

# Annual Meeting of the Council of the London Borough of Barnet

TO BE HELD ON

**Tuesday, 18 May 2004 at 7.00pm**

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**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN**

THAT THE ANNUAL MEETING of the Council of the LONDON BOROUGH OF BARNET will be held on TUESDAY the 18<sup>th</sup> day of MAY 2004 at 7.00 o'clock in the evening, at the Town Hall, The Burroughs, Hendon, NW4 and all the members of the Council are hereby summoned to attend.

The business to be transacted at the meeting is as follows:-

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1. To offer prayer	
2. To elect the Mayor (report of the Head of Committee attached).	1
3. To receive the Minutes of the Meetings of the London Borough Council held on 20 April 2004	2 – 62
4. To receive apologies for absence	
5. To receive Official Announcements	
6. To elect the Leader of the Council	
7. To appoint the Leader and nine other members to the Cabinet, and decide whether to appoint one of them to be Deputy Leader.	
8. To note the appointment as the Leader of the Opposition of the Leader of the largest political group other than the group of which the Leader of the Council is a member.	
9. To appoint the standing committees, overview and scrutiny committees, and the Standards Committee, and a Chairman and Vice-Chairman (if desired) for each. (Item 13.4.1 of the attached Report of the Head of Committee, page 62 refers)	
10. Report of the Leader of the Council – Delegation of Executive Functions	
11. To approve a programme of ordinary meetings of the Council for the Municipal Year 2004/2005 as follows: Ordinary meetings of the Council at 7pm	
(a) 6 July 2004	
(b) 14 September 2004	
(c) 26 October 2004	
(d) 14 December 2004	
(e) 18 January 2005	
(f) 1 March 2005 (*including Mayoralty nomination and Council tax)	
(g) 12 April 2005	

- (h) 17 May 2005 (\*Annual Meeting)
12. Appointment of representatives to School Governing Bodies and outside bodies (Items 31.4.2 and 13.4.5 of the attached report of the Head of Committee (pages 64 and 65)
13. To consider any other business dealt with in Part 6 at an Ordinary Council meeting, as follows: (40 minutes)
- 13.1 Reports from Cabinet
- 13.2 Reports from Overview and Scrutiny Committees
- 13.3 Reports from other council committees
- 13.4 Reports of officers.

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- (i) Political balance calculation and allocation of seats on committees, etc.
- (ii) Vacancies on School Governing Bodies
- (iii) Appointment or nomination of representatives to Outside Bodies
- (iv) Public Health Acts : Appointment of Proper Officer
- 13.5 Report of the Monitoring Officer, if any

Head of Committee

**List of Background Papers**

Any non-exempt reports of officers relating to the reports referred to in Agenda item 13 above.

Any person wishing to inspect the background papers listed above should contact John Marr, telephone 020 8359 2031.

Town Hall  
Hendon NW4 4BG  
10 May 2004

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18 May 2004

AGENDA ITEM 2

REPORT OF THE HEAD OF COMMITTEE

1. ELECTION OF MAYOR

- (a) The Mayor is elected by the council from among the councillors.
- (b) The Mayor is elected annually and the election must be the first business transacted at the Annual Meeting of the council.
- (c) In the case of an equality of votes, the person presiding at the meeting shall have a casting vote in addition to any other vote he or she may have.
- (d) The Mayor shall, unless he or she resigns or becomes disqualified, continue in office until his or her successor becomes entitled to act as Mayor; that is, until the new Mayor has taken the declaration of acceptance of office. In the present circumstances, the term of office will be until the Annual Meeting in 2004 which is expected to be on 17 May 2005.
- (f) Deputy Mayor

In accordance with paragraph 5(1) of Schedule 2 of the Local Government Act 1972, the Deputy Mayor is appointed by the Mayor from among the councillors.

ROY GODDARD  
Head of Committee

## Minutes

OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE LONDON BOROUGH OF BARNET held at  
The Town Hall, Hendon, NW4, on Tuesday 20 April 2004

### PRESENT:

\*The Worshipful the Mayor (Councillor Melvin Cohen, LLB,)

\*The Deputy Mayor (Councillor Wendy Prentice)

