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COUNCIL MEETING

**7.30 pm Wednesday, 16 July 2014
At Council Chamber - Town Hall**

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

**Helen Edwards
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AGENDA

1 PRAYERS

2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive apologies for absence (if any).

3 AWARDS FOR EMINENT SERVICE TO THE BOROUGH

- (a) To consider whether to confer on any persons who have rendered eminent service to the Borough the Honorary Freedom of the Borough.

Nomination by the Independent Residents' Group

Harry Matthews

Note: Under Council Procedure Rule 24.4, the nomination must be supported by two thirds of those Members present and voting at the meeting in order for it to be agreed.

- (b) To present awards to past Leaders of the Council.

Councillor Michael White
Councillor Steven Kelly

4 MINUTES (Pages 1 - 14)

To sign as a true record the minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 11 June 2014 (attached).

5 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.

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

To receive a statement from the Leader of the Council – Councillor Roger Ramsey.

7 PETITIONS

To receive any petition presented pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 23.

Councillors John Mylod and Keith Darvill have given notice of an intention to present a petition.

8 RAINHAM AND WENNINGTON & SOUTH HORNCHURCH WORKING PARTY - TERMS OF REFERENCE (Pages 15 - 18)

To consider a report of the Chief Executive relating to the Rainham and Wennington & South Hornchurch Working Party – Terms of Reference (attached).

NOTE: The deadline for amendments is midnight, Monday 14 July 2014

9 AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION (Pages 19 - 20)

To consider a report of the Governance Committee relating to amendments to the Constitution (attached).

NOTE: The deadline for amendments is midnight, Monday 14 July 2014.

10 MEMBERS' QUESTIONS (Pages 21 - 26)

Attached.

11 MOTIONS FOR DEBATE (Pages 27 - 28)

Attached.

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MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE LONDON BOROUGH OF HAVERING

Havering Town Hall, Romford
11 June 2014 (7.30 p.m. – 8.28 p.m.)

Present: The Mayor (Mr Eric Munday) in the Chair at the start of the meeting.

Councillors June Alexander, Clarence Barrett, Robert Benham, Ray Best, Wendy Brice-Thompson, Michael Deon Burton, Joshua Chapman, John Crowder, Philippa Crowder, Keith Darvill, Meg Davis, Osman Dervish, Ian De Wulverton, Nic Dodin, Alex Donald, David Durant, Brian Eagling, Gillian Ford, Jason Frost, Jody Ganly, John Glanville, Linda Hawthorn, Philip Hyde, Steven Kelly, Phil Martin, Barbara Matthews, Robby Misir, Ray Morgon, Barry Mugglestone, John Mylod, Stephanie Nunn, Garry Pain, Dilip Patel, Viddy Persaud, Roger Ramsey, Keith Roberts, Patricia Rumble, Frederick Thompson, Linda Trew, Jeffrey Tucker, Linda Van den Hende, Melvin Wallace, Lawrence Webb, Roger Westwood, Damian White, Michael White, Reg Whitney, Julie Wilkes, Graham Williamson, Darren Wise and John Wood.

Hon. Aldermen Ivor Cameron (accompanied by Eileen Cameron), Graham Price Denis O'Flynn and Louise Sinclair, and approximately 50 Civic and Members' guests, members of public and press also attended.

Apologies were received for the absence of Councillors David Johnson, Ron Ower and Carol Smith.

Reverend Sue Brewster of All Saints Church, Cranham opened the meeting with prayers.

The meeting closed with the singing of the National Anthem.

1 **DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

The Members named in minutes 3, 8 and 11 (the Mayoralty, Leader and various Committee Chairmanships) who were candidates for offices attracting a Special Responsibility Allowance, each declared a personal interest under paragraph 8 of the Members' Code of Conduct as, if elected, they would benefit from the Members' Allowance Scheme 2014.

2 **PRESENTATION TO MAYOR'S CADET**

The Mayor made a presentation to the fourth Mayor's Cadet of Havering, Tom Naggs of 452 (Hornchurch) Squadron, Air Training Corps and thanked him for his services during the Mayoralty.

3 **MAYORALTY (Agenda item 5)**

Motion on behalf of the Conservative Group

That Councillor Linda Trew be elected Mayor for the Municipal Year 2014/15.

