

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

7.45 pm Wednesday, 22 May 2013 At Council Chamber - Town Hall

Members of the Council of the London Borough of Havering are hereby summoned to attend the Annual Meeting of the Council at the time and place indicated for the transaction of the following business.

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AGENDA

1 MAYORALTY, 2013/14

(a) To elect the Mayor of the Borough for the Municipal Year 2013/14.

Motion on behalf of the Administration

That Councillor Eric Munday be elected Mayor for the Municipal Year 2013/14.

(b) To receive notice of the appointment of the Deputy Mayor of the Borough for the Municipal Year 2013/14.

Note: details of the ceremonial proceedings are set out in the booklet "Election of the 50th Mayor of Havering"

2 MINUTES (Pages 1 - 62)

To sign as a true record the minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 27 March 2013 (attached).

3 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Members are invited to disclose any pecuniary interest in any of the items on the agenda at this point of the meeting.

Members may still disclose any pecuniary interest in an item at any time prior to the consideration of the matter.

4 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE MAYOR, BY THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL OR BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

To receive announcements (if any)

5 APPOINTING THE COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL (Pages 63 - 76)

To consider the Chief Executive's report about appointing Committees (attached).

6 APPOINTMENT OF THE CHAIRMEN AND VICE-CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES (Pages 77 - 82)

To consider the attached motion on behalf of the Administration and amendments by the Independent Residents' Group and the Residents' Group.

See also the attached Explanatory Note.

7 APPOINTMENT OF THE STATUTORY LEAD MEMBER FOR CHILDREN'S SERVICES (Pages 83 - 84)

To consider the attached motion on behalf of the Administration.

8 APPOINTMENT OF THE MEMBER CHAMPIONS (Pages 85 - 86)

To consider the attached motion on behalf of the Administration and amendment by the Residents' Group.

9 STATEMENT BY THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

To receive a statement by the Leader of the Council, Councillor Michael White.





MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE LONDON BOROUGH OF HAVERING Havering Town Hall, Romford 27 March 2013 (7.30pm – 11.15pm)

Present: The Mayor (Councillor Lynden Thorpe) in the Chair

Councillors: Councillors June Alexander, Michael Armstrong, Clarence

Barrett, Robert Benham, Becky Bennett, Sandra Binion, Jeffrey Brace, Denis Breading, Wendy Brice-Thompson, Andrew Curtin, Keith Darvill, Michael Deon Burton, Osman Dervish, Nic Dodin, David Durant, Brian Eagling, Ted Eden* Roger Evans, Gillian Ford, Georgina Galpin, Peter Gardner, Linda Hawthorn, Linda Van den Hende, Lesley Kelly, Steven Kelly, Barbara Matthews, Paul McGeary, Robby Misir, Ray Morgon, Eric Munday, Pat Murray*, John Mylod, Denis O'Flynn, Barry Oddy, Fred Osborne, Ron Ower*, Garry Pain, Roger Ramsey, Paul Rochford, Geoffrey Starns, Billy Taylor, Barry Tebbutt, Frederick Thompson, Jeffrey Tucker, Melvin Wallace, Lawrence Webb, Keith Wells, Damian White,

Michael White and John Wood.

15 Members' guests and a representative of the press were also present.

Apologies were received for the absence of Councillors Pam Light, Mark Logan and Linda Trew.

The Mayor advised Members and the public of action to be taken in the event of emergency evacuation of the Town Hall becoming necessary.

Prayers were said by Father Roderick Hingley, Mayor's Chaplain

The meeting closed with the singing of the National Anthem.

91 MINUTES (agenda item 3)

The minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 27 February 2013 were before the Council for approval.

The minutes were **AGREED** without division and it was **RESOLVED**:

^{*} for part of the meeting

That the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 27 February 2013 be signed as a correct record.

92 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS (agenda item 4)

There were no disclosures of interest.

93 FORMER COUNCILLOR OWEN WARE

The Council stood in silence as a mark of respect for former Councillor Owen Ware who had recently died. All Group Leaders and six other Members paid tributes to Councillor Ware.

94 ANNOUNCEMENTS (agenda item 5)

There were no announcements by the Mayor.

95 **PROCEDURAL MOTIONS**

A procedural motion was proposed that the motions before Council be debated in the following order:

16A (Closure of St. George's Hospital Hornchurch)

16C (Housing Benefit Changes: Bedroom Tax) and

16B (Regulatory Services Committee: Webcasting)

The procedural motion was **CARRIED** by 25 votes to 3 (see division 1) and it was **RESOLVED** accordingly.

A procedural motion that the debate on an amendment to the report at agenda item 9 ((Revision of Procedure for Council Questions) be held under the intermediate debate procedure was **CARRIED** by 19 votes to 0 (see division 2) and it was **RESOLVED** accordingly..

96 **PETITIONS (agenda item 6)**

Pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 23, petitions were presented as follows, by Councillors:

Councillor Jeffrey Tucker – seeking improvements at Chafford Sports Centre.

Councillor Denis Breading –

requesting the appointment of a crossing patrol person in Blacksmith Lane at the rear of Rainham Road

Councillor Keith Darvill - seeking the provision of a temporary ice rink in Romford

Councillor Damian White – against development on the site of Garrick House, Hornchurch

It was **NOTED** that each petition would be passed to Committee Administration for attention in accordance with the Council's Petitions Scheme.

97 ARMED FORCES CHAMPION (Agenda item 7)

At the Council meeting on 30 January 2013, in response to a Member's question, the Leader of the Council indicated that he supported the proposition that the Council should appoint a Member Champion for Armed Forces veterans. This comment was met with approval from all present at the meeting. Subsequently it was considered that a Champion for the Armed Forces inclusive of currently serving personnel, veterans and youth cadet organisations would be more appropriate.

No specific terms of reference were proposed for this appointment but the Member appointed would be expected to establish and maintain links with the Armed Forces units with which the Council had a relationship such as The Royal Anglian Regiment and HMS Raider as well as the wide number of different veterans' organisations such as the Royal British Legion, the Burma Star Association and the Royal Air Force Association. The role would also provide an opportunity to promote the work of the pre-service youth cadet organisations in the borough and to promote the Armed Forces Community Covenant which Havering signed in 2012.

The recommendations of the Governance Committee were **APPROVED** without division and it was **RESOLVED**:

That a Member Champion for Armed Forces be appointed, with effect from the Annual Council in May 2013.

98 ANNUAL COUNCIL ARRANGEMENTS (agenda item 8)

Following a review of the different ways in which the Annual Meetings of the Council were arranged in the past several years, the Governance Committee now considered that the arrangements for the Annual Council that were followed in 2012 should become permanent. This required amendment of the Council Procedure Rules and this report was submitted accordingly.

The new arrangements would provide as follows:

- (a) Other than in the year of the local elections next due in 2014 immediately before the main Annual Meeting there will be a brief extraordinary meeting of the Council to deal with nominations for the election of Honorary Freemen (in election years, this will be dealt with at the July meeting of the Council)
- (b) The Annual Meeting itself will follow on as seamlessly as possible from the extraordinary meeting, and the business to be considered will be:
- (i) The Election of the Mayor
- (ii) The appointment of Deputy Mayor
- (iii) The appointment of Committees and their Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen
- (iv) The appointment of Member Champions
- (v) A statement by the Leader of the Council
- (c) A further, ordinary meeting of the Council will be held two or three weeks after the Annual Meeting, at which the business will include:
- (i) A debate upon the Leader of the Council's statement at the Annual Meeting
- (ii) Other, ordinary business (Reports, Questions and Motions)

Accordingly, the Governance Committee recommended to Council that the new Council Procedure Rules to give effect to these arrangements as set out in appendix 1 to these minutes be approved..

The recommendations of the Governance Committee were **APPROVED** without division and it was **RESOLVED**:

- 1 That the proposed new arrangements for the Annual Meeting be approved
- That the changes to the relevant Council Procedure Rules set out in Appendix 1 be approved.

99 REVISION OF PROCEDURE FOR COUNCIL QUESTIONS (agenda item 9)

For many years, 30 minutes has been available at Council meetings for questions about the business of the Council and matters affecting the borough. Members, having given notice of their main question and received the initial answer could then ask without notice a supplementary question. The number of questions put down for answer was invariably over 20 and often near 30, but it was now rare for more than nine or 10 questions to be answered. As well as the number of questions, the complexity of many meant that a considerable amount of research has to be undertaken in a patently short period as questions currently have to be submitted six working days before the Council meeting.

The reduction in the size of the officer structure together with the number and complexity of questions was resulting in the answers being completed very close to the Council meeting and often required Cabinet Members to consider the draft replies at very short notice.

To address this problem, the Governance Committee suggested that the notice period for the deposit of questions should be extended to 11 working days before the Council meeting. This would enable answers to be prepared in a comprehensive manner, including sufficient time for Cabinet Members to include their input into the final replies.

The Mayor would still be able to permit the asking of an urgent question where a matter of importance had arisen after the normal closing date for questions. In order that more questions could be answered orally, the Committee had also suggested that the number of questions be limited to a maximum of 15. There would be no time limit.

It was also proposed that once the 15 questions have been submitted any subsequent questions would be treated as member enquiries and would receive a written response in the normal manner.

There were already provisions in the Council Procedure Rules to ensure a fair distribution of questions. These provisions would be retained.

An amendment to the report by the Residents' Group that the recommendation of the Governance Committee be amended to read:

1. Rule 10.2 (i) of the Council Procedure Rules (Notice of Questions) be amended to read:

"they have given 11 clear days' notice in writing to the Proper Officer signed by the Member or by the Group Leader on behalf of that Member"

and the timetable in the Appendix to the Rules be amended accordingly.

2. That there are no further changes to the existing arrangements

was **LOST** by 29 votes to 19 (see division 3).

The motion by the Administration that the recommendations of the Governance Committee be approved was **CARRIED** by 28 votes to 4 (see division 4) and it was **RESOLVED** without division that:

1. Rule 10.2(i) of the Council Procedure Rules (Notice of Questions) be amended to read:

"They have given 11 clear days' notice in writing to the Proper Officer signed by the Member or by the Group Leader on behalf of that Member"

and the timetable in the Appendix to the Rules be amended accordingly.

2. That rule 10.6 of the Council Procedure Rules (Time for Questions) be amended to read:

"Number of Questions

A maximum of 15 questions can be submitted for a Council meeting all of which together with any supplementary questions under rule 10.5 will receive an oral reply at the meeting. Any questions in excess of the maximum number that are submitted will be treated as a Member enquiry and receive a written response."

100 HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD (agenda item 10)

CHANGES TO THE COUNCIL'S CONSTITUTION AS A RESULT OF THE HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE ACT 2012

The Health and Social Care Act 2012 had introduced the largest and most significant change to the NHS since its creation. The Act transferred public health functions back to local authorities with effect from the 1 April 2013. The Act required the establishment of a Health and Wellbeing Board as an executive committee of the Council also with effect from 1 April 2013.

At its meeting on 19 September 2012, Council approved the membership of Havering's Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) in line with legal requirements. The Shadow HWB had been meeting since March 2011 and, at its last meeting in February 2013, agreed to request specific rules of procedure required to comply with all relevant primary and secondary

legislation affecting the HWB. The Governance Committee had now reviewed those rules of procedure proposed by the Shadow HWB. These were incorporated into the recommended changes to the Constitution along with additional changes required to integrate public health functions into the Constitution.

The recommendations of the Governance Committee were **APPROVED** without division and it was **RESOLVED** that:

- 1. The recommended changes to the Council's Constitution as detailed in Appendix 2, be adopted.
- 2. The Membership of the Health and Wellbeing Board as set out in Appendix 3, be noted.

101 HEALTH OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE FUNCTIONS (agenda item 11)

The report before Council recommended some changes to how formal consultation responses from the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee were dealt with. In line with the requirements of the Health and Social Care Act 2012, it was recommended that such responses to formal consultations be reported to full Council for information and, where necessary, endorsement. Formal referrals of health matters to the Secretary of State would need to be reported to Council upon whose resolution such a referral could be made. It was recommended that day to day health scrutiny functions should continue to be undertaken by the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

The report of the Governance Committee was **APPROVED** without division and it was **RESOLVED** that:

- 1 The Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee (and any successor OSC) continue to carry out the day-to-day health scrutiny functions
- Responses to any formal consultation by a health service body be reported to the next convenient meeting of the Council for information and, where necessary, endorsement
- Where the Health OSC considers that a health service proposal should be referred formally to the Secretary of State, it should report upon the matter to the Council and such referral should be made only by resolution of the Council.

- The Council continue to participate in the activities of the Outer North East London Joint Health OSC and that the Council's Joint Health OSC continue to have authority to enter into other Joint Health O&S arrangements as appropriate.
- The functions of the Health OSC be amended by the insertion after the current description of the OSC's functions in Section 1.4 of Part 3 of the Constitution of the words:

"(except any referral to the Secretary of State, which is reserved to the Council by resolution)"

102 AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION (agenda item 12)

The Council noted that some small amendments to the Constitution were required in order to allow the Head of Customer Services to have the power to decide which staff represented the Council at the Valuation Tribunal on Council Tax support matters.

