

# Meeting of the Council of the London Borough of Barnet

TO BE HELD ON

Tuesday, 18 January, 2005, at 7.00pm

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### Agenda and Timetable

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	<b><u>Part 1 - Statutory formalities/ Announcements (15 minutes)</u></b>	7.00pm – 7.15pm	
1.	Prayer		
2.	Apologies for absence		
3.	Minutes of last meeting held on 14 December 2004		1 -50
4.	Official announcements		
5.	Declarations of interest		
6.	Any business remaining from last meeting		
	<b><u>Part 2 -- Question Time (30 minutes or until 7.45pm, whichever is the longer)</u></b>	7.15pm – 7.45pm	
7.	Questions to the Leader and Cabinet		To be circulated separately
	<b><u>Part 3 — Members' Motions (60 minutes)</u></b>	7.45pm – 8.45pm	
8.	Motions in the order in which notice has been given		
8.1	From Councillor Brian Coleman –		
	Council regrets that the changes made part way through the Municipal year to the arrangements for Members Stationary and Equipment allowance have been introduced without proper consultation with all Councillors. Council notes that these arrangements will cause major inconvenience and additional work for Councillors and will have an adverse impact on Members Tax affairs. Council further notes these changes do nothing to help Councillors deliver an improved service to their residents.		

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	<p>Council requests the Cabinet Member for Resources to withdraw his delegated powers report and to consult Members of all Parties (including Non Executive Councillors of his own Party) on new arrangements to commence at the start of the Municipal Year 2005/6.</p> <p>Councillor Coleman has requested that, in accordance with Part 4 of the Council's Constitution, Section 1, paragraph 31.5, if the item is not dealt with by the end of the meeting, it be voted upon at the council meeting.</p>		
8.2	From Councillor Ansuya Sodha		
	<p>Council condemns domestic violence.</p> <p>Council welcomes and supports action taken so far by Barnet Council staff to tackle domestic violence, but recognises there is far more still to do.</p> <p>Council urges the Cabinet as a matter of urgency:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• to consult Barnet's Domestic Violence Forum on the appointment of a council Domestic Violence Co-ordinator to tackle abuse in the home, and</li> <li>• to work with the Domestic Violence Forum to bring forward an action plan to ensure Barnet meets the minimum standards set out in the London Wide Domestic Violence Strategy.</li> </ul> <p>Councillor Sodha has requested that, in accordance with Part 4 of the Council's Constitution, Section 1, paragraph 31.5, if the item is not dealt with by the end of the meeting, it be voted upon at the council meeting</p>		
8.3	<p>Motion from Councillor Phil Yeoman</p> <p>Council is horrified at the devastation caused to millions of families and communities by the Asian Earthquake Disaster. Council extends its thoughts, prayers and deepest sympathies to all affected, including residents of the London Borough of Barnet and their families.</p>		

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	<p>Council supports the actions taken by the Chief Executive and Leader of the Council in responding to the disaster, and Council thanks its staff and residents for the support and donations given. Council urges the Cabinet to consider following the example of other local authorities in not only making a donation to the Disaster Emergency Committee, but also to helping in any way it can by using the Council's facilities to make a difference to those affected by this appalling tragedy.</p> <p>Council therefore requests that the Chief Executive establish a Member task group to investigate longer term ways to help with the rebuilding of communities, including consideration of 'adopting' a village or town in one of the countries affected and offering specific aid, such as sending council officers with the right skills to help.</p> <p>Councillor Yeoman has requested that, in accordance with Part 4 of the Council's Constitution, Section 1, paragraph 31.5, if the item is not dealt with by the end of the meeting, it be voted upon at the council meeting.</p>		
8.4	<p>Motion from Councillor Andreas Tambourides</p> <p>"Council sends our sympathies to all the Countries and communities in the Borough of Barnet that have been affected by the Tsunami disaster. Council also commends our Mayor and Deputy Mayor for their timely initiative in organising a multi faith Civic Service of prayer and remembrance on 16th January.</p> <p>Council is grateful for the efforts being made throughout our many diverse Communities in Barnet to help with the immediate relief for the survivors who have lost their homes and livelihoods.</p>		

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	<p>Council requests support from all parties to set up a steering committee, under the auspices of our Mayoralty, to look at bringing together all communities in the Borough of Barnet in order to raise funds to adopt a village in one of the areas most severely affected, to assist with immediate basic essentials and ultimately to help in the rebuilding of their infrastructure, particularly to include a school, medical centre and orphanage.”</p> <p><u>Councillor Tambourides has requested that, in accordance with Part 4 of the Council’s Constitution, Section 1, paragraph 31.5, if the item is not dealt with by the end of the meeting, it be voted upon at the council meeting.</u></p>		
	<b>Break</b>	8.45pm – 9.00pm	
9	<b>Part 4 – Policy Development (60 minutes)</b>	9.00pm – 10.00pm	
9.1	Administration Policy Item. As set out in the paper attached.		51
9.2	Opposition Policy Item As set out in the attached paper		52 - 53
	<b>Part 5 – Accountability (20minutes)</b>	10.00 pm- 10.20pm	
10	Comments on the work of the Cabinet (10 minutes) –		
11.	Questions to council representatives on outside bodies (10 minutes)		None
	<b>Part 6 – Statutory Council Business (40 minutes)</b>	10.20pm – 11.00pm	
12.	<u>Reports from Cabinet</u>		None
13.	Reports from overview and scrutiny committees		
14.	Reports from Other Committees		

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14.1	Report of the General Functions Committee dated 6 January 2005: (i) Budget 2005/06 (ii) Law and Probity Service – proposed restructure		54 - 55
15.	Reports of Officers		
15.1	Head of Committee		56 -67
1.	Changes to Committee Memberships		
2.	Vacancies on School Governing Bodies		
3.	Representation of the Council on Outside Bodies		
4.	Chief Officer Appointment Panel – Chief Executive’s Annual Appraisal		
15.2	Monitoring Officer		

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