### Councillors:

*Steve Blomer	*Eva Greenspan BA, LL.B	*Susette Palmer BA (Hons)
*Maureen Braun	*Christopher Harris	*Kanti Patel MBE, MCIOB FFB, MCMI
*Fiona Bulmer	*Helena Hart	*Barry Rawlings
*Terry Burton	*Lynne Hillan	*Colin Rogers
*Anita Campbell	*Sean Hooker, BA (Hons)	*Paul Rogers
*Wayne Casey BA (Hons) MIIA	*Daniel Hope	*Brian Salinger
*Danish Chopra	*Anne Hutton	*Gill Sargeant
*Jack Cohen	*Mark Langton	*Joan Scannell
*Brian Coleman, GLA	*Malcolm Lester FCCA	*Alan Schneiderman
*Katia David BSc, MBA, JP	*Victor Lyon, BA (Hons)	*Gerard Silverstone
*Jeremy Davies BA (Hons)	*Kitty Lyons	*Alan Sloam
*Peter Davis Ctext, FTI, FCFI	*John Marshall	*Agnes Slocombe
Aba Dunner MCIJ	*Linda McFadyen	*Ansuya Sodha MBA (Middx) DipM (CIM), Cert Ed
*Kevin Edson	*Kath McGuirk	*Susan Steinberg
*Olwen Evans ACIS	*David Mencer	*Leslie Sussman, MBE
*Claire Farrier	*Alison Moore	*Andreas Tambourides
*Anthony Finn B.Sc (Econ) FCA	*Jazmin Naghar	
*Mike Freer	*Robert Newton	*Soon-Hoe Teh
*Vanessa Gearson BA AKC, PhD	*Matthew Offord	*Jim Tierney
*Arun Ghosh BSc BVSC AH Mphil CBIOL MIBIOL, MAPHV, MRSM	*Monroe Palmer OBE FCA	*Allan Turner
*Brian Gordon, LL.B		*Phil Yeoman

\*denotes Member present

### 193. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (Agenda Item 1):

Apologies were received from Councillor Dunner, and from Councillors Farrier and Sargeant, for lateness.

### 194. PRAYER (Agenda Item 2):

The Mayor's Chaplain offered prayer.

**195. MINUTES (Agenda Item 3):**

**RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 2 March 2004 be approved.**

**196. OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS (Agenda Item 4):**

The Mayor made the following announcement concerning the recent death of former Councillor Doreen Neall:

“I am sure that you will remember that, at our February meeting, I advised you that former Councillor Doreen Neall was seriously ill.

“I am now very sorry to announce the death of Doreen Neall, on Friday 19 March. Councillor Agnes Slocombe represented me at the funeral, which was held on 2 April.

“Doreen was very much liked and respected by all Members of the Council. I can say, with confidence, that we all admired Doreen’s energy and the total commitment she gave, not only to the residents of West Hendon Ward, but to the whole Borough. This commitment never diminished, even when she retired from formal Council duties.

“The London Borough of Barnet has, indeed, lost a very good friend.

“I ask you all please to stand and join me for a minute’s silence in memory of Doreen Neall.”

(A minute’s silence was observed).

**197. RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION (Agenda Item 5):**

Moved by the Deputy Mayor, duly seconded and

**RESOLVED –**

- 1. That we, the Members of the Council of the London Borough of Barnet, hereby express to the Worshipful the Mayor, Councillor Melvin Cohen, LL.B., our appreciation of the excellent service he has rendered to the London Borough of Barnet as its Mayor during the period May 2003 to May 2004 and for the friendly and conscientious way in which he has performed the duties of that office.**

**We offer him our sincere gratitude for the concern that he has shown at all times to promote the welfare of the London Borough and, particularly, for his willingness to support the many organisations and individuals who called on his time and services during his year of office. We congratulate him on the success of his appeal for The Shooting Star Trust.**

**We compliment him on the manner in which he has upheld the dignity of his office on all public occasions and on his untiring enthusiasm and pleasant approach to his duties.**

- 2. That the foregoing resolution be engrossed over the common seal of the Corporation and presented to the Worshipful the Mayor.**

The Mayor expressed his gratitude to the Council for passing the resolution.

**198. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS (Agenda Item 5):**

Interests were declared by the following Members in respect of Agenda Item 9.5:

- Councillor Freer – a personal and prejudicial interest as he was a trustee of Finchley Charities. Cllr. Freer did not vote on the matter.
- Councillor Coleman – a personal and prejudicial interest as he was a co-opted trustee of Finchley Charities. Cllr. Coleman did not vote on the matter.
- Councillor Sussman – a personal and prejudicial interest as he was a member of the Finance and General Purposes Committee of the Trustees of Finchley Charities. Cllr. Sussman did not vote on the matter.
- Councillor Newton – a personal and prejudicial interest as he was a member of the Executive Committee of Friern Barnet Day Care Centre for the Elderly. Cllr. Newton did not vote on the matter.
- Councillor Colin Rogers – a personal and prejudicial interest as he was a trustee of Finchley Charities.

**199. VARIATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS**

Councillor Danish Chopra, duly seconded, moved that the order of business be varied to allow agenda items 9.2 and 9.5 to be transposed in Part 3 of the meeting.

Upon being put to the vote, the motion was declared lost.