The recommendations of the Governance Committee were **APPROVED** without division and it was **RESOLVED that**:

The following amendments to the Constitution and to practice be adopted.

- 1. That the Head of Customer Services be delegated the power to authorise staff in the particular circumstances relating to council tax issues.
- 2. Part 3.6.2 Head of Customer Services be amended by:

Adding, after (h) (iii) a new paragraph (iv) to authorise staff to represent the Council on all matters relating to council tax support appeals in the Valuation Tribunal service. Current paragraph (iv) will then be renumbered (v).

103 PAY POLICY STATEMENT (agenda item 13)

The Localism Act 2011 required the Council to prepare a pay policy statement by the 31 March each year before it came into force. The pay policy statement was required to be approved by a full meeting of the Council and published on the Council's website.

The Council's pay policy statement must set out:

- The remuneration of the its Chief Officers
- The remuneration of its lowest-paid employees
- The relationship between the remuneration of its Chief Officers and its other employees

Under the Localism Act 2011, Chief Officers in Havering are defined as those remunerated on the following grades:

- HG1 (Chief Executive)
- HG2/HG2S Group Director)
- HG3 (Assistant Chief Executive/Assistant Director)
- HS 1/2/3 (Head of Service)
- NHS VSM (Director for Public Health)
- Director of Finance & Corporate Services (ALMO)

The recommendations of the Chief executive were **APPROVED** without division and it was **RESOLVED** that:

The Pay Policy statement as shown in Appendix 4 of the minutes be approved.

104 MEETINGS OF COUNCIL 2013/14 (agenda item 14)

The Council was invited to agree the dates of its meetings in the municipal year 2013/14. The Council noted that it was possible that the dates of the Annual Meeting and subsequent June meeting may need to be altered due to the possible change in date of the Municipal election. A further report on that position and any adjustment to meetings arrangements consequent upon it, would follow in due course if necessary.

RESOLVED:

That the Council fixes the date of its meetings for the Municipal Year 2013/14 and, on a provisional basis, the balance of 2014 as follows:

2013

12 June (continuation of Annual Meeting from 23 May)

17 July

18 September

27 November

2014
29 January
26 February (Council tax Setting)
26 March
21 May (Annual Meeting)(provisional: see below)
4 June (continuation of Annual Meeting from 22 May)
(provisional)
16 July (provisional)
24 September (provisional)
26 November (provisional)

105 MEMBERS' QUESTIONS (agenda item 15)

Ten questions were asked and replies given.

The text of the questions, and their answers, together with those not asked orally, are set out in **Appendix 5** to these minutes.

106 CLOSURE OF ST. GEORGE'S HOSPITAL, HORNCHURCH (agenda item 16A)

Motion on behalf the Labour Group

This Council acknowledges the invaluable contribution that St George's Hospital has made to the quality of life of the people of Havering, particularly older people and their dependents. It is therefore with deep regret that after various unsuccessful attempts at justifying closure of the site the Primary Care Trust has now achieved its objective.

In light of this the Council places on record its strongly held view that the future use of the site should have regard to the heritage of the site and to the needs of the people of Havering. It is widely accepted that Havering has one of the largest growing elderly populations in London. To this end, and subject to the appropriate planning processes, the Council will seek to influence any proposed development of the site.

In particular it will enter into urgent discussions with the Primary Care Trust and its successors to reinforce the strength of local feeling that the future use of the site should reflect its long-standing historical medical and community care relationship with the local community. Those discussions should explore the possibility of a pathfinding development of an older persons' village. For example, this might comprise a mixed development of retirement homes for sale and rent (involving private developers and housing associations), sheltered housing, a resource centre encompassing medical and nursing facilities, residential care facilities and provision for a

luncheon club, together with other local amenities. Such development should attempt to retain as much as possible of the current architectural heritage of the site with new buildings reflecting architectural sympathy with that heritage.

In pursuance of this the Council will also:

- 1. Consider including a specific policy or site allocation in the forthcoming Havering Local Plan enshrining these objectives and the necessary planning principles;
- 2. Make urgent representations to the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government as to the desirability of, and seeking his support for, a pathfinding scheme of this nature as a demonstration of 'the new localism' and as a measure of joined up government seek his liaison with the Secretary of State for Health regarding ownership and disposal of the site;
- 3. Consult with appropriate heritage bodies regarding possible measures for the protection and preservation of existing buildings on the site.

This Council believes that such a development would be ideally located, in a pleasant environmental setting and close to essential transport hubs. It would provide opportunity for self-help among a community of retired and older people and would be likely to attract resource from voluntary and community organisations. It would also be of benefit to the health and well-being of those people and help facilitate more people to live independent lives for longer and avoiding loneliness.

The Council concludes that in addition to the obvious community benefits, the principle of such a development would have a positive impact on the increasingly stretched resources of the various public sector agencies, including the NHS.

A1: Amendment on behalf of the Administration

Amend to read:

Although the St. George's Hospital site in Hornchurch is a matter for the CCG, this Council wants to work in partnership to achieve the following for its local community:-

- 1) Establish a specific health facility on the site.
- 2) Protect Havering's Greenbelt
- 3) Any proceeds from the sale of the site must be spent on the local health economy in Havering.

Following debate, the Administration amendment was **CARRIED** by 39 votes to 8 (see division 5); and it was then **CARRIED** as the substantive motion without division.

RESOLVED that:

Although the St. George's Hospital site in Hornchurch is a matter for the CCG, this Council wants to work in partnership to achieve the following for its local community:-

- 1) Establish a specific health facility on the site.
- 2) Protect Havering's Greenbelt
- 3) Any proceeds from the sale of the site must be spent on the local health economy in Havering.

107 HOUSING BENEFIT CHANGES: BEDROOM TAX (agenda item 16C)

Motion on behalf of the Labour Group

This Council asks the Government to re-examine the measures it is putting in place to cut housing benefit from some of Havering's most vulnerable residents on the grounds that their social housing has a spare bedroom;

Believes it to be an unworkable policy given that if people moved house it would not save any money;

Notes that according to the Government's own impact assessment, two thirds of the households affected have a disabled person; and

Calls on the Government to drop the policy and think again.

C1: Amendment on behalf of the Administration

__ <u>Amend</u> to read:

This Council notes that the Government has re-examined its measures to reform Housing Benefit and made changes for the Armed Forces, Foster Carers and households with a child having severe disabilities and allocated resources for discretionary payments in other cases.

Following debate, the Administration amendment was **CARRIED** by 40 votes to 8 (see division 6) and it was then **CARRIED** as the substantive motion by 40 votes to 8 (see division 7).

RESOLVED that:

This Council notes that the Government has re-examined its measures to reform Housing Benefit and made changes for the Armed Forces, Foster Carers and households with a child having severe disabilities and allocated resources for discretionary payments in other cases.

108 REGULATORY SERVICES COMMITTEE: WEBCASTING MEETINGS (agenda item 16B)

Motion on behalf of the Independent Residents' Group

When in the interests of transparency Cllr Michael Deon Burton first proposed that council meetings be recorded on the WebCam there was some opposition from camera shy members concerned about costs. A valid concern, but public scrutiny is good for local democracy and the WebCam is needed because so few residents actually attend meetings. At present the WebCam only covers Council and Cabinet meetings.

Therefore this Council agrees the WebCam should be extended to cover all Regulatory Services Committee meetings to ensure the conduct of members is of the highest standard and to help restore/maintain public confidence in the planning process that is often badly shaken by contentious decisions and behaviour.

B1: Amendment on behalf of the Administration

Amend to read:

This Council notes the question of extension of webcasting of Council meetings to Regulatory Services Committee meetings is already under review by Governance Committee and awaits its report before considering the matter further.

Following debate, the Administration amendment was **CARRIED** by 40 votes to 8 (see division 8) and it was then **CARRIED** as the substantive motion by 40 votes to 2 (see division 9).

RESOLVED that:

This Council notes the question of extension of webcasting of Council meetings to Regulatory Services Committee meetings is already under review by

Governance Committee and awaits its report before considering the matter further.

109 VOTING RECORD

The record of voting divisions is attached as **Appendix 6**.

Mayor 22 May 2013

Proposed changes in the Council Procedure Rules

A. Replace the existing Rule 1 by the following:

1. ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

- 1.1 In a year when there is an ordinary election of Councillors, the annual meeting will take place within 21 days of the retirement of the outgoing Councillors. In any other year, the annual meeting will normally take place in May but may, if the Council so agrees, take place in March or April.
- 1.2 Other than in a year when there is an ordinary election of Councillors, an extraordinary meeting of the Council shall be held in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 4.3, commencing at 7.30pm, and the Annual Meeting shall commence immediately following the conclusion of that extraordinary meeting. In the year of an election, there shall be no extraordinary meeting but Council Procedure Rule 2(d) shall apply.
- 1.3 The business of the Annual Meeting shall be to:
 - (a) choose a Member to preside if the outgoing Mayor is not present and to receive apologies for absence;
 - (b) elect the Mayor of the Borough for the forthcoming municipal year and receive notice of the appointment of the Deputy Mayor;
 - (c) approve the minutes of the last meeting and of any subsequent extraordinary meeting;
 - (d) receive any declarations of interest from members;
 - (e) receive any announcements from the Mayor and/or Chief Executive;
 - (f) in a year when there is an ordinary election of Councillors, elect the Leader of the Council, and receive notice of the appointment of the Deputy Leader of the Council and the Members of the Cabinet
 - (g) appoint the overview and scrutiny committees and any such other committees as the Council considers appropriate to deal with matters which are neither reserved to the Council nor are executive functions; appoint their Chairmen and Vice Chairmen and appoint the following Member Champions:
 - (i) for Diversity
 - (ii) for the Historic Environment
 - (iii) for the Over Fifties

- (iv) for Standards
- (v) for the Voluntary Sector Compact
- (vi) for Younger Persons
- (vii) for Armed Forces veterans
- (h) receive a statement by (or on behalf of) the Leader of the Council relating to any aspect of the Council policy or in respect of any issue affecting the Council or the borough.
- 1.4 An additional Ordinary Meeting of the Council shall be held on such date as the Council may determine no more than 21 days after the Annual Meeting. Council Procedure Rule 2 shall apply to that additional meeting.
- 1.5 The Initial, Revised and Final Agendas for the Annual Meeting, and any papers or other submissions for consideration at that meeting, shall be delivered in accordance with Timetable 1 appended to these Rules.

B. In Rule 2, add a new subparagraph (d) as follows, and renumber subsequent subparagraphs accordingly

2. ORDINARY MEETINGS

(d) at the ordinary meeting held following the Annual Meeting in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 1.4, debate the Statement given by the Leader of the Council to the Annual Meeting.

C. In Rule 4, add a new paragraph 4.3 as follows:

4. EXTRAORDINARY MEETINGS

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4.3 Conferment of Honorary Freedom

Immediately before the Annual Meeting of the Council in any year other than when there is an ordinary election of Councillors, an extraordinary meeting shall be convened for the purpose of considering any nominations for the conferment of the Honorary Freedom of the Borough in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 24

D. In Rule 11, add a new paragraph 11.12 as follows:

11. MOTIONS OF WHICH NOTICE IS GIVEN

11.12 Debate of Leader of the Council's Statement to the Annual Meeting of the Council

At the additional ordinary meeting following the Annual Meeting of the Council held in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 1.4, there shall be deemed to be a motion "That the Statement given by the Leader of the Council's to the Annual Meeting of the Council be received". Amendments may be moved to that deemed motion in accordance with the provisions of this Rule.

The provisions of Rules 11.1 and 11.2 shall not apply to that deemed motion.

E. Insert into Rule 24 the words highlighted:

24. CONFERMENT OF AWARDS FOR EMINENT SERVICE

24.1 Other than in a year in which there is an ordinary election of Councillors, Council shall consider at an extraordinary meeting held immediately before the Annual Meeting whether to confer on any person the Honorary Freedom of the borough, in recognition of their distinction or eminent services to the borough.

