

**Council: Tuesday, 11 September 2012**

**Administration Business Item:** Councillor Daniel Thomas

Local Government Settlement

Council calls on Cabinet to lobby the coalition government to ensure the best possible result for Barnet in the forthcoming Local Government Settlement.

Successive Barnet councils have felt hard done by as other less well managed boroughs have been more favourably treated by central government with substantially more funding per head of population.

Council feels that this Borough has already planned efficiencies and managed reductions in spending in an effective and practical way and should not be penalised relative to other authorities that have not done as much.

Council notes that Barnet has one of the lowest cost back offices in London and is one of the highest ranked Councils in London for Value for Money.