

Minutes

OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE LONDON BOROUGH OF BARNET
held at Hendon Town Hall, The Burroughs, London NW4 4BQ, on 3 March 2015

PRESENT:-

The Worshipful the Mayor (Councillor Hugh Rayner)
The Deputy Mayor (David Longstaff)

Councillors:

Maureen Braun	Andreas Ioannidis	Tim Roberts
Rebecca Challice	Dr Devra Kay	Gabriel Rozenberg
Pauline Coakley Webb	Sury Khatri	Lisa Rutter
Dean Cohen	Adam Langleben	Shimon Ryde
Jack Cohen	Kathy Levine	Brian Salinger
Melvin Cohen	Kitty Lyons	Gill Sargeant
Philip Cohen	John Marshall	Joan Scannell
Geof Cooke	Kath McGuirk	Alan Schneiderman
Alison Cornelius	Arjun Mittra	Mark Shooter
Richard Cornelius	Alison Moore	Agnes Slocombe
Tom Davey	Ammar Naqvi	Stephen Sowerby
Val Duschinsky	Nagus Narenthira	Caroline Stock
Paul Edwards	Graham Old	Daniel Thomas
Claire Farrier	Charlie O-Macauley	Reuben Thompstone
Anthony Finn	Alon Or-Bach	Jim Tierney
Brian Gordon	Reema Patel	Amy Trevethan
Eva Greenspan	Bridget Perry	Laurie Williams
Helena Hart	Wendy Prentice	Peter Zinkin
John Hart	Sachin Rajput	Zakia Zubairi
Ross Houston	Barry Rawlings	
Anne Hutton		

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Daniel Seal.

2. ELECT A MEMBER TO PRESIDE IF THE MAYOR IS ABSENT

The Worshipful the Mayor was present.

3. PRAYER

The Mayor's Chaplain, Pastor Doreen Teh, offered prayers.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

It was noted that many Councillors were members of libraries within the borough or held surgeries within libraries and that where this applied, there was no need to declare an interest.

Member:	Subject:	Interest Declared:
Councillor Helena Hart	<p>11.1 - Report from Policy and Resources Committee – Business Planning 2015/16 to 2019/20</p> <p>11.2 - Report from Housing Committee – 2 February 2015</p> <p>11.4 - Report from Assets, Regeneration and Growth Committee - 3 March 2015 - Brent Cross Cricklewood South - Selection of Preferred Partner</p>	Non-disclosable pecuniary interest as a private landlord of property in the borough.
Councillor John Marshall		Non-disclosable pecuniary interest as a council appointed non-executive director of Barnet Homes, a trustee of Home Start Barnet, a trustee of Barnet Carers' Centre and a school governor.
Councillor Arjun Mittra		Non-disclosable pecuniary interest as his mother was a Barnet Homes tenant and his mother ran a nursery which receives grants via the council.
Councillor Rebecca Challice		Non-disclosable pecuniary interest as a trustee of Barnet Carers' Centre.
Councillor Dean Cohen	11.1 - Report from Policy and Resources Committee – Business Planning 2015/16 to 2019/20	Non-disclosable pecuniary interest as a private landlord of property in the borough.

	<p>11.2 - Report from Housing Committee – 2 February 2015</p> <p>11.4 - Report from Assets, Regeneration and Growth Committee - 3 March 2015 - Brent Cross Cricklewood South - Selection of Preferred Partner</p>	
Councillor Melvin Cohen	<p>11.1 - Report from Policy and Resources Committee – Business Planning 2015/16 to 2019/20</p> <p>11.2 - Report from Housing Committee – 2 February 2015</p> <p>11.4 - Report from Assets, Regeneration and Growth Committee - 3 March 2015 - Brent Cross Cricklewood South - Selection of Preferred Partner</p>	Non-disclosable pecuniary interest as a private landlord of property in the borough.
Councillor Hugh Rayner	<p>11.1 - Report from Policy and Resources Committee – Business Planning 2015/16 to 2019/20</p> <p>11.2 - Report from Housing Committee – 2 February 2015</p> <p>11.4 - Report from Assets, Regeneration and Growth Committee - 3 March 2015 - Brent Cross</p>	Non-disclosable pecuniary interest as a private landlord of property in the borough.

	Cricklewood South - Selection of Preferred Partner	
Councillor Philip Cohen	11.2 - Report from Housing Committee – 2 February 2015	Non-disclosable pecuniary interest as his son worked for Barnet Homes.
Councillor Ross Houston	11.2 - Report from Housing Committee – 2 February 2015	Non-disclosable pecuniary interest as a council appointed non-executive director of Barnet Homes.
Councillor Peter Zinkin	11.1 - Report from Policy and Resources Committee – Business Planning 2015/16 to 2019/20 11.2 - Report from Housing Committee – 2 February 2015 11.4 - Report from Assets, Regeneration and Growth Committee - 3 March 2015 - Brent Cross Cricklewood South - Selection of Preferred Partner	Non-disclosable pecuniary interest as a private landlord of property in the borough.

5. MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY AND ORDINARY MEETINGS HELD ON 20 JANUARY 2015

RESOLVED that the minutes of the extraordinary and ordinary meetings held on 20 January 2015 be agreed as a correct record.

6. OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were none.

7. ANY BUSINESS REMAINING FROM LAST MEETING

There was none.

8. THE MAYORALTY FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR, 2015-2016

The Worshipful the Mayor called for nominations for election of Mayor of the London Borough of Barnet for 2015/16:

Conservative Group Nomination

Councillor Maureen Braun, duly seconded by Councillor Anthony Finn moved that Councillor Mark Shooter be proposed for the appointment of Mayor of the London Borough of Barnet at the annual meeting of the council on 13 May 2015.

Labour Group Nomination

Councillor Ross Houston, duly seconded by Councillor Jim Tierney moved that the Councillor Kath McGuirk be proposed for the appointment of Mayor of the London Borough of Barnet at the annual meeting of the council on 13 May 2015.

The Mayor advised Council that a vote for was in favour of the Conservative Nomination, Councillor Mark Shooter, and a vote against was in favour of the Labour Nomination, Councillor Kath McGuirk. Upon the Conservative nomination being put to the vote, the votes were declared as follows:

For:	31
Against:	31
Abstain:	0
Absent:	1
TOTAL:	63

The Mayor used his casting vote and voted in favour of the Conservative nomination, Councillor Mark Shooter. Councillor Shooter was nominated.

RESOLVED – That Councillor Mark Shooter be formally proposed and seconded at the annual meeting of the council on 13 May 2015 for the appointment as Mayor of the London Borough of Barnet for the municipal year 2015/16.

Councillor Mark Shooter thanked those present for the confidence shown in him and undertook to do his very best in his term of office as Mayor of the London Borough of Barnet. He announced that Councillor Alison Cornelius had consented to be his Deputy Mayor.

9. PETITIONS FOR DEBATE - NO TO CLOSURE OF BARNET LIBRARIES

The lead petitioner Mr Alasdair Hill addressed Council.

The following members asked a question of the lead petitioner:

- Councillor Wendy Prentice
- Councillor Reema Patel
- Councillor Jack Cohen
- Councillor Graham Old
- Councillor Alon Or-Bach

During debate Councillor Reema Patel moved a motion without notice. The Monitoring Officer advised that the motion was out of order because the Constitution detailed the mechanism for dealing with petitions under which it was for the Chairman of the relevant committee to propose a route for decision-making.

Following debate on the petition, the Chairman of Children, Education, Libraries and Safeguarding Committee, Councillor Reuben Thompstone, responded to the issues raised and outlined a proposed decision route. He advised the Council that libraries would be discussed in a cross-party political forum, the Children, Education, Libraries and Safeguarding Committee. He advised the Council that although Councillor Jack Cohen did not have a seat on the Committee, he would ensure that Councillor Cohen had an opportunity to participate in the debate on the issue.

Councillor Reema Patel moved the following motion without notice:

“In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 12.4, that Council appoint a cross-party committee dedicated to talking to local residents, staff and Members on what they would like to see from a twenty-first century library service in Barnet. That this Committee meets every month over the next six months to gather this evidence and then report its findings to the Children, Education, Libraries and Safeguarding Committee. The committee should comprise three conservative party councillors, two labour party councillors and one liberal democrat party councillor:

Councillor Sury Khatri (Chairman)
 Councillor Anne Hutton (Vice-Chairman)
 Councillor Shimon Ryde
 Councillor Lisa Rutter
 Councillor Jack Cohen”

The motion was duly seconded by Councillor Adam Langleben.

Council voted on the motion. The votes were declared as follows:

For: 31
 Against: 31
 Abstain: 0
 Absent: 1

The Worshipful the Mayor used his casting vote and voted against the motion. The motion was declared lost.

Upon the motion in the name of Councillor Reema Patel being put to the vote, at least ten members called for a formal division on the voting. Upon the vote being taken the results of the Division were declared as follows:

	For	Against	Not Voting	Absent
Maureen Braun		✓		
Rebecca Challice	✓			
Pauline Coakley Webb	✓			
Dean Cohen		✓		
Jack Cohen	✓			

	For	Against	Not Voting	Absent
Melvin Cohen		✓		
Philip Cohen	✓			
Geof Cooke	✓			
Alison Cornelius		✓		
Richard Cornelius		✓		
Tom Davey		✓		
Val Duschinsky		✓		
Paul Edwards	✓			
Claire Farrier	✓			
Anthony Finn		✓		
Brian Gordon		✓		
Eva Greenspan		✓		
Helena Hart		✓		
John Hart		✓		
Ross Houston	✓			
Anne Hutton	✓			
Andreas Ioannidis	✓			
Devra Kay	✓			
Sury Khatri		✓		
Adam Langleben	✓			
Kathy Levine	✓			
David Longstaff		✓		
Kitty Lyons	✓			
John Marshall		✓		
Kath McGuirk	✓			
Arjun Mittra	✓			
Alison Moore	✓			
Ammar Naqvi	✓			
Nagas Narenthira	✓			
Charlie O'Macauley	✓			
Graham Old		✓		
Alon Or-Bach	✓			
Reema Patel	✓			
Bridget Perry		✓		
Wendy Prentice		✓		
Sachin Rajput		✓		
Barry Rawlings	✓			
Hugh Rayner		✓		
Tim Roberts	✓			
Gabriel Rozenberg		✓		
Lisa Rutter		✓		
Shimon Ryde		✓		
Brian Salinger		✓		
Gill Sargeant	✓			

	For	Against	Not Voting	Absent
Joan Scannell		✓		
Alan Schneiderman	✓			
Daniel Seal				✓
Mark Shooter		✓		
Agnes Slocombe	✓			
Stephen Sowerby		✓		
Caroline Stock		✓		
Daniel Thomas		✓		
Reuben Thompstone		✓		
Jim Tierney	✓			
Amy Trevethan	✓			
Laurie Williams	✓			
Peter Zinkin		✓		
Zakia Zubairi	✓			

For: 31
Against: 31
Abstain: 0
Absent: 1
TOTAL: 63

The Worshipful the Mayor used his casting vote and voted against the motion. The motion was declared lost.