**200. QUESTION TIME FOR MEMBERS (Agenda Item 8):**

Questions were put to the Leader and the relevant Members of the Cabinet. Those questions, together with the original answers provided and the text of any supplementary questions and answers are set out in the Appendix to these minutes.

**201. MEMBERS' MOTIONS (Agenda Item 9):**

A motion was moved by the Mayor, duly seconded and

**RESOLVED: - That 60 minutes be allocated for debate on this item in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 4(a).**

The Mayor stated that, using his discretion under Rule 34.2, he would allow 19 minutes each for Motions 9.1, 9.2 and 9.3 and then put the remaining motions and amendments to the vote without debate.

**202. MOTION IN THE NAME OF COUNCILLOR KATH McGUIRK (Agenda Items 9.1, 13.1.1 and 13.1.4):**

Motion 9.1 in the name of Councillor Kath McGuirk was moved.

Amendments in the names of Councillors Brian Coleman, Monroe Palmer and Colin Rogers were also moved. Debate ensued. Upon being put to the vote, the amendment in the name of Councillor Brian Coleman was declared carried. The amendment in the name of Councillor Colin Rogers was declared lost. Councillor Coleman stated that he accepted the amendment proposed by Councillor Monroe Palmer. The substantive motion was declared carried.

**RESOLVED – Council congratulates the Administration on the exciting, radical and innovative approach to recycling in Barnet. Council notes the positive national media coverage. Council also notes that following the recent publicity early signs are that doorstep collected tonnage is up by around 20% and over 3,000 Barnet residents have requested recycling**

boxes. Council also supports the ongoing discussions with our contractors ECT for further improvements to the recycling provision in the Borough.

Council notes the negotiations currently underway between North London Waste Authority, Barnet Council and partners for the future reprovision of the Hendon Waste Transfer Station as part of the Cricklewood redevelopment plans.

Council urges the Cabinet to replace a Civic Amenity Site in the South of the Borough with access from the North Circular Road and not to confuse this provision of this public amenity, for disposing of mainly household rubbish, with the proposed recycling and waste transfer station in the vicinity of a valued conservation area.

**203. MOTION IN THE NAME OF COUNCILLOR DANISH CHOPRA  
(Agenda Item 9.2):**

Motion 9.2 in the name of Councillor Danish Chopra was moved.  
Debate ensued. Upon being put to the vote, the motion was declared lost.

**204. MOTION IN THE NAME OF COUNCILLOR FIONA BULMER  
(Agenda Items 9.3 and 13.1.4):**

Motion 9.3 in the name of Councillor Fiona Bulmer was moved.

Amendments in the name of Councillors Colin Rogers and John Marshall were also moved. Debate ensued. Upon being put to the vote, the amendment in the name of Councillor John Marshall was declared carried. The amendment in the name of Councillor Colin Rogers was declared lost. The substantive motion was declared carried.

**RESOLVED:** - Council notes that Barnet's roads and pavements had been shamefully neglected by the previous Labour/ Liberal Democrat administration, leaving a huge backlog of repairs and maintenance. Council notes the progress that the Conservative administration has made since May 2002 in improving more than 180 roads and Council welcomes this year's programme of road maintenance which will see a further 300 roads across the Borough resurfaced and 50 pavements repaired. Council also notes the significant progress in removing unnecessary and dangerous humps and other failed traffic measures that have significantly improved safety for all road users in the Borough.

Council notes that the resurfacing and traffic management programmes are approved by Area Environment Committees and condemns the disgraceful attempt by Ken Livingstone to interfere in the democratic process in Barnet by threatening to withhold TfL money allocated to Barnet.

**205. MOTION IN THE NAME OF COUNCILLOR VICTOR LYON  
(Agenda Item 9.4)**

Motion 9.4 in the name of Councillor Victor Lyon was put to the vote without debate and was declared carried.

**RESOLVED:** Council congratulates Sir Sydney Chapman MP, who on 3 May 2004 celebrates his twenty-fifth anniversary as Member of Parliament for Chipping Barnet.

Council notes that Sir Sydney was first elected to represent the constituency of Chipping Barnet in May 1979, and has been returned to the House of Commons at each of the five general elections thereafter.



**Council agrees that throughout a quarter of a century of representing the people of Chipping Barnet, Sir Sydney has demonstrated impeccable standards of diligence, dignity and probity.**

**Council notes that in July 1995 Sir Sydney was knighted by the Queen.**

**Council notes that Sir Sydney will retire at the next general election. Council thanks Sir Sydney for his outstanding contribution to public life in general and Chipping Barnet in particular.**

**206. MOTION IN THE NAME OF COUNCILLOR PHIL YEOMAN  
(Agenda Items 9.5, 13.1.1 and 13.1.4)**

Motion 9.5 in the name of Councillor Phil Yeoman and amendments in the names of Councillors Linda McFadyen, Maureen Braun and Sean Hooker were put to the vote without debate.