The Conservative Group proposal was **AGREED** without a vote. It was, therefore, duly **RESOLVED**:

That Councillor Linda Trew be elected Mayor for the Municipal Year 2014/15.

Councillor Linda Trew, having made the Declaration of Acceptance of Office of Mayor as required by the Local Government Act 1972, then took the Chair and thanked the Council for the honour conferred upon her. The Mayor indicated that her consort would be **Graham Trew**.

Councillor Robert Benham and other Members expressed the thanks of the Council to Mr Eric Munday for his services in 2013/14.

4 **DEPUTY MAYOR - Appointment**

In accordance with the Local Government Act 1972, the Mayor signified in writing her appointment of **Councillor Barbara Matthews** as Deputy Mayor for the ensuing year and to carry out the duties of the Mayor in case of the Mayor's illness or absence.

Councillor Matthews made the Declaration of Acceptance of Office accordingly. The Mayor indicated that the Deputy Mayor's Consort for the year would be **Terry Matthews**.

5 **PROCEDURAL MOTIONS**

Councillor Roger Ramsey proposed the following procedural motion:

That in accordance with Council procedure rule 11.10 (b) the lists of nominations submitted by the Independent Residents' Conservative, Residents' and UKIP Groups for appointments shown at agenda items 11 and 15 be withdrawn and revised lists submitted for consideration by Council.

The purpose of the revised nomination lists is to ensure that, where possible, the allocation of positions for Chairman and Deputy Chairman of committees, Mayor and Deputy Mayor reflects more accurately the political balance of the Council.

The procedural motion was **AGREED** without division.

6 **MINUTES**

It was **RESOLVED**:

That the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 26 March 2014 be signed as a true record.

7 **ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE MAYOR**

Council stood for a minute's silence in respect of former Councillor Diane Jenkin who had recently died. Several Councillors paid personal tribute to former Councillor Jenkin and her work on the Council.

Council noted that this was the final meeting that would be supported by the Monitoring Officer – Ian Burns who would be retiring shortly and Members passed on to Mr Burns their best wishes for his retirement.

8 **TO ELECT THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL (Agenda item 8)**

The Council noted that, in accordance with the Local Government Act 2000, as amended, the Leader would be elected for a term of four years ending at the Annual Meeting of the Council following the borough elections in 2018.

Motion submitted by the Independent Residents' Group

That Councillor Jeffrey Tucker be elected to the office of Leader of the Council for the municipal years 2014/18.

Motion by the Conservative Group

That Councillor Roger Ramsey be elected to the office of Leader of the Council for the municipal years 2014/18.

The Conservative Group motion was **CARRIED** by 44 votes to 5 (see division 1) and it was **RESOLVED**:

That Councillor Roger Ramsey be elected to the office of Leader of the Council for the municipal years 2014/18.

9 **NOTICE OF THE APPOINTMENTS BY THE LEADER OF THE MEMBERS OF THE CABINET, INCLUDING THE DEPUTY LEADER (agenda item 9)**

The Council noted that, in accordance with the Local Government Act 2000, as amended, the Leader was empowered to appoint up to nine other Members of the Cabinet, one of whom must be appointed as Deputy Leader. The Council's Constitution required that the Leader announce the names of the Deputy and other Cabinet Members at this meeting.

Accordingly, the Leader announced that **Councillor Damian White** would be **Deputy Leader** and that the Members of the Cabinet would be Councillors:

Damian White

Robert Benham

Wendy Brice-Thompson

Meg Davis (Statutory Lead Member for Children's Services)

Osman Dervish

Melvin Wallace

Councillor Steven Kelly would be Chairman of the Health and Wellbeing Board and the Council's representative on the East London Waste Authority.

The Council **NOTED** the appointments made by the Leader of the Council.

10 **ESTABLISHING THE COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL (agenda item 10)**

There was before Council a report of the Monitoring Officer concerning the appointment of the Committees of the Council, and advising upon political balance issues.