Councillor Alon Or-Bach moved a motion of no confidence in the Chairman of Children, Education, Libraries and Safeguarding Committee. The motion was seconded by Councillor Arjun Mitra. The Monitoring Officer advised the Council that it was not open for Members to move a motion of no confidence in a committee chairman without notice. The motion was therefore against the rules of procedure and was ruled out of order.

10. REPORTS FROM THE LEADER

There was no report from the Leader of the Council.

In accordance with council procedure rule 6.2 the Worshipful the Mayor varied the order of business as follows:

11.1	Report from the Policy and Resources Committee – Business Planning 2015/16 to 2019/20
11.3	Reports from Assets, Regeneration and Growth Committee - 3 March 2015 - Brent Cross Cricklewood - Compulsory Purchase Order No. 1 and Compulsory Purchase Order No. 2
11.4	Report from Assets, Regeneration and Growth Committee - 3 March 2015 - Brent Cross Cricklewood South - Selection of Preferred Partner

11.5	Report from Remuneration Committee - 6 February 2015 - Appointment of Commissioning Director – Children and Young People
11.6	Report from Remuneration Committee - 18 February 2015 - Pay Policy Statement 2015/16
11.2	Reports from Housing Committee – 2 February 2015 – Members Items
12.1	Report of the Monitoring Officer – Scheme of Members Allowances 2015/16
12.2	Report of the Head of Governance

11. REPORTS FROM OTHER COMMITTEES

12. REPORT FROM POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE - 17 FEBRUARY 2015 - BUSINESS PLANNING 2015/16 - 2019/20 (AGENDA ITEM 11.1)

The Worshipful the Mayor moved suspension of Council Procedure Rule 26 with regards to the length of speeches on the budget.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Reuben Thompstone and declared carried.

RESOLVED to allow the initial speeches on the budget to be up to the following lengths:

Councillor	Time
Cllr Richard Cornelius	15 mins
Councillor Brian Salinger	1 min
Cllr Alison Moore + amendment	10 mins
Cllr Jack Cohen + amendment	5 mins
Cllr Daniel Thomas	4 mins
Cllr Barry Rawlings	4 mins
Cllr Dean Cohen	4 mins
Cllr Ross Houston	4 mins
Cllr Sachin Rajput	4 mins
Cllr Alan Schneiderman	4 mins
Cllr Anthony Finn	4 mins
Cllr Alon Or-Bach	4 mins
Cllr Richard Cornelius – right of reply	5 mins

Councillor Brian Salinger asked a question about the Schools Funding Formula. The Leader undertook to ensure that the Policy & Resources Committee would consider his question.

The Leader, Councillor Richard Cornelius, moved reception and adoption of the recommendations set out in the report from the Policy and Resources Committee.

Councillor Jack Cohen and Councillor Barry Rawlings moved their amendments.

Debate ensued.

The Worshipful the Mayor moved that under meeting procedure rule 14.2 the time for transaction of business be extended to 10.30pm.

In line with Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 and in accordance with council procedure rule 15.4 voting was recorded.

Upon being put to the vote, the Liberal Democrat Alternative Budget was declared lost. Voting on the Liberal Democrat Alternative Budget:

	For	Against	Not Voting	Absent
Maureen Braun		✓		
Rebecca Challice			✓	
Pauline Coakley Webb			✓	
Dean Cohen		✓		
Jack Cohen	✓			
Melvin Cohen		✓		
Philip Cohen			✓	
Geof Cooke			✓	
Alison Cornelius		✓		
Richard Cornelius		✓		
Tom Davey		✓		
Val Duschinsky		✓		
Paul Edwards			✓	
Claire Farrier			✓	
Anthony Finn		✓		
Brian Gordon		✓		
Eva Greenspan		✓		
Helena Hart		✓		
John Hart		✓		
Ross Houston			✓	
Anne Hutton			✓	
Andreas Ioannidis			✓	
Devra Kay			✓	
Sury Khatri		✓		
Adam Langleben			✓	
Kathy Levine			✓	
David Longstaff		✓		
Kitty Lyons			✓	
John Marshall		✓		
Kath McGuirk			✓	
Arjun Mittra			✓	
Alison Moore			✓	
Ammar Naqvi			✓	
Nagas Narenthira			✓	
Charlie O'Macauley			✓	
Graham Old		✓		

