

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
RAINHAM & WENNINGTON AND SOUTH HORNCHURCH WORKING PARTY
Havering Town Hall, Main Road, Romford
23 June 2015 (6.05 - 7.35 pm)**

**Present:
COUNCILLORS**

Conservative Group	Robert Benham and Carol Smith
Residents' Group	Reg Whitney
UKIP Group	Phil Martin
Independent Residents Group	Michael Deon Burton (Chairman) and Graham Williamson

1 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman announced details of the arrangements in case of fire or other events that might require the meeting room or building's evacuation.

2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

Apologies were received from Osman Dervish, Carol Smith attended the meeting on behalf of Osman Dervish.

3 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 24 February 2015 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

4 A1306 MASTERPLAN AND PLANNING FRAMEWORK UPDATE

A presentation was given on the A1306 and a planning framework update. The plan is expected to be completed by mid of July, on completion there will be further consultation. Members were asked to note that confirmation of funding to build Beam Park station and a small car park had been received; this funding is split 50/50 between Housing Zone and TFL.

A number of concerns were raised regarding "affordable housing" which was discussed at length. There will be a range of housing stock included in the plans and LA will endeavour to shape the plans to include local residents.

Members also discussed the need for riverside features, walk ways and open green spaces. A number of walk ways and open green spaces have

been included in the current plan as LBH hope to encourage a more active life style within the community i.e. walking and cycling along walk ways and/or to open green spaces.

Members were asked to note that public consultations and talks with the CCG will take place to ensure that infrastructure for GPs/health services is incorporated into the planning to ensure better services are available to the community.

5 HOUSING ZONE FUNDING OVERVIEW

Members were informed that a formal announcement will be made on Thursday 26 June 2015 confirming that funding has been approved by the GLA Housing Zone Challenge Panel.

Members discussed the report in detail as concerns were raised regarding the A1306 transforming into a boulevard, as historically this type of transformation had not always been successful. Members were informed that a repairs proposal plan would be imbedded into any agreement with developers to ensure the upkeep of the boulevard so as not to become an eye sore in the future.

6 MINERAL EXTRACTION

Members were asked to note the report circulated regarding the mineral extraction in the borough. LBH have recruited a Minerals Officer (from Essex) who will be joining LBH shortly. Once in place the officer would scrutinise LBH current mineral extraction policy as Officers believe the policy needs to be more robust and better enforced.

An Officer informed Members that a report on mineral extraction (including finding) had been presented at a recent Members Briefing; this report would be forwarded to the Working Party for information.

7 URGENT BUSINESS

The Committee noted the dates of the future meetings:

Tuesday 8 September 2015 at 6:00pm
Tuesday 1 December 2015 at 6:00pm

Chairman

Rainham & Wennington and South
Hornchurch Working Party, 23 June 2015