## **Minutes**

OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE LONDON BOROUGH OF BARNET held at The Town Hall, Hendon, NW4, on Tuesday, 1 March 2011.

## PRESENT:

\*The Worshipful the Mayor (Councillor Anthony Finn BSc (Econ), FCA)

\*The Deputy Mayor (Councillor Lisa Rutter)

#### Councillors:

*Maureen Braun	*Anne Hutton	Kate Salinger BEd (Hons)
*Alex Brodkin	*Geoffrey Johnson	*Gill Sargeant
*Anita Campbell	*Julie Johnson	*Joan Scannell
*Pauline Coakley Webb	*Sury Khatri BSc (Hons), MSc	*Brian Schama
*Dean Cohen BSc (Hons)	*David Longstaff	*Alan Schneiderman
*Jack Cohen	*John Marshall MA	Daniel Seal
*Melvin Cohen	*Kath McGuirk	*Mark Shooter
*Brian Coleman AM FRSA	*Andrew McNeil	*Agnes Slocombe SRN, RM
*Geof Cooke	*Alison Moore	Ansuya Sodha MBA(Middx), Cert Ed, DipM (CIM), AMBA
*Alison Cornelius	*Graham Old	*Stephen Sowerby
*Richard Cornelius	*Charlie O-Macauley	*Andrew Strongolou
*Tom Davey	*Lord Palmer OBE, BA, FCA	*Andreas Tambourides
*Barry Evangeli	*Susette Palmer MA	*Joanna Tambourides
*Claire Farrier	*Bridget Perry	*Daniel Thomas BA (Hons)
*Brian Gordon LLB	*Wendy Prentice	*Reuben Thompstone
*Eva Greenspan	*Sachin Rajput BA (Hons) PgD Law	*Jim Tierney
*Andrew Harper	*Robert Rams	*Rowan Turner
*Helena Hart	*Hugh Rayner	*Darrel Yawitch
*John Hart BA MA	*Barry Rawlings	*Zakia Zubairi
*Lynne Hillan	*Colin Rogers	
*Ross Houston	Brian Salinger	

<sup>\*</sup>denotes Member present

## 1. PRAYERS (Agenda Item 1.1):

The Mayor's Chaplain offered prayer.

## 2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (Agenda Item 1.2):

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Brian and Kate Salinger, Councillor Daniel Seal and Councillor Ansuya Sodha.

## 3. MINUTES (Agenda Item 1.3):

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 25 January 2011 be approved.

## 4. SUSPENSION OF COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULES

The Worshipful Mayor, duly seconded, moved, under the provisions of Council Procedure Rule 14, that Council Procedure Rule 3.2 be suspended to allow 30 minutes for Part 1 business, as this included the election of the Mayor Designate for the year 2011/12. The Worshipful Mayor further proposed that Council Procedure Rule 46 also be suspended to permit the Councillor Lynne Hillan, Leader of the Council, Councillor Alison Moore and Councillor Jack Cohen to speak for a time in excess of five minutes each on the Council Budget and Council Tax 2011/12 item. Upon being put to the vote, the motion was declared carried.

#### **RESOLVED -**

- (i) That Council Procedure Rule 3.2 be suspended to allow 30 minutes for Part 1 business as this included the election of the Mayor Designate for the year 2011/12.
- (ii) That Council Procedure Rule 46 be suspended to allow Councillor Lynne Hillan Leader of the Council, Councillor Alison Moore and Councillor Jack Cohen to speak for a time in excess of five minutes each on the Council Budget and Council Tax 2011/12 item.

## 5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Agenda Item 1.4):

Members declared the following interests:

Member:	Subject:	Interest Declared:
Councillor Jack Cohen	Item 5.12 Report of Cabinet – 14 February 2011 – Council Budget and Council Tax	Personal but non-prejudicial interest as Councillor Cohen lives in a CPZ, has a parking permit and also purchases visitor vouchers. Councillor Cohen remained in the Chamber, participating in the discussion and voting on this item.
Councillor Brian Coleman		Personal but non-prejudicial interest as Councillor Coleman is a Member of the Greater London Assembly which set the Mayor's precept which would form part of the local Council Tax. Councillor Coleman remained in the Chamber, participating in the discussion and voting on this item.
Councillor Eva Greenspan		Personal but non-prejudicial interest as Councillor Greenspan is a Trustee on the Arts Depot Board and her grandson is in receipt of an Education grant from Barnet Council. Councillor Greenspan remained in the Chamber during the discussion of this item and participated in the voting.
Councillor Lynne Hillan		Personal and prejudicial interest as Councillor Hillan's mother is in receipt of extra care sheltered housing and a homecare package. Councillor Hillan left the Chamber

