

# **MINUTES OF THE MAYOR AND CABINET**

**Wednesday, 18 September 2019 at 6.30 pm**

PRESENT: Damien Egan (Mayor), Councillors Chris Best, Chris Barnham, Paul Bell, Kevin Bonavia, Andre Bourne, Joe Dromey, Brenda Dacres, Amanda De Ryk, Joani Reid and Jonathan Slater.

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor Bill Brown and Councillor John Muldoon.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Sophie McGeevor.

## **117. Declaration of Interests**

Councillor Bell declared a prejudicial interest in Item 20 and withdrew from the meeting during consideration of this item.

## **118. Minutes**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on July 10 2019 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

## **119. Outstanding Scrutiny Matters**

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

## **120. Achilles Street Landlord Offer for an Estate Regeneration Ballot part 1**

The Cabinet accepted this report as a late and urgent item having been told the report was late owing to the need to finalise the proposed Landlord Offer and to ensure that Mayor & Cabinet were provided with the most up to date information possible. The report was deemed urgent and could not wait until the next meeting of the Mayor & Cabinet meeting as this would cause significant delay to the publishing of the Landlord Offer which in turn would delay the holding of a resident ballot for estate regeneration.

The application was presented by Councillor Paul Bell who gave a comprehensive explanation of the offer to tenants and leaseholders which would be the subject of a ballot. He was supported by Housing Officers who explained the detailed engagement process which had been undertaken with residents.

The Cabinet was then addressed by local resident Martin Williams who claimed the proposals would do little to add to the net housing stock. He disputed claims made about rental levels and affordability saying the officer report showed aspirations but lacked detail. He believed residents were not able to make an informed choice.

Councillor Bell disputed any claim that the proposals were intended to benefit

the private sector, explaining a private element was required to make the proposals economically viable and provide much needed social and council housing.

The Mayor concluded by pointing out the provision of additional social and council housing had been a key election pledge in a borough where 10,000 were on the housing waiting list. In terms of safeguards for residents, he pointed out there would be a ballot and then a full planning process. He warmly welcomed the proposals.

Having considered an open and a confidential officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Housing, Councillor Paul Bell, the Mayor and Cabinet, for the reasons set out in the report and by a vote of 9-0:

RESOLVED that:

- (1) the Equality Analysis Assessment attached as Appendix B be received;
- (2) the text of the Achilles Landlord Offer attached as Appendix A, should form the Council's offer to residents on the Achilles Street Estate;
- (3) a resident ballot for estate regeneration should be held on the Achilles Street Estate as set out in section 6;
- (4) authority be delegated to the Executive Director of Housing, Regeneration & Environment to agree any minor amendments and the graphic design of the Landlord Offer and to set the date of the resident ballot for estate regeneration on the Achilles Street Estate;
- (5) subject to the resident ballot for estate regeneration resulting in a "yes" vote agrees the budgets requirements set out in the confidential report be approved.

**121. Article 4 Direction for Lewisham's southern wards of Bellingham, Downham, Whitefoot and Grove Park to withdraw permitted development rights**

The Mayor confirmed the response to the consultation from residents had been very positive and he welcomed the powers that would become available in March 2020 to curb rogue landlords. Councillor Slater, who represented one of the four affected wards, welcomed the initiative which he believed would drive up housing quality for everyone.

Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Mayor, the Mayor and Cabinet, for the reasons set out in the report and by a vote of 9-0:

RESOLVED that:

- (1) the responses to the consultation be noted;
- (2) the Director of Law be authorised to approve the confirmation of the non-immediate Article 4 Direction, which removes permitted development rights

from C3 Dwelling houses to C4 Houses in Multiple Occupation (HMO) for 3 to 6 unrelated people in Lewisham southern wards of Bellingham, Downham, Whitefoot and Grove Park; and

(3) the legal and financial implications as set out be noted.

## **122. Anti Idling Enforcement Traffic Management Order**

In introducing the policy, Councillor Reid stated it would be particularly important to discourage idling near schools and officers would be empowered to issue penalty charge notices.

Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the jobshare Cabinet Member for Safer Communities, Councillor Joani Reid , the Mayor and Cabinet, for the reasons set out in the report and by a vote of 9-0:

RESOLVED that:

(1) a Traffic Management Order be made applicable to roads in the borough to allow for Penalty Charge Notices to be issued in contravention of the order under the provisions of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended by section 87 of the Environment Act 1995), throughout the borough;

(2) the Head of Parking Operations, be authorised, acting in his name and on his behalf, to authorise traffic marshals to exercise the powers; and

(3) officers should, where appropriate, utilise the powers to allow for Penalty Charge Notices to be issued in contravention of the order under the provisions of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended by section 87 of the Environment Act 1995).