The amendment in the name of Councillor Linda McFadyen was declared lost. The amendment in the name of Councillor Maureen Braun was declared carried. The amendment in the name of Councillor Sean Hooker was declared lost. The substantive motion was declared lost.

**207. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING:**

In accordance with the Agenda, the Mayor adjourned the meeting for 15 minutes. The meeting reconvened at 9.15 pm.

**208. YOUTH JUSTICE PLAN 2002/2005 (2004/2005 UPDATE) – Report of Cabinet of 22 March 2004  
(Agenda Item 10)**

Councillor Victor Lyon moved reception and adoption of the Report of Cabinet dated 22 March 2004 “Youth Justice Plan 2002/2005 (2004/2005 Update), with the following recommendation:

**That the update to the Youth Justice Plan be approved for submission to the Youth Justice Board.**

Debate ensued. Upon being put to the vote, it was

**RESOLVED: That the Report of Cabinet of 22 March 2004 be approved and adopted.**

**209. REVIEW OF THE CONSTITUTION 2004 – Report of the Special (Constitution Review) Committee of 1, 11, 23 and 30 March 2004  
(Agenda Items 12.1 and 13.1.4, 5 & 6)**

Councillor Victor Lyon moved reception of the Report of the Special (Constitution Review) Committee dated 1, 11, 23 and 30 March “Review of the Constitution 2004”, with the following recommendations:

- 1. That amended Article 4, detailed in the Appendix, be approved.**
- 2. That the amendments proposed to Article 12, detailed in the Appendix, be approved.**
- 3. That amended Part 3, detailed in the Appendix, be approved.**
- 4. That amended Part 4 (Council Procedure Rules – The Council; Committees and Sub-Committees; Public Participation; and Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules), all as detailed in the Appendix, be approved.**

5. That Part 4 (Financial Regulations), detailed in the Appendix, be approved.
6. That Part 4 (Rules for the Disposal of Land and Real Property), detailed in the Appendix, be approved.
7. That the Assistant Chief Executive be instructed to consult Members of Overview and Scrutiny Committees on options for changes to the operation of the Overview and Scrutiny function, and to report to a future meeting of the Special Committee with final proposals in this regard.
8. That minutes/ decisions should record reasons given by Members for their absence at any meetings.
9. That the possibility of providing an index or thematic guide to the Constitution be explored further by the Special Committee in future once resources for its development could be identified.
10. That staff arranging Member-level meetings be instructed to avoid scheduling these to start earlier than 7pm unless there were exceptional circumstances.
11. That the approval of the Chairman of the Planning and Environment Committee be obtained in order to reschedule any meeting of an Area Planning Sub-Committee.
12. That the Scrutiny team be instructed to publish on the Council's website, the programmed dates for meetings of Overview and Scrutiny Committees.
13. That any changes to the responsibilities of the Chief Executive the Borough Solicitor and the Borough Treasurer be deferred pending publication of the report of the Underhill Inquiry.
14. That any review relating to appeals and licensing activities be deferred pending clear definitive guidance from Government on the requirements of the new licensing regime and when it is expected to be implemented.
15. That the operation of revised Part 4 arrangements specifically relating to the new themed policy debate within Council meetings, and the new arrangements for public speaking at meetings of Planning and Environment Committees and Area Planning Sub-Committees be reviewed by the Special Committee once they have been operating for six months.
16. That no action be taken in respect of the following proposals:
  - Including reference to CIPFA Governance Code in the Introduction to the Constitution;
  - Including a full text of debate in minutes;
  - Requiring Chairmen's approval to Members' requests to refer to an Area Planning Sub-Committee and application which would have been for decision by officers. (In considering this matter, the Committee decided to recommend to Council that Members be reminded that they must give full supporting reasons for any such requests);
  - Restricting Members of Planning and Environment Committee from also serving as Members of the Planning and Development Overview and Scrutiny Committee;
  - Changes to Part 3 (Executive functions of Area Environment Sub-Committees) to recognise the formation of Barnet Homes.
17. That the Head of Committee and Administration be instructed to publish the amendments, and to arrange for the Special Committee to meet again in order to progress the actions referred to in recommendations 7 and 15, above.

Councillor Lyon also moved an amendment to the Report.

Amendments in the names of Councillor Alison Moore, Monroe Palmer, Wayne Casey and Jack Cohen were also moved.

Debate ensued.

Upon being put to the vote, the amendment in the name of Councillor Victor Lyon was declared carried. The amendment in the name of Councillor Alison Moore was declared lost. The amendment in the name of Councillor Monroe Palmer was declared lost. The amendment in the name of Councillor Wayne Casey was declared lost. The amendment in the name of Councillor Jack Cohen was declared lost.