	For	Against	Not Voting	Absent
Alon Or-Bach			✓	
Reema Patel			✓	
Bridget Perry		✓		
Wendy Prentice		✓		
Sachin Rajput		✓		
Barry Rawlings			✓	
Hugh Rayner		✓		
Tim Roberts			✓	
Gabriel Rozenberg		✓		
Lisa Rutter		✓		
Shimon Ryde		✓		
Brian Salinger		✓		
Gill Sargeant			✓	
Joan Scannell		✓		
Alan Schneiderman			✓	
Daniel Seal				✓
Mark Shooter		✓		
Agnes Slocombe			✓	
Stephen Sowerby		✓		
Caroline Stock		✓		
Daniel Thomas		✓		
Reuben Thompstone		✓		
Jim Tierney			✓	
Amy Trevethan			✓	
Laurie Williams			✓	
Peter Zinkin		✓		
Zakia Zubairi			✓	

For: 1
Against: 31
Abstain: 30
Absent: 1
TOTAL: 63

Upon being put to the vote, Councillor Barry Rawling's amendment was declared lost, with voting being declared as follows:

	For	Against	Not Voting	Absent
Maureen Braun		✓		
Rebecca Challice	✓			
Pauline Coakley Webb	✓			
Dean Cohen		✓		
Jack Cohen	✓			
Melvin Cohen		✓		
Philip Cohen	✓			
Geof Cooke	✓			

	For	Against	Not Voting	Absent
Alison Cornelius		✓		
Richard Cornelius		✓		
Tom Davey		✓		
Val Duschinsky		✓		
Paul Edwards	✓			
Claire Farrier	✓			
Anthony Finn		✓		
Brian Gordon		✓		
Eva Greenspan		✓		
Helena Hart		✓		
John Hart		✓		
Ross Houston	✓			
Anne Hutton	✓			
Andreas Ioannidis	✓			
Devra Kay	✓			
Sury Khatri		✓		
Adam Langleben	✓			
Kathy Levine	✓			
David Longstaff		✓		
Kitty Lyons	✓			
John Marshall		✓		
Kath McGuirk	✓			
Arjun Mittra	✓			
Alison Moore	✓			
Ammar Naqvi	✓			
Nagas Narenthira	✓			
Charlie O'Macauley	✓			
Graham Old		✓		
Alon Or-Bach	✓			
Reema Patel	✓			
Bridget Perry		✓		
Wendy Prentice		✓		
Sachin Rajput		✓		
Barry Rawlings	✓			
Hugh Rayner		✓		
Tim Roberts	✓			
Gabriel Rozenberg		✓		
Lisa Rutter		✓		
Shimon Ryde		✓		
Brian Salinger		✓		
Gill Sargeant	✓			
Joan Scannell		✓		
Alan Schneiderman	✓			
Daniel Seal				✓

	For	Against	Not Voting	Absent
Mark Shooter		✓		
Agnes Slocombe	✓			
Stephen Sowerby		✓		
Caroline Stock		✓		
Daniel Thomas		✓		
Reuben Thompstone		✓		
Jim Tierney	✓			
Amy Trevethan	✓			
Laurie Williams	✓			
Peter Zinkin		✓		
Zakia Zubairi	✓			

For: 31
Against: 31
Abstain: 0
Absent: 1
TOTAL: 63

The Worshipful the Mayor used his casting vote against the amendment. The amendment was declared lost.

Upon being put to the vote the recommendations in the report of the Policy and Resources Committee were declared carried, with voting being declared as follows:

	For	Against	Not Voting	Absent
Maureen Braun	✓			
Rebecca Challice		✓		
Pauline Coakley Webb		✓		
Dean Cohen	✓			
Jack Cohen		✓		
Melvin Cohen	✓			
Philip Cohen		✓		
Geof Cooke		✓		
Alison Cornelius	✓			
Richard Cornelius	✓			
Tom Davey	✓			
Val Duschinsky	✓			
Paul Edwards		✓		
Claire Farrier		✓		
Anthony Finn	✓			
Brian Gordon	✓			
Eva Greenspan	✓			
Helena Hart	✓			
John Hart	✓			
Ross Houston		✓		

	For	Against	Not Voting	Absent
Anne Hutton		✓		
Andreas Ioannidis		✓		
Devra Kay		✓		
Sury Khatri	✓			
Adam Langleben		✓		
Kathy Levine		✓		
David Longstaff	✓			
Kitty Lyons		✓		
John Marshall	✓			
Kath McGuirk		✓		
Arjun Mittra		✓		
Alison Moore		✓		
Ammar Naqvi		✓		
Nagas Narenthira		✓		
Charlie O'Macauley		✓		
Graham Old	✓			
Alon Or-Bach		✓		
Reema Patel		✓		
Bridget Perry	✓			
Wendy Prentice	✓			
Sachin Rajput	✓			
Barry Rawlings		✓		
Hugh Rayner	✓			
Tim Roberts		✓		
Gabriel Rozenberg	✓			
Lisa Rutter	✓			
Shimon Ryde	✓			
Brian Salinger	✓			
Gill Sargeant		✓		
Joan Scannell	✓			
Alan Schneiderman		✓		
Daniel Seal				✓
Mark Shooter	✓			
Agnes Slocombe		✓		
Stephen Sowerby	✓			
Caroline Stock	✓			
Daniel Thomas	✓			
Reuben Thompstone	✓			
Jim Tierney		✓		
Amy Trevethan		✓		
Laurie Williams		✓		
Peter Zinkin	✓			
Zakia Zubairi		✓		

For: 31

Against: 31
Abstain: 0
Absent: 1
TOTAL: 63

The Worshipful the Mayor used his casting vote and voted for the recommendations in the report. The recommendations in the report were declared carried.

