



**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
LONDON BOROUGH OF HAVERING
Council Chamber - Town Hall
10 June 2015 (7.30 - 10.40 pm)**

Present: The Mayor (Councillor Brian Eagling) in the Chair.

Councillors 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, 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, Carol Smith, Frederick Thompson, Linda Trew, Jeffrey Tucker, Linda Van den Hende, Lawrence Webb, Roger Westwood, Damian White, Michael White, Reg Whitney, Julie Wilkes, Darren Wise and John Wood.

Approximately ten Members' guests and members of the public were present.

Apologies were received for the absence of Councillors June Alexander, David Johnson, Ron Ower, Melvin Wallace and Graham Williamson.

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

Father Hingley, Vicar, the Parish Church of St Alban, Protomartyr, Romford opened the meeting with prayers.

The meeting closed with the singing of the national anthem.

11 **MINUTES (agenda item 3)**

The minutes of the meetings of the Council held on 20 May 2015 were before the Council for approval. It was noted that a correct version of appendix 2 of the minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council was shown in the supplementary agenda.

It was **AGREED**, without division, that the minutes of the Extraordinary and Annual meetings of the Council be signed as a correct record.

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meetings of the Council held on 20 May 2015, be signed as a correct record.

12 **DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS (agenda item 4)**

There were no disclosures of interest.

13 **ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE MAYOR, BY THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL OR BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE (agenda item 5)**

The Mayor announced that his charities for the year would be First Step and the Special Care Baby Unit at Queen's Hospital. The Mayor also asked all Members to ensure that good standards of behaviour were observed at all times during Council meetings.

The Mayor also announced that this would be the final Council meeting attended by Joy Hollister – Group Director of Children, Adults and Housing who was leaving the Council to take up a position at Derbyshire County Council. The Mayor thanked Joy for her hard work on behalf of the Council and the Leader and eight other Members also spoke in tribute to Joy and her achievements during her time at Havering.

The text of the announcements given by the Leader of the Council is shown in appendix 1 to these minutes.

14 **PETITIONS (agenda item 6)**

Pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 23, the following petitions were presented:

From Councillor Keith Roberts concerning inconsiderate parking across driveways in Wennington Road.

From Councillor David Durant against parking restrictions in Ingreborune Road.

From Councillor Dilip Patel requesting a traffic calming scheme in Percy Road and Linley Crescent.

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

15 **CHANGES TO THE CALL-IN PROCESS FOR REGULATORY SERVICES COMMITTEE (agenda item 7)**

A report of the Governance Committee invited Council to agree some changes to the call-in process for planning applications brought before the Regulatory Services Committee. This sought to restrict the normal call-in process to Councillors for the ward in which the planning application site was located whilst retaining a procedure whereby, in exceptional circumstances, an application could still be called-in by non-ward Councillors.

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

1. **Committee Procedure Rule 13(e) of the Council's Constitution be revised to read the following:**

(e) Only a Councillor representing the ward in which the planning application is located, or in exceptional circumstances any member of the Council, may call-in an application before the Regulatory Services Committee. Any such request for call-in must be received by the Head of Regulatory Services in writing (to include email and facsimile) and must set out detailed reasons for the call in which must be related solely to matters of material planning concern. Any Member of the planning committee calling in a matter must take care to express themselves in a manner which would not amount to bias or pre-determination should they intend to take part in the meeting.

2. **That Section 3.6.6(d) be revised to read the following:**

"Members of the Ward in which a proposal is situated may request that an application be referred to the Regulatory Services Committee for determination. Such request must be made in writing to the Head of Regulatory Services personally. If no such request is received by the deadline of that period the Head of Regulatory Services may determine the application.

If any Member considers there are exceptional circumstances warranting the calling in of a planning application which is not situated within their Ward then they must seek and obtain approval from the Head of Regulatory Services.”

