

MINUTES OF THE MAYOR AND CABINET

Wednesday, 5 December 2012 at 6.02 pm

PRESENT: Sir Steve Bullock (Mayor), Councillors Chris Best, Janet Daby, Damien Egan, Helen Klier, Paul Maslin, Joan Millbank, Crada Onuegbu, Alan Smith and Susan Wise

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor Liam Curran, Councillor Sven Griesenbeck, Councillor Alan Hall and Councillor Marion Nisbet

411. Declaration of interests

None were made.

412. Minutes

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 November 14 2012, be confirmed and signed.

413. Outstanding Scrutiny Matters

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.

414. PAC Revenue Budget Savings Proposals Referral

Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Chair of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee, Councillor Alan Hall, who highlighted the unprecedented level of cuts taking place across the public sector and the issues raised by all the Select Committees, the Mayor agreed that the views of the Public Accounts Select Committee and the views of the other Select Committees contained in Appendix A be received and taken into account at the next stage of the budget process in the New Year 2013.

RESOLVED that the views submitted by Select Committees be received and considered further during the next stage of the budget process.

415. Permanent Primary Places Rushey Green PS and John Stainer PS

Councillor Millbank voiced a concern which had been raised with her by constituents on the John Stainer proposals. They had pointed out the first parents meeting took place within a few days of the launch of the consultation and several claimed to have known nothing about it. The Executive Director for Children and Young People's representative noted the comments made about the date of the parents meeting and explained parents had been notified by letter from the school about the meeting.

Having then considered an officer report and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Children & Young People, Councillor Helen Klier, the Mayor:

RESOLVED That

(i) statutory notices be published to increase permanently the supply of primary school places from September 2014 by enlarging Rushey Green Primary School from 2 to 3 forms of entry; and

(ii) statutory notices be published to increase permanently the supply of primary school places from September 2014 by enlarging John Stainer Primary School from 1 to 2 forms of entry.

416. Appointment of Local Authority Governors

Having considered information supplied in respect of the nominees and an explanation by the Cabinet Member for Children & Young People, Councillor Helen Klier, that two previous appointments had been rescinded and repropoed, owing to a transposition error, the Mayor, appointed the persons listed below as School Governors,

RESOLVED That the persons listed below be appointed as School Governors,

Mrs. Rhian Douglas Rathfern Primary

Mr. George Kwasniewski Athelney

Mrs. Julia Newton	Elfrida
Mrs. Victoria Widdows	Haseltine
Ms. Mel Church	Sandhurst Infant and Nursery School

417. Planning Annual Monitoring

Having considered an officer report and a presentation by the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Alan Smith, the Mayor agreed that

RESOLVED That the content of the AMR 2011/12 be noted and publication on the Council's website be approved.

418. Additions to Local Listing

The Mayor was addressed by Councillor Liam Curran, the Chair of the Sustainable Development Committee, who welcomed general moves to protect pubs but asked if consideration could be given to an en masse listing of all Victorian pubs which he believed would mirror a UNESCO move to create a World Heritage site of all similar London pubs.

In response, the Head of Planning explained the detailed evidential and assessment process which preceded listing and said given the amount of work involved, a phased approach had been adopted. Councillor Curran said he would see if an independent assessor from CAMRA could give free assistance to the department to help speed the process.

Having considered an officer report, and presentations by the Deputy Mayor and the Chair of the Sustainable Development Select Committee, the Mayor agreed that:

RESOLVED That the additions to the Local List shown in Appendix 2 be approved.

419. Responses to SDSC on Pubs

Having considered an officer report, and presentations by

the Deputy Mayor and the Chair of the Sustainable Development Select Committee, the Mayor:

RESOLVED That the Sustainable Development Select Committee be provided with the responses set out in sections 6 and 7.

420. Management Report

Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Strategy and Communication, the Mayor

RESOLVED That the report be noted.

421. Statement of Licensing Principles Gambling Act 2005

Councillors Millbank and Best pointed out the list of consultees appeared outdated as some defunct organisations were listed. The Executive Director for Customer Services promised he would ensure the list was reviewed corporately.

Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Customer Services, Councillor Susan Wise, the Mayor:

RESOLVED That the statement of principles be forwarded to the Council for approval and adoption.

422. Excalibur Update and Land Appropriation

Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Customer Services, Councillor Susan Wise, the Mayor agreed that

RESOLVED That

(i) subject to the consent of the Secretary of State being obtained under Section 19 of the Housing Act 1985, the appropriation of the Council owned land within Phases 1 and 2 of the Excalibur Estate redevelopment scheme, from housing purposes to planning purposes under Section 122 of the Local Government Act 1972 be approved; and

(ii) an application be made to the Secretary of State under Section 19 of the Housing Act 1985 for consent to the appropriation.

423. Response to PAC Fairness in Pay and Employment

Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Resources, the Mayor:

RESOLVED That the responses to the Fairness review's recommendations as provided by the Executive Director for Resources & Regeneration, be provided to the Public Accounts Select Committee.

424. Local Council Tax Support Scheme

Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Customer Services, Councillor Susan Wise, the Mayor agreed that

RESOLVED That

(i) the outcomes of the consultation and the Equalities Analysis Assessment be noted;

(ii) a local CTRS be introduced from 1 April 2013 that passes on the cut in full;

(iii) a hardship scheme be introduced for the purposes of awarding additional support to individuals facing extreme hardship which meets the broad policy objectives as detailed;

(iv) authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Customer Services and Head of Public Services, to set up and implement a hardship scheme with a maximum available spend in any one year of £100k. Further delegation should be sought by the Executive Director for Customer Services and Head of Public Services if they consider it necessary for this threshold to be exceeded;

(v) no application be made for a share of the £100m transitional grant.

425. Exclusion of Press and Public

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:

426. Excalibur Development Agreement and Land Disposal

RESOLVED That

- (i) an overarching Development Agreement with London and Quadrant Housing Trust be entered into for the Excalibur Regeneration Scheme on the basis of the key principles outlined;
- (ii) a contribution be made by the Council to the Excalibur Regeneration Scheme up to a stated amount of the Council's share of Chrysalis stock transfer Right to Buy receipts;
- (iii) subject to the consent of the Secretary of State under Section 233 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 being obtained, the disposal and development of the Council's freehold interest in the Phase 1 and 2 site be approved in accordance with the overarching Development Agreement and on the detailed terms set out;
- (iv) the financial arrangements detailed be approved; and
- (v) authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Resources and Regeneration, in consultation with the Executive Director for

Customer Services and the Head of Law, to negotiate and agree the final terms of the Development Agreement and all other associated legal agreements with London and Quadrant Housing Trust.