RESOLVED that Council:

- 1. Considered the issues that have emerged from the consultation outcomes when making its decisions. A final consultation report had been appended at Appendix B.**
- 2. Approve the MTFS attached at Appendix C and the Detailed Revenue Budgets at Appendix D1 and D2. The MTFS set out all of the budget changes over the period from 2015/16 to 2019/20, including assumptions around inflation, changes to levies, pressures, savings and grant funding. It is the model around which the council's financial strategy is based. It should be noted that the budget has been prepared on the basis of a Council Tax freeze in 2015/16. Overall the 2015/16 budget requirement totals £250,888,653.**
- 3. Note that the Chief Finance Officer under his delegated powers in accordance with para 4.3.2 of the Financial Regulations has calculated the amount of 132,151 (band D equivalents) as the Council Tax base for the year 2015/16 [item T in the formula in Section 31B (3) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, as amended (the "Act")].**
- 4. Note that the Council Tax requirement for the Council's own purposes for 15/16 (excluding precepts) is £145,639,653.**
- 5. Approve the following amounts be now calculated for the year 2015/16 in accordance with Sections 31(A) and (B), 34, 35 and 36 of the Act:**
 - a) £889,167,167 being the aggregate of the amounts which the council estimates for the items set out in the Section 31A(2) (a) to (f) of the Act taking into account all precepts issued to it by precepting authorities.**
 - b) £743,527,514 being the aggregate of the amounts which the council estimated for the items set out in Section 31A(3) (a) to (d) of the Act.**
 - c) £145,639,653 being the amount by which the aggregate at 5 (a) above exceeds the aggregate at 5(b) above, calculated by the council in accordance with Section 31A(4) of the Act as its Council Tax requirement for the year (Item R in the formula section 31A(4) of the Act).**
 - d) £1,102.07 being the amount at 5(c) above (item R), all divided by Item T (Item 4 above), calculated by the council, in accordance with Section 31B(1) of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year (excluding precepts).**
 - e) The Chief Finance Officer recommends that the council's basic amount of Council Tax for 2015/16 is not excessive in accordance with the principles approved under section 52ZB and 52ZC of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, and the Referendums Relating to Council Tax Increases (Principles) Report (England) 2015/2016. £1,102.07 being**

the amount at 4 above divided by the amount at 3 above, calculated by the council, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year 2015/16.

London Borough of Barnet Valuations Bands (£)

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
734.71	857.16	979.62	<u>1,102.07</u>	1,346.97	1,591.88	1,836.78	2,204.14

Being the amounts given by multiplying the amounts at 6(d) above by the number which, in proportion set out in Section 5(1) of the Act, is applicable to dwellings listed in valuation band D, calculated by the council, in accordance with Section 36(1) of the Act, as the amounts to be taken into account for the year in respect of categories of dwellings listed in different valuation bands.

6. Note that for the year 2015/16 the Greater London Authority has provisionally indicated that the following amounts in precepts will be issued to the council, in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, for each of the categories of the dwellings shown below:

Greater London Authority Valuations Bands (£)

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
196.67	229.44	262.22	<u>295.00</u>	360.56	426.11	491.67	590.00

7. Approve that having calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts at 6(d) and 7 above, the council, in accordance with Section 30(2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, hereby sets the following amounts as the amounts of Council Tax for the year 2015/16 for each of the categories dwellings shown below:

Council Tax for Area (£)

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
931.38	1,086.60	1,241.84	<u>1,397.07</u>	1,707.53	2,017.99	2,328.45	2,794.14

8. Approve that in accordance with Section 38(2) of the Act the Chief Executive be instructed to place a notice in the local press of the amounts set under recommendation 8 above within a period of 21 days following the Council's decision.
9. Approve the capital programme as set out in Appendix E and addition in para 2.6.3, and that the Chief Officers be authorised to take all necessary actions for implementation. Authorise the Chief Finance Officer to adjust capital project budgets in 2015/16 throughout the capital programme after the 2014/15 accounts are closed and the amounts of slippage and budget carry forward required are known.
10. Authorise the Chief Finance Officer to adjust capital project budgets in 2015/16 throughout the capital programme after the 2014/15 accounts are

closed and the amounts of slippage and budget carry forward required are known.