APPENDIX 2 (Minute 100)

Part	Section	Page	Insertion	Summary of Changes
-	Summary	7	New paragraph six:	
			6. Health & Wellbeing Board	
			The Council's Health and Wellbeing Board is a committee that includes NHS representatives as well as councillors and officers from the Council. Havering's	This change reflects the new strategic role of the Council in shaping local
				health services.
			their health and wellbeing and to harrow inequalities and improve outcomes for local residents.	
2.	Article 1	11	Under (b) add:	It is a statutory
200	(Para 1.03)		7. Director of Public Health	requirement to have a Director of Public Health.
2.	Article 8	21	Under (b) [Corporate Management Team] add:	
<u>.</u>	(Para 8.01)			It is intended that the
<u> </u>			 Director of Public Health 	Corporate Management
			Hader (c) [Statiston, Officers] add (into the table):	Structure WIII change to
			Office (c) Described Office of and (into the table).	reliect trie incorporation of
			Post: Director of Public Health, Statutory Designation: Director of Public Health	public nealth into the Council
2.	Article 9	22	Under sub-section 9.03 [Executive Decisions] add an additional sentence, to read:	44 - 44
			9.03 Decisions made by the Health and Wellbeing Board are also Executive	Relierates the policy intention of the Health and
			Decisions as this is a statutory executive committee.	Social Care Act 2012 to
			Under sub-section 9.05 [Referral of Decision-Making to Higher Authority] add an	ensure that health and
			additional sentence, to read:	autonomous bodies, with
			Decisions of the Health and Wellbeing Board cannot be referred to other parts of	no need to refer decisions or have them ratified.
			the Council, I.e. Cabinet, where the statutory decision making power rests solely	

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		5	with the Board.	
~	Appendix	28	Insert (into the table):	
			Committee: Health & Wellbeing Board	Reflects the Board's status
			Number of Members and any Special Requirements: 4 councillors, 3 council officers (Chief Executive, Group Director, Social Care & Learning and Director of Public Health), 1 statutory Healthwatch representative, 3 NHS members from Havering's Clinical Commissioning Group, 1 member from the National Commissioning Board with voting rights.	as a part of the Council's committee structure.
က်	(Para 3)	35	Under 3 [Functions Delegated to Staff] add:	The Health & Social Care
			3.9 Director of Public Health	Act 2012 gives public health responsibility to the
Page				Council and allocates powers directly onto the Director of Public Health.
က် ၁.10	Section 1.2	37	In the table under 1.2 [Functions Delegated to General Council Committees] add the following under 'Governance Committee,' 'Appointments and Dismissals':	-
			'Director of Public Health' after 'Group Directors' in bullet points 2 and 3 of this	Standard recruitment rules for CMT staff apply.
			section.	
က်	Section 1.2	36	In the table under 1.2 In the table under 1.2 [Functions Delegated to General Council Committees] add the following after 'Governance Committee but before 'Highways Advisory Committee':	These functions follow
			Council Committee: Health & Wellbeing Board	Board by the Health and Social Care Act 2012 and
			Functions: To exercise those functions prescribed under the Health and Social Care Act 2012. In particular to:	does not preclude any such functions as may be allocated at a later date.

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Summary of Changes						
e Insertion	 Duty to encourage integrated working To encourage organisations involved in the provision of any health or social care services in the borough to work in an integrated manner. To advise, support and encourage (where appropriate) section 75 arrangements under the National Health Service Act 2006 in connection with the provision of health services. To encourage all those involved in the provision of health-related services to work with the Board. To arrange and encourage any persons involved in the provision of health-related services to work in cooperation with the Health and Wellbeing Board. 	 Other Functions To exercise those functions conferred on the Council by virtue of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007, namely: 	 Preparation of a Joint Strategic Needs Assessment, and; Preparation of a Health and Wellbeing Strategy 	 To inform the Council on whether or not the Council is meetings its duties under section 116B of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 (duty to have regard for strategies). 	 Discharge of Functions If appropriate, to make arrangements for its functions to be discharged jointly with the Board of another authority and/or by joint sub-committees. 	 Supply of Information To request, where necessary, information from any organisation represented on the Board that relates to the function of the organisation from which the information is requested and that is for the purpose of enabling or assisting the Board in fulfilling its functions.
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Part	Section	Page	Insertion	Summary of Changes
3.	Section 1.2	41	Under 1.2 [Sub-Committees] add:	or of the state of
			Committee Establishing Sub-Committee: Health and Wellbeing Board	specific details of flow this sub-committee will operate have yet to be finalised.
			Name of Sub-Committee	Some discussions are underway about having a
			Health Protection Forum	joint Forum between three
			 Functions To provide assistance and guidance to the Director of Public Health to enable them to fulfil their function with regard to health protection and emergency planning as prescribed in Section 12 of the Health and Social Care Act 2012. 	borougns. Further changes may need to be made to accommodate these arrangements.
m D	Section 1.4	46	In the table [overview and scrutiny areas of responsibility] delete the existing content under 'Health' and substitute with the following:	
200 3			 Scrutiny of NHS bodies including the Havering Clinical Commissioning Group, NHS trusts, NHS foundation trusts and other providers of NHS 	Reflect the changes brought about in the role
0.4			services within the borough or to residents of the borough. • To consider and provide recommendations on any proposed substantial	and processes underpinning the Council's bealth scrution function
			development of the health service in the borough or any substantial variation of health services currently provided which are referred to it by the relevant health service commissioner or provider.	
က်	Section 2.4	52	Under 2.4 [Quality of Life Functions) add a point (iii) under 'Social Care and	
			ווסמווו .	This shows public health
			(iii) all matters relating to public health and dental health as conferred onto the authority by virtue of the National Health Services Act 2003, the Health and Social	as a function alongside the council's other duties.
			Care Act 2012 and any subsequent legislation (but excluding functions that are the statutory responsibility of the Health & Wellbeing Board).	
3.	Section 2.6	55	Under 2.6 [Portfolios assigned to individual Cabinet members] add:	Allocation of the public
			(ee) Public Health	nealth portions will be a matter for the Leader.

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Part	Section	Page	Insertion	Summary of Changes
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	Section 3.	59 &	Under 3. [Functions Delegated to Staff] add a new sub-section, 3.9, to which add:	
		108	3.9 Functions Delegated to the Director of Public Health	
			Under 3.9 add a new section 3.9.1, to which add:	
			3.9.1 DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH	
			(a) To take responsibility for all the Council's public health functions (b) To oversee all services relating to the public health function	
			(c) To provide information and advice on public health matters	
			(a) To provide services and facilities designed to promote nearing living (e) To provide services and facilities for the prevention of illnesses	
Pa			(f) To provide assistance (including financial assistance) to help individuals to	
age			minimise risks to health arising from their accommodation or environment (a) To provide or participate in the provision of training for persons working or	Reflects the general role of
22			seeking to work in the field of health improvement.	Health.
>			(h) The exercise of the local authority function in the National Health Service	
			(i) The planning for and responding to emergencies involving a risk to public	
			(j) The liaising with the Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police and the local	
			probation board on assessing and managing the risks posed by sexual and	
			public	
			(k) The medical inspection and treatment of pupils in attendance at schools	
			_	
			(I) The provision of advice, examination and treatment of persons seeking advice on contraception and the supply of contraceptive substances and	
			appliances.	

Part	Section	Page	Page Insertion	Summary of Changes
4.	Committee	180	Under Section 5 [Appointment of Chairman and Vice-Chairman of committees] amend sub-section (a) to read:	4 + 100000
	Rules		(a) The Chairman and Vice-Chairman of committees and sub-committees other than the Health and Wellbeing Board shall be appointed by Council, and shall hold office until the next annual meeting of Council.	chairman of the Board is conferred upon the Leader of the Council.
4	Committee	186	Under 'Rules for Specific Meetings', add a new sub-section 16, to which add:	
	Procedure Rules		16. Health & Wellbeing Board	
Pan			(a) Quorum for Board meetings shall be:– one councillor,– one local authority officer member of the Board, and;– one CCG clinical director or officer	
ıe 23			(b) The Chairman of the Board will be appointed by the Leader of the Council along with other councillor representatives.	Accommodates the special arrangements for the
			(c) All Board members have equal voting rights.	Board will adopt ordinary
			(d) In accordance with The Local Authority (Public Health, Health and Wellbeing Boards and Health Scrutiny) Regulations 2013, political proportionality rules do not apply to the Board.	procedure rules.
			(e) Members of the public will only be entitled to speak at Board meetings at the discretion of the Chairman.	
			(f) Sections 4, 5 and 7(d) of the committee procedure rules do not apply to the Board.	

Membership of the Health and Wellbeing Board

Member	Position	Representing
Cllr Steven Kelly	Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Individuals and Health	London Borough of Havering
Dr Gurdev Saini	CCG Board Member (Lead for the Local Authority)	Havering CCG
Cllr Andrew Curtin	Cabinet Member for Town and Communities, with special responsibility for Culture	London Borough of Havering
Conor Burke	Accountable Officer (Designate)	Havering CCG
Cheryl Coppell	Chief Executive	London Borough of Havering
Cllr Lesley Kelly	Cabinet Member for Housing	London Borough of Havering
Cllr Paul Rochford	Cabinet Member for Children & Learning	London Borough of Havering
Dr Atul Aggarwal	Chair	Havering CCG
Joy Hollister	Group Director, Social Care & Learning	London Borough of Havering
Dr Mary Black	Director of Public Health	London Borough of Havering
Anne-Marie Dean	HWB Representative (Chairman)	Healthwatch
Non-Voting Member:		
Alan Steward	Borough Director	Havering CCG

Appendix 4 (minute item 103)

London Borough of Havering

Pay Policy Statement 2013/14

1. Introduction

- 2. This pay policy statement is produced in accordance with Chapter 8 of the Localism Act 2011 which requires the Council to prepare a pay policy statement by the 31 March each year before it comes into force.
- 3. This pay policy statement was approved by a meeting of full Council on 27 March 2013. It is made available on the Council's website which also includes separately published data on salary information relating to the Council's senior management team.
- 4. Under the Localism Act 2011, the Council's pay policy statement must set out:
 - 1. the remuneration of its chief officers
 - 2. the remuneration of its lowest-paid employees
 - 3. the relationship between:
 - i. the remuneration of its chief officers and
 - ii. the remuneration of its employees who are not chief officers
- 5. Under the Localism Act 2011, Chief Officers in Havering are defined as those remunerated on the following grades:
 - 1. HG1 (Chief Executive)
 - 2. HG2/HG2S (Group Director)
 - 3. HG3 (Assistant Chief Executive/Assistant Director)
 - 4. HS1/2/3 (Head of Service)
 - 5. NHS VSM (Director of Public Health)
 - 6. Director of Finance & Corporate Services (ALMO)
- 6. This pay policy statement excludes staff in schools.
- 7. The Council's next pay policy statement will be for the year 2014/15 and will be submitted to a meeting of full Council for approval by 31 March 2014.
- 8. Remuneration of Chief Officers
- 9. <u>Chief Executive</u>
- 10. The Chief Executive role is the Council's Head of Paid Service.

- 11. The Chief Executive role is paid on the HG1 grade on a spot salary. As at 31 March 2013, the annual Full Time Equivalent spot salary is £163,920pa. The value of the spot salary is increased in accordance with the Joint Negotiating Committee for Chief Executives of Local Authorities with effect from 1st April each year (any increase for effect from 1st April 2013 has not yet been determined).
- 12. The Chief Executive role is entitled to receive a separate Returning Officer fee in respect of elections. The approach to the setting of these fees is set out in Appendix 1.
- 13. The Chief Executive role receives no other bonuses, overtime or any other additional salary payments.
- 14. Group Director
- 15. Group Director roles are paid on one of the following 2 grades comprising the following spinal points and annual Full Time Equivalent salary, as at 31 March 2013:

HG2

- 1. £113,750
- 2. £117,000
- 3. £120,250
- 4. £123,500
- 5. £126,750
- 6. £130,000

HG2S

- 1. £126,875
- 2. £130,500
- 3. £134,125
- 4. £137,750
- 5. £141,375
- 6. £145,000
- 16. The values of the spinal points are increased in accordance with the Joint Negotiating Committee for Chief Officers of Local Authorities with effect from 1st April each year (any increase for effect from 1st April 2013 has not yet been determined).
- 17. Progression through the spinal points is subject to annual incremental progression.

- 18. The Council's statutory chief officer roles currently undertaken by Group Directors are detailed below. No additional payments are made in respect of these roles:
 - Section 151 (Finance):Group Director: Resources
 - Children's Services and Adults Social Services: Group Director: Children, Adults and Housing Services
- 19. Group Director roles are entitled to receive a separate Deputy Returning Officer fee in respect of elections. The approach to the setting of these fees is set out in Appendix 1.
- 20. Group Director roles receive no other bonuses, overtime or any other additional salary payments.
- 21. Assistant Chief Executive/Assistant Director
- 22. Assistant Chief Executive/Assistant Director roles are paid on the following grade comprising the following spinal points and annual Full Time Equivalent salaries, as at 31 March 2013:

HG3

- 1. £91,875
- 2. £94.500
- 3. £97,125
- 4. £99,750
- 5. £102,375
- 6. £105,000
- 23. The values of the spinal points are increased in accordance with the Joint Negotiating Committee for Chief Officers of Local Authorities with effect from 1 April each year (any increase for effect from 1st April 2013 has not yet been determined).
- 24. Progression through the spinal points of the grade is subject to annual incremental progression.
- 25. The Assistant Chief Executive: Legal & Democratic Services role is the Council's Statutory Monitoring Officer. No additional payments are made in respect of this role.
- 26. The Assistant Chief Executive: Legal & Democratic Services role is entitled to receive a separate Deputy Returning Officer fee in respect of elections. The approach to the setting of these fees is set out in Appendix 1.

27. Assistant Chief Executive/Assistant Director roles receive no other bonuses, overtime or any other additional salary payments.

28. Head of Service

29. Head of Service roles are paid on one of the following 3 grades comprising the following spinal points and annual Full Time Equivalent salaries, as at 31 March 2013:

HS3

- 1. £70,125
- 2. £72,720
- 3. £75,318
- 4. £77,919

HS2

- a. £75,354
- b. £78,147
- c. £80,934
- d. £83,724

HS1

- a. £82,947
- b. £86,022
- c. £89,085
- d. £92,160
- 30. The values of the spinal points are increased in accordance with the Joint Negotiating Committee for Chief Officers of Local Authorities with effect from 1 April each year (any increase for effect from 1st April 2013 has not yet been determined).
- 31. Progression through the spinal points is subject to annual incremental progression.
- 32. The Head of Finance & Procurement receives an additional annual allowance of £5,000 in respect of Deputy Statutory Section 151 (Finance) responsibilities.
- 33. The Head of Legal Services receives an additional annual allowance of £5,000 in respect of Deputy Statutory Monitoring Officer responsibilities.