The report was **AGREED** without debate or division and it was **RESOLVED**:

That:

- (1) The Committees listed in Appendix 1 be appointed for the 2014/15 Municipal Year.**
- (2) Those Committees be appointed with:**
 - (a) the membership sizes and**
 - (b) the political balance**

indicated in Appendix 1
- (3) The voting co-optees, the two representing Church of England and Roman Catholic interests and the three governor co-optees selected in accordance with the appropriate Regulations, be appointed to the Children and Learning Overview and Scrutiny Committee.**

11 APPOINTMENT OF THE CHAIRMEN AND VICE-CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES (agenda item 11)

A. Motion on behalf of Conservative, Residents' UKIP and Independent Residents' Groups

That the following Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen be appointed –

Committee	Chairman Councillor	Vice-Chairman Councillor
Adjudication and Review (2 Vice-Chairmen)	Joshua Chapman	1. John Mylod 2. Roger Westwood
Audit	Frederick Thompson	Ray Morgon
Governance	Michael White	Clarence Barrett
Pensions	John Crowder	David Johnson
Licensing (3 Vice-Chairmen)	Linda Van den Hende	1. Garry Pain 2. Viddy Persaud 3. Keith Roberts
Regulatory Services	Robby Misir	Ron Ower
Highways Advisory	Ian de Wulverton	Ray Best
Children and Learning Overview & Scrutiny	Gillian Ford	Jason Frost
Crime & Disorder	David Durant	John Wood
Environment Overview & Scrutiny	Ray Morgon	Carol Smith
Health Overview & Scrutiny	Nic Dodin	Dilip Patel
Individuals Overview & Scrutiny	June Alexander	Philip Hyde
Towns and Communities Overview & Scrutiny	Lawrence Webb	Linda Hawthorn
Value Overview & Scrutiny	Clarence Barrett	Philippa Crowder

Sub-Committee of the Governance Committee:

Appointments	Roger Ramsey	Clarence Barrett
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Other Committee:

Rainham and South Hornchurch Working Party	Graham Williamson	
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The motion was **AGREED** without division and it was accordingly **RESOLVED**:

That the following Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen be appointed:

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Audit	Frederick Thompson	Ray Morgon
Governance	Michael White	Clarence Barrett
Pensions	John Crowder	David Johnson
Licensing (3 Vice-Chairmen)	Linda Van den Hende	1. Garry Pain 2. Viddy Persaud 3. Keith Roberts
Regulatory Services	Robby Misir	Ron Ower
Highways Advisory	Ian de Wulverton	Ray Best
Children and Learning Overview & Scrutiny	Gillian Ford	Jason Frost
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Health Overview & Scrutiny	Nic Dodin	Dilip Patel
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Towns and Communities Overview & Scrutiny	Lawrence Webb	Linda Hawthorn

Value Overview & Scrutiny	Clarence Barrett	Philippa Crowder
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Other Committee:

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12 SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITY ALLOWANCES (agenda item 12)

A report of the Group Director Resources asked Council to approve an interim arrangement for the allocation of Special Responsibility Allowances, should the total number of such allowances payable exceed the total of 27 previously agreed by Council. This interim arrangement would continue until such time as Council adjusted the budgetary position.

The report was **APPROVED** without division and it was **RESOLVED**:

That interim arrangements be made for all Special Responsibility Allowances to be allocated until the next meeting of Council where a report on SRAs will be submitted for consideration.

13 APPOINTMENT OF A MONITORING OFFICER (agenda item 14)

A report of the Chief Executive asked Council to authorise the appointment as Monitoring Officer of Helen Edwards, Director of Legal & Governance (OneSource) pending the appointment of a new Head of Legal Services.

The report was **APPROVED** without division and it was **RESOLVED**:

That the following individual be authorised to exercise the responsibilities of the statutory officer indicated:

Monitoring Officer: Helen Edwards, Director Legal and Governance (oneSource) with immediate effect.

14 **APPOINTMENT OF THE MEMBER CHAMPIONS (agenda item 15)**

A. Motion on behalf of the Conservative, Residents' UKIP and Independent Residents' Groups

That the following be appointed Champions as indicated:

For the Armed Forces – John Crowder

For Equalities and Diversity – Stephanie Nunn

For the Historic Environment – Linda Hawthorn

For the Over 50's – Patricia Rumble

For the Voluntary Sector Compact – Viddy Persaud

For Younger Persons – Joshua Chapman

The motion was **AGREED** without division and it was accordingly **RESOLVED**:

That the following be appointed Member Champions as indicated:

For the Armed Forces – John Crowder

For Equalities and Diversity – Stephanie Nunn

For the Historic Environment – Linda Hawthorn

For the Over 50's – Patricia Rumble

For the Voluntary Sector Compact – Viddy Persaud

For Younger Persons – Joshua Chapman

15 **STATEMENT BY THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL (agenda item 18)**

Council received a statement from the Leader of the Council – Councillor Roger Ramsey. Councillor Ramsey congratulated the Mayor on her appointment and felt that there was an opportunity to work with colleagues across the Council Chamber.