11. **Approve the Treasury Management Strategy for 2015/16 as set out in Appendix F.**
 12. **Note the following:**
The proposed rent increase of CPI plus 1% for council dwellings as set out in paragraph 2.8.6 to take effect from 1 April 2015;
 - a) **The proposed increase to service charges for council dwelling as set out in paragraph 2.8.7 to take effect from 1 April 2015;**
 - b) **The proposed rent increase of 2% for council garages as set out in paragraph 2.8.10 to take effect from 1 April 2015.**
 13. **Note the Housing Revenue Account estimates for 2015/16 as set out in Appendix G.**
 14. **Note the Equality Impact Assessment and cumulative assessment included in Appendix H. A summary is set out in section 9 of this report. The appendix provides the cumulative impact and individual Delivery Unit assessments where significant changes to service delivery are proposed.**
 15. **Approve the Reserves and Balances Policy as set out in Appendix I and the Chief Finance Officer's assessment of adequacy of reserves in section 2.10. This states that the minimum level of General Fund balances should be £15m after taking account of all matters set out in the Chief Finance Officer's report on reserves and balances.**
 16. **Note the Corporate Risk Register as set out in Appendix J.**
 17. **Approve the reserves and budgetary movement as set out in paragraph 2.2.1, 2.2.2 and saving amendments in paragraph 2.2.4.**
 18. **Approve the write offs in Appendix A.**
 19. **Note the Submission of the Authority Proforma Tool.**
13. **REPORT FROM ASSETS, REGENERATION AND GROWTH COMMITTEE - 3 MARCH 2015 - COMPULSORY PURCHASE ORDER NO.1 AND COMPULSORY PURCHASE ORDER NO.2 (AGENDA ITEM 11.3)**

Councillor Daniel Thomas moved reception and adoption of the recommendations in the report. Debate ensued.

In relation to the recommendations as set out in the report in respect of Brent Cross Cricklewood Compulsory Purchase Order (No.1) the votes were recorded as follows:

For:	31
Against:	31
Abstain:	0
Absent:	1
TOTAL:	63

The Worshipful the Mayor used his casting vote in favour of the recommendations. The recommendations were declared carried.

RESOLVED that Council approve:

- 1. That a compulsory purchase order (CPO) be made pursuant to the powers in section 226(1) (a) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) for the acquisition of the land shaded pink on the plan at Appendix 1 and pursuant to section 13 of the Local Government (Misc Provisions) Act 1976 to acquire new rights in respect of the land shaded blue on the said plan.**
- 2. That the appropriate Chief Officers be authorised to settle the final form and content of the CPO and associated documentation and take all action needed to pursue the CPO and secure its confirmation.**
- 3. That the appropriate Chief Officers be authorised, following the confirmation of the CPO, to implement the CPO powers and acquire title to and/or take possession of the land.**
- 4. That the appropriate Chief Officers be authorised to carry out the necessary procedures under Part 11 of the Housing Act 1985 and to use Ground 10A to obtain vacant possession of Council owned dwellings that are occupied by secure tenants in the area shown shaded pink on the plan at Appendix 1.**
- 5. That the appropriate Chief Officers be authorised to approve the service of Initial and Final Demolition Notices as required pursuant to the Housing Act 2004 to suspend the right to buy on properties due for demolition which are situated on the Whitefield Estate but fall within the Brent Cross North Development and on the Rosa Freedman Centre.**
- 6. That the appropriate Chief Officers be authorised to take all necessary steps to re-house secure tenants from the Sheltered Housing Units at Rosa Freeman and to pay statutory homelessness and disturbance to those tenants.**

In relation to the recommendations as set out in the report in respect of Brent Cross Cricklewood Compulsory Purchase Order (No.2) the votes were recorded as follows:

For:	31
Against:	31
Abstain:	0
Absent:	1
TOTAL:	63

The Worshipful the Mayor used his casting vote in favour of the recommendations. The recommendations were declared carried.

RESOLVED that Council approve:

- 1. That a compulsory purchase order (CPO) be made pursuant to the powers in section 226(1)(a) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) for the acquisition of the land shaded pink on the plan at Appendix 1.**

2. That the appropriate Chief Officers be authorised to settle the final form and content of the CPO and associated documentation and take all action needed to pursue the CPO and secure its confirmation.
 3. That the appropriate Chief Officers be authorised, following the confirmation of the CPO, to implement the CPO powers and acquire title to and/or take possession of the land.
 4. That the appropriate Chief Officers be authorised to carry out the necessary procedures under Part 11 of the Housing Act 1985 and to use Ground 10A to obtain vacant possession of Council owned dwellings that are occupied by secure tenants in the area shown shaded pink on the plan at Appendix 1.
 5. That the appropriate Chief Officers be authorised to approve the service of Initial and Final Demolition Notices as required pursuant to the Housing Act 2004 to suspend the right to buy on properties due for demolition which are situated on the Whitefield Estate but fall within the Brent Cross South Development.
14. **REPORT FROM ASSETS, REGENERATION AND GROWTH COMMITTEE - 3 MARCH 2015 - BRENT CROSS CRICKLEWOOD SOUTH - SELECTION OF PREFERRED PARTNER (PUBLIC) (AGENDA ITEM 11.4)**

Councillor Daniel Thomas moved reception and adoption of the recommendations in the report.

In relation to the recommendations as set out in the report the votes were recorded as follows:

For:	31
Against:	1
Abstain:	30
Absent:	1
TOTAL:	63

The recommendations were declared carried.

RESOLVED that Council:

1. **Approve the appointment of Argent and Related Companies PLC (Bidder Z) as the Council's preferred development partner for the Brent Cross Cricklewood South Scheme.**
2. **Approve the selection of Gateway Barnet consortium comprising Far East Consortium, Countryside Properties and Notting Hill Housing Trust (Bidder Y) as the Council's reserve development partner for the Brent Cross Cricklewood South Scheme.**
3. **Authorise Officers to work up the Joint Venture Structure, Business Plan, Project Agreement and documentation necessary to form the joint venture for**

consideration and approval by Assets, Regeneration and Growth Committee prior to formally entering into the joint venture contract.