- 3. That the Council’s Monitoring Officer be authorised to make the necessary change to the Council’s Constitution, should the proposal be agreed by Council.**

16 CHANGES TO DELEGATED POWERS - REGULATORY SERVICES (agenda item 8)

A report of the Governance Committee asked Council to agree a short amendment to the constitution authorising the Head of Regulatory services to take any necessary action to achieve compliance with an enforcement case, including Enforcement Notices and Listed Building Notices. The wording to amend the Constitution in this regard had been inadvertently omitted from the report on this matter considered by Council at its meeting on 28 January 2015.

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

That Section 3.6.6 (p) of the Council’s Constitution be amended to include the following additional wording:

“... and to take any action necessary to achieve compliance with a notice, including commencing proceedings for injunctions and demolishing buildings.”

17 APPOINTMENT OF A DIRECTOR OF LEGAL AND GOVERNANCE - ONESOURCE (agenda item 9)

A report of the Monitoring Officer invited Council to delegate the confirmation of preferred candidates for appointments to the Appointments Sub-Committee as this would streamline the process involved with oneSource appointments.

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

That Council delegate the confirmation of preferred candidates for appointments to the Appointments Sub-Committee.

18 REVISION TO THE TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY (agenda item 10)

A report of the Group Director of Communities and Resources asked Council to agree an amendment to paragraph 4.3, Table 2 of the Treasury Management Strategy. This would authorise the making of loans up to £15

million to the wholly owned arm's length company of the Council which had recently been set up by Cabinet to develop homes for market rent and sale.

The report was **AGREED** without division and it was **RESOLVED** that:

The list of approved Counter parties (as set out in paragraph 4.3 Table 2) be expanded to include the following:

- **Approved Counterparty:**

Wholly owned subsidiary of the London Borough of Havering.

- **Loan Value : up to £15m**
- **Duration: Unlimited but subject to the approval of the Business plan**

19 **ALLOCATION OF SEATS ON THE COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL (agenda item 10a)**

Following the withdrawal of Councillor Hyde from the United Kingdom Independence Party Group, there was before Council a report of the Chief Executive concerning the allocation of seats on the Committees of the Council and advising on revised political balance issues.

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

That Council agrees to the default seat allocation as set out in Appendix 2 to these minutes.

20 **ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR OF INDIVIDUALS OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY SUB-COMMITTEE (agenda item 10b)**

Following the withdrawal of Councillor Hyde from the United Kingdom Independence Party Group, Councillor Rumble had been nominated as Vice-Chair of the Individuals Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Committee.

The appointment of Councillor Rumble was **AGREED** without division and Councillor Rumble was therefore declared **ELECTED** as Vice-Chair of the Individuals Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

21 **DEBATE ON STATEMENT BY THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL (agenda item 11)**

Deemed motion by the Conservative Group

That the statement given by the Leader of the Council at the Annual Meeting of the Council on 20 May 2015 be received.

Amendment by the Residents' Group

In light of the Leader's statement at Annual Council that the council is set for some challenging times ahead, this council agrees that a comprehensive review is undertaken to ensure that the management of this council is the most effective and efficient that it can be. Although not an exhaustive list, this will include looking at targets set, how individual output and training is measured and monitored, quality of work checked, procedures reviewed, documented and technology used to ensure that this council is the most streamlined and cost effective.

Following debate, the amendment by the Residents' Group was **AGREED** without division.

RESOLVED:

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22 **MEMBERS' QUESTIONS (agenda item 12)**

Fifteen questions were asked and replies given.

The text of the questions, and their answers, are set out in **Appendix 3** to these minutes.

23 **LEADER OF THE COUNCIL (agenda item 13)**

Motion on behalf of the Independent Residents' Group

The Council Leader was elected in a hung council on a promise to adopt a consensual approach and respect other groups, but this promise was wilfully broken at the Annual Council meeting. Thus this Council calls on the Council Leader to resign to allow a new contest for Council Leader to be held.

A procedural motion that, under Council procedure rule 12.1 (o) the Leader of the Council be given 10 minutes to reply to the motion during general debate was **CARRIED** without division.

