Council Meeting 20 December 2005

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF THE DEMOCRATIC SERVICES MANAGER Agenda item 15.2

5. JOINT HEALTH OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE: HEALTHY HOSPITALS

It has since transpired that the Council's decision of 16 July 2003 to appoint members to this Overview and Scrutiny Committee was incorrectly recorded.

Although the recorded decision indicates the appointment of Councillors Helena Hart and Kevin Edson as members of the Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee and Councillor Gill Sargeant as a substitute, Councillor Gill Sargeant should have been shown as being a full member. There was no provision for the appointment of substitutes at that time and the wrongly recorded minute relating to Councillor Sargeant's appointment should be corrected. Therefore, the first recommendation before the Council is a correction to the wrongly recorded decision of 16 July, 2003.

The Council's current appointments to this Overview and Scrutiny Committee are Councillors Helena Hart, Maureen Braun and Councillor Gill Sargeant.

This Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee, which has not yet met, is due to have its first meeting early in the New Year and one of the first items of business will be to adopt amended terms of reference,. These terms of reference, amongst other things, provide for the London Boroughs of Barnet and Enfield each to appoint three members (non – Executive) and two substitutes and be subject to the proportionality arrangements. The substitute arrangements for Barnet will allow for one substitute to be appointed from each of the Conservative and Labour Groups.

It is understood that once the Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee has held its first meetings, a number of other meetings, will follow in quick succession, which is the reason for the Council being asked to appoint substitute members at this meeting, subject to the Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee adopting the amended terms of reference.

The relevant Group Secretaries have been notified.

RECOMMEND-

- (1) That the Council's minuted decision of 16 July, 2003, be corrected to refer to the Council's appointments to the Joint Healthy Hospital Overview and Scrutiny Committee, being three members which reflect the proportionality arrangements, namely, two members from the Conservative group and one from the Labour group.
- (2) That Council note that their current appointments to this Overview and Scrutiny Committee are Councillors Helena Hart, Maureen Braun and Gill Sergeant.

(3) That the Council appoint two substitute members, one from the conservative group, and one from the labour group, which will become operational once the Joint Committee adopt their amended terms of reference.

6. REPRESENTATION OF THE COUNCIL ON TOTTERIDGE MANOR ASSOCIATION

The Administration wishes to change its representation on the Totteridge Manor Association by replacing Mr Kevin Edson and Mr Gordon Dixon with Councillor Brian Coleman and Mr Richard Cornelius.

Details of the conditions relating to appointments to this body and current representatives are shown below:

Organisation: Totteridge Manor Association

Special Conditions:

The Council is entitled to appoint to the Association's Council of Management two representatives. One representative at least must be a Member of the Council representing Totteridge Ward. Both representatives should normally be Council Members. If not a Member of the Council, he or she must be preapproved by the Association's Council of Management.

No. of Representatives: 2

Current Representatives Vac Ref

1 - Mr Kevin Edson (Appointed 09/07/2002) 1133

Member

Period of Appointment: 09/07/2002 to 08/07/2006

2 - Mr Gordon Dixon (Nominated 09/07/2002) 1134

Nominee

Period of Appointment: 09/07/2002 to 08/07/2006

RECOMMEND: That Council approve the replacement of Mr Kevin Edson and Mr Gordon Dixon with Councillor Brian Coleman and Mr Richard Cornelius as the Council's representatives on Totteridge Manor Association.

7. CHANGES IN COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIPS

The Labour Group has indicated that they wish to make the following change to their representation on the Planning and Environment Committeee.

RECOMMEND – That the following changes be made to the membership of the Committees indicated:

 Planning and Environment Committee – Councillor Steve Blomer to replace Councillor David Mencer, and Councillor David Mencer to replace Councillor Steve Blomer as a substitute.

8. AMENDMENTS TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

(i) Motion 8.1 in the name of <u>Councillor Fiona Bulmer-</u> an amendment in the name of *Councillor Linda McFadyen:*

"In the fourth paragraph, replace "Department of Health" with "Barnet and Chase Farm Hospitals NHS Trust".

Amend the fifth paragraph to read: "Council welcomes the campaign spearheaded by the Barnet Press newspaper and local MPs to ensure the Trust listens to our concerns."

"In the final paragraph, replace "Secretary of State for Health" with "Chief Executive of Barnet and Chase Farm Hospitals NHS Trust""

Councillor Linda McFadyen has requested, under Part 4 of the Council's Constitution, Section, 31.5: if the item is not dealt with by the end of the meeting it be voted upon at the council meeting.

(ii) Motion 8.2 in the name of <u>Councillor Kath McGuirk</u> – an amendment in the name of *Councillor Steve Blomer:*

"Add at end:

"Council notes that graffiti continues to be a major problem in Hale ward, particularly Deansbrook Rd, Burnt Oak and Glengall Rd, Edgware.

Council urges the administration to support the victims of anti-social behaviour, rather than the perpetrators. Council therefore urges the Cabinet to take more enforcement action against graffiti vandals.

In order to address the problems in Hale and other wards, Council urges the introduction of a free removal of graffiti service (when the graffiti can be seen from the street) to residents and small business as part of the Cabinet's considerations for the 2006/7 council budget..."

