

## **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*

*1IRG*

- 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.