During the course of debate, a motion that Councillor Tucker be no longer heard was **CARRIED** without division.

During the course of debate, a motion that Councillor Durant be no longer heard was **CARRIED** by 40 votes to 4 (see division 1).

Following debate, the motion on behalf of the Independent Residents' Group was **NOT CARRIED** by 45 votes to 3 (see division 2).

24 **VOTING RECORD (agenda item)**

The record of voting decisions is attached as **Appendix 4**.

Mayor

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Full Council – 10 June 2015

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

- Mr Mayor – at the Annual Council meeting I spoke of the challenges we face in the coming years and the hard work of managing the Borough on an ever-tightening budget.
- But I closed my speech by reminding us all that the future can still be bright – and that we still have the chance to chart a positive course for Havering and its residents.
- One of the ways we can do that is to work with organisations that are able to invest in our Borough and use our influence to shape that investment to get the best for Havering.
- Tonight I want to tell you about two very striking examples of investment in the Borough that perfectly illustrate how Havering can benefit from a wide partnership of support.
- First and most excitingly, I hope many of you will be aware of yesterday's announcement from the GLA, marking a huge turning point for the south of the Borough.
- Yesterday morning I attended the launch in central London of the Beam Park project attended by Deputy London Mayor for Housing and many potential development partners and professionals with the Leader of LBBD
- The Mayor of London has announced that major regeneration is set for Beam Park – a disused industrial area to the west of Rainham.
- The Mayor's vision, which we share, would see the creation of a new community, providing a mixture of private and affordable housing for thousands of residents.
- This new community – a brand new garden suburb - will be served by a brand new railway station at Beam Park, which has already been approved for funding by TfL. That station will offer local people a twenty-minute link in to the City, making the Beam Park Garden Suburb an attractive option for commuters.

- This will also be a huge benefit to existing residents in that area
- But the Mayor's announcement will also be the catalyst for further investment in jobs and infrastructure in the area, with new opportunities for industry opening up along the riverside in Dagenham and Rainham.
- For our part, we have started consultation with local people in Rainham about a masterplan for the future and we expect confirmation that our bid for Housing Zone investment in Beam Park will be confirmed shortly, so we can help deliver on the promise of the area.
- At the launch the importance of the Housing Zone funding to the improvement of the whole area was set out
- That would mean investment in the run-down industrial areas along the A1306, to create attractive housing developments, linked by a tree-lined boulevard, with access to new open, green space.
- And it would lead to the development of community facilities - like schools, health services and leisure, that will make the communities of Rainham and Beam Park sustainable and attractive places to live and raise a family for generations to come.
- During the launch it was indicated that there would be a total housing zone investment of £30 million with a total of 3,400 new homes at Beam Park and other areas to be developed. There would be a total investment value of £763 million and the creation of a potential 6,200 jobs during the construction period.
- Beam Park shows what's possible, with major investment from outside bodies – in this case the Mayor of London – but there are smaller investments being made across Havering that make a real difference too.
- Veolia is an organisation that has long held a stake in Havering. It's a large employer based in the south of the Borough.
- But Veolia also has a long history of investing in the Havering community and we as a Council have worked with them for many

years to direct that investment at projects large and small that we feel will benefit local people.

- Tonight, I'm very pleased to announce that the Veolia North Thames Trust Board has just approved a broad range of investments in the community – from small purchases, to local improvements costing tens of thousands of pounds. These include:
 - The purchase of equipment for the Rush Green Project group
 - A £5,000 grant to the Friends of Harold Wood Park, to create a scooter park for young people
 - Floodlights for the Upminster Hall Sports Association
 - £35,000 to the Elm Park Community Association for roof repairs
 - A new boiler and upgraded windows for the Robert Beard Youth Centre
 - And £90,000 worth of playground improvements in Upminster and Harold Hill
- These two examples demonstrate both the importance of our role in influencing major infrastructure investment in Havering and also the work we do as a community broker – matching local needs to local investors.
- Both approaches will become ever more vital, as our own resources are squeezed in the years ahead.