The substantive motion was declared carried.

**RESOLVED – That the report be adopted and approved subject to amendment of the Appendix thereto as follows:**

- **Part 4 Section 4 (Public Participation) rule 2.3.6 be amended to read “requests from Council employees or their trade unions on employment matters, all of whom have other processes for accessing decision takers.”**
- **Part 4 Section 4 (Public Participation) insert a new rule 2.3.7 reading “requests from members of the Council, members of Parliament, the member for the GLA and members of other public bodies except at the discretion of the Chairman of the body who may give consent where he or she considers it appropriate. Where the Chairman exercises such discretion, the speaker will speak in addition to any of those members of the public speaking in accordance with the provisions of Rule 3.”**

**210. REPORT EXEMPTED FROM CALL-IN PROCESS – GRAHAME PARK COMMUNITY SPORTS PITCH  
(Agenda Item 13.1.1)**

The Head of Committee reported that, in accordance with paragraph 16(1) of the Overview and Scrutiny Rules, the Chairman of the Cabinet Overview and Scrutiny Committee had been consulted and had agreed that the decision on the Leader’s report relating to the Grahame Park Community Sports Pitch, taken under delegated powers by 31 March in order to meet funding deadlines, was reasonable in the circumstances, and could be treated as a matter of urgency and thus be exempted from the call-in requirements.

**211. CHIPPING BARNET AREA PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING – 14 APRIL 2004: Report of the Monitoring Officer  
(Agenda Item 13.2)**

**RESOLVED – That the Report of the Head of Planning concerning the Outline Planning Application reference NA0326/04 relating to Middlesex University, Trent Park, Bramley Road, in the London Borough of Enfield, be remitted to the meeting of the Planning and Environment Committee on 28 April 2004 for fresh consideration and that the consideration of this matter by the Chipping Barnet Area Planning Sub-Committee be deemed void on the basis that the required arrangements under the Constitution for speaking by non-Members of that Committee had not been adhered to.**

**212. OPPOSITION POLICY ITEM – TACKLING CRIME AND ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR  
(Agenda Items 15, 13.1.1 and 13.1.4):**

Councillor Alan Schneiderman proposed the item and moved that it be adopted.

An amendment in the name of Councillor Brian Coleman was moved. An amendment in the name of Councillor Allan Turner was also moved. Councillor Turner, in terms of Rule 17B, amended his amendment by deleting the first sentence of the third paragraph.

Councillor Alison Moore moved that the question be now put. Upon being put to the vote, the motion that the question be now put was declared lost.

Debate ensued. Upon being put to the vote, the amendment in the name of Councillor Brian Coleman was declared carried. Councillor Brian Coleman stated that he accepted Councillor Allan Turner's amended amendment. Upon being put to the vote, the substantive motion was declared carried.

**RESOLVED: Council welcomes the most recent full-year figures for Barnet showing the Borough is one of the safest places to live in London with reductions in robberies, street crime, racist crime and burglaries. Council congratulates the Community Safety Partnership, chaired by the Council's Chief Executive, and the Borough Police, for this success. Council notes the close working relationship between this Administration and the police.**

**The Council supports the "Step Change Programme" to permanently base six police officers and police community support officers in every ward in Barnet who will not be available for transfer to other duties, starting with the local wards with the worst crime rates of Burnt Oak, Colindale and Childs Hill. Council also welcomes the establishment of Community Safety Action Zones across the Borough.**

**This Council notes that the alternative Conservative budget would have produced a below inflation increase of 1.1% in the GLA precept, and would have provided an additional 140 police officers, if it had been passed by the London Assembly. This Council calls on the Government to ensure adequate funding for London to ensure that step change can be properly implemented.**

**The Council congratulates the Greater London Assembly Member for Barnet and Camden for consistently supporting additional police officers for Barnet.**

**The Council instructs the Chief Executive to write to the Chairman of the Metropolitan Police Authority reinforcing the points made by the Leader of the Council, the GLA Member and others during the recent visit by Lord Harris to Barnet over the need for the forthcoming review of the Resource Allocation Formula to be open and transparent and to take account of the particular needs of Barnet.**

**Council notes that the most recent Barnet Crime and Disorder Audit shows that Burnt Oak town centre in the vicinity of the underground station is one of six general crime hotspots in the Borough, and that all the other five hotspots either already have CCTV or have money allocated for installation this year.**

**Council notes the Audit shows there is a definite link between street crime and transport centres such as Burnt Oak station, and that the Audit also shows Burnt Oak is one of four areas with the highest levels of violence within the Borough.**