Councillor Steve Blomer has requested, under Part 4 of the Council's Constitution, Section, 31.5: if the item is not dealt with by the end of the meeting it be voted upon at the council meeting.

(iii) Motion 8.3 in the name of <u>Councillor Claire Farrier</u> an amendment in the name of *Councillor Anita Campbell* "Add at beginning:

"Council supports the Labour Government's Criminal Justice and Police Act 2001 that enables councils to establish alcohol free zones for enforcement by the police."

"Add at end:

"Council supports the introduction of alcohol free zones to help crackdown on anti-social behaviour in the town centres of Burnt Oak, Colindale, Cricklewood, East Barnet, Edgware, Golders Green, High Barnet and West Hendon. Council therefore urges the Cabinet to consult Barnet Police, ward councillors and the relevant Safer Neighbourhood Police Teams on the designations of these town centres as alcohol free zones.""

Councillor Anita Campbell has requested, under Part 4 of the Council's Constitution, Section, 31.5: if the item is not dealt with by the end of the meeting it be voted upon at the council meeting.

(iv) Motion 8.5 in the name of <u>Councillor Brian Salinger –</u> **A.** Amendment in the name of <u>Councillor Alison Moore</u>
"Amend the motion to read:

"Council supports Barnet Football Club. Council wants the Club to stay in the Borough, and believes the Council should help the Club.

Council believes that the way forward is for joint discussions to take place with all parties concerned so as to arrive at a solution acceptable to all. Council also believes that there is a challenge to the borough councillors to set aside party differences and support the Club.

Council notes that more work is needed to find a long-term home for the Club within the Borough. Council believes that the Council must consult local residents on the idea for a stadium in Montrose Park before the Council or Club makes any decision.

Council notes that the Club is currently in legal dispute with KSS architects, and that therefore the Club is unable to take forward the KSS feasibility study commissioned by the Council.

Council notes that the Planning Inquiry killed off the 2002 planning permission for the second stadium, so Council would not support the same planning application if this were re-submitted.

Council supports retention of the Green Belt designation on both the current stadium footprint and the land to the south of the current stadium because sporting and recreational facilities are legitimate uses of Green Belt land. Council does not want the Club to move out of the Borough, but if the Club were to move from Underhill Stadium then the Council would retain the site in Green Belt.

Council notes that, as well as a long-term solution, a short/medium-term answer is needed for the Club to meet Football League standards within their deadline.

Council welcomes the publication of the *Working Together* and *Working Together Update* documents. Council believes there is great merit in the proposals, not only for the Club and supporters but also for residents in terms of youth and community facilities, helping to tackle anti-social behaviour and to engage the local community.

Council believes there is a need to put the conflicts of the past few years behind us and instead to concentrate on looking to the future. Council wants to achieve a settled consensus that will secure the short/medium-term future of the Club in the borough and to meet the requirements of the Football League by the deadline. Council believes this is possible based upon the *Working Together* proposals.

Council therefore asks the Cabinet to:

 undertake a consultation in January/February 2006 with Colindale and Burnt Oak residents to properly assess local support for the Montrose Park idea.

- publish the schedule of possible sites within the borough for a long-term stadium, and
- begin negotiations to secure the short/medium term future of the Club.""

Councillor Alison Moore has requested, under Part 4 of the Council's Constitution, Section, 31.5: if the item is not dealt with by the end of the meeting it be voted upon at the council meeting.

B. Amendment in the name of Councillor Duncan MacDonald:

Delete all after the word "Council" and substitute:

"...welcomes Barnet F.C.'s "Working Together" document. Council
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recommends that the Cabinet instruct officers to enter into discussions with the club with a view to implementing "Working Together" and securing the club's future on it's home turf.""

(v) Agenda item 9.1 : Administration Policy Item - amendment in the name of *Councillor Danish Chopra:*

"Amend item to read:

"Council notes the components of the budget 2006/07.

Council further notes the Budget will be set after careful consideration.

Council notes the funding by central Government, which is above inflation. Council notes that given the mess the current Tory administration has made with taxpayers' money since they came to power in 2002, they cannot be trusted with the finances of this Borough no matter how much money they are given.

Council notes that if the Tories had won the 2005 General Election then Barnet would have faced a cut in its budget of £26 million.

Council calls on the present Cabinet to produce a budget on which at least three of their Members can agree upon whilst working within the constraints imposed by their own inability to understand the figures. ""

Councillor Danish Chopra has requested, under Part 4 of the Council's Constitution, Section, 31.5: if the item is not dealt with by the end of the meeting it be voted upon at the council meeting.

(vi) Agenda Item 9.2 : Opposition Policy Item – amendment in the name of Councillor Steve Blomer

"Add at end:

As a first step towards extending library opening hours and accessibility to all communities, Council urges the Cabinet to re-open Edgware Library on Sundays to the benefit of many local residents, and to consider re-introducing the weekly mobile library stop in Hale Drive, Edgware.""

9. Comments on the Work of Cabinet – Agenda Item 10.4

The following comment at 10.4.4 from Councillor Duncan MacDonald: "Comment on the Work of the Cabinet in relation to the lease on the Bull arts centre."

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