

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF THE DEMOCRATIC SERVICES MANAGER  
Agenda item 5.3.1

**2. AMENDMENTS TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

**(i) *Item 3.1: Motion in the name of Councillor Daniel Thomas:***

Amendment in the name of Councillor Jack Cohen

Local Spending Reports

Add the following to the existing

This council also notes:

1. That the 2007 Local Government Act:
  - made the Council the first amongst equals in the Local Strategic Partnership;
  - Created a duty to co-operate with the council by all partners
  - Gave the powers to scrutinise further public sector bodies using the councillors call for action
2. The Sustainable Communities Act 2007 which gives partners the duty to report on budgets, outcomes and outputs to the local authority and local communities; and
3. The fact that the Comprehensive Area Assessment regime which will 'monitor and judge' the performance and partnership of all agencies within our area.

It believes that a major block in implementing all three of these is the secret nature of most of the partners and the fact that they meet in private and are largely unknown to the people of this area. Accordingly it instructs the Chief Executive to:

1. Write to the Chairs and Chief Executives of all LSP partners with the exception of those partners such as the police authority who conform to local government standards of openness and suggest to them that they should:
  - Meet in public
  - Make available the contact details of all executive and non executive directors or Board members
  - Make agendas and minutes of meetings readily available to press and public subject to the same grounds for confidentiality as practised by the Council for commercial or personal reasons.

- Have communications strategies which are clear and public which will show how they will reach out to users of their service and the wider community
  - Make arrangements for Non-Executive Directors or Board members to hold 'meet the public and users' sessions which are public and well advertised.
2. Write to the Secretaries of State for Communities and Local Government; Health; Home Office, Environment, Universities Innovation and Skills Children, Schools and Families, Culture Media and Sport informing them of this resolution and inviting them to issue guidelines to quangos, departmental bodies and agencies under their control to ensure that they have the same high standards as local government.

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

**(ii) *Item 3.1: Motion in the name of Councillor Daniel Thomas:***

Amendment in the name of Councillor Alison Moore

Local Spending Reports

Delete all and replace:

Council notes the Government's consultation on Local Spending Reports (as agreed in the Sustainable Communities Act).

Council believes that it is vital that Central Government public sector spending be transparent in order that money can be directed efficiently to where it is most needed.

Council notes that the proposed first arrangements for publishing local spending reports would comprise a list of items for all authorities in England (County Councils, unitary councils, metropolitan districts, London boroughs, shire districts, police authorities, fire and rescue authorities and primary care trusts) from the following data sources:

- Communities and Local Government Revenue Outturn (RO)
- Department of Health Audited Accounts of Primary Care Trusts

Council notes that these proposed first arrangements do not include all public bodies, and therefore requests Cabinet respond to the consultation calling for the publication of Local Spending Reports to include the expenditure of all public agencies from the outset.

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.

**(ii) Item 3.2: Motion in the name of Councillor Helena Hart:**

Amendment in the name of Councillor Barry Rawlings

Major Trauma & Stroke Services at the Royal Free Hospital

Delete all and replace with:

Council welcomes the new money that government has provided to develop major trauma and stroke services in London, and notes Healthcare for London's ongoing consultation on the future of those services in the capital.

Council believes that the "Preferred Option" for the Major Trauma Networks (MTNs) should include The Royal Free Hospital as a Major Trauma Centre as its bid was exactly equal to that of St. Mary's (Healthcare for London's preferred Option) on both clinical standards and their ability to meet future requirements by 2012.

Council also believes that The Royal Free should be selected as a location for a Hyper Acute Stroke Unit (HASU), as Healthcare for London plainly states that "The Royal Free would give better travel times" than their preferred choices.

Council notes the very strong support The Royal Free has received both from other hospitals in the network and the support we know it enjoys from Barnet patients.

Council believes that Barnet residents, both current and future, who would rely on these vital services, would be put at risk if The Royal Free is not selected in both cases.

Council therefore calls on the Chief Executive to write to Healthcare for London urgently calling for an immediate rethink of the decision not to select the Royal Free as one of the Preferred Options for Major Trauma Centres and as a location for a Hyper Acute Stroke Unit.

**(iv) Item 4.1: Administration Policy Item in the name of Councillor Fiona Bulmer- Education Provision for 16-19 Year Olds:**

Amendment in the name of Councillor Anne Hutton

Delete all and replace with:

The Government is due to transfer provision for 16-19 year olds from the Learning and Skills Council to the London Borough of Barnet. The provisions for this are contained in the Apprenticeships, Skills, Children and Learning Bill currently passing through Parliament.

Given that powers and responsibilities are set to be passed to Borough level, it is necessary that such a shift is adequately funded and that Local Authorities are empowered to develop their own policies tailored to the needs of the population in their areas.

Accordingly, Council recommends that:

The Chief Executive is requested to write to the Secretary of State for Education and Skills, calling for:

- the transfer of responsibilities to be properly funded,
- TUPE arrangements for all staff affected to be honoured within the final Bill
- and requesting that Councils be permitted to develop their own policies.

Council also requests that Cabinet compiles, together with proper policy oversight by scrutiny, a blueprint for the provision of 16-19 year olds education in the Borough in anticipation of the transfer of responsibilities.

### **3 COMMENTS ON THE WORK OF CABINET – AGENDA ITEM 6**

Comments in the name of:

- (i) Councillor Kath McGuirk  
Comment on Henlys Corner.
- (ii) Councillor Gill Sargeant  
Comment on Aerodrome Road.
- (iii) Councillor Julie Johnson  
Comment on the choice of Mayoral car.

David Seabrooke  
Democratic Services Manager