**Council urges the Cabinet to install CCTV cameras in Burnt Oak town centre as a matter of urgency during the year 2004/5.**

**213. COMMENTS ON THE WORK OF THE CABINET  
(Agenda Items 17 and 13.1.3):**

**Councillor Ansuya Sodha commented:**

This administration has let down the residents of this borough. The residents have paid a massive increase in council tax hike and instead of being rewarded with better services they will receive massive cuts in services. These redundancies mean that there will be cuts in services, cuts in services to some of the most vulnerable people in the borough. The worst thing is that there does not seem to be any logic in these redundancies or cuts. It's at the whim of the Cabinet Member. Cuts in pest control are already having an impact on many residents in West Hendon. In that small area alone people are complaining that they can actually see rats in the streets. With no such service this problem can only get worse thus affecting the quality of life of people who live in such a rat infested area.

The closure of Springwood Day Centre is doing exactly what the Tories promised – “looking after the vulnerable people”. Closing a day centre is not looking after the vulnerable people.

The slashing of the equality unit means - who is going to carry out some of the work that that unit did regarding equality for all? - nobody.

There are cuts in street enforcement officers thus undermining the cleanliness and the safety of the street.

There is all this hardship being inflicted on people who are being made redundant and yet this could have been avoided or minimised by carrying out a proper skill audit. There are still 200 vacancies in the borough and very little has been done to redeploy these staff. The Tories' appalling financial mismanagement has landed the council in a mess and the staff are the ones who are paying the price for the incompetence of the Conservatives who prefer to waste money on senior officers' pay while perfectly happy to see poorly paid junior staff and their families go to the wall. This Cabinet has let down the people of Barnet and it's a great shame.

**Councillor Victor Lyon responded:**

I'm going to take this Mr Mayor because it's a general matter for the council rather than my appropriate Cabinet colleague. Firstly can I make this point. Any reductions we've had to make are solely at the door of the government. In two successive settlements they've screwed this borough mercilessly. But nevertheless, in spite of the £11m of savings we had to make last year and the £13m this year, I would make the point that the alarmist speech by Councillor Sodha is entirely misplaced. We are talking about originally 171 posts out of many thousands. I'm glad to tell council that the actual figure now is probably somewhere in the region of 77. Many of those will be by agreement and early retirement. There will not be a reduction in services. Those areas which Councillor Sodha has mentioned, I've dealt with in council on a number of occasions. We will be continuing to monitor the delivery. The important thing Mr Mayor is this, that this administration is delivering the five key promises which we made to the people of the borough when we were elected and we shall ensure that the staffing is done to make sure that that is true.

**Councillor Monroe Palmer commented:**

Mr Mayor the comment is about the withholding of the £1.5m. Let me say straightaway that I do not support Ken Livingstone, Mayor of London, interfering in

Barnet's policies. Number one. Number one, even if I did agree with the policies I disagree with the interference. But I would ask Councillor Coleman if he is taking full regard of the Borough Solicitor's advice to us on another matter, which I'm using on this, and I quote "Members can still have a personal liability for loss arising to the authority through 'wilful misconduct under section 18 of the Audit Commission Act 1998'" and it goes on "with reckless indifference as to whether it is wrong or not." Would Councillor Coleman be aware that he is on record now as at risk of losing this council money and he could have a personal liability on this, in accordance with the advice to this group on another matter from the Borough Solicitor at the time of the budget, and that this also could be, Mr Mayor, a problem that if, God forbid, anybody is injured on a road where the traffic calmer has been taken out you, and indeed many, this council are at risk. And I wonder what Councillor Coleman has to say to that.

**Councillor Brian Coleman responded:**

Mr Mayor, this council will respond to a letter from the Mayor when it receives one. We have yet to receive one. Because unfortunately the Mayor has taken to dealing with this matter as he deals with so many others by press release. If, Mr Mayor, a letter arrives I'm sure the Chief Officers will respond to it in the appropriate manner. I can assure Councillor Palmer and all members of the council that schemes on which the Mayor and TfL allegedly have concerns, and these have not quite been detailed yet, have been through the appropriate democratic processes of this council, they've been to the Area Environment Committee, or through Cabinet or whatever was appropriate for the different schemes. The Mayor is so confused and so badly briefed on this, he's accused us of taking out cycle lanes on the Finchley Road when there were none. He's accused us of taking out road humps willy nilly which, as you Mr Mayor and Members will know, is not something we do in this council. Every case is taken on its merits, examined by the relevant area sub-committee and the appropriate democratic measures are taken. So we know Mr Mayor, that the Mayor is here using officers of Transport for London in a sadly, I would suggest, political way in the run up to the June 10<sup>th</sup> election. Mr Mayor, Councillor Palmer can be assured that I suspect once the Mayoral and GLA election is out of the way and we've got a Conservative administration at City Hall this matter will be quietly dropped by TfL. The huffing and puffing of political grandstanding of the Mayor of London will be forgotten.