## **123. CRPL Appointment of Non-Exec Director**

Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Mayor, the Mayor and Cabinet , for the reasons set out in the report and by a vote of 9-0:

RESOLVED that:

(1) the appointment of Cllr Eva Stamirowski as Non-Executive Member Director of the Catford Regeneration Partnership Limited (CRPL) be approved; and

(2) Cllr Eva Stamirowski be indemnified as Director in accordance with the attached Deed of Indemnity as with the two current Directors of the Company.

## **124. Additions to Lewisham's Local List**

The Mayor received confirmation from Conservation Officers that there were 69 additions to the list and none of the nominations were from existing conservation areas. It was pointed out this was the first stage of the review

and there would be wider consultation later.

Councillor Best praised the review and asked if postcodes could be indicated for all sites.

Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Mayor, the Mayor and Cabinet, for the reasons set out in the report and by a vote of 9-0:

RESOLVED that:

- (1) the proposed new additions to the Local List as laid out be noted;
- (2) a six week period of public consultation for the proposed new additions to the Local List be approved; and
- (3) the legal and financial implications as set out be noted.

#### **125. Alteration of SEN provision at Deptford Green School**

The report was presented by Councillor Barnham who laid out the rationale for the suggested change. The proposals were welcomed by Councillor Dacres who believed mainstream support could be most effective for children in the autism spectrum.

Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for School Performance and Children's Services, Councillor Chris Barnham, the Mayor and Cabinet, for the reasons set out in the report and by a vote of 9-0:

RESOLVED that:

- (1) the results of the consultation conducted on the proposal to alter the SEN provision at Deptford Green School be noted;
- (2) the designation of the SEN provision at Deptford Green School be altered from Dyslexia to ASD from Autumn 2019 so as to enable new entrants with a primary diagnosis of ASD from September 2020.

#### **126. Response to OSC questions to the Mayor**

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

RESOLVED that the response from officers be approved for submission to the Overview & Scrutiny Committee.

#### **127. Response to CYP Select Referral on EH savings proposals**

Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for School Performance and Children's Services, Councillor Chris Barnham, the Mayor and Cabinet:

RESOLVED that the response from officers be approved for submission to the Children & Young People Select Committee.

**128. Response to Public Accounts Select Committee Income Generation**

Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources, Councillor Amanda De Ryk, the Mayor and Cabinet:

RESOLVED that the response from officers be approved for submission to the Public Accounts Select Committee.

**129. Response to Healthier Communities Select Committee BAME Mental Health**

Councillor Best pointed out the work being carried out by the Health and Well Being board which was focusing on health inequalities.

Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Chris Best, the Mayor and Cabinet:

RESOLVED that the response from officers be approved for submission to the Healthier Communities Select Committee.

**130. Downham Enterprise Centre part 1**

Having considered an open and a confidential officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Housing, Councillor Paul Bell, the Mayor and Cabinet, for the reasons set out in the report and by a vote of 9-0:

RESOLVED that:

(1) the disposal of Downham Business Enterprise Centre, 157-159, Boundfield Road, London SE6 to Phoenix Community Housing on the terms set out be approved; and

(2) authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Corporate Services, in consultation with the Director of Law, to finalise the terms of the legal documentation for the disposal to Phoenix Community Housing.

(3) the disposal of the site to Phoenix Community Housing for the sum stated in the confidential report be approved.

**131. Exclusion of Press and Public**

RESOLVED that in accordance with Regulation 4(2)(b) of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information)(England) Regulations 2012 and 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 paragraph 3, of Part 1

of Schedule 12(A) of the Act, and the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information

16. Downham Enterprise Centre part 2
17. Achilles Street Landlord Offer for an Estate Regeneration Ballot part 2
18. VAWG Permission to Tender
19. Management Development Programme
20. Permission to tender Youth Services
21. Mental Health Accommodation Based Support Service
22. Award of Contract Tier 4 Substance Misuse
23. Learning Disability Framework Extension
24. Annual Renewal of Microsoft Enterprise License

**132. Downham Enterprise Centre part 2**

This report was considered in conjunction with the Part 1 item on the same subject.

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**134. VAWG Permission to Tender**

Having considered a confidential officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Safer Communities, Councillor Joani Reid, the Mayor and Cabinet, for the reasons set out in the report and by a vote of 9-0:

RESOLVED that:

(1) a VAWG service be tendered for Lewisham residents covering community and emergency accommodation services;

(2) the service will provide advocacy and advice for victims of VAWG in Lewisham, supporting victims to improve their safety, reduce their vulnerability to abuse and support in accessing statutory and voluntary services to improve health and wellbeing; and

(3) the service will be for a duration of 3 years from April 2020, with the option to extend for 2 years, at a maximum stated annual value and maximum total (including extension) stated value.

**135. Management Development Programme**

Having considered a confidential officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources, Councillor Amanda De Ryk, the Mayor and Cabinet for the reasons set out in the report and by a vote of 9-0:

RESOLVED that:

(1) a contract be awarded to Hawk Management (UK) Ltd from 01 November 2019 until 30 October 2023 for the provision of Management Development Programmes in relation to Apprenticeships for Team Leader level 3 and Operational Departmental Manager level 5 with an option to extend the contract for a fourth year; and

(2) the cost for the initial three-year contract would be a stated value with the addition of the possible fourth year, giving a total maximum contract stated value.

