

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, 7 DECEMBER 2011 at LEWISHAM TOWN HALL, CATFORD, SE6 4RU at 6.00 p.m.

Present

The Mayor (Sir Steve Bullock)(Chair); Councillors Best, Egan, Fitzsimmons, Klier, Maslin, Millbank, and Wise.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Onuegbu and Smith.

Also Present

Councillors Fletcher, Maines, Muldoon and Nisbet.

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1.	<u>Declarations of Interests</u> (page There were no declarations of interest.	
2.	<u>Minutes</u> RESOLVED that the minutes of that part of the meeting of the Mayor and Cabinet, which was open to the press and public held on November 16 2011, be confirmed and signed.	
3.	<u>Outstanding References to Select Committees</u> (page The Mayor received a report on issues which had previously been considered that awaited the responses requested from Directorates. RESOLVED that the report be received.	
4.	<u>Deptford Park Primary School ASD Resource Base Modification</u> (page RESOLVED That (i) the rationale for the modification to the start date of this project be noted; and (ii) to a modified start date of September 2012 be approved, rather than January 2012, for Deptford Park Primary School resource base.	ED CYP

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5. Events Policy - Parks (page

The report was introduced by the Cabinet Member for Customer Services and a representative of the Executive Director for Customer Services.

The Mayor was then addressed by Councillor Maines, a Blackheath Ward Councillor. He asked if the policy was legally robust enough to allow some events on Blackheath while rejecting others. He also urged that the Council should be able to share in the profits made by commercial organisations that were allowed to use the park.

The Deputy Monitoring Officer replied that she did not have an immediate opinion on the legal robustness of the policy but that she would respond to Councillor Maines subsequent to the meeting.

Head of Law

RESOLVED That

(i) the Lewisham Events policy be adopted, as outlined; and

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(ii) the Blackheath Events Policy be adopted, as outlined, subject to adoption by the London Borough of Greenwich.

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6. Lewisham Open Space Strategy 2011-16 – Consultation Draft (page

RESOLVED That

(i) the consultation draft of the Open Space Strategy 2011-2016 be approved; and

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(ii) officers proceed to consult with key stakeholders and report back with the final draft of the Open Space Strategy 2011-2016 for adoption together with the first 3-year Implementation Plan.

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

RESOLVED that

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	(i) there be an increase of £50 to the current Cremation fee;	ED Customer
	(ii) there be an increase in line with the rate of inflation (5.2%) for crematorium memorials, and for all cemetery fees and charges; and	ED Customer
	(iii) all increases would take effect from Tuesday 3 January 2012.	ED Customer
8.	<u>Management Report</u> (page RESOLVED That the report be noted.	
9.	<u>Response to Sustainable Development Select Committee: Parking Policies and Associated Charges</u> (page The report was introduced by the Cabinet Member for Customer Services and by the Head of Public Services. The Mayor then received submissions from Councillor Maines and from Cabinet members, Councillors Fitzsimmons, Egan, and Millbank, who all supported the introduction of one hour permits for visitors. The Mayor indicated he would like to see the feasibility of one hour permits re-examined when parking policy was next reviewed. RESOLVED That the report should be forwarded to the Sustainable Development Select Committee for their consideration.	ED Customer Head of Committee
10.	<u>Response to Housing Select Committee: Consultation on creating a mandatory power of possession for anti-social behaviour</u> (page The Mayor indicated he was not convinced this was a good idea and he was not prepared to support what he believed was very bad policy. RESOLVED That the consultation response be forwarded to the Housing Select Committee.	Head of Committee
11	<u>Response to Safer Stronger Communities Select Committee on training for Councillors to clarify their roles and responsibilities as active participants within community and voluntary sector organisations</u> (page	

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	RESOLVEC That the response be reported to the Safer Stronger Communities Select Committee.	Head of Committee
12	<u>Comments of the Healthier Communities Select Committee on the Commissioning, Monitoring and arrangements for inspection of services in care homes used by Lewisham</u> (page The report was presented to the Mayor by the Chair of the Select Committee, Councillor John Muldoon.	
	RESOLVED That the views of the Healthier Communities Select Committee be noted and that the Executive Director for Community Services be asked to respond to the referral.	ED Community
13	<u>Mayor of London's - London Regeneration Fund</u> (page RESOLVED That (i) the submission of a bid to the Mayor of London's – London Regeneration Fund be approved; and (ii) authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Resources & Regeneration, to agree the projects to be included in the bid.	ED Resources
14.	<u>Exclusion of the Press and Public</u> 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:	
15	<u>Disposal of 128 Albyn Road SE8; 58 Ashmead Road SE4; 81 Etta Street SE8; 58 Friendly Street SE8; 72 Friendly Street SE8;</u>	

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61 Lampmead Road, SE12 (page)

In answer to a question from Councillor Millbank on squatted properties, the Executive Director for Resources representative indicated he would respond subsequent to the meeting.

RESOLVED That

(i) the following properties be declared surplus to the Council's requirements;

128 Albyn Road SE8
58 Ashmead Road SE4
81 Etta Street SE8
58 Friendly Street SE8
72 Friendly Street SE8
61 Lampmead Road SE12

(ii) the disposal of the Council's freehold interests in the properties listed be approved by public auction at not less than the reserved prices, which are to be determined by the Acting Head of Asset Strategy and Development; and

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(iii) authority be delegated to the Acting Head of Asset Strategy and Development to accept offers made prior to auction, providing that the offers are in excess of the reserve price and that the Acting Head of Asset Strategy and Development is satisfied that the offers represent the best consideration reasonably obtainable.

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16 Octavius Street, Station Ramp and Deptford High Street: Renegotiation of the Development Agreement with the Deptford Project Limited (page

RESOLVED That

(i) a Deed of Variation of the Development Agreement be entered into with The Deptford Project Limited dated 1 May 2007 on the basis set out;

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(ii) the current position of Network Rail with respect to the Development Agreement be noted;

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iii) the current status of construction of the new Deptford Station be noted;

(iv) authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Resources & Regeneration, in consultation with the Head of Law and Director of Regeneration & Asset Management to negotiate and agree the final terms of the Deed of Variation and all related legal documentation; and

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Head of Law

(v) authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Resources & Regeneration, in consultation with the Head of Law and Director of Regeneration & Asset Management to negotiate and agree terms with Network Rail in order to secure all necessary consents and approvals required from Network Rail in order for the development to proceed and to enter into any related legal documentation with Network Rail.

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The meeting ended at 7.00pm.

Chair