

# Decisions of the Children, Education, Libraries & Safeguarding Committee

12 October 2015

Members Present:-

Councillor Reuben Thompstone (Chairman)

Councillor Bridget Perry (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Rebecca Challice

Councillor Alison Cornelius

Councillor Daniel Thomas

Councillor Helena Hart

Councillor Ammar Naqvi

Councillor Kathy Levine

Councillor Anne Hutton

Also in attendance (as Co-opted Members):-

Marilyn Nathan

Simon Clifford

Darren Warrington

Denis Carey

Apologies for Absence:-

Gladys Vendy (Co-opted Member)

## 1. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

**RESOLVED** – The minutes of the meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2015 were agreed as a correct record.

## 2. ABSENCE OF MEMBERS

An apology for absence was received from Gladys Vendy.

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

None were declared.

## 4. REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER (IF ANY)

There was none.

## 5. PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS (IF ANY)

In advance of the public questions and comments and at the invitation of the Chairman, the Programme Director for Education and Learning gave a presentation summarising the proposals outlined in item 7. Copies of the presentation were made available to the public present at the meeting.

Public comments were made by Ms Barbara Jacobson and Ms Theresa Musgrove.

Details of the questions asked and the published answers were provided with the agenda papers for the meeting. Verbal responses were given to supplementary questions at the meeting.

**6. MEMBERS' ITEMS (IF ANY)**

There were none.

**7. BARNET'S FUTURE LIBRARY SERVICE**

The Programme Director for Education and Learning introduced the report, which related to proposals for Barnet's Future Library Service.

Following discussion of the report, the Chairman moved to the recommendations outlined in the cover report. Votes were recorded as follows:

For	5
Against	4
Abstain	0

Immediately following the vote the Chairman, Councillor Reuben Thompstone, moved to refer the item to the next practicable meeting of Full Council. The reason given for the request to refer the item was that there is substantial public interest in the issue, and that it is a key issue affecting the majority of the borough's wards, therefore meaning that Full Council is better placed to make the decision. The request to refer the item was supported by:

- Councillor Rebecca Challice
- Councillor Alison Cornelius
- Councillor Helena Hart
- Councillor Anne Hutton
- Councillor Kathy Levine
- Councillor Ammar Naqvi
- Councillor Bridget Perry
- Councillor Daniel Thomas

**RESOLVED** – That having received the requisite number of support for referral, the item will be placed on the agenda for consideration by Full Council.

**8. CHILDREN, EDUCATION, LIBRARIES & SAFEGUARDING COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME**

The Committee noted the report.

**9. ANY OTHER ITEM(S) THAT THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES ARE URGENT**

There were none.

The meeting finished at 8.36 pm