### **136. Permission to tender Youth Services**

Councillor Bell vacated the room during consideration of this item.

From the options available, Councillor Barnham said while he believed the Council should be the preferred provider that was not achievable at this time and he wished to recommend a course of action which would give the best outcomes for young people.

Having considered a confidential officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for School Performance and Children's Services, Councillor Chris Barnham, the Mayor and Cabinet for the reasons set out in the report and by a vote of 8-0:

RESOLVED that:

(1) the importance of maintaining and where possible strengthening a youth services offer which is outcomes focused, demonstrating positive impact for Lewisham young people be confirmed;

(2) while providing a core universal and high quality open door offer of places to go and things to do, this should be an enhanced offer providing a responsive and creative use of space across the borough improving young people's access; and be able to respond and intervene to the needs of young people, including the ability to case hold, outreach and mentoring;

(3) a tender be made for Youth Services for young people in Lewisham; and

(4) the contract be tendered for a duration of 4 years from 1st April 2020, with an option to extend for 2 years, at a stated the annual maximum value and stated maximum total value excluding extension, and maximum stated total value including extension.

### **137. Mental Health Accommodation Based Support Service**

Having considered a confidential officer report, and a presentation by the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Chris Best, the Mayor and Cabinet for the reasons set out in the report and by a vote of 9-0:

RESOLVED that the contract with Equinox Care be extended for a period of one year from 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2021 at a stated cost to support

people with mental health problems.

**138. Award of Contract Tier 4 Substance Misuse**

Having considered a confidential officer report, and a presentation by the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Chris Best, the Mayor and Cabinet for the reasons set out in the report and by a vote of 9-0:

RESOLVED that:

(1) the organisations listed below be appointed onto the framework for the provision of residential rehabilitation, quasi rehabilitation, day programme and detoxification services for a period of 4 years under the following category headings or 'Lots':

**Lot 1: Structured Day Programmes (2 organisations)**

Freedom Recovery Centre  
Kairos

**Lot 2: Residential Rehabilitation Programme (11 organisations)**

Acorn Recovery	The Nelson Trust
Bosance Farm	Somewhere House
Kairos	Streetscene Addiction Recovery
Kaleidoscope	Ltd
Phoenix Futures	Salvation Army
	Thomas
	Western Counselling

**Lot 3: Quasi Rehabilitation Programme (2 organisations)**

Acorn Recovery	Freedom Recovery Centre
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**Lot 4: Specialist Interventions (7 organisations)**

Bosance Farm	Kaleidoscope
Burton Addiction Services	Phoenix Futures
Delphi	Western Counselling
East Coast Recovery	

(2) the approval to purchase residential rehabilitation, quasi rehabilitation day programme and detoxification services from organisations not appointed on to the framework agreement in exceptional cases, be delegated to the Executive Director for Community Services.

**139. Learning Disability Framework Extension**

Having considered a confidential officer report, and a presentation by the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Chris Best, the Mayor and Cabinet for the reasons set out in the report and by a vote of 9-0:

RESOLVED that:

(1) a nine month extension of the contracts between the Council and the following organisations be approved as detailed below:

<b>Provider</b>	<b>Name of Service</b>	<b>Category of service</b>	<b>Extension to:</b>
Royal Mencap	Avon Road	Supported Living	30/06/20
Lewisham Nexus Service	191c Burnt Ash Hill	Supported Living	30/06/20
Three C's Support	133 Mayow Road	Supported Living	30/06/20
Three C's Support	25 Canadian Avenue	Supported Living	30/06/20
Three C's Support	53 Bargery Road	Supported Living	30/06/20
Three C's Support	59 Culverley Road	Supported Living	30/06/20
PLUS	Haddington Road	Supported Living	30/06/20
Aurora Options	94 Burnt Ash Hill	Residential Care	30/06/20
PLUS	Elwis House	Residential Care	30/06/20
Aurora Options	George Lane	Residential Care	30/06/20
Three C's Support	1 & 10 Friendly Street	Supported Living	30/06/20
Three C's Support	112 Breakspears Road	Supported Living	30/06/20
Aurora Options	Jutland Road	Supported Living	31/07/20
Aurora Options	Kitto Road	Supported Living	31/07/20

(2) the total stated expenditure be approved.

#### **140. Annual Renewal of Microsoft Enterprise License**

Having considered a confidential officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Democracy, Refugees & Accountability, Councillor Kevin Bonavia, the Mayor and Cabinet for the reasons set out in the report and by a vote of 9-0:

RESOLVED that authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Corporate Services to approve the final contract renewal price resulting from the procurement by the Shared ICT Service up to a maximum stated value for a period of one year.

The meeting closed at 7.31pm.