Decisions of the Urgency Committee

29 January 2015

Members Present:-

Councillor Richard Cornelius (Chairman)
Councillor Daniel Thomas (Vice-Chairman)
Councillor Alison Moore

1. ABSENCE OF MEMBERS

There were none.

2. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND NON PECUNIARY INTERESTS (IF ANY)

They were none.

3. REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER (IF ANY)

There was not a report.

4. PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS (IF ANY)

None.

5. MEMBERS' ITEMS (IF ANY)

None.

6. NOMINATION OF EAST FINCHLEY LIBRARY AS AN ASSET OF COMMUNITY VALUE

Prior to consideration of this item, the Chairman confirmed that he had consulted with the Chair of the Community Leadership Committee, in line with constitutional requirements.

The Chairman also asked the Officer presenting the report, to outline the reasons for the item being urgent and it was noted that there was an 8 week deadline to bid and there was not a scheduled meeting of the Parent Committee within this timeframe.

RESOLVED that East Finchley Library be listed as an Asset of Community Value and added to the Council's Register.

7. LONDON BOROUGHS GRANTS SCHEME - BOROUGH CONTRIBUTIONS 2015/16

Prior to consideration of this item, the Chairman confirmed that he was the Chair of Policy and Resources Committee, so it was not necessary to consult with the Chairman of the parent committee in line with constitutional requirements.

The Chairman also asked the Officer presenting the report, to outline the reasons for the item being urgent and it was noted that a deadline of 31st January 2015, had to be adhered to and the relevant Parent Committee did not meet within this timeframe.

RESOLVED that

- 1. The recommendations of the London Councils Leaders' Committee for an overall level of expenditure of £10,500,000 in 2015/16, involving total Borough contributions of £9,000,000 and a levy on Barnet of £394,666 be approved;
- 2. The Deputy Director of Finance and Deputy Chief Operating Officer be instructed to inform the Chief Executive of London Councils accordingly.

8. CHAIRMAN'S URGENT LATE ITEM OF BUSINESS - SALE OF CLAIM IN GLITNIR (PUBLIC)

Prior to consideration of this item, the Chairman confirmed that he was the Chair of Policy and Resources Committee, so it was not necessary to consult with the Chairman of the parent committee in line with constitutional requirements.

The Chairman also asked the Officer presenting the report, to outline the reasons for the item being urgent and it was noted that this was subject to a specific timeframe and the relevant Parent Committee was not scheduled to meet during this period.

RESOLVED that

- 1. The sale by currency auction of the investment balance held in escrow from the insolvent estate of the Icelandic bank Glitnir hf., be agreed, subject to receipt of a bid price that is acceptable to the Council;
- 2. That the Section 151 Officer be instructed to agree the reserve price with the Local Government Association in accordance with the recommendation in the exempt report and to sell the Council's remaining interest in the insolvent estate of the Icelandic Bank Glitnir hf. and to report on the proceeds of the sale to the next Policy and Resources Committee.

9. MOTION TO EXCLUDE THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

The Committee only discussed the public information contained in the item above and not the exempt aspects. Consequently, it was not necessary to exclude the press and public.

10. CHAIRMAN'S URGENT LATE ITEM OF BUSINESS - SALE OF CLAIM IN GLITNIR (EXEMPT)

This item was considered in public session only and exempt aspects were not discussed.

11. ANY OTHER EXEMPT ITEM(S) THAT THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES ARE URGENT None.

The meeting finished at 6.15pm