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RECOMMENDED SEAT ALLOCATION

Having regard to the principles of political balance and of seat allocation referred to in Appendix 1 of the report to Council, the following allocation of 134 seats is recommended on the basis that, taking all factors into account, it shows a “reasonably practicable” allocation of seats and is therefore the preferred position.

		CONSERVATIVE	RESIDENTS	EHRG	UKIP	IRG
Governance	13	6	3	2	1	1
Licensing	11	5	3	1	1	1
Regulatory Services	11	5	2	2	1	1
Highways	11	5	2	2	1	1
Adjudication	10	4	2	2	1	1
Pensions	7	3	2	1	1	0
Audit	6	2	1	1	1	1
Rainham & Sth Hx WP	6	2	1	1	1	1
Children's	9	4	2	1	1	1
Board	16	7	3	2	2	2
Towns	9	4	2	1	1	1
Individuals	7	3	1	1	1	1
Crime	6	2	1	1	1	1
Health	6	3	1	2	0	0
Environment	6	2	2	1	1	0
Seats Allocated	134					

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1. StreetCare enquiries**To the Cabinet Member for Environment, Councillor R. Benham**

From Councillor B. Mugglestone

Would the Cabinet Member confirm the number of StreetCare enquiries on the CRM system that have not been closed down and the date of the oldest outstanding service request?

Answer:

Having discussed this question with officers, it's clear that we need to cleanse the data on the system before I can give you an accurate answer. The data includes historic enquires that have been dealt with but not closed down on the system, duplicate enquiries and other data issues.

This must be set in the context of the sheer volume of enquiries received by the Council about StreetCare issues. We regularly receive between 250 and 300 new enquiries every day, which need to be assessed and given an appropriate response – that's clearly a huge task.

Nevertheless, I would like to give Cllr Mugglestone an undertaking that the data cleansing will be done as soon as possible and I will respond to him in writing before the next Council meeting on 15th July.

In response to a supplementary question, the Cabinet Member agreed to investigate any specific examples reported of cases that had been closed down on the CRM system but were in fact still live.

2. Sale of Council owned land (three questions, taken together)**To the Leader of the Council, Councillor R. Ramsey**

From Councillor L. Webb

1. In the last five years how many parcels of the council owned land have been sold, with and without planning permission?

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2. Of the parcels of land sold with planning approval, how many of them had a subsequent planning application made for more properties or indeed a property with a larger footprint?

3. Please provide a breakdown of the prices achieved for each of these parcels of land?

Answer

This is a very detailed question and we will need to provide a written answer after the council.

5. Planning permission for gravel extraction and landfill**To the Cabinet Member for Regulatory Services & Community Safety,
Councillor O. Dervish**

From Councillor K. Roberts

There are a number of live and pending gravel extraction/landfill applications in the south of the borough that are being individually recommended for approval, but which would be rejected if they were all submitted as one application!

Does the Cabinet Member agree the planning department should consider and report on the cumulative impact of individual gravel extraction/landfill applications before recommending approval?

Answer

The premise of this question is wrong. We have looked at the cumulative impact of each of these applications as part of the usual planning application process. The outcome would not be any different had the applications been submitted as one.

Cumulative impact depends on the nature of the proposal, its location, its proximity to other sites and the use/capacity of the road network.

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In response to a supplementary question, the Cabinet Member agreed to supply to Councillor Roberts, after the meeting, an update on the position with the planning application for a gravel pit adjacent to Wennington Village.

6. **Highways contract**

To the Cabinet Member for Environment, Councillor R. Benham

From Councillor R. Morgon

Would the Cabinet Member advise how a Highways Maintenance Support Sub-Contractor (Miller Bros) has been able to operate for the Council without a contract since September 2009?

Answer

The contract with Miller Bros actually lapsed in 2011. It does appear that there was an administrative mistake at that time and, as a result, the contract was not renewed as it should have been.