15. REPORT FROM REMUNERATION COMMITTEE - 6 FEBRUARY 2015 - APPOINTMENT OF THE COMMISSIONING DIRECTOR CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE (AGENDA ITEM 11.5)

RESOLVED that Council note the appointment of Mr. Chris Munday as the Commissioning Director – Children and Young People (the Council’s Designated Director of Children’s Services), subject to the receipt of satisfactory references.

16. REPORT FROM REMUNERATION COMMITTEE - 18 FEBRUARY 2015 - PAY POLICY STATEMENT 2015/16 (AGENDA ITEM 11.6)

Councillor Richard Cornelius moved reception and adoption of the recommendations in the report, together with an amendment.

Councillor Alison Moore spoke on the motion and moved an amendment.

Council voted on Councillor Richard Cornelius’ amendment; the votes were recorded as follows:

For: 31
Against: 31
Abstain: 0
Absent: 1

The Worshipful the Mayor used his casting vote in support of the amendment. The amendment was declared carried.

Council voted on Councillor Alison Moore’s amendment. The votes were recorded as follows:

For: 31
Against: 31
Abstain: 0
Absent: 1

The Worshipful the Mayor used his casting vote against the amendment. The amendment was declared to be lost.

Council voted on the substantive motion as amended. The votes were recorded as follows:

For: 31
Against: 0
Abstain: 31
Absent: 1

The Worshipful the Mayor used his casting vote in support of the substantive motion. The motion as amended was declared to be carried.

RESOLVED that Council:

1. **Approve the Pay Policy Statement 2015-16 as set out at Annex A.**
2. **Agree that the London Living Wage, as determined by City Hall, at the rate of £9.15 shall be the minimum hourly rate for Barnet Council employees from the 1st April 2015 for the financial year 2015/16 and that provision is found within the existing budgets for that financial year.**

Before consideration of agenda item 11.2, the Mayor moved suspension of Council Procedure Rules 2.2 and Meeting Procedure Rules 14.1 and 14.2 to enable the remaining business on the agenda to be completed after 10.30pm. The proposal was duly seconded by Councillor Daniel Thomas.

Council voted on the proposal to suspend standing orders. The votes were recorded as follows:

For: 31
Against: 1
Abstain: 30
Absent: 1

The proposal was declared to be carried.

17. REPORTS FROM HOUSING COMMITTEE - 2 FEBRUARY 2015 - MEMBERS ITEMS (AGENDA ITEM 11.2)

Councillor Tom Davey spoke on the recommendations set out in the report.

Councillor Ross Houston spoke on the Members Item in his name (Viability Reports) and moved an amendment.

Council voted on Councillor Ross Houston's amendment. The votes were recorded as follows:

For: 31
Against: 31
Abstain: 0
Absent: 1

The Worshipful the Mayor used his casting vote against the amendment. The amendment was declared lost.

Upon the amendment in the name of Councillor Ross Houston being put to the vote, at least ten members called for a formal division on the voting. Upon the vote being taken, the results of the division were declared as follows:

	For	Against	Not Voting	Absent
Maureen Braun		✓		
Rebecca Challice	✓			
Pauline Coakley Webb	✓			
Dean Cohen		✓		
Jack Cohen	✓			
Melvin Cohen		✓		
Philip Cohen	✓			
Geof Cooke	✓			
Alison Cornelius		✓		
Richard Cornelius		✓		
Tom Davey		✓		
Val Duschinsky		✓		
Paul Edwards	✓			
Claire Farrier	✓			
Anthony Finn		✓		
Brian Gordon		✓		
Eva Greenspan		✓		
Helena Hart		✓		
John Hart		✓		
Ross Houston	✓			
Anne Hutton	✓			
Andreas Ioannidis	✓			
Devra Kay	✓			
Sury Khatri		✓		
Adam Langleben	✓			
Kathy Levine	✓			
David Longstaff		✓		
Kitty Lyons	✓			
John Marshall		✓		
Kath McGuirk	✓			
Arjun Mittra	✓			
Alison Moore	✓			
Ammar Naqvi	✓			
Nagas Narenthira	✓			
Charlie O'Macauley	✓			
Graham Old		✓		
Alon Or-Bach	✓			
Reema Patel	✓			
Bridget Perry		✓		
Wendy Prentice		✓		
Sachin Rajput		✓		
Barry Rawlings	✓			
Hugh Rayner		✓		
Tim Roberts	✓			

	For	Against	Not Voting	Absent
Gabriel Rozenberg		✓		
Lisa Rutter		✓		
Shimon Ryde		✓		
Brian Salinger		✓		
Gill Sargeant	✓			
Joan Scannell		✓		
Alan Schneiderman	✓			
Daniel Seal				✓
Mark Shooter		✓		
Agnes Slocombe	✓			
Stephen Sowerby		✓		
Caroline Stock		✓		
Daniel Thomas		✓		
Reuben Thompstone		✓		
Jim Tierney	✓			
Amy Trevethan	✓			
Laurie Williams	✓			
Peter Zinkin		✓		
Zakia Zubairi	✓			

For: 31
Against: 31
Abstain: 0
Absent: 1
TOTAL: 63

The Worshipful the Mayor used his casting vote against the amendment. The amendment was declared to be lost.