The meeting finished at 10.28 pm

**Council Questions to Cabinet Members**  
**20 April 2004**  
**Questions and Responses**

**Question No. 1**

**Councillor Matthew Offord**

Following the successful prosecution of Zen Slocombe, can the Cabinet member for the Environment please tell me of any other developments that have occurred in his war against graffiti?

**Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

This Administration is fighting the War of graffiti on many fronts.

We have issued 150 Anti Graffiti Kits to residents and community groups. CCTV has resulted in arrests for graffiti offences at Grahame Park, East Barnet, Tally Ho and Edgware. In addition a further 20 arrests were made in 2003 for graffiti, so far in 2004 6 individuals have been arrested.

This Administration's Graffiti Policy introduced in 2003 has had significant benefits.

**Supplementary Question No. 1**

**Councillor Matthew Offord**

Thank you Mr Mayor. Does the Cabinet Member recognise that this is yet another example of this administration continuing to deliver the priorities to the people of Barnet?

**Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

Mr Mayor I recognise that extremely well.

**Question No. 2**

**Councillor Wayne Casey**

What is the current schedule for the roll out of CCTV cameras across the Borough?

**Answer by Councillor Cllr Brian Coleman**

The ambitious roll out of CCTV across the Borough planned by this Administration is proceeding on track with preliminary work having started on the 3 schemes to be installed during the financial year 2004/5, Chipping Barnet, Burnt Oak and Cricklewood.

**Supplementary Question No. 2**

**Councillor Wayne Casey**

Thank you very much Mr Mayor, I'd like to thank Councillor Coleman for his answer, notwithstanding the spelling error. Could I just ask Councillor Coleman, could I press upon him to include Mill Hill in the, roll out of CCTV across the borough in the year 2005/2006?

**Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

Mr Mayor, Councillor Casey makes a very valid point. I am very keen to include Mill Hill in the year 2005/06, funding allowing.

**Question No. 3**

**Councillor Mark Langton**

Is the Housing member of Cabinet aware of a housing policy that has a preferential system in the allocation of houses with gardens to young families, but excludes disabled families whose quality of life would be improved by the facility of a garden? How can this be justified by his policy that seeks a fairer allocation by a new market bidding system?

**Answer by Councillor Brian Salinger**

I became aware of this problem last month and a delegated powers report making minor changes to the allocation policy and rectifying this omission was signed by me on Monday 29 March.

**Supplementary Question No. 3**

**Councillor Mark Langton**

Yes Mr Mayor, thank you. I owe Councillor Salinger an apology for submitting the same question twice by mistake, and I put my hands up to that. But could I further ask, I welcome the change in the allocation policy after I complained about this last month however I am still concerned that the change only refers to medical points and not specifically wheelchair points. Will the Cabinet Member agree to look at this issue again to make sure that the housing allocation policy specifically refers to wheelchairs points when considering houses with gardens? Thank you.

**Answer by Councillor Brian Salinger**

I accept his apology. In fact the need to change the policy was brought to my attention long before Councillor Langton's question appeared in front of me. I will have a look at the point he makes about wheelchairs to make sure that what is intended is absolutely clear.

**Question No. 4**

**Councillor John Marshall**

What was the cost of vandalism to the Council in 02/03 and so far this municipal year?

**Answer by Councillor Anthony Finn**

Expenditure to repair or replace Council assets damaged or defaced by vandalism is not separately recorded in the accounts, so a full account of the cost of vandalism cannot be provided. However, the expenditure within Environmental and Neighbourhood Services in relation to Parks, Open Spaces and Street scene is projected to reach £268,000 in 2003/4.

In 2002/3 Environmental and Neighbourhood Services expenditure amounted to £156,000.

Greenspaces in addition have spent £278,000 for year 2002/3. The figure projected for year 2003/4 for Greenspaces is £147,000.

This does not include expenditure on graffiti removal incurred within housing, public buildings, schools etc.

**Supplementary Question No. 4**

**Councillor John Marshall**

Can I thank Councillor Finn for that answer. Would he like to tell the council whether investment in CCTV is actually reducing the amount of graffiti? Would he not agree that waging war on graffiti is a very good investment of the council's money because graffiti is costing us an awful lot of cash?

**Answer by Councillor Anthony Finn**



It would indeed, thank you for bringing it up Councillor Marshall. Graffiti and waste and vandalism is something which must be stamped out. It's costing this council money. It's pointless, it's a waste of public money, it's a waste of time and we must stamp this out as far as we can. CCTV is helping. CCTV is part of our process and we are increasing spending on CCTV, £175,000 this year. We are increasing cost spending on graffiti removal by £40,000 for this year. Part of our corporate plan, which is continuing, is tackling crime and providing a safe environment for the people of this borough.

