

Council: Tuesday, 5 November 2013

Non-Executive Business Item: Councillor Alan Schneiderman

Amendment in the name of Councillor Dean Cohen

Support Small Business Saturday

Insert as a penultimate paragraph: "Council welcomes the fact that the Cabinet Member for Environment has already announced free parking across the Borough's high streets and car parks on this date and further welcomes the Festive parking arrangements that mean free parking on each of the weekends in December prior to Christmas (7th & 8th, 14th & 15th, 21st & 22nd).

In final paragraph delete "and by agreeing...local shopping" and at the end add "and by publicising the free parking."

Substantive Business Item to read:

Council notes that Small Business Saturday is taking place right across the country for the first time on Saturday 7th December 2013.

Council also notes Small Business Saturday, which was introduced in the UK by Shadow Business Secretary, Chuka Umunna, and is supported by the Prime Minister, is a national grass roots campaign to encourage people to shop locally and support small businesses in their communities on the day and beyond.

Council further notes that the Federation of Small Businesses (FSB) is a supporter of Small Business Saturday and wants to make sure as many small businesses as possible maximise the opportunities Small Business Saturday will create.

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Council calls on Cabinet to support Small Business Saturday on 7th December, by helping promote any local events taking place on the day and by publicising the free parking.

Under Council Procedure Rule, Section 1, Standing Order 23.5: if my item is not dealt with by the end of the meeting I ask that it be voted upon at the Council meeting.