- 34. The Head of Children & Young People receives an additional Market Supplement payment equivalent to £10,000pa.
- 35. The Head of Internal Shared Services receives an additional Honorarium payment equivalent to £12,840pa.
- 36. The Head of Legal Services is entitled to receive a separate Deputy Returning Officer fee in respect of elections. The approach to the setting of these fees is set out in Appendix 1.
- 37. The Head of Business Systems role is currently shared with the London Borough of Newham (the London Borough of Havering meets 50% of the costs). Further details can be found on the London Borough of Newham's website.
- 38. Head of Service roles receive no other bonuses, overtime or any other additional salary payments.

39. <u>Director of Public Health</u>

- 40. As part of the National Transfer Order for Public Health duties which are being assumed by the Council, a new statutory role of Director of Public Health has been created. The role is paid on the NHS VSM (Very Senior Manager) scale with an annual Full Time Equivalent salary, as at 31 March 2013, of between £89,370 and £100,446. London Weighting is paid in addition of £2,162.
- 41. The values of the spinal points are increased in accordance with the NHS Pay and conditions of service for hospital medical and dental staff, doctors and dentists in public health, the community health service and salaried primary dental care with effect from 1st April each year (a rise of 1% under NHS terms and conditions will take effect from 1st April 2013).
- 42. The Director of Public Health role is eligible to be considered for a range of professional allowances and premiums including an award for Clinical Excellence, and call-out allowances under the national NHS Consultant pay scheme.
- 43. <u>Director of Finance & Corporate Services (ALMO)</u>
- 44. The Director of Finance & Corporate Services (ALMO) role was part of the former Homes in Havering structure which transferred to the London Borough of Havering in 2012. It is proposed to delete this post under the Council's new senior management structure (the decision on the date of the application of the proposed structure will be determined by the Leader of the Council). The

- role is paid on a spot salary. As at 31 March 2013, the annual Full Time Equivalent spot salary is £86,000pa.
- 45. The value of the spot salary is increased in accordance with the Joint Negotiating Committee for Chief Executives of Local Authorities with effect from 1st April each year (any increase for effect from 1st April 2013 has not yet been determined).
- 46. The Director of Finance & Corporate Services (ALMO) role receives an Additional Allowance of £4,000pa but no other bonuses, overtime or any other additional salary payments.

47. Other Remuneration for Chief Officers

- 48. On appointment, Chief Officers will be placed on the appropriate spinal point within the appropriate grade and paid any other allowance/payment as set out in this pay policy statement, having regard to the knowledge, skills and competencies of the individual as well as their current and previous salary levels.
- 49. Where it is proposed, on appointment, to place a Chief Officer on a spinal point/grade or pay an allowance/payment outside of those set out in this pay policy statement, full Council will be given the opportunity to vote on the application of any salary package that exceeds £100,000pa.
- 50. The Council does not operate a performance related pay scheme or other bonus schemes for Chief Officers.
- 51. Chief Officers are not entitled to payment for any other charges, fees or allowances.
- 52. Chief Officers are not entitled to any benefits in kind as a result of their office or employment.
- 53. All employees (including Chief Officers) who are within 3 years of retirement and have completed 25 years service within Local Government by the date of their retirement and have been continuously employed by the Council since 24 September 1997 are entitled to receive a salary plusage payment during their final 3 years employment with the Council. The payment is based on 0.2% and 0.3% of substantive salary for each year of Local Government service and each year of continuous service with the Council respectively.
- 54. The Council's policies regarding how the Council exercises the various employer discretions provided by the Local Government Pension Scheme

(LGPS) are set out at Appendix 2. These discretions are applied equally to Chief Officers and the Council's other employees. Chief Officers are not entitled to any other increase in or enhancement of pension entitlement as a result of a resolution of the authority.

- 55. On ceasing to be employed by the Council, Chief Officers (and the Council's other employees) will only receive compensation:
 - in circumstances that are relevant (eg redundancy) and
 - that is in accordance with the Council's published policies regarding the various employer discretions provided by the LGPS and/or
 - that complies with the specific terms of any compromise agreement
- 56. Any severance package in excess of £100,000 (excluding annual pension/pension lump sum payments) will be subject of a vote by full Council.
- 57. All directly employed staff, whether permanent or fixed term, will be paid via the Council's payroll system and subject to deduction of tax and national insurance in accordance with PAYE regulations.

58. Remuneration of the Council's Other Employees and the Council's Lowest Paid Employees

- 59. The Council uses the following grading structures to pay its other employees:
 - NJC for Local Government Employees
 - Soulbury Committee
 - JNC for Youth & Community Workers
 - School Teachers Pay & Conditions
 - NHS Terms & Conditions of Service
- 60. The grades, incremental points and annual Full Time Equivalent salaries, as at 31 March 2013, associated with these grading structures are detailed at Appendix 3.
- 61. The remuneration of the Council's other employees also includes the payments/allowances detailed at Appendix 4.
- 62. For the purpose of this pay policy statement the Council's lowest paid employees are defined as those paid at Scale 1, spinal point 4 of the NJC for Local Government Employees for which the annual Full Time Equivalent salary, as at 31 March 2013 is £14,697. The Council currently has 6 employees at this level.

63. For the purposes of this pay policy statement the Council's median paid employee is paid at Scale 6, spinal column point 28 of the NJC for Local Government Employees for which the annual Full Time Equivalent salary, as at 31 March 2013 is £25,455.

- 64. Relationship between the remuneration of the Council's top earner, its lowest paid employees and other employees
- 65. Although the Council does not have a policy regarding the ratio between the remuneration of its top earner, its lowest paid employees and other employees, the current ratios (based upon the part-year to February 2013) are detailed below.

Top Earner: Lowest Paid Employee 1:11.1
Top earner: Median Paid Employee 1:6.4

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Approach to the Setting of Returning Officer/Deputy Returning Officer Fees

Local Elections

Returning Officer fees are paid in accordance with the scale of fees agreed by the Leaders Committee of London Councils. The fees are funded by the Council which provides a budget every fourth year for running local elections. Fees for Deputy Returning Officer roles are paid by the Returning Officer from a budget allocated for clerical assistance and vary in accordance with duties and responsibilities undertaken.

Greater London Authority Elections

Returning Officer fees are set by the Greater London Returning Officer. The fees are funded by the Greater London Authority. Fees for Deputy Returning Officer roles are paid by the Returning Officer from a budget allocated for clerical assistance and vary in accordance with duties and responsibilities undertaken.

European Parliamentary and Parliamentary Elections and National Referenda

Returning Officer fees are set by the Central Government usually through the publication of a Statutory Instrument. The fees are funded by Central Government. Fees for Deputy Returning Officer roles are paid by the Returning Officer from a budget allocated for clerical assistance and vary in accordance with duties and responsibilities undertaken.



LOCAL GOVERNMENT PENSION SCHEME DISCRETIONS POLICY

(April 2010)

(as amended)

Statement of Policy

This statement outlines the Council's policies in relation to a number of discretions that may be exercised relating to pension and compensation matters. The Council's policies as detailed here will be operated in normal circumstances. However, each case will be considered on its own merits and exceptional circumstances may merit a move from the policies as outlined in this statement.

Regulation 31

Consent to the immediate payment of pension benefits between the ages of 55 and 60

Consent to the early payment of deferred pension benefits on compassionate grounds on or after the age of 55 and the waiving of an actuarial reduction to pension benefits on compassionate grounds.

The Local Government Pension Scheme allows a scheme member to retire voluntarily (or to receive payment of deferred benefits in the case of employees who have already left) at any point from age 60. Depending on their accrued scheme membership service at that point, they may suffer a reduction in the value of their pension and lump sum. The Pension Regulations provide that employers may permit scheme members to retire (or receive payment of deferred benefits) before age 60 (as long as they have attained age 55). As with retirement after age 60, they may suffer a reduction to the value of their accrued pension and lump sum.

The Council's current policy, as determined at Investment Committee 2001, is to exercise its discretion under this Regulation after careful consideration of the merits of each individual election taking into account the Council's financial position at the time of the election.

Regulation 35

Power of the Employing Authority to enable an employee who reduces their hours or grade either by their request or action by the employer, and is over 55 and under 65 to take their pension benefits with employer consent and remain in employment.

Changes have been made to the rules of the local Government Pension Scheme allowing scheme members (and employers) to consider the option of flexible retirement. This regulation allows employees over 55 who have reduced their grade or hours to receive immediate pension benefits whilst still working.

The Council has decided to allow flexible retirement in cases where there is no or minimal cost to the Council subject to careful consideration of the detailed merits of each individual case taking into account the Council's financial position at the time.

Regulation 52

Power of the Employing Authority to award an additional period of scheme membership to a scheme member.

This provision permits an employing authority to award an additional period of scheme membership to a scheme member (commonly referred to as "augmentation"). Subject to some other statutory limitations, the maximum that can be awarded is 10 years. The period can be awarded at any time as long as the employee who is to receive the award is still an active member of the Local Government Pension Scheme. The cost of granting the additional period of scheme membership falls entirely on the employing authority. It is also possible to use the augmentation provision within the Local Government Pension Scheme to provide a scheme member with the alternative of augmentation rather than receiving lump sum compensation upon redundancy or grounds of efficiency under the regulations.

The Council has decided not to exercise its power of discretion under this regulation.

Regulation 53

Power of the Employing Authority to increase total membership of new employees.

This Regulation allows the Council to resolve to increase a new employee's pension membership within 6 months of them joining the Local Government Pension Scheme. The Council has decided that in general this discretion will not be exercised, having regard to the likely cost.

The Council has resolved, as determined at Investment Committee 2001, only to exercise its discretion under this Regulation after careful consideration of the merits of each individual case taking into account the Council's financial position.

Regulations 67 and 71

Power of the Employing Authority to establish shared cost AVC schemes and Transfer of former assignable rights from a scheme as a result of re-employment.

This Regulation allows the Council to resolve to establish a SCAVC scheme

whereby the Council contributes as well as the member. The Council has decided not to exercise this discretion on cost grounds.

The Council has resolved, as determined at Investment Committee 2001, at this time not to establish a shared cost AVC scheme under Regulation 67 and transfers of former assignable rights (Regulation 71) will not be accepted.

Regulation 109

Power of the Employing Authority to reduce or suspend a pension payment where a scheme member who is in receipt of a pension from the Council's Fund enters a local government employment where they are again eligible to join the scheme.

This Regulation requires the Council to formulate and keep under review their policy concerning abatement (that is, the extent, if any, to which the amount of retirement pension payable to a member should be reduced (or whether it should be extinguished) where the member has entered a new employment with a Scheme employer, other than one in which he is eligible to belong to a teachers scheme).

The Council has decided that where this Regulation applies the retirement pension will be abated or reduced.



The Local Government (Early Termination Of Employment) (Discretionary Compensation) (England And Wales) Regulations 2006

Statement of Policy

(as amended)

(Published March 2010, effective from 1st April 2010)

The Council has made decisions under the above Regulations, which have resulted in the following policies being adopted. (Please note the above Regulations only apply to employees of the Council who are eligible to be members of the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) and who have been employed for 2 years or more – **they do not apply to teachers**). All awards are subject to the Pension Scheme Regulations.

Increase of Statutory Redundancy Payments

All redundancy payments will be based on an employee's actual weekly rate of pay.

Compensation for Redundancy: General

Employees whose employment is terminated by reason of redundancy will be paid according to the statutory redundancy table based on actual pay. Those who receive immediate pension benefits will have their redundancy payment capped at a maximum of £40,946.40 (current figure, this increases annually in line with JNC pay awards).

Added Pension Years Award for those aged 55 and over

Employees aged 55 or over who are members of the LGPS and whose employment is terminated by reason of redundancy or in the interests of the efficient exercise of the authority's functions will be eligible for immediate payment of pension benefits. The Local Government (Early Termination Of Employment) (Discretionary Compensation) (England And Wales) Regulations 2006 do not provide for the award of compensatory added years.