It's worth noting that Miller Bros is one of four organisations the Council uses for highways maintenance works. It is a local company, based in Harold Wood and it has always delivered a high standard of service. Nevertheless, as soon as the lapse in the contract came to light, the Council took legal advice.

Officers believe that under the terms of contract, the firm is entitled to a notice period to end its contract and legal officers are currently advising on the correct course of action. Our preference is to coincide the termination of the Miller Bros contract with the end date of other highways contracts – allowing us greater flexibility to explore new and more efficient ways of commissioning highways works.

In response to a supplementary question, the Cabinet Member confirmed he was investigating what had gone wrong in this instance as well as the status of other contracts in order to avoid any repeat of the situation.

7. Council Tax on empty properties**To the Cabinet Member for Financial Management, Councillor C. Barrett****By Councillor L. Webb**

Given the Council's recent decision to charge a higher Council Tax for those properties that have been empty for two years and are 'substantially unfurnished' can the Cabinet Member give a legal definition for the term 'substantially unfurnished'?

Answer

There is no legal definition for "substantially unfurnished" within the council tax regulations. However, the Department for Communities and Local Government have recently given the following guidance in respect of empty and second homes, this is as follows:

"A property which is substantially unfurnished is unlikely to be occupied or be capable of occupation. A property which is capable of occupation can reasonably be expected to contain some, if not all, items from both of the following categories: furniture such as bed, chairs, table, wardrobe or sofa, and white goods such as fridge, freezer or cooker."

In response to a supplementary question, the Cabinet Member confirmed that interpretation of the legislation was a matter for the Local Authority and that non-payers of the higher Council Tax level would be subject to the usual recovery procedures.

8. Legal action against the Government**To the Leader of the Council, Councillor R. Ramsey****From Councillor D. Durant**

A Recorder (15/5/15) news item reports the Council Leader saying, "Havering will not join other boroughs in suing the Government over funding."

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Can the Council Leader expand on this by naming the other boroughs, the action taken, costs involved and whether this 'group action' is a matter for the new North East London Strategic Alliance [includes Havering] to pursue?

Answer

The Romford Recorder article names Barking & Dagenham and Redbridge as councils that may launch legal action and as was also reported I stated that Havering would not be averse to join in if there was any chance of success.

However, the advice that we have had is that there is little prospect of success as the process has been followed properly and therefore it would be a waste of taxpayers money to employ expensive barristers at this time.

This action is being taken by these council's and is not an issue for NELSA as NELSA is a lobbying and influencing group rather than one that would take direct action like these proceedings. We always fight to get a fairer deal for Havering and have raised our case several times directly with the Minister.

In response to a supplementary question, the Leader of the Council reiterated that he would follow the advice that any legal action was not sufficiently likely to be successful, given the very high legal costs involved. He added that other boroughs had not finally decided to take legal action and that the North East London Strategic Alliance was designed as a lobbying group, not to be a vehicle for launching legal action.

9. Public Realm**To the Cabinet Member for Housing, Councillor D. White**

From Councillor B. Matthews

Given the difficulties that members have in distinguishing between Housing and StreetCare land, would the Cabinet Member agree that it is time to review whether the Council could operate a "one Public Realm" operation.

Answer

The Council maintains all grassed and planted areas in the borough, including land attributable to the HRA. Tenants and Leaseholders pay their additional service

charges for grounds maintenance which is why there may be different regimes in place to those in other areas. We know our residents take great pride in where they live which is why we want Havering to be as clean and safe as it can be.

In response to a supplementary question, the Cabinet Member agreed that, if it were possible under the Regulations governing the use of HRA funding, a 'one Public Realm' operation would be beneficial to the Council.

10. Romford Leisure Development

To the Leader of the Council, Councillor R. Ramsey

From Councillor J. Tucker

Just prior to the General Election the Council erected banners advertising the commencement of work on building the new Romford Leisure Centre. Please provide an update regarding this work and a date for when the Leisure Centre will be completed.