	during the vote on the Adult Social Services element of the Budget.
Councillor Anne Hutton	Personal but non-prejudicial interest as Councillor Hutton is a Trustee of Barnet Carers Centre. Councillor Hutton remained in the Chamber, participating in the discussion and voting on this item.
Councillor Geoffrey Johnson	Personal but non prejudicial as Councillor Johnson is a Governor at Sunnyfields Primary School. Councillor Johnson remained in the Chamber during the discussion of this item and participated in the voting.
Councillor Sury Khatri	Personal but non-prejudicial interest as Councillor Khatri is a Trustee of Barnet Carers Centre. Councillor Khatri remained in the Chamber during the discussion of this item and participated in the voting.
Councillor David Longstaff	Personal but non-prejudicial interest as Councillor Longstaff is a Trustee on the Arts Depot Board. Councillor Longstaff remained in the Chamber during the discussion of this item and participated in the voting.
Councillor Andrew McNeil	Personal but non-prejudicial interest as Councillor McNeil is a Trustee of Barnet Carers Centre. Councillor McNeil remained in the Chamber during the discussion of this item and participated in the voting.
Councillor Kath McGuirk	Personal but non-prejudicial interest as Councillor McGuirk is a Trustee on the Arts Depot Board. Councillor McGuirk remained in the Chamber, participating in the discussion and voting on this item
Councillor Alison Moore	Personal but non-prejudicial interest as Councillor Moore is currently Chair of the Advisory Committee for the Newstead Children's Centre in East Finchley. Councillor Moore remained in the Chamber, participating in the discussion and voting on this item.
Councillor Susette Palmer	Personal but non-prejudicial interest as Councillor Palmer lives within a

	CPZ and has a parking permit. Councillor Palmer remained in the Chamber, participating in the discussion and voting on this item
Councillor Robert Rams	Personal but non-prejudicial interest as Councillor Rams works for the Greater London Assembly. Councillor Rams remained in the Chamber, participating in the discussion and voting on this item.
Councillor Barry Rawlings	Personal and prejudicial interest as Councillor Rawlings works for CommUNITY Barnet. Councillor Rawlings left the Chamber during the vote on the Children's Services element of the Item.
Councillor Joanna Tambourides	Personal but non-prejudicial interest as Councillor Tambourides is a Trustee of Mind in Barnet and Friend in Need. Councillor Tambourides remained in the Chamber during the discussion of this item and participated in the voting.

## 5. OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS (Agenda Item 5):

The Worshipful Mayor expressed his condolences on behalf of the Council to Councillor Brian Salinger on the bereavement of his father.

## 6. BUSINESS REMAINING FROM LAST MEETING (Item 1.6)

There was none.

## 7. MAYOR DESIGNATE 2010/2011 (Agenda Item 1.7)

The Worshipful Mayor called for nominations for election of Mayor of the London Borough of Barnet for 2011/12:

Councillor Lynne Hillan, duly seconded by Councillor Brian Coleman, moved that Councillor Lisa Rutter be proposed for the appointment of Mayor of the London Borough of Barnet at the Annual Meeting of the Council on 17 May 2011.

Upon being put to the vote, the nomination in the name of Councillor Lisa Rutter was declared carried.

RESOLVED – That Councillor Lisa Rutter be formally proposed and seconded at the Annual Meeting of the Council on 17 May 2011 for the appointment as Mayor of the London Borough of Barnet for the Municipal Year, 2011/12.

Councillor Rutter thanked those present for the confidence shown in her and undertook to do her very best in her term of office as Mayor of the London Borough of Barnet. She announced that Councillor Barry Evangeli had consented to be her Deputy and that her husband, Mark Rutter, would be her consort.

# 8. REPORT OF CABINET, 14 FEBRUARY, 2011 – COUNCIL BUDGET AND COUNCIL TAX 2011/12 (Agenda items 5.1.2):

The Leader, Councillor Lynne Hillan, moved reception and adoption of the Cabinet Report:

Amendments in the names of Councillor Alison Moore and Councillor Jack Cohen were moved and duly seconded. Debate ensued.

During the debate of this item, Councillor Daniel Thomas, moved that the question now be put to the vote, this was duly seconded. Upon being put to the vote, the motion was carried.

## RESOLVED – That the question now be put (to the vote).

Upon being put to the vote, the amendment in the name of Councillor Alison Moore was declared lost.

Upon being put to the vote, the amendment in the name of Councillor Jack Cohen was declared lost.

The Mayor indicated that he would take a separate vote on those elements of the budget that related to Adults Social Services and Children's Service. Upon the substantive motion being put to the vote it was:

#### **RESOLVED -**

(i) That the report and the recommendations of the Cabinet be approved, with the exception of the Children's Services and Adult Social Services.

Councillor Barry Rawlings left the Chamber

(ii) That the Children's Service element of the budget be approved.

Councillor Lynne Hillan left the Chamber

(iii) That the Adult Social Services element of the budget be approved.

## 9. REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE (CONSTITUTION REVIEW) (Agenda Item 5.2.1)

The Worshipful Mayor, Councillor Anthony Finn moved reception and adoption of the Report.

#### **RESOLVED -**

- (1) That the Council approves the amendments to Part 1, Section 7 of the Financial Regulations in the Council's Constitution as set out in the Appendix attached to the report.
- (2) That the Democratic Services Manager be instructed to make the appropriate amendments to the Constitution.
- 10. COUNCIL'S APPROVAL OF THE TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY (Report of the Democratic Services Manager Agenda item 5.3.1) & REPORT OF CABINET 14 FEBRUARY 2011: AMENDMENT TO AGENDA ITEM 5E APPENDIX 9 TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY (Report of the Democratic Services Manager Agenda item 5.3.2)

**RESOLVED - That** 

- 1. Council approve the above amendments to Agenda Item 5E, Appendix 9
  Treasury Management Strategy of the Report of Cabinet 14 February
  2011
- 2. Council approve the Treasury Management Strategy.