Council voted on the Members Item in the name of Councillor Ross Houston as referred by the Housing Committee:

For: 31
Against: 31
Abstain: 0
Absent: 1
TOTAL: 63

The Worshipful the Mayor used his casting vote against the Members Item in the name of Councillor Ross Houston. The proposals set out in the Members Item were declared lost.

Councillor Adam Langleben spoke on the Members Item in his name (Barnet Regeneration Estates) and moved an amendment.

Council voted on Councillor Adam Langleben's amendment. The votes were recorded as follows:

For: 31
 Against: 31
 Abstain: 0
 Absent: 1
 TOTAL: 63

The Worshipful the Mayor used his casting vote against the amendment. The amendment was declared lost.

Upon the amendment in the name of Councillor Adam Langleben being put to the vote, at least ten members called for a formal division on the voting. Upon the vote being taken, the results of the division were declared as follows:

	For	Against	Not Voting	Absent
Maureen Braun		✓		
Rebecca Challice	✓			
Pauline Coakley Webb	✓			
Dean Cohen		✓		
Jack Cohen	✓			
Melvin Cohen		✓		
Philip Cohen	✓			
Geof Cooke	✓			
Alison Cornelius		✓		
Richard Cornelius		✓		
Tom Davey		✓		
Val Duschinsky		✓		
Paul Edwards	✓			
Claire Farrier	✓			
Anthony Finn		✓		
Brian Gordon		✓		
Eva Greenspan		✓		
Helena Hart		✓		
John Hart		✓		
Ross Houston	✓			
Anne Hutton	✓			
Andreas Ioannidis	✓			
Devra Kay	✓			
Sury Khatri		✓		
Adam Langleben	✓			
Kathy Levine	✓			
David Longstaff		✓		
Kitty Lyons	✓			
John Marshall		✓		
Kath McGuirk	✓			
Arjun Mittra	✓			
Alison Moore	✓			
Ammar Naqvi	✓			

	For	Against	Not Voting	Absent
Nagas Narenthira	✓			
Charlie O'Macauley	✓			
Graham Old		✓		
Alon Or-Bach	✓			
Reema Patel	✓			
Bridget Perry		✓		
Wendy Prentice		✓		
Sachin Rajput		✓		
Barry Rawlings	✓			
Hugh Rayner		✓		
Tim Roberts	✓			
Gabriel Rozenberg		✓		
Lisa Rutter		✓		
Shimon Ryde		✓		
Brian Salinger		✓		
Gill Sargeant	✓			
Joan Scannell		✓		
Alan Schneiderman	✓			
Daniel Seal				✓
Mark Shooter		✓		
Agnes Slocombe	✓			
Stephen Sowerby		✓		
Caroline Stock		✓		
Daniel Thomas		✓		
Reuben Thompstone		✓		
Jim Tierney	✓			
Amy Trevethan	✓			
Laurie Williams	✓			
Peter Zinkin		✓		
Zakia Zubairi	✓			

For: 31
Against: 31
Abstain: 0
Absent: 1
TOTAL: 63

The Worshipful the Mayor used his casting vote against the amendment. The amendment was declared to be lost.

Council voted on the Members Item in the name of Councillor Adam Langleben as referred by the Housing Committee:

For: 31
Against: 31
Abstain: 0
Absent: 1

TOTAL: 63

The Worshipful the Mayor used his casting vote against the Members Item in the name of Councillor Adam Langleben. The proposals set out in the Members Item were declared lost.

18. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

19. REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER- LBB MEMBERS' SCHEME OF ALLOWANCES 2015-16 (AGENDA ITEM 12.1)

The Monitoring Officer introduced the report.

A typographical error was noted in the report, namely that the proposed scheme was incorrectly labelled as Appendix A rather than Appendix B.

Councillor Richard Cornelius moved reception of the report and recommendations contained therein.

Council voted on the motion. The votes were recorded as follows:

For:	31
Against:	1
Abstain:	30
Absent:	1

The motion was declared to be carried.

RESOLVED that Council, having had regard to the recommendations of the Independent Panel on the Remuneration of Councillors in London (as attached as Appendix A), approve the Members' Allowances Scheme (attached as Appendix B) for 2015/16 effective from 1 April 2015 to 31 March 2016.

20. REPORT OF THE HEAD OF GOVERNANCE (AGENDA ITEM 12.2)

The Monitoring Officer introduced the report.

Councillor Joan Scannell moved reception of the report and recommendations contained therein subject to an amendment.

Council voted on the motion as amended; the votes were recorded as follows:

For:	31
Against:	0
Abstain:	31
Absent:	1

The motion as amended was declared to be carried.

RESOLVED that Council:

- 1. Confirm the Head of Customer Strategy and Programmes as statutory proper officer births, marriages and deaths.**
- 2. Delegates its functions in relation to approving premises for marriages and the formation of civil partnerships under the Marriage Act 1949 and the Marriages and Civil Partnerships (Approved Premises) Regulations 2005 to the General Functions Committee.**

21. QUESTIONS TO COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES

There were none.

The meeting finished at 10.48 pm