and Cabinet, which was open to the press and public held on December 1 2010 and December 22 2010, be confirmed and signed, subject to the apologies for absence of Councillor Onuegbu being added to the minutes of December 22 and her name being deleted from the attendance record.</p>
3.	<p><u>Outstanding References to Select Committees</u> (page</p> <p>The Mayor received a report on issues which he had previously considered that awaited the responses he had requested from Directorates.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the report be received.</p>
4.	<p><u>Youth Task Force</u> (page</p> <p>The report was presented, with the aid of powerpoint slides, by Pete Walsh, the Chair of the Youth Task Force.</p> <p>The Mayor praised the report and the efforts of everyone who had contributed to its production. He asked that the report and its findings be widely shared and should include the borough's MPs, GLA member and the LSP. He reminded those present that young people had always been his priority and that they faced growing challenges since the recession. He now expected</p>

Minute No.

Action

officers to come back to him issue by issue with proposals for action on an ongoing basis.

RESOLVED That:

(i) the contents of the Youth Task Force report be noted; and

(ii) officers be asked to explore options for implementing Task Force recommendations and to return to Mayor and Cabinet with a further report detailing implications and a delivery plan.

5. Young Mayor of Lewisham – Budget Proposals for 2009/10  
(page

The 2009/10 Young Mayor, Jakob Sakil presented his budget proposals to the Mayor and answered questions from the Cabinet.

The Mayor congratulated Jakob and his Young Advisers on their work and said he and his colleagues were very happy to embrace all the suggestions that had been made. He also praised Jakob on his excellent GCSE results which demonstrated the considerable efforts he had put into the Young Mayoralty had not deflected him from his academic studies.

RESOLVED That the following proposals made by the Young Mayor of 2009/10 be endorsed:

(i) Role model and mentoring programme  
£10,000

(ii) Positive Stories £7,500

(iii) Performing and learning new skills £5,000

(iv) Sports Tournaments £3,000

(v) Block Parties/community events and intergenerational work £4,500

6. Local Development Framework – Lewisham Town Centre Area Action Plan Further Options Report (page

RESOLVED That

(i) the Lewisham Town Centre AAP Further Options Report and the accompanying Sustainability Appraisal be approved, for statutory public consultation in accordance with the Statement of Community Involvement, and the Council be recommended to do the same; and

(ii) power to make any minor changes to the text and format of the documents prior to consideration by the full Council be delegated to the Executive Director for Regeneration.

7. Bereavement Services – Proposed Increase In Cemeteries and Crematorium Fees and Charges (page

RESOLVED that

(i) the Cremation fee be increased by £60;

(ii) there be an increase of 2.5% for crematorium memorials,

(iii) there be an increase of 10% for all cemetery fees and charges; and

(iv) a fee of £25 for the levelling of a grave be introduced.

8. Establishment of a Strategic Race Equality Organisation in Lewisham (page

RESOLVED that

(i) the review undertaken by Lord Ouseley be noted; and

(ii) a new organisation be established as set out in paragraphs 7.3 – 7.5 and paragraph 8 of the report.

9. London Borough Grants Scheme - 2011/2012 Expenditure (page

The Head of Law briefed the Mayor on a Judicial Review being defended by London Councils which might cause the figures to be amended at a future date.

Minute No.

Action

RESOLVED

that

ED CYP

(i) the overall expenditure for the London Councils Grants Scheme in 2011/2012 be £17,691,000;

(ii) a sum of £451,716 be allocated in respect of the London Borough of Lewisham's contribution as outlined in the London Councils' notification to Chief Executives on 17 December 2010; and

(iii) a saving in 2012/13 be noted assuming a further reduction in the Councils contribution to the Scheme.

10. The 2009 Annual Social Services Performance Letter from the Care Quality Commission (CQC) and PAN (page

RESOLVED

That

(i) the outcome of the annual performance assessment for 2009/10 and the rating that the Council has received; and

(ii) where improvements have not already been addressed and achieved, officers should include specific actions to achieve them in relevant service improvement plans for 2011/12.

11. Proposed Jevington Way Article 4 (1) Direction (page

RESOLVED

That an Article 4 (1) Direction be made.