Councillor Ramsey felt that tough decisions would be needed over the next four years and he looked forward to engaging with all Groups in making these decisions.

16 **VOTING RECORD**

The record of voting divisions is attached as **appendix 2**.

Mayor
16 July 2014

	CONSERVATIVE		RESIDENTS		UKIP		IRG	
	22	19	7	5	2	1	5	
	41.51%	35.85%	13.21%				9.43%	
Governance	13	5	5	4	4	1	1	1
	5.40	4.66	1.72	3.58	1.32	0.94	1.23	
Licensing	11	5	5	4	4	1	1	1
	4.57	3.94	1.45	3.94	1.45	1.04	1.04	
Regulatory Services	11	5	5	4	4	1	1	1
	4.57	3.94	1.45	3.94	1.45	1.04	1.04	
Adjudication	10	4	4	4	4	1	1	1
	4.15	3.58	1.32	3.58	1.32	0.94	1.23	
Highways	11	5	5	4	4	1	1	1
	4.57	3.94	1.45	3.94	1.45	1.04	1.04	
Pensions	7	3	3	3	3	1	0	0
	2.91	2.51	0.92	2.51	0.92	0.66	0.66	
Audit	6	2	2	2	2	1	1	1
	2.49	2.15	0.79	2.15	0.79	0.57	0.57	
Children's	9	4	4	4	4	1	0	0
	3.74	3.23	1.19	3.23	1.19	0.85	0.85	
Crime	6	2	2	2	2	1	1	1
	2.49	2.15	0.79	2.15	0.79	0.57	0.57	
Towns	9	4	4	3	3	1	1	1
	3.74	3.23	1.19	3.23	1.19	0.85	0.85	
Environment	6	2	2	2	2	1	1	1
	2.49	2.15	0.79	2.15	0.79	0.57	0.57	
Health	6	3	3	2	2	1	0	0
	2.49	2.15	0.79	2.15	0.79	0.57	0.57	
Individuals	7	3	3	2	2	1	1	1
	2.91	2.51	0.92	2.51	0.92	0.66	0.66	
Value	9	4	4	3	3	1	1	1
	3.74	3.23	1.19	3.23	1.19	0.85	0.85	
Seats allocated	121.00	51.00	44.00	15.00	11.00			

VOTING RECORD

<i>DIVISION NUMBER:</i>	1
The Mayor [Cllr. Linda Trew]	O
The Deputy Mayor [Cllr. Barbara Matthews]	✓
<u>CONSERVATIVE GROUP</u>	
Cllr. Roger Ramsey	✓
Cllr. Robert Benham	✓
Cllr. Ray Best	✓
Cllr. Wendy Brice-Thompson	✓
Cllr. Joshua Chapman	✓
Cllr John Crowder	✓
Cllr Philla Crowder	✓
Cllr Meg Davis	✓
Cllr Osman Dervish	✓
Cllr Jason Frost	✓
Cllr Steven Kelly	✓
Cllr Robby Misir	✓
Cllr Garry Pain	✓
Cllr Dilip Patel	✓
Cllr Viddy Persaud	✓
Cllr Carol Smith	A
Cllr Frederick Thompson	✓
Cllr Melvin Wallace	✓
Cllr Roger Westwood	✓
Cllr Damian White	✓
Cllr Michael White	✓
<u>RESIDENTS' GROUP</u>	
Cllr. Clarence Barrett	✓
Cllr. June Alexander	✓
Cllr. Nic Dodin	✓
Cllr Alex Donald	✓
Cllr. Brian Eagling	✓
Cllr. Gillian Ford	✓
Cllr Jody Ganly	✓
Cllr. Linda Hawthorn	✓
Cllr. Ray Morgon	✓
Cllr Barry Mugglestone	✓
Cllr. John Mylod	✓
Cllr Stephanie Nunn	✓
Cllr. Ron Ower	A
Cllr. Linda Van den Hende	✓
Cllr Reg Whitney	✓
Cllr Julie Wilkes	✓
Cllr Darren Wise	✓
Cllr. John Wood	✓
<u>UK Independence Party</u>	
Cllr Lawrence Webb	✓
Cllr Ian De Wulverton	✓
Cllr John Glanville	✓
Cllr Phillip Hyde	✓
Cllr David Johnson	A
Cllr Phil Martin	✓
Cllr Patricia Rumble	✓
<u>INDEPENDENT LOCAL RESIDENTS' GROUP</u>	
Cllr. Jeffery Tucker	X
Cllr. Michael Deon Burton	X
Cllr. David Durant	X
Cllr Keith Roberts	X
Cllr Graham Williamson	X
<u>Labour</u>	
Cllr Keith Darvill	O
TOTALS	
✓ = YES	44
X = NO	5
O = ABSTAIN/NO VOTE	2
ID = INTEREST DISCLOSED/NO VOTE	0
A = ABSENT FROM MEETING	3
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COUNCIL, 16 JULY 2014

REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Rainham and Wennington & South Hornchurch Working Party – Terms of Reference

At the Annual Meeting of the Council on 11 June, Council agreed to the establishment of a Rainham and Wennington & South Hornchurch Working Party, to be chaired by a member of the Independent Residents' Group.

Council should note that the Working Party will be an Advisory Committee and as such may make recommendations to the Executive but any decisions in relation to matters within the remit of the Working Party will be taken through the normal executive decision making processes of the council.

Accordingly, Council is asked to approve the attached Terms of Reference for the Working Party in order that meetings can commence as soon as possible.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve the attached Terms of Reference for the Rainham and Wennington & South Hornchurch Working Party.

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Background Papers

None.

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RAINHAM AND WENNINGTON & SOUTH HORNCHURCH WORKING PARTY, PROPOSED TERMS OF REFERENCE

Following the agreement at Council on 11 June 2014 that a Rainham and Wennington & South Hornchurch working party be established, the following terms of reference are proposed:

1. Background

- 1.1 The Rainham and Wennington & South Hornchurch Working Party is an important part of Havering Council's vision to improve quality of life for all Havering's residents and create towns and communities of which residents will be proud. Rainham & Wennington and South Hornchurch wards in particular, have major regeneration opportunities and it is important to ensure that those opportunities are developed alongside local people and ensure the development of appropriate infrastructure to meet the needs of the area.
- 1.2 Major sites in the area are owned by other bodies such as the GLA and are adjacent to regeneration proposals in our neighbouring borough of Barking and Dagenham. It is therefore important to have a clear vision of the required regeneration outcomes for the area in order to be able to influence developments on land that is controlled by other bodies.

2. Membership

- 2.1 The Working Party will be a body for the purposes of the Local Government Act 1972 and will therefore be subject to the proportionality rules under the Local Government Act 1989. It is proposed that the working party will have a membership of 6:

2 Conservative

2 RA

1 UKIP

1 IRG

- 2.2 Given the representation within the two wards it is proposed that the IRG will be given the Chairmanship of the Working Party.

3. Purpose and Objectives

- 3.1 The Working Party is responsible for setting a strategic vision for regeneration in Rainham and Wennington & South Hornchurch and for liaising with key players to ensure the vision is understood by other public and private sector partners. Specifically, the Working Party will:
 - *Review the existing regeneration vision for the area and renew and revise it as necessary, agreeing a new overall strategic vision to guide regeneration within the area and work with public and private sector partners*
 - *Ensure that the Council's other strategies and strategic frameworks support this vision wherever possible.*

- *Engage with local businesses to support business growth and retention within the area.*
- *Lobby to ensure all necessary infrastructure is in place to support any development within the area.*
- *Work to ensure that local people benefit as much as possible from new business opportunities within the area.*
- *Work to ensure that any new housing development is appropriate to the needs of people in Havering, designed to meet local needs and developed in the best possible way to allow local people access to new homes.*
- *Ensure sufficiently strong partnership arrangements are in place with the GLA and other key bodies to ensure sufficient influence to deliver the agreed programme.*

4. Frequency of Meetings

- 4.1 Meetings will be held at approximately two month intervals, to be reviewed mid 2016.

5. Accountability & Reporting Arrangements

- 5.1 The Working party will be an Advisory Committee and as such may make recommendations to the Executive but any decisions in relation to matters within the remit of the Working Party will be taken through the normal executive decision making processes of the council.
- 5.2 Minutes from the meeting will be recorded and agreed.