Answer

We are committed to providing a state-of-the-art new leisure centre in the heart of Romford and this is now a step closer as preliminary works have already been carried out ahead of the main development. We are now in very advanced discussions with Morrisons regarding the next stage of work that they will implement, including office demolition and the provision of a new electricity sub-station. Any project of this size and complexity can and will ebb and flow it is not therefore possible to give specific dates at this point although progress is being made.

In response to a supplementary question, the Leader of the Council confirmed that he believed and hoped the development would happen. A binding contract was in place and the Leader would be meeting with Morrisons to review progress.

11. CCTV for dog fouling**To the Cabinet Member for Environment, Councillor R. Benham**

By Councillor J. Wilkes

Given the increasing number of reports of dog fouling, would the Cabinet Member agree to using covert CCTV to catch offenders in “hot spots” in the same way as they use CCTV to catch fly-tippers?

Answer

On the face of it, this sounds like a good idea, but there are significant differences between catching fly-tippers and catching irresponsible dog owners. CCTV can be used to identify the motor vehicles used by fly-tippers through DVLA records, but it's extremely difficult to identify a man or woman walking a dog and trace their address. For the most part we need to catch dog owners in the act of allowing their dogs to foul public land – so we do undertake patrols and we do ask the public to report hot spots. Most importantly, we try very hard to encourage dog owners to pick up after their animals.

In response to a supplementary question, the Cabinet Member confirmed that he was happy to look with offices at the possibility of using relocatable cameras at dog fouling hotspots. Extra dog bins had also been provided and a stall re this issue was taken at the Havering Show. The Cabinet Member also felt that dog licences should be reintroduced and would discuss this with the local MP.

12. New Plymouth and Napier Houses**To the Cabinet Member for Housing, Councillor D. White**

By Councillor M. Deon Burton

Please provide an update regarding the refurbishment of New Plymouth House and Napier House and whether the Council intends to proceed with the ‘Winter Gardens’ balconies?

Answer

I am delighted to be asked this question as it allows me to confirm that following a procurement exercise officers will shortly be making a recommendation to Cabinet to award a contract to undertake the external refurbishment and the provision of winter gardens at Napier and New Plymouth Houses.

Officers undertook several value for money exercises to ensure the investment made will bring the maximum benefit to residents and the housing stock portfolio. The exercises are now complete but they have meant there has been an understandable delay in bringing the recommendation forward.

A public meeting with residents to update them on progress took place [on 4 June](#) and we can all now look forward to much improved facilities for the residents of Napier and New Plymouth Houses.

In response to a supplementary question, the Cabinet Member stated he would provide a written response confirming if the work would be as originally proposed and an indication of the end date, if this was available.

13. Fly-tipping**To the Cabinet Member for Environment, Councillor R. Benham**

By Councillor J. Ganly

Would the Cabinet Member agree to bring forward a report to Cabinet by the Autumn to formalise the Council's policy on the removal of fly-tips from private land?

Answer

In general, the Council has always maintained that waste dumped on private land is the responsibility of the landowner. However, we do recognise that there are instances where enforcement action against the landowner is not practical or fair – so we are looking at refining the Council's policy in the coming months to ensure that we deliver a cleaner Borough, this will have to form part of the Council's budget strategy as this may require additional capacity.

14. Recycling**To the Cabinet Member for Environment, Councillor R. Benham**

By Councillor S. Nunn

Would the Cabinet Member confirm how StreetCare will reach its recycling target set by Government by 2020?

Answer

The recycling targets are set nationally and are a challenge for all London Boroughs. Our performance is very respectable and we will continue to encourage recycling, both through the orange bag collections and through recycling sites across Havering.

Our other, perhaps even more important challenge, is how we reduce the overall level of waste that the Borough produces. That tonnage is a major financial challenge for the future, with likely increases to the levy we pay for waste disposal running at around a million pounds a year. So alongside our campaign to increase recycling, we will continue to encourage local people to do what they can to reduce overall waste.