Appendix 3

Grading Structures for the Council's Other Employees

NJC for Local Government Employees

Spinal P	Point Pay		
	£		
4	14,697	Administrati	ve, Professional, Technical & Clerical Staff
5	14,814	Grade	Spinal Point Range
6	14,940	APTC 1	4-11
7	15,216	APTC 2	11-13
8	15,615	APTC 3	14-17
9	16,005	APTC 4	18-21
10	16,290	APTC 5	22-25
11	16,482	APTC 6	26-28
12	16,794	SO1	29-31
13	17,196	SO2	32-34
14	17,484		
15	17,808	Principal Off	icers
16	18,195	Grade	Spinal Point Range
17	18,582	PO1	33-36
18	18,915	PO2	35-38
19	19,563	PO3	38-41
20	20,205	PO4	41-44
21	20,877	PO5	44-47
22	21,375	PO6	46-49
23	21,951	LP07(a)	49-52
24	22,608	LP07(b)	50-53
25	23,277	LP07(c)	51-54
26	23,970	LP08(a)	55-58

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27	24,711	LP08(b)	56-59
28	25,455	LP08(c)	57-60
29	26,400	LP08(d)	58-61
30	27,225	LP08(e)	59-62
31	28,032	LP08(f)	60-63
32	28,800	LP08(g)	61-64
33	29,601	LP08(h)	62-65
34	30,390	LP08(i)	66-70
35	30,987		
36	31,761	Residential Workers **	- see below
37	32,607	Grade Spinal	Point Range
38	33,510	Grade 1/2	4-19
39	34,542	Grade 3	18-23
40	35,418	Grade 4	22-27
41	36,306	Grade 5	25-30
42	37,179	Grade 6	28-31
40	00.070	Grade 7	24.24
43	38,070	Grade 7	31-34
44	38,070	Grade 8	34-37
44	38,961	Grade 8	34-37
44 45	38,961 39,789	Grade 8	34-37 37-40
44 45 46	38,961 39,789 40,716	Grade 8 Grade 9 Residential Home Works	34-37 37-40
44 45 46 47	38,961 39,789 40,716 41,610	Grade 8 Grade 9 Residential Home Works	34-37 37-40
44 45 46 47 48	38,961 39,789 40,716 41,610 42,498	Grade 8 Grade 9 Residential Home Worke Grade Spinal	34-37 37-40 ers Point Range
44 45 46 47 48 49	38,961 39,789 40,716 41,610 42,498 43,368	Grade 8 Grade 9 Residential Home Worke Grade Spinal	34-37 37-40 Point Range 6 & 8
44 45 46 47 48 49 50	38,961 39,789 40,716 41,610 42,498 43,368 44,262	Grade 8 Grade 9 Residential Home Worke Grade Spinal 1 2	34-37 37-40 Prs Point Range 6 & 8 10-12
44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51	38,961 39,789 40,716 41,610 42,498 43,368 44,262 45,153	Grade 8 Grade 9 Residential Home Worke Grade Spinal 1 2 3	34-37 37-40 Point Range 6 & 8 10-12 13-15

55	48,876	Day Centre Officers			
		(for people with learning disabilities)			
56	49,836	Grade	Spinal Point Range		
57	50,790	Level 1	16-24		
58	51,741	Level 2	20-26		
59	52,704				
60	53,655	Social Workers Spinal Point Range			
61	54,609	22-36			
62	55,572	Minimum entry point for social worker (unqualified) is scp 22			
63	56,529	Minimum entry po	oint for social worker (qualified) is scp 24		
64	57,477	Review point for	social worker (unqualified) is scp 27		
65	58,440	Review point for	social worker (qualified) is scp 29		
66	59,667	Maximum point for	or social worker (unqualified) is scp 35		
67	60,915				
68	62,187				
69	63,498				
70	64,827				

** Residential Workers (W)

(inc weekend enhancement)

1/2 (W) SP 6-19 / BAR / 21

3 (W) SP 20-23 / BAR / 25

4 (W) SP 24-27 / BAR / 29

5 (W) SP 27-30 / BAR / 32

6 (W) SP 30-33

7 (W) SP 33-36

8 (W) SP 36-39

9 (W) 39-42

Residential Benchmark: Grade SP22-26 / BAR / 28

Soulbury Committee

Educational Improvement Professionals

Spine I	Point £		Spine Point	£	Spine Point £
1	32,353	18	51,837	35	69,228
2	33,512	19	52,969	36	70,337
3	34,606	20	53,554	37	71,427
4	35,714	21	54,679	38	72,529
5	36,817	22	55,658	39	73,616
6	37,920	23	56,738	40	74,702
7	39.079	24	57,705	41	75,795
8	40,192	25	58,741	42	76,885
9	41,491	26	59,749	43	77,975
10	42,649	27	60,781	44	79,071
11	43,792	28	61,827	45	80,164
12	44,899	29	62,876	46	81,257
13	46,152	30	63,924	47	82,356
14	47,269	31	64,961	48	83,446
15	48,503	32	66,016	49	84,539
16	49,620	33	67,071	50	85,632
17	50,739	34	68,151		

Trainee Educational Psychologists

<u>Spine</u>	Point	£
1	21,801	
2	23,397	
3	24,991	
4	26,587	
5	28,182	
6	29,777	

Assistant Educational Psychologists

Spine Point		£
1	26,799	
2	27,893	
3	28,988	
4	30,076	

Educational Psychologists - Scale A

Spine Point £			Spine Point	£
1	33,934	7	44,165	
2	35,656	8	45,786	
3	37,378	9	47,305	
4	39,100	10	48,825	
5	40,822	11	50,243	
6	42,544			

Senior & Principal Educational Psychologists

Spin	e Point £		Spine Point	£
1	42,544	10	54,085	
2	44,165	11	55,159	
3	45,786	12	56,255	
4	47,305	13	57,370	
5	48,825	14	58,447	
6	50,243	15	59,575	
7	50,825	16	60,693	
8	51,912	17	61,818	
9	52,989	18	62,942	

Young People's Community Service Managers

Spine Point £			Spine Point	£
1	33,555	13	46,633	
2	34,653	14	47,731	
3	35,751	15	48,831	
4	36,871	16	49,933	
5	38,009	17	51,042	
6	39,120	18	52,142	
7	40,256	19	53,237	
8	41,547	20	54,355	
9	42,258	21	55,496	
10	43,357	22	56,661	
11	44,450	23	57,851	
12	45,546	24	59,066	

JNC for Youth & Community Workers

Support Worker Level

Spine	Point £	Spine	Point £
1	14,143	10	19,636
2	14,733	11	20,591
3	15,324	12	21,525
4	15,917	13	22,489
5	16,509	14	23,485
6	17,100	15	24,166
7	17,697	16	24,875
8	18,291	17	25,574
9	19,047		

Grade Spine Points		Grade Spine	<u>Points</u>	Grade Spine Points	
First Level		Second Leve	el	Second Level (Contd.)	
YSW 11	1-4	YSW 21	7-10	YSW 25	11-14
YSW 12	2-5	YSW 22	8-11	YSW 26	12-15
YSW 13	3-6	YSW 23	9-12	YSW 27	13-16
		YSW 24	10-13	YSW 28	14-17

Professional Level

Spine I	Point £	Spine F	Point £	<u>`</u>
11	20,591	21	28,461	
12	21,525	22	29,352	
13	22,489	23	30,219	
14	23,485	24	31,091	
15	24,166	25	31,968	
16	24,875	26	32,847	
17	25,574	27	33,726	
18	26,279	28	34,613	
19	26,975	29	35,496	
20	27,673	30	36,377	

Grade	Spine Points	Grade	Spine Points
YPR 1	11-14	YPR 10	20-23
YPR 2	12-15	YPR 11	21-24
YPR 3	13-16	YPR 12	22-25
YPR 4	14-17	YPR 13	23-26
YPR 5	15-18	YPR 14	24-27
YPR 6	16-19	YPR 15	25-28
YPR 7	17-20	YPR 16	26-29
YPR 8	18-21	YPR 17	27-30
YPR 9	19-22		

School Teachers Pay & Conditions

Main Pay Scale £

M1 25,117 M2 26,674 M3 28,325 M4 30,080 M5 32,630 M6 35,116

Upper Pay Scale £

U1 37,599 U2 38,991 U3 40,433

Additional Payments for Class Teachers £

TLR 2 min 2,535
TLR 2 max 6,197
TLR 1 min 7,323
TLR 1 max 12,393
SEN min 2,001
SEN max 3,954

Unqualified Teachers £

1 19,039

- 2 20,879
- 3 22,720
- 4 24,311
- 5 26,150
- 6 27,992

Excellent Teachers £

Min 43,668 Max 56,061

Leader	ship Scale £	Leader	ship Scale £	Leader	ship Scale £
L1	40,433	L16	57,277	L31	81,274
L2	41,373	L17	58,526	L32	83,215
L3	42,328	L18	59,925	L33	85,213
L4	43,314	L19	61.338	L34	87,246
L5	44,318	L20	62,784	L35	89,337
L6	45,351	L21	64,264	L36	91,473
L7	46,496	L22	65,782	L37	93,679
L8	47,499	L23	67,338	L38	95,921
L9	48,609	L24	68,934	L39	98,185
L10	49,784	L25	70,575	L40	100,565
L11	50,993	L26	72,247	L41	103,003
L12	52,106	L27	73,962	L42	105,502
L13	53,335	L28	75,725	L43	108,070
L14	54,583	L29	77,525		
L15	55,869	L30	79,381		

NHS (re Public Health)

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£	Point	£	Point	£	Point	£
14153	15	21054	29	34189	43	58431
14508	16	21176	30	35184	44	61167
14864	17	21798	31	36303	45	65270
15279	18	22676	32	37545	46	67134
15694	19	23589	33	38851	47	69932
16110	20	24554	34	40157	48	73351
16645	21	25528	35	41772	49	77079
17253	22	26556	36	43388	50	80810
17618	23	27625	37	45254	51	84688
18104	24	28470	38	46621	52	88753
18652	25	29464	39	48983	53	93014
19077	26	30460	40	51718	54	97478
19750	27	31454	41	54454		
20433	28	32573	42	55945		
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 Band 1 : Points 1-3
 Band 8A : Points 33-38

 Band 2 : Points 1-8
 Band 8B : Points 37-42

 Band 3 : Points 6-12
 Band 8C : Points 41-46

 Band 4 : Points 11-17
 Band 8D : Points 45-50

 Band 5 : Points 16-23
 Band 9 : Points 49-54

Band 6 : Points 21-29 Band 7 : Points 26-34

Appendix 4

Additional Payments/Allowances for Other Employees

The following additional payments/allowances are paid to employees other than Chief Officers.

Accelerated Increments

Additional Allowance

Additional Hours

Advance of Pay

Agreed Programme Activity (NHS)

Bank Holiday Enhanced

Callout Allowance

Casual Pay

Change of work base (NHS)

Civil Weddings

Contractual overtime

Dog money

Electoral registration

Enhanced payments

Essential Car Lump Sum

Excess Leave

FE Lecturer Pay

Fee

First Aid

GTC Payment

Gritting Allowance

High Cost Area Supplement (NHS)

Holiday Pay

Honorarium

Invigilation

Laundry Allowance

Leave Not Taken

Lettings

London Allowance

Market Supplement

New Starter Arrears

Night rates

Noise abatement

Occupational maternity pay

Occupational sick pay

Oncall allowance

Out of school activity

Overtime

Pay adjustment

Protected rate

Recruitment & Retention Allowance (NHS)

Redeployment payment

Relocation expenses

Salary Offset

Session payment

Shift payment

Sleep in allowance

Split duty

Standby allowance

Stat. adoption pay

Stat. maternity pay

Stat. paternity pay

Stat. sick pay

Supply

Three year plusage

Tool allowance

Unsocial hours

Appendix 5 (Minute item 105)

FULL COUNCIL, 27 MARCH 2013 MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

1 CAR POOL SCHEME

To the Cabinet Member for Value (Councillor Roger Ramsey)

By Councillor June Alexander

A saving of £200,000 was agreed as part of the 2012/13 budget which related to the introduction of a car pooling/car club arrangement whereby staff would use the pool cars instead of their own cars on council business. Would the Cabinet Member advise:

- a) when did the scheme begin and how many cars are involved?
- b) how much of the £200,000 saving will be achieved in 2012/13?
- c) has it led to more efficient working practices?

ANSWER

We are currently trialling the pool car arrangement using 10 vehicles – this trial began in February this year and runs until May. If the trial is successful, there will be a full roll-out of the arrangement from Summer 2013 and we are confident that this will achieve the £200,000 saving.

The details of the final arrangement will be informed by the results of the trial. The decision to implement the scheme was delayed while we explored all of the implications. The saving for 2012/13 has been absorbed by services through other means for this year only, pending the outcome of the pilot.

<u>In response to a supplementary question</u> the Cabinet Member confirmed that the pool cars would only be left on the town hall car park for the duration of the trial period and would be removed after that point.

2 TEMPORARY ICE RINK

To the Leader of the Council (Councillor Michael White)

By Councillor Jeffrey Tucker

Please would the Leader provide an update on the negotiations that have taken place between the Council, Government, GLA, MPs and ice rink user groups regarding the provision of a temporary ice rink.

3 TEMPORARY REPLACEMENT ICE RINK

To the Leader of the Council (Councillor Michael White)

By Councillor Keith Darvill

Will he make a statement about progress in facilitating a temporary alternative ice rink within the Borough following the anticipated closure of the Romford Ice Rink in April?

<u>ADDRESSED IN ONE ANSWER</u>

ANSWER

Building a new swimming pool and ice rink in Romford is one of our top priorities. I am delighted that the deal we struck with Morrison's allows us to build one, in the heart of the town centre, with no major draw on council taxpayer's money - at a time when other authorities are closing these types of facilities.