COUNCIL, 16 JULY 2014

REPORT OF THE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION - ADDITION TO THE DELEGATED POWERS OF THE HEAD OF REGULATORY SERVICES

Governance Committee at its meeting on 26 June considered amendments required to the Constitution to extend the delegated authority of the Head of Regulatory Services concerning a change to the authority used to restrict residents of new developments from having access rights to residents parking schemes.

The Council's basic policy provision for new developments was that any required parking provision should be provided on site. This was particularly so in town centres where many existing buildings often did not have any provision for on-site parking. On occasion, developers were either unable or unwilling to provide the required level of on-site parking provision.

The Council entered legal agreements with developers to remove the possibility of occupants of the development subsequently applying for a residents parking permit for the controlled parking zone within which the development was situated.

Following adverse judicial comment on the limitation of the application of planning obligations under Section 106(1) of the 1990 Act to restricting access to residents' parking permits it was considered appropriate to apply the alternative statutory provision under Section 16 of the Greater London Council (General Powers) Act 1974.

While most applications requiring legal agreements would continue to be considered by Committee, decisions on some small-scale residential developments would be delegated for determination to the Head of Regulatory Services. In order that they could determine applications where a restriction on future residents having access to residents parking permits was required, rather than refer the application to Committee, it was considered appropriate to recommend that the additional power to utilise s. 16 be delegated to them.

The Governance Committee accordingly recommends to the Council that the following paragraph be added to Section 3.6.6 in Part 3 of the Constitution relating to the Head of Regulatory Services:

(dd) To enter into agreements under s.16 Greater London Council (General Powers) Act 1974 to restrict the occupants of buildings from having access to residents parking permits.

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COUNCIL, 16th July 2014

MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

1 Harrow Lodge Park

To The Cabinet Member for Culture & Community Engagement, Cllr M Wallace

By Councillor Cllr J Mylod

Question:

As we were informed prior to the recent election that the Environment Agency would be financing works in Harrow Lodge Park, could the Cabinet Member set out what these works are, their cost and a timetable for when they will be carried out to ensure this park is brought up to the standard of other parks in the borough?

2 Social Housing Stock

To the Cabinet Member for Housing, Cllr D White

By Councillor P Hyde

Question:

With an ever greater strain being put on our limited social housing stock. It is imperative that all recipients of this discounted social asset should be in a social wealth bracket that it is intended for. To this end, I would like to request information on the number of council property tenants that earn over £50,000 and £100,000? This can be as a joint or single income.

3 Chaffords School

To The Cabinet Member for Culture & Community Engagement, Cllr M Wallace

By Councillor J Tucker

Question:

Chaffords School, Rainham has recently been granted Academy status. What impact will this have on the school's relationship with the Council and future of the swimming pool? Will the swimming pool be retained and open to the public and what action can/will the Council take to assist in keeping it open?

4 Care Act – April 2015

To the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Services & Health, Cllr W Brice-Thompson

By Councillor J Alexander

Question:

With much of the Care Act coming into force in April 2015, would the Cabinet Member set out what progress is being made in order to meet the requirement for this Council to carry out 'needs assessments' for all carers?

5 Infrastructure plans for development of the old Somerfield site

**To the Cabinet Member for Regulatory Services & Community Safety,
Cllr O Dervish**

By Councillor P Martin

Question:

What are the infrastructure plans for the proposed development of the old Somerfield Site? Please provide particular detail for; Schools, Doctor's Surgeries and NHS support clinics?

6 Parking charges for employees

To The Leader and Cabinet Member for Value, Cllr R Ramsey

By Councillor D Durant

Question:

The recently imposed Town Hall parking charges for all employees [irrespective of job description and working hours] are a de facto pay cut that cost the lower paid proportionately more than the higher paid.

The poll tax nature of these parking charges will incite a grievance far beyond the amounts involved and be bad for employee relations at a time when employees are being asked to do more for less.

In view of this why did the Administration refuse to negotiate with staff and unions and seek a compromise over these parking charges before they were imposed?

7 Bretttons Site and Associated Land

To The Cabinet Member for Culture & Community Engagement, Cllr M Wallace

By Councillor B Mugglestone

Question:

Would the Cabinet Member confirm why the previous two Conservative Administrations failed to develop a long term strategy for the Bretttons site and associated land?