In response to a supplementary question, the Cabinet Member confirmed he would look into why recycling was not separated from ordinary rubbish at the recent Langtons concert.

15. Parking meters**To the Cabinet Member for Environment, Councillor R. Benham**

By Councillor R. Whitney

Would the Cabinet Member confirm why new parking meters have been installed so soon after previous parking meters have been put in place, what has happened to the old meters and when the new meters will accept new coinage?

Answer

Pay & Display machines have been upgraded as part of the new tariff arrangement. The last time we installed new pay & display machines was in 2012 and these were in the following locations:

Hilldene Shopping Centre
Collier Row Shopping Centre
Hornchurch; Appleton Way, Mavis Grove, Cumberland Avenue, Kenilworth Gardens and Butts Green Road
Cranham; Front Lane & Moor Lane
Upminster; Upminster Bridge and Corbetts Tey Road
Hornchurch; Hornchurch Road
Gidea Park; Heath Park Drive, Balgores Crescent; Crossways
Hornchurch Station area
Wennington Road

All of these pay & display accept new coins.

In response to a supplementary question, the Cabinet Member agreed to investigate why old parking machines could only accept old coinage.

VOTING RECORD

<i>DIVISION NUMBER:</i>	1	2
The Mayor [Cllr. Brian Eagling]	✓	✗
The Deputy Mayor [Cllr. Philippa Crowder]	✓	✗
<u>CONSERVATIVE GROUP</u>		
Cllr Roger Ramsey	✓	✗
Cllr Robert Benham	✓	✗
Cllr Ray Best	✓	✗
Cllr Wendy Brice-Thompson	✓	✗
Cllr Joshua Chapman	✓	✗
Cllr John 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	✓	✗
Cllr Frederick Thompson	✓	✗
Cllr Linda Trew	✓	✗
Cllr Melvin Wallace	A	A
Cllr Roger Westwood	✓	✗
Cllr Damian White	✓	✗
Cllr Michael White	✓	✗
<u>RESIDENTS' GROUP</u>		
Cllr Ray Morgon	✓	✗
Cllr June Alexander	A	A
Cllr Nic Dodin	✓	✗
Cllr Jody Ganly	✓	✗
Cllr Barbara Matthews	✓	✗
Cllr Barry Mugglestone	O	✗
Cllr John Mylod	✓	✗
Cllr Stephanie Nunn	O	✗
Cllr Reg Whitney	✓	✗
Cllr Julie Wilkes	O	✗
Cllr John Wood	✓	✗
<u>EAST HAVERING RESIDENTS' GROUP</u>		
Cllr Clarence Barrett	✓	✗
Cllr Alex Donald	✓	✗
Cllr Gillian Ford	✓	✗
Cllr Linda Hawthorn	✓	✗
Cllr Ron Ower	A	A
Cllr Linda Van den Hende	✓	✗
Cllr Darren Wise	✓	✗
<u>UK Independence Party</u>		
Cllr Lawrence Webb	✓	✗
Cllr Ian De Wulverton	✓	✗
Cllr John Glanville	✓	✗
Cllr David Johnson	A	A
Cllr Phil Martin	✓	✗
Cllr Patricia Rumble	✓	✗
<u>INDEPENDENT LOCAL RESIDENTS' GROUP</u>		
Cllr Jeffrey Tucker	✗	✓
Cllr Michael Deon Burton	✗	O
Cllr David Durant	✗	✓
Cllr Keith Roberts	✗	✓
Cllr Graham Williamson	A	A
<u>LABOUR</u>		
Cllr Keith Darvill	O	✗
<u>INDEPENDENT</u>		
Cllr Philip Hyde	O	✗
<u>TOTALS</u>		
✓ = YES	40	3
✗ = NO	4	45
O = ABSTAIN/NO VOTE	5	1
ID = INTEREST DISCLOSED/NO VOTE	0	0
A = ABSENT FROM MEETING	5	5
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