12. Comments of the Elections Committee on the Electoral Agenda: the next five years (page

RESOLVED

That the issues raised by the Elections Committee on the report "Electoral Agenda: the next five years" be noted and that the Elections Committee be consulted on all matters related to electoral changes, especially on boundary changes

13. Management Report – November 2010 (page

Minute No.

Action

RESOLVED that the Management Report be noted.

14. Results of Ofsted's annual unannounced inspection of children's contact, referral and assessment arrangements (page

The Mayor expressed his thanks to all the staff who had contributed to the excellent outcome of the inspection.

RESOLVED That the results of Ofsted's annual unannounced inspection of contact, referral and assessment arrangements within Lewisham children's services as detailed in their letter be noted.

15. Setting the Council Tax Base & Discounts for Second Homes and Empty Properties (page

RESOLVED That

(i) the Council at its meeting on 24 January 2011, be recommended to agree a Council Tax Base of 88,486.96 for 2011/12; and

(ii) the current local policy on discounts, with the minimum discount of 10% for second homes and 0% for empty dwellings for 2011/12 be continued.

16. Proposals to consult on the provision of additional permanent primary places (page

The Mayor believed the Council had coped extremely well thus far in meeting with sustained demand for extra primary places but that there was now a need to explore many options and ask challenging questions in order to find lasting solutions to provide adequate numbers of places for primary age children.

RESOLVED That

(i) the description of current and projected demand for primary mainstream places and their supply, and its strategic implications be noted;

(ii) subject to the results of any required further feasibility work which shows options to be affordable in the light of Lewisham's recent

capital settlement, and of consequent outline agreement with potential providers and other stakeholders, consultation should commence on the following options to increase permanently the supply of school places from September 2012:

- Subject to agreement following consultation on the closure of the current training function provided by Lewisham Leadership and Development Centre on the site, expand Kilmorie Primary School from 1.5 to 3 forms of entry.
- Through use of the site of the former Ennersdale Primary School on Leahurst Road, extend provision at Trinity School so that it becomes an all-age school offering 2 forms of entry in the primary phase, with the option of an SEN Resource base, whilst retaining its current 4 forms of secondary entry.
- Extend provision at Prendergast Ladywell Fields College so that it becomes an all-age school offering 2 forms of entry in the primary phase, with the option of an SEN Resource base, whilst retaining its current 8 forms of secondary entry.
- Establish 2 forms of entry of primary provision on the site of the former Watergate school (Church Grove) as an annexe to an existing good or outstanding school.
- Expand Coopers Lane Primary School from 2 to 3 forms of entry; Increase the number of permanent places available in the New Cross/Deptford Primary Places Planning Locality (PPPL5) by considering the financial and educational implications of a range of options, including:
  - i. expanding Kender Primary School from 1 to 2 forms of entry, and/or
  - ii. expanding Deptford Park Primary School from 3 to 4 forms of entry (whilst considering the option of incorporating SEN Resource base provision),and/or

Minute No.

Action

- ii. establishing 2 forms of entry on the site of the Mornington Centre as an annexe to an existing good or outstanding school.

(iii) officers be instructed to continue to investigate the opportunities offered by Council-owned sites;

(iv) officers should bring a subsequent report with recommendations for his consideration to include:

- the results of feasibility studies and any consequent consultations on the proposed projects set out
- any other proposals to meet the demand for permanent primary places informed by funding allocations for 2011-14 and by the James Review of capital expenditure.

17. Exclusion of the Press and Public (page

RESOLVED that under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 3, 4 and 5 of Part 1 of Schedule 12(A) of the Act, as amended by the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to information) (Amendments) (England) Regulations 2006 and the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information:

The following is a summary of the items considered in the closed part of the meeting:

101 Minutes (page

RESOLVED That the minutes of the meetings held on December 1 2010 and December 22 2010 be confirmed as a correct record.

102 Inclusion of Community Support Team in the Learning Disability Supported Living Recommissioning Programme (page

Minute No.

Action

RESOLVED

That

- (i) the Council's in-house supported living service, the Community Support Team (CST), for adults with a learning disability be outsourced;
- (ii) the services for 18 people with a learning disability resident in 4 shared addresses be tendered as 1 Lot of Tranche 5 of the SPLD Recommissioning Programme using the Learning Disability Framework Agreement; and
- (iii) the services for 21 people in receipt of outreach support be included in a parallel piece of procurement to develop outreach and floating support services.

The meeting ended at 7.39pm.

Chair