Decisions of the Assets, Regeneration and Growth Committee

28 November 2016

Members Present:-

Councillor Daniel Thomas (Chairman)
Councillor Gabriel Rozenberg (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Pauline Coakley Webb Councillor Philip Cohen Councillor Geof Cooke Councillor Rohit Grover Councillor Nagus Narenthira Councillor Peter Zinkin Councillor Caroline Stock

1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

2. ABSENCE OF MEMBERS

Apologies were received from Councillor Richard Cornelius who was substituted by Councillor Caroline Stock.

3. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

None.

4. REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER (IF ANY)

None.

5. PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS (IF ANY)

None.

6. MEMBERS' ITEMS (IF ANY)

None.

7. BUSINESS PLANNING 2017/18 TO 2019/20

The Chairman introduced the Business Planning report and referred Members to Appendix A which outlined where ARG Committee's savings were planned over the next three financial years across three opportunity areas.

Committee Members were invited to discuss the report and officers to assist with responses.

Councillor Narenthira did not agree that there will be no adverse impact on customer satisfaction in relation to Colindale Library.

Councillor Cohen sought further clarification on the Accommodation Strategy. The Chairman confirmed that it was still being developed and a report will come back to ARG Committee with more detail.

Councillor Zinkin asked for a schedule of the existing floorspace of each library which the Chairman agreed would be useful.

Councillor Narenthira disagreed that an equalities impact assessment was not required with regards to the rental opportunity at Colindale library.

Following the debate, the Chairman asked the Committee to vote on the report recommendations.

It was resolved:

- 1. That the Assets, Regeneration and Growth Committee agreed to the savings programme set out in Appendix A for recommendation to Policy and Resources Committee.
- 2. That the ARG Committee agrees to the public consultation on the priorities and revised savings proposals contained within this report commencing immediately following the Policy and Resources Committee on the 1st December 2016, before the Policy and Resources Committee are asked to approve the final priorities and savings proposals on 23rd February 2017.

Votes were as follows:

In favour	5
Against	4
Abstain	0

8. ANY OTHER ITEMS THAT THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES ARE URGENT

None

The meeting finished at 7.50 pm