8 Risks to flooding in Havering

**To the Cabinet Member for Regulatory Services & Community Safety –
Cllr O Dervish**

By Councillor L Webb

Question:

Given that the Environment Agency states that the principal risk to flooding in Havering excluding the Thames is along the rivers Rom and Ingrebourne, what plan is in place to deal with flooding in areas affected by these two rivers?

9 Audit of merger with Newham

To The Leader and Cabinet Member for Value, Cllr R Ramsey

By Councillor G Williamson

Question:

How does the Council intend to audit the progress of the merger of all back-office administrative services with Newham?

10 Funding for pot holes

To The Cabinet Member for Environment, Cllr R Benham

By Councillor D Wise

Question:

Given the recent allocation of £404,000 from the Government to repair pot holes across the borough, would the Cabinet Member set out, on a ward basis, how and where this will be spent and how ward members will be involved in the allocation process?

11 Dog mess fines

To The Cabinet Member for Environment, Cllr R Benham

By Councillor J Wilkes

Question:

Given the recent campaign to tackle dog mess, would the Cabinet Member set out how many fines have been issued in the last six months and what measures will be taken to reinforce the Council's commitment to confront this issue?

12 Community Infrastructure Levy

To the Cabinet Member for Environment, Cllr R Benham

By Councillor Cllr L Hawthorn

Question:

Would the Cabinet Member update Members what progress is being made to introduce a Havering based Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) schedule for planning applications?

13 Excessive basal growth – borough trees

To The Cabinet Member for Environment, Cllr R Benham

By Councillor G Ford

Question:

Would the Cabinet Member advise Members what measures are in place to tackle excessive basal growth (feathering) affecting many of the borough's trees?

14 Weed Spraying Contract

To the Cabinet Member for Environment, Cllr R Benham

By Councillor R Morgon

Question:

Given the concerns raised about the effectiveness of the weed spraying contract over the last couple of years, would the Cabinet Member please set out the Council's plan to ensure that our roads and pavements will be as free as possible from weeds this year - including what checks will be in place to ensure that the terms of the contract are adhered to by the contractor?

15 Gallows Corner Flyover

**To the Cabinet Member for Regulatory Services & Community Safety,
Cllr O Dervish**

By Councillor R Whitney

Question:

Would the Cabinet Member set out what he plans to do to bring about a long awaited solution to the severe congestion and hazardous driving conditions frequently encountered at Gallows Corner Flyover?

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MOTIONS FOR DEBATE

A SHARED SERVICES

Motion on behalf of the Independent Residents' Group

This Council regrets: the pre-election decision to merge all Havering's back-office administrative services with Newham [rather than await the outcome of the elections], the failure of the former council leader to announce his intention to resign when giving the shared services presentation [before rather than after the vote], the misrepresentation of the figures [which gave **gross** rather than **net** forecast savings] and the lack of consultation with local residents before the vote was taken [merger plans not included in the Have Your Say consultation]!

A1: Amendment by the Administration:

This Council notes that following its decision passed by an overwhelming majority to proceed with the merger of back office services with Newham the oneSource joint service has been created to provide these services to the two councils and other council wishing to participate and that the savings arising from this will be an important part of the budget measures needed to meet the severe challenge arising from reduction in central government funding in the next two years and will help preserve more of the front line services which would otherwise be under threat. This Council further appreciates the high level of cooperation shown by its partner council and the considerable interest in participation being shown by other councils.

B BUILDING OF SCHOOLS

Motion on behalf of the Independent Residents' Group

This Council will make representations to our local MPs, the Local Government Association and the Secretary of State for Education to seek an urgent change in the law to allow councils to build schools where they are needed to enable

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councils to fulfil their statutory duty of providing sufficient school places to meet local need.

B1: Amendment by the Administration

This Council supports the devolution of powers to local authorities but recognises the need for government capital funding for the provision of additional school places whether by expanding existing schools or building new ones.

C 20 MINUTES FREE PARKING

Motion on behalf of the United Kingdom Independence Party Group

Havering council should introduce 20 minutes free parking across the borough where it is practical to do so.

C1: Amendment by the Administration

This Council will review the charges for parking across the borough as part of the forthcoming process of considering the budget changes required to address the reduction in funding by central government over the next two years.