

Amendments to Motion 8.4

Extracted from the Supplemental Report of the Democratic Services Manager - Members are asked to note the following amendment has been proposed.

5. Amendments to items on the Agenda.
1. (iii) **Motion 8.4: In the name of Councillor Fiona Bulmer**
 - (a) Amendment in the name of Councillor Duncan Macdonald

“Delete 5th para ‘Council Excellence’”

The following amendment, tabled on the night has been proposed.

2. Council, Tuesday 18 December 2007

Amendment from Cllr Barry Rawlings to motion from Cllr Fiona Bulmer

Under Standing Order Part 4, Section 1, 31.5: if my item is not dealt with by the end of the meeting I ask that it be voted upon at the council meeting.

Delete all after “Council....” and insert:

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Council congratulates staff, schools, pupils and parents on their hard work and dedication, which has played a vital role in helping the council to provide the highest quality children's services in Barnet.

Council notes that the education service has provided children in Barnet with excellent prospects since the founding of the Borough, and welcomes the contribution made by all administrations over the years.

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Council also welcomes the £1.8m extra funding for youth facilities in Barnet jointly announced by the Mayor of London and the government this month, as well as the £695,234 from the Big Lottery for implementation of the Play Strategy.

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Substantive motion to read:

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