We have examined options for a temporary ice rink very carefully but the costs are just too much for Havering council tax payers to bear. We are already managing a £40million cut in our funding over a four year period and, with austerity measures set to continue, there are likely to be further savings necessary in the future - so we must focus our efforts on protecting vital front line services for residents.

However, we have always said that we will provide the land and a rent free building if skaters can put together a business case to fit out the new rink and run it at no cost to council tax payers. We have held meetings with groups representing skaters and clubs that use the rink, but so far no concrete proposals have come forward.

In response to a supplementary question the Cabinet Member explained that the land swap deal could only take place in the Romford area as this was where Morrisons owned the land. The land swap was a very good deal for Havering and there was no facility for a swimming pool to be developed in the Rainham area. Any problems related to the Chafford Sports Centre were a separate resource issue.

In response to a supplementary question it was confirmed that options for a temporary ice rink were continuing to be considered but that, under procurement rules, it was not possible to link the building of the temporary facility with the contract for the permanent ice rink. The Council remained committed to finding a way forward as regards a temporary solution but suitable providers needed to come forward.

4 COST OF INTERPETERS AND TRANSLATION SERVICES

To the Cabinet Member for Value (Councillor Roger Ramsey)

By Councillor Ray Morgon

Would the Cabinet Member confirm the amount of money spent on interpreters and translation services in each of the last four years?

ANSWER

Working through the East London Solutions partnership we have been able to get the best value for some of our corporate contracts.

Through the partnership, since April 2011 we introduced a central contract with The Language Shop to provide all our translation and interpreting services. These are the figures that we hold centrally. They show that in 2011/12 the Council spent £2,569 with the Language Shop.

Previous year's figures are not held centrally and it will take some time to pull these figures together and also to run further checks on the figures for the current year. I will be happy to provide Cllr Morgon with a fuller answer in due course.

In response to a supplementary question the Cabinet Member explained that other Councils with higher levels of immigration than Havering had an increased need for interpreters or translation services. The Council was required to comply with the Equalities Act 2010 and therefore had to be ready to provide translations etc should they be needed.

5 THREAT TO THE GREEN BELT

To the Cabinet Member for Individuals (Councillor Steven Kelly) By Councillor Deon Burton

Newspapers such as the Sunday Telegraph claims that more than 9,000 acres of land is to be removed from the green belt by local authorities following the government's planning reforms. Newspapers state that at least 40% of councils with green-belt land in their areas have already redrawn, or plan to alter, the boundaries of the protected areas in an attempt to meet demand for housing and development.

Councillors such as myself who fight against overdevelopment and for the protection of Havering's open space, are filled with dread that such moves will

make a mockery of promises by ministers that their reforms under the National Planning Policy Framework would not lead to a degradation of the green belt.

Will the Executive give clear and unequivocal assurance that they will not pursue proposals which put a risk our Green Belt and make comment as to this administration's position in regards to the above media statements.

ANSWER

I understand that people are worried following coverage in the press about changes to the national planning system. I am grateful for the chance to again declare our commitment to the green belt and reassure local people that this commitment underpins our planning policies.

Our planning policies for protecting the green belt are well established and there are no proposals to change these or the green belt boundary. Only proposals which satisfy green belt policy are allowed within it.

Recent national planning policy and planning policy from the London Mayor support strong protection to the Green Belt principles and the Council's approach is consistent with these.

The Administration is committed to the Green Belt and will unequivocally oppose any attempts to remove or sell off any areas of this in Havering.

In response to a supplementary question the Cabinet Member confirmed that there were no plans to allow any building works on Green Belt areas in Havering. For example the planned development at St. George's Hospital would only be allowed to cover the existing footprint of the buildings on the site.

6 NORTH HILL DRIVE HAROLD HILL PLAY AREA

<u>To the Cabinet Member for Culture, Towns and Communities (Councillor Andrew Curtin)</u>

By Councillor Paul McGeary

What proposals are there to replace play equipment in the North Hill Drive Play Area?

ANSWER

We're working hard to secure funding to restore the North Hill Drive play area and have submitted bid applications to external sources. Sadly, one of our bids to the London Marathon trust was unsuccessful, but we're still hopeful about the other bid we have submitted to Veolia.

We are also making significant improvements to park spaces in Harold Hill including Dagnam, Central and Broxhill Parks as part of our Ambitions programme. This includes providing new play equipment in Central Park, and turning Broxhill Park into a state-of-the-art sports activity park

In response to a supplementary question the Cabinet Member was in agreement that early development was very important and agreed to take on board the need to continue to seek funding to replace play equipment in the North Hill Drive Play Area.

7 STAFF SICKNESS ABSENCE

To the Leader of the Council (Councillor Michael White)

By Councillor Clarence Barrett

With average staff sickness absence running at 7.9 days per annum per employee (as at December 2012), would the Leader set out what corrective actions are being taken?

ANSWER

Although this average is in line with other public services, we always want to improve our sickness rates and have introduced new measures to help keep sickness levels as low as possible.

We've introduced a new policy to manage sickness and absence and an improved strategy for managing the health of our staff. All managers are being trained on the new scheme and it will come into operation in April. With public health transferring into the Council in April, managers will have the chance to work more closely with health colleagues to support staff to remain at work.

Sickness levels are monitored by senior management to ensure any trends can be identified and are dealt with quickly.

<u>In response to a supplementary question</u> it was confirmed that the sickness absence target of 7.6 days per employee per annum was in line with targets in other Councils and public services.

8 RAINHAM WAR MEMORIAL: RENOVATION

To the Cabinet Member for Culture, Towns and Communities (Councillor Andrew Curtin)

By Councillor David Durant

The Council obtained funding from the Veolia community fund towards improvements to the Rainham Conservation Area and War Memorial. Alas for technical reasons the War Memorial itself was not renovated.

Could the Cabinet Members for Rainham Compass and Culture seek further funds to renovate the War Memorial and add new names following the research of local resident Sean Connolly?

ANSWER

I am pleased to say that we are discussing the renovations to the war memorial with English Heritage, from whom we require listed building consent to undertake the works.

The Rainham Traffic Management scheme has delivered a large programme of improvements within the village. A major part of this was the creation of the pedestrianised area around the war memorial.

As Cllr Durant alluded to, we wanted to renovate the War Memorial itself, but this could not be completed within the scheme because it requires a specialist conservation builder. This work will need to be done on a separate contract.

We welcome the research undertaken by Mr Connolly and would very much like to add the names he uncovered to the memorial. We also welcome the offer from the Romford Recorder to co-ordinate donations towards the cost of this project. Once again, we will discuss with English Heritage how this can be done sensitively and we will need to follow the formal authentication processes established through the war graves commission and the war memorial trust.

<u>In a supplementary question</u> Councillor Durant thanked the Cabinet Member for his assistance with this matter.

9 PRECAST REINFORCED CONCRETE (PRC) HOMES OWNED BY THE COUNCIL

To the Cabinet Member for Housing (Councillor Lesley Kelly)

By Councillor Pat Murray

Are all PRC constructed homes owned by the Council to be fully insulated to current standards within the Decent Homes Funding Programme?

ANSWER

Yes.

10 **HORSEMEAT: SAMPLING**

To the Cabinet Member for Housing and Public Protection (Councillor Lesley Kelly)

By Councillor Ray Morgon

Would the Cabinet Member confirm what actions, including sampling, have been taken by the Council in light of the recent horsemeat scandal?

ANSWER

We have taken the horsemeat scandal very seriously and put a number of processes in place. We are satisfied that our supply chain is robust and the meat we use is traceable.

We intend to contact schools that cater independently from H & T CS to ensure that they have adequate traceability and there is also a program to contact care homes and nursing homes in the borough. Evidence found during these contacts will determine if sampling is required.

We have also visited and discussed traceability of products and supplies with manufacturers operating in the borough who are approved to handle meat and other animal products. We have taken samples and submitted them for testing where necessary. Results of sampling can take up to two months. The results of sampling completed by other local authorities and a full report from the Food Standards Agency are expected in April.

<u>In response to a supplementary question</u> it was confirmed that schools that made independent catering arrangements would also be contacted as part of this programme.

11 RAINHAM LIBRARY - UPDATE

To the Cabinet Member for Culture, Towns and Communities (Councillor Andrew Curtin)

By Councillor Jeffrey Tucker

Please would the Cabinet Member provide an update on the building of the new Rainham Library?

ANSWER

We have now moved on to finalising details of materials with contractors. This aspect of the work is absolutely critical at this important location in the setting of very significant listed buildings and in a conservation area.

This gives us grounds for optimism that work will soon start on site. The new building will remain the focus of my complete and undivided attention throughout this process.

12 "BEDROOM TAX"

To the Cabinet Member for Housing (Councillor Lesley Kelly)

By Councillor Denis Breading

How many tenants in Havering will be adversely affected by the introduction of the bedroom tax?

Answer:

The Welfare Reform Act 2012 reproduces in social housing what was already in place within the private rented sector, namely that working age tenants in receipt of housing benefit will receive public support for only those bedrooms required for the size of their households.

The initial list of those affected in Havering, provided by the DWP, contained 804 Council tenants, and 300 Housing Association tenants. Following work done by the Council to contact all these households, this list has reduced to around 680 households in all. It should be stressed that the number of households fluctuates because households move in and out of work, and additional information about their circumstances comes to light which may change the assessment.

13 NEW MORRISONS SUPERSTORE: IMPACT ON ROMFORD MARKET

To the Cabinet Member for Community Empowerment (Councillor Robert Benham)

By Councillor Clarence Barrett

The introduction of Morrisons Superstore in Romford will no doubt increase consumer choice in the area. However has the Cabinet Member undertaken any risk based assessment of the potential impact on existing small businesses/retailers in the area and in particular Romford Market?

ANSWER

A retail impact assessment has been commissioned by Morrisons and submitted as part of the planning application. The assessment considers the impact of the development on the overall health of the town centre and the extent of likely trade diversion from existing stores.

The proposed Morrisons foodstore would have a very different offer to that of Romford Market so does not specifically refer to this in the assessment. However, the retail impact assessment does identify that the development would contribute to the level of investment in the town centre, thereby making the town centre more viable, by drawing in more people.

The report also concludes that there would not be a harmful degree of trade diversion from the other town centre supermarkets. The Council has had the retail impact assessment independently scrutinised and this has verified the overall conclusions of the report.

14 PARKING INCOME - TARGET

To the Cabinet Member for Environment (Councillor Barry Tebbutt) By Councillor Deon Burton

Minded of the revenue generated by this Council's parking schemes, is there in existence a target amount for the current or forthcoming year?

ANSWER

We set the income budget for traffic and parking control based on income data collected over previous years. The budget for 2012-13 shows an expected income from on and off street parking provision - including permit scheme and penalty charge notices of £3,831,500.

15 MEETINGS CLASHING WITH FULL COUNCIL

To the Leader of the Council (Councillor Michael White)

By Councillor Denis O'Flynn

Will the Administration ensure that officers do not arrange meetings where Ward Councillors are expected to attend at the same time as Full Council Meetings?

ANSWER

Yes, we will do that. If this has happened then it should not have done and we will raise that with officers from the relevant departments

16 REMEMBERING THOSE WHO HAVE DIED IN THE SERVICE OF THEIR COUNTRY

To the Leader of the Council (Councillor Michael White)

By Councillor John Mylod

Would the Leader of the Council confirm if he will consider naming new roads in Havering after those Havering residents who have died whilst serving their country abroad?

ANSWER

As many of you know, I have taken a strong interest in Havering's recognition of the outstanding work that the armed forces community does on our behalf and most importantly of the sacrifices made by our servicemen and women in the line of duty.

Since I signed the Armed Forces Community Covenant in June last year, this Council has been working hard in support of the military community through such things as Armed Forces Day and prioritising housing support for ex-service personnel for example.

I can confirm that we are considering a number of further measures in support of the armed forces community and how we recognise the work that they do including looking at the naming arrangements for new roads.

17 OLYMPIC GAMES: GLA LEVY

To the Cabinet Member for Value (Councillor Roger Ramsey)

By Councillor David Durant

Havering residents are required to pay a surcharge on top of the GLA levy towards the cost of the Olympic Games. What will be the total cost of this GLA surcharge to Havering residents and how much has already been paid?

ANSWER

The cost of the Games is an element within the overall GLA precept, rather than a surcharge on top of it. The standard amount to be paid by residents in a band D property in the forthcoming year is £20 out of the £303 GLA levy.

This was introduced in 2006/7 and will continue at £20 annually until 2015/16 with a final payment of £9 in 2016/17.

Therefore, the overall charge related to the Games for residents in a band D property, will be £209 paid over an 11 year period. To date, Band D households will have paid £140.

18 **PERFORMANCE INFORMATION**

To the Leader of the Council (Councillor Michael White)

By Councillor Ray Morgon

Would the Leader confirm what he thinks is the benefit of looking at performance information at the Value Overview and Scrutiny Committee for the quarter ending September 2012 in February 2013?

ANSWER

Councillor Morgan is quite right that it was too late to be looking at this data in February and we will be ensuring that this sort of delay does not happen again. I took the decision to publish our performance data in the cabinet report each quarter to improve the Council's openness and transparency and I expect this will continue in a more timely fashion from now on.

19 "TROUBLED FAMILIES": HELP

To the Cabinet Member for Housing and Public Protection (Councillor Lesley Kelly)

By Councillor Ray Morgon

Would the Cabinet Member confirm what progress has been made in helping "Troubled Families" in Havering?

ANSWER

We've made a really positive start to this project and have hit our first year target of identifying and starting to work with 166 families. We have successfully supported some families throughout the project and completed work with them and have already began looking for families to work with in the next year.

Our work has received positive feedback from both DCLG and Ofsted and due to our success; DCLG will release full funding for the 207 families we will be working with in the second year of the project.

Much of the troubled families funding is supporting the development of early help for vulnerable families across the borough, which aims to prevent a family's problems escalating which can lead to family breakdowns and also costs more to deal with in the longer term.

Some examples include the Child and Adolescent Mental Health Support (CAMHS), working with the voluntary and third sector to help the community support families, the Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) and working with Job Centre Plus to help develop skills and opportunities for workless families.

All this work has helped to build stronger partnerships across the Council and the community which will continue to help support our most troubled families.

20 UNEMPLOYMENT IN HAVERING

To the Cabinet Member for Individuals (Councillor Steven Kelly)

By Councillor Nic Dodin

Would the Cabinet Member confirm the following:

- a) The current number of people unemployed in Havering?
- b) The number of long term unemployed?
- c) The number of Young People (under 25) unemployed?
- d) What steps the council are taking to reduce the number of people unemployed in Havering?

ANSWERS

- a) The most recent figures published by the Government relate to January 2013. At that time the number of people claiming job seekers allowance in Havering was 5,418, or 3.6% of the resident working age population. This compared to 3.9% in London and 3.8% across Great Britain.
- b) Of the 5,418 job seekers allowance claimants in the borough 1,450, or 1% have been unemployed for longer than 12 months, compared to 1.1% in London and 1.0% in Great Britain.
- c) Of the 5,418 job seekers allowance claimants in the borough 1,480 are aged between 18 and 24. This constitutes 7.1% of the resident population aged 18-24 and compares to 5.6% of the London population and 7% of the GB population.
- d) The Council meets regularly with Jobcentre Plus, the Work Programme and other providers to develop and implement projects that will help reduce the number of people unemployed in Havering. The Employment and Skills Group has considered issues such as mapping employment and skills provision in the borough and encouraging local recruitment. We have a number of initiatives, such as employment support, business support, apprenticeship programmes and town centre regeneration to encourage employment. We also have a local partnership of schools, colleges and training providers.

21 LIBRARY SERVICE: PERFORMANCE

To the Cabinet Member for Culture, Towns and Communities (Councillor Andrew Curtin)

By Councillor Linda Hawthorn

Would the Cabinet Member confirm the following:-

- a) How are the number of visitors to Havering's Library in the Members Performance pack calculated?
- b) How many residents hold a library card (split between Havering and non-Havering residents)?

ANSWERS

a) Our visitor numbers are measured by electronic people counters at the entrance to all of our libraries.

Unlike in some other boroughs, we make full use of our libraries and have a number of ways of encouraging attendance. For instance, we held 3,619 events between April 2012 - Feb 2013 in our libraries, encouraging people to read and enjoy life more. Libraries also support other key objectives of the Council such as recycling initiatives. This ensures both that tax payers get maximum benefit from the library service and that public libraries serve as the badly needed heart of every community they are in. In my opinion, other boroughs would do well to emulate the outstanding model established by Havering Library Service.

b) We currently have 158,375 Havering residents who hold a library card, which is almost 70 per cent of all residents – and that's great to see.

Non-Havering residents do use our libraries as well, just as Havering residents can use libraries in other boroughs, as we are part of the London Libraries Consortium, which not only increases the resources available to Havering residents in a cost-efficient way, but also allows us to make savings through efficiencies without reducing frontline library services. We do not hold specific figures for non-residents.

22 PLANTING STREET TREES - COST

To the Cabinet Member for Environment (Councillor Barry Tebbutt)

By Councillor Clarence Barrett

Would the Cabinet Member set out the full unit cost to the Authority to supply and plant a street tree?

ANSWER

The average cost to supply and plant a tree is £148.50. However, this might vary depending on the specific locations.

23 **RECYCLING REFUSE**

To the Cabinet Member for Environment (Councillor Barry Tebbutt)

By Councillor Clarence Barrett

While recycling is to be encouraged, the orange recycling bags given to residents are woefully thin and split under the slightest pressure. Would the Cabinet Member confirm what steps are being taken to make the sacks more robust?

ANSWER

We recognise this and have raised the issue with the East London Waste Authority who manage the contract with Shanks. Shanks have agreed to review the quality of the sacks and come back to us, so we can discuss a sensible and cost-effective solution.

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The Deputy Mayor [Cllr. Eric Munday]	U	U	^	U	U	Ť	•	_	•
CONSERVATIVE GROUP									
Cllr. Michael White	0	0	×	~	~	~	~	~	~
Cllr. Michael Armstrong	0	0	×	~	~	~	~	~	~
Cllr. Robert Benham	0	0	×	~	~	~	~	~	*
Cllr. Becky Bennett	~	0	×	~	~	~	~	~	~
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Cllr. Robby Misir	0	0	×	~	~	~	~	~	~
Cllr. Barry Oddy	~	0	×	~	~	~	~	~	~
Cllr. Frederick Osborne	~	0	×	~	~	~	~	~	~
Cllr. Gary Pain	0	0	X	~	~	~	~	~	~
Cllr. Roger Ramsey	0	0	X	•	•	•	~	·	•
Cllr. Paul Rochford	0	0	X	· · ·	•	· · ·	· · ·	· · ·	· · ·
Cllr. Geoffrey Starns	0	0	X	<i>y</i>	~	~	~	~	~
Cllr. Billy Taylor	0	0	×	~	~	~	~	~	~
Cllr. Barry Tebbutt Cllr. Frederick Thompson	0	0	×	,	,	,	~	,	~
Cllr. Linda Trew	A	A	A	Α	Α	Α	Α	A	Α
Cllr. Melvin Wallace	0	0	×	~	~	~	~	~	~
Cllr. Keith Wells	~	0	×	~	~	~	~	~	~
Cllr. Damian White	~	0	×	~	~	~	~	~	~
RESIDENTS' GROUP									
Cllr. Clarence Barrett	~	~	~	0	~	~	~	~	~
Clir. June Alexander	~	~	~	0	~	~	~	~	~
Cllr. Nic Dodin	· ·	~	· ·	0	~	~	~	~	~
Cllr. Brian Eagling	•	•	•	0	•	•	•	•	0
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Clir. John Mylod	~	~	~	0	~	~	~	~	~
Cllr. Ron Ower	~	Α	Α	A	Α	Α	Α	Α	Α
Cllr. Linda Van den Hende	~	~	~	0	~	~	~	~	0
Clir. John Wood	~	~	~	×	~	~	~	~	~
LABOUR GROUP									
Cllr. Keith Darvill	~	~	~	0	×	×	×	×	~
Cllr. Denis Breading	~	~	~	0	X	X	X	X	0
Clir. Paul McGeary	~	~	~	0	X	X	X	X	~
Cllr. Paris O'Elyan	0	~	~	0 X	×	×	×	×	~
Cllr. Denis O'Flynn	-	*	•	^	^	^	^	^	•
INDEPENDENT LOCAL RESIDENTS' GROUP									
Cllr. Jeffery Tucker	×	~	~	0	×	×	×	×	×
Cllr. Michael Deon Burton	×	~	~	0	×	×	×	×	0
Cllr. David Durant	×	~	~	×	×	×	×	×	×
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REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

SUBJECT: APPOINTING THE COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL

- In accordance with the Constitution, the Council appoints its Committees at the Annual Meeting.
- This report deals with the appointment and sizes of Committees, the co-opted members and observers etc and recommends such appointments consistent with previous decisions of the Council.
- There are no additional financial implications or risks arising from this report. Any allowances payable to Members resulting from the proposed appointments will be in accordance with the current approved Members' Allowances scheme and will be contained within the relevant budgetary provision.
- There are no legal, human resources or equalities and social inclusion implications or risks attached to this report.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That:

- (1) The Committees listed in Appendix 1 be appointed for the 2013/14 Municipal Year.
- (2) Those Committees be appointed with:
 - (a) the membership sizes and
 - (b) the political balance
 - indicated in Appendix 2 and its annexes (including the notes to the table in annex B)
- (3) The voting co-optees, the two representing Church of England and Roman Catholic interests and the three parent governor co-optees selected in accordance with the appropriate Regulations, be appointed to the Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee.
- (4) The other non-elected member "appointments" and invitations to attend shown in Appendix 1 be confirmed.

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Background Papers List

None

APPENDIX 1

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES AND SUB-COMMITTEES

Audit Committee

Adjudication and Review Committee Seemane 21

Governance Committee

Licensing Committee See annex 2

Pensions Committee See annex 3

Regulatory Services Committee

Children's Overview & Scrutiny

Committee

See annex 4

Crime & Disorder Committee See annex 5

Environment Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Individuals Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Towns & Communities Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Value Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Annex 1

Adjudication and Review Committee

1.1 The major part of the work of this Committee is carried out through Hearings Panels. The composition of Hearings Panels varies according to the nature of the issue adjudicated – as indicated in the following table:

Type of hearing

Membership of Panel

Corporate complaints procedure (including housing tenants' complaints)

Three Members and a non-voting

independent person

Children Act complaints

Three independent persons (one as chairman) with voting rights (to accord with legal requirements, elected Members may no longer

serve on this type of Panel)

Adult Care complaints

Two independent persons (one as chairman) with voting rights and one Member (but the Committee may be

revising this in due course)

Housing tenancy appeals

Three Members

Hearings into allegations of breaches Three Members of the Members' Code of Conduct (for cases referred on or after 1 July 2012)

- 1.2 The independent persons used for such hearings are taken from a pool of such people appointed on behalf the Adjudication & Review Committee, managed by Democratic Services, who have received training appropriate to that role.
- 1.3 Hearings Panels are not required to be politically balanced.

Annex 2

Licensing Committee

- 2.1 Most of the work of this Committee is carried out through Licensing Sub-Committees comprising a Chairman and two other Members, all drawn from the main Committee. In general, Sub-Committees will be chaired either by the Chairman of the main Committee, or one of the three Vice-Chairmen.
- 2.2 The substitute rule does not apply to Licensing Sub-Committees nor are they required to be politically balanced.

Annex 3

Pensions Committee

- 3.1 The Pensions Committee is responsible for the management of the Council's Pension Fund investment portfolio.
- 3.2 The Admitted and Scheduled Bodies who are members of the pension fund jointly appoint a representative as a voting co-opted Member of the Committee.
- 3.3 Although not strictly Members of the Committee, in accordance with the Constitution, two representatives of the staff are appointed by the unions to attend and contribute to meetings of the Committee. These appointees have no voting rights but are present during the discussion of any exempt business.

Annex 4

Children's Overview & Scrutiny Committee

- 5.1 The law requires that the Council co-opt to this Overview & Scrutiny Committee one representative of each of the Anglican and Roman Catholic Churches, with voting rights, to attend when issues relating to Education are being discussed and to have call-in rights in relation to executive decisions. In practice, they are also able to contribute to other discussions.
- In addition, there are three co-opted members, **also with voting rights**, representing governors of schools in the three sectors of education, primary, secondary and special. Again, they may attend when issues relating to Education are being discussed and have call-in rights in relation to executive decisions. They are also able to contribute to other discussions.
- 5.3 Finally, there are three **non-voting** representatives of local teacher unions and professional associations, nominated by those organisations.
- 5.4 The Councillor Members of the Committee are also automatically Members of the Council's Corporate Parenting Panel.

Annex 5

Crime & Disorder Committee

6.1 The Crime and Disorder (Overview and Scrutiny) Regulations 2009 confer on the Committee an ability to co-opt certain members or employees of crime and disorder partner bodies. It is for the Committee to determine whether such co-optees are to have voting rights and the issues in respect of which they may attend meetings as co-optees.

6.2 There are no present proposals for the Committee to exercise its rights to co-opt but that is reviewed from time-to-time and co-options may be made as need arises.

POLITICAL BALANCE

- The Local Government (Committees and Political Groups)
 Regulations 1990 require that, so far as practicable, the
 membership of Committees both overall, and of individual
 bodies must reflect the division of the overall membership of the
 Council into the various Groups. The Regulations set out the
 parameters within which such balance is to be achieved.
- 2 The proposed allocation of seats in **Annex A** has been prepared accordingly and **is considered to represent the default position.**
- Annex B sets out in detail the principles of political balance that the law requires the Council to conform to, and discusses the application of those rules to the current political make-up of the Council.
- In broad terms, each Group of members is entitled to take seats on Committees in proportion to the total number of Members that belong to it. The Regulations state that each Group must have at least two Members and Members who do not belong to a group of at least this size do not have any entitlement an allocation of seats. There is discretion as to the size of Committees and thus the total number of places available for allocation, although for reasons of practicality not least ensuring that sufficient Members are available from each Group to cover its meeting obligations the total number of seats (assuming that the number of Committees does not change) within the current structure of Committees is always likely to be in the range 108-120 with individual Committee sizes varying from 6 to a maximum of 15.
- Within the overall number of seats available, some adjustment is needed to ensure, so far as practicable, that each Group has its due share of seats <u>and</u> that the allocation of seats between the Groups on each Committee reflects their respective proportions of the Council's membership.

6 There is no perfect answer.

- The first step is to agree the sizes of the individual Committees; the allocation of seats to each Group then follows the formula referred to in Annex B; then finally, adjustments are required to the outcome to ensure that, overall, each Group receives its appropriate share of the total number of seats to be allocated.
- The Council is free to agree different arrangements from those prescribed by law, so long as no Member votes against them. Should any such "different arrangements" be voted against, however, then the "default" position would need to be applied.

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9 The abolition during 2012/13 of the Standards Committee has not affect the current political balance of the Council and its Committees.

Annual Council, 25 May 2013 ANNEX A

RECOMMENDED SEAT ALLOCATION

Having regard to the principles of political balance and of seat allocation referred to in Appendix 1, the following allocation of seats is recommended on the basis that, taking all factors into account, it shows a "reasonably practicable" allocation of seats and is therefore the default position.

		CONSERVATIVE	RESIDENTS	LABOUR	IND LOCAL RESIDENTS
Governance	13	8	2	2	1
Licensing	11	7	2	1	1
Regulatory Services	11	7	2	1	1
Adjudication and Review	10	6	2	1	1
Highways Advisory	9	5	2	1	1
Pensions	7	4	1	1	1
Audit	6	4	1	1	0
Children's OSC	9	6	2	1	0
Crime & Disorder OSC	9	5	2	1	1
Towns & Communities OSC	9	5	2	1	1
Environment OSC	7	4	2	0	1
Health OSC	6	4	2	0	0
Individuals OSC	6	4	2	0	0
Value OSC	6	4	2	0	0
Total seats allocated	119	73	26	11	9

• All Groups are represented on the Governance, Highways Advisory, Licensing, Pensions, Regulatory Services and Adjudication & Review Committees, and on the Towns and Communities Overview & Scrutiny Committee and Crime & Disorder Committee. Committee seats are allocated, and each Committee is balanced, as "reasonably practicably" as possible

POLITICAL BALANCE PRINCIPLES

- 1.1 In allocating seats on Committees to the Groups, the Council has a duty to make only such decisions as give effect, so far as reasonably practicable, to certain principles set out in the relevant legislation. As the current situation at Havering is that one Group (the Conservative Group) has an overall majority but there are several opposition Groups, the relevant principles are, in order of priority:
 - 1. Not all of the seats on any Committee may be allocated to only one Group (note the Cabinet is not a Committee).
 - 2. The majority of seats on each Committee must be allocated to the Group having a majority of Members of the Council.
 - 3. The total share of all the seats available for <u>all</u> of the Council main Committees allocated to each political Group must be proportionate to that Group's share of the total Council membership.
 - 4. So far as can be done without conflicting with the other principles, the total number of seats on <u>each</u> Committee allocated to a political Group must be proportionate to that Group's share of total Council membership.
- 1.2 Moreover, in determining entitlements to seats, any members who are not in a Group are disregarded, as they are not entitled to a seat on any Committee; but the proportions on which entitlements are calculated must relate to the total number of Councillors.
- 1.3 In practice, Committees are balanced against the overall total of Committee places and then, so far as that overall total allows, each Committee is balanced on its own. With the distribution of seats on the Council that results from the election, it is inevitable (a) that the smaller Groups will not be able to be represented on every Committee, (b) that one Group's representation on some Committees will be at the expense of another's and (c) that, with calculations made as accurately as possible, one or more Groups may have actual seat numbers that differ from their entitlements.
- 1.4 The Council may make arrangements different from those prescribed **provided that no Member of the Council votes against** those different arrangements.
- 1.5 To make such a decision each member of the Council must at least be sent an agenda indicating that the approval of alternative arrangements is to be considered. The agenda for this Annual Council meeting meets this requirement. To accommodate this requirement this report should be treated as giving due notice so that there is no impediment to such a proposal being made.

- 1.6 Once the allocation of seats to Groups in accordance with the statutory procedure is undertaken, the Council is under a duty to make appointments to each Committee so as to give effect to the wishes expressed by that Group about who is to be appointed to their allocated seats.
- 1.7 The "wishes of the Group" may be communicated to the Chief Executive (or the Committee Administration & Member Support Manager [CAMSM] on her behalf) by notice in writing by the Group Leader (or on his/her behalf by a recognised deputy) and will be implemented forthwith. Changes may be effected at any time by notice to the Chief Executive (or CAMSM) and will be notified to all Members in the next available edition of the weekly Calendar Brief.
- 1.8 It should be noted that the Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of Committees are appointed by Council and any change in membership affecting a Chairman or Vice-Chairman will therefore require consideration by Council, and be dealt with by formal motion.
- 1.9 The Health and Wellbeing Board, while a Council Committee, is an executive Committee with separate statutory rules on membership. As with the Cabinet therefore, the Health and Wellbeing Board in not included in this seat allocation process.

PRINCIPLES FOR ALLOCATION OF SEATS ON COMMITTEES

2.1 The principles of seat allocation follow the requirements of the political balance principles, using a formula that takes account of the respective sizes of the Groups and the number of seats on Committees available for distribution among the Groups.

Basic allocation of seats

- 3.1 The Regulations specify that the minimum size of a Group is two Members. As seats are allocated on the basis of Groups, Members who do not belong to a Group do not have a right to be allocated any Committee seat.
- 3.2 The seat entitlements of the Groups are determined by a formula using the percentage of seats held by each Group, operating through a sequence of stages as follows:
 - **First**, the percentage of each Group's membership of the Council is calculated.
 - Next, that percentage is then applied to the number of seats available on each Committee to determine each Group's <u>potential</u> entitlement to seats on that Committee (rounded to the nearest whole number following the mathematical convention that numbers below 0.5 are rounded down, and those 0.5 or more are rounded up).

In some cases, a Group may be entitled to a seat even though, rounded down, its potential entitlement appears nil (i.e. less than 0.5), as there is a specific number of seats available on each Committee and no Group may have more seats on any Committee than its entitlement.

Those figures are then applied to the total number of seats available on each Committee, the seats being allocated in order, highest entitlement first, until all seats have been allocated.

• **Finally,** fine adjustment is required to ensure that, so far as reasonably practicable, the total of seats allocated reflects the overall proportion of Council membership held by each Group and the numerical strength of its entitlement to seats on particular Committees. For that purpose, at this stage the seat allocation of particular Committees will be adjusted from the ideally-balanced number reached in earlier stages of the process. This can result in a group being allocated more seats than appears to be its strict entitlement: this is the inevitable result of tensions within the political balance rules, which require different balancing arrangements as between the overall number of seats available, and the number of seats on each Committee.

Specific allocations

- 4.1 For the allocation of seats on specific Committees, several permutations are possible. Although the Council's Constitution does specify particular numbers of seats to each Committee, it is expressed as being "or such other number as the Council may agree", so there is discretion as to Committee sizes.
- 4.2 Once the number of seats available on each Committee has been determined, the allocation of seats to the individual Groups would then need to be adjusted between the Groups to achieve, so far as possible and practicable, an allocation that gives each Group its proportionate share of seats overall while ensuring that each Committee is proportionately balanced. In practice, it will be impossible to achieve both aims without enlarging Committee memberships to an unworkable size, so a degree of compromise is required.

Sub-Committee of the Governance Committee

5.1 The Appointments Sub-Committee does not count for the purpose of determining the overall political balance but must nevertheless be politically balanced itself:

Sub-Committee		CONSERVATIVE	RESIDENTS	LABOUR	IND LOCAL RESIDENTS
Appointments	7	4	2	1	0

5.2 Members of the Sub-Committee do not have to be Members of the Governance Committee, though some overlapping membership is desirable.

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APPOINTMENT OF THE CHAIRMEN AND VICE-CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES

Motion on behalf of the Administration

That the following Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen be appointed –

Committee	Chairman Councillor	Vice-Chairman Councillor
Adjudication and Review (2 Vice-Chairmen)	Ted Eden	Frederick Thompson Opposition Nomination
Audit	Georgina Galpin	Fred Osborne
Governance	Frederick Thompson	Rebbecca Bennett
Pensions	Rebbecca Bennett	Melvin Wallace
Licensing (3 Vice-Chairmen)	Peter Gardner	Linda Trew Keith Wells Melvin Wallace
Regulatory Services	Barry Oddy	Barry Tebbutt
Highways Advisory	Melvin Wallace	Frederick Thompson
Children & Learning Overview & Scrutiny Committee	Sandra Binion	Opposition Nomination
Environment Overview & Scrutiny	Jeff Brace	Opposition Nomination
Individuals Overview & Scrutiny	Wendy Brice-Thompson	Opposition Nomination
Towns and Communities Overview & Scrutiny	Damian White	Opposition Nomination
Value Overview & Scrutiny	Robby Misir	Opposition Nomination
Crime & Disorder	Osman Dervish	Opposition Nomination

Committee	Chairman Councillor	Vice-Chairman Councillor
Health Overview & Scrutiny	Pam Light	Opposition Nomination

Sub-Committee of the Governance Committee:

Appointments	Rebbecca Bennett	Michael White

Amendment on behalf of the Independent Residents' Group

That the following Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen be appointed -

Adjudication and	Michael Deon Burton	
Review		
Highways Advisory	David Durant	
Regulatory Services		David Durant
Appointments (Sub-	Jeffrey Tucker	
Committee of the		
Governance		
Committee)		

Amendment on behalf of the Residents' Group

That the following Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen be appointed –

Adjudication and Review (2 Vice-Chairmen)		2 Barbara Matthews
Children & Learning Overview & Scrutiny		Gillian Ford
Environment Overview & Scrutiny		John Mylod
Individuals Overview & Scrutiny		June Alexander
Towns and Communities Overview & Scrutiny	Linda Hawthorn	Linda Hawthorn
Value Overview & Scrutiny		Ray Morgon
Crime & Disorder		John Wood
Health		Nic Dodin



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EXPLANATORY NOTE

6 APPOINTMENT OF THE CHAIRMEN AND VICE-CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES

For ease of reference, the tables that follow indicate the nominations that are unopposed, and those upon which votes will be required.

Table 1: Unopposed nominations

Committee	Chairman Councillor	Vice-Chairman Councillor
Adjudication and Review (2 Vice- Chairmen)		1 Frederick Thompson 2 Barbara Matthews
Audit	Georgina Galpin	Fred Osborne
Governance	Frederick Thompson	Rebbecca Bennett
Pensions	Rebbecca Bennett	Melvin Wallace
Licensing (3 Vice-Chairmen)	Peter Gardner	1 Linda Trew 2 Keith Wells 3 Melvin Wallace
Regulatory Services	Barry Oddy	
Highways		Frederick Thompson
Children's & Learning Overview & Scrutiny Learning	Sandra Binion	Gillian Ford
Environment Overview & Scrutiny	Jeff Brace	John Mylod

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Committee	Chairman Councillor	Vice-Chairman Councillor
Individuals Overview & Scrutiny	Wendy Brice-Thompson	June Alexander
Towns and Communities Overview & Scrutiny		Linda Hawthorn Ø
Value Overview & Scrutiny	Robby Misir	Ray Morgon
Crime & Disorder Overview & Scrutiny	Osman Dervish	John Wood
Health Overview & Scrutiny	Pam Light	Nic Dodin

Ø provided that the nominee is not elected as Chairman

Sub-Committee of the Governance Committee:

Appointments		Michael White
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Table 2: Opposed nominations, where there are <u>two</u> nominees

A. Chairman of Adjudication and Review Committee

Administration nominee Councillor	Independent Residents' Group nominee Councillor
Ted Eden	Michael Deon Burton

B. Vice-Chairman of Regulatory Services Committee

Administration nominee Councillor	Independent Residents' Group nominee Councillor
Barry Tebbutt	David Durant

C. Chairman of Highways Advisory Committee

Administration nominee Councillor	Independent Residents' Group nominee Councillor
Melvin Wallace	David Durant

D. Chairman of Towns & Communities Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Administration	Residents' Group
nominee	nominee
Councillor	Councillor
Damian White	Linda Hawthorn

E. Chairman of the Appointments Sub-Committee of the Governance Committee

Administration nominee Councillor	Independent Residents' Group
	nominee Councillor
Rebbecca Bennett	Jeffrey Tucker

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MOTION

APPOINTMENT OF THE STATUTORY LEAD MEMBER FOR CHILDREN'S SERVICES

Motion on behalf of the Administration

That the Cabinet Member for Children & Learning be appointed Statutory Lead Member for Children's Services.



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MOTION

APPOINTMENT OF THE MEMBER CHAMPIONS

Motion on behalf of the Administration

That the following be appointed Champions as indicated:

For Diversity - Robby Misir

For the Over Fifties - Pam Light

For the Historic Environment - Andrew Curtin

For the Voluntary Sector Compact – Andrew Curtin

For Younger Persons - Rebecca Bennett

For the Armed Forces - Peter Gardner

Amendment on behalf of the Residents' Group

That the following be appointed Champion as indicated:

For the Armed Forces – John Mylod