**Question No. 5**

**Councillor Monroe Palmer**

In the light of the admission by Human Resources that up to £700,000 has been overprovided in the Budget for a liability to Inland Revenue, does the Cabinet Member not agree that the decisions to reduce services at Libraries, Day Centres and Welsh Harp Sailing base can now be reversed?

**Answer by Councillor Victor Lyon, Leader of the Council**

The budget monitoring reports to Cabinet Resources Committee have for some months now shown a provision for National Insurance (NI) under-recovery, resulting from the way the payroll system has calculated employees and employers NI in respect to staff who have multiple contracts of employment with the Council.

The figure reflected in monitoring reports is an initial assessment of the liability that the Council might face and further work will be undertaken during the coming months to determine the level of provision to be included in the 2003.

It is proper that when a new liability is identified that it is provided for within the Council's budget and accounts, and I am sure Cllr Palmer will recall the external auditor recently reminding Council of the need to make adequate provision for self-insured risks.

If provision were not made in the accounts, then any payment falling due would have to be met from balances – and I am sure I do not have to remind Cllr Palmer of the very low level of balances that the Council currently has.

(Reply subject to Monitoring Officer clearance)

**Supplementary Question No. 5**

**Councillor Monroe Palmer**

Thank you Mr Mayor. Thank you for the answer. Can I ask the supplementary. As officers have publicly admitted that it is certain that Barnet Council is not liable for additional national insurance on a payroll service, on a managed agency basis, and I quote from the reply from the officer there, and that the Inland Revenue are prepared to negotiate a reasonable settlement for the rest of the disputed amount, it is clear that most of this provision of £700,000 salted away will not be needed. Leader, is it therefore not justified to use approximately £600,000 of this £700,000 salted away to save Springwood, to restore the cuts in Flightways and Age Concern and to save two libraries from closure? Leader is it not over prudent to salt this unneeded reserve away whilst your administration destroys frontline services.

**Answer by Councillor Victor Lyon, Leader of the Council**

I am surprised at Councillor Monroe Palmer's supplementary because he would well know that any matters in which one deals with the Inland Revenue are always problematical and I think it is prudent to allow the sum that has been mentioned, although, obviously, I will review the situation as and when I feel it is prudent to so do.

**Question No. 6****Councillor Phil Yeoman**

The Chairs of the Age Concern Trustee Boards of the Meritage Centre, Friern Barnet Centre and Ann Owens Centre alleged at the Cabinet Scrutiny committee on 29 March (at which you were not present) that you came to a verbal understanding at a meeting held with them that the three day centres could continue to operate for the existing amount of grant. Why have you broken this promise?

**Answer by Councillor Maureen Braun**

No promise was made. Last autumn I entered into informal talks with the three chairmen of the trustee boards, as Age Concern had acted very precipitately on the basis of a leaked discussion paper (when they announced that Friern Barnet Centre would close if we cut their grant by £100,000), to discover if there was a possibility of their continuing to run the centres if Age Concern pulled out altogether. At the beginning of this year they seemed to me to have reached a feasible solution, at which point I told them that the new Head of Community Care would now take over, and would conduct discussions over the future of the centres with themselves and with Age Concern in a formal and appropriate manner.

**Supplementary Question No. 6****Councillor Phil Yeoman**

I thank the Cabinet Member for her response. Can the Cabinet Member explain then to the council why three very experienced chairs of Age Concern all left the meeting with your good self on, I think about New Year's Eve, with the very clear impression and the verbal agreement that you had given agreement that all the centres would remain open. Are they lying or does your seeming about U-turn of which this is the first thing we've heard about [will it close or will it open Ann Owen Centre, this evening]. Will that mean that you have been wrong all along? Either way yet again you have acted disgracefully, it is a disgrace. Thank you.

**Answer by Councillor Maureen Braun**

Thank you Councillor Yeoman. I must say I am always newly nauseated every time I hear the Labour Party having a spate of self-righteous hypocrisy on the matter of old age care generally and, in fact, all social services. I think my answer was quite clear. I made no promise. I said, I made no promise, I am not lying and they are not lying.

There was a basis on which if Age Concern withdrew they might be able to run the centres. As I said quite clearly, it was then over to the officers to do the formalities of this, to sort out any contract procedures and to put in place the tender. Age Concern's tender was the better one of the two. While I am speaking I think this is the perfect opportunity to repeat Ann Owen is not closing, it was never going to close and all I can think is Flightways revisited. Just like Flightways was never going to close, I am sick, weary and tired of standing up in this Council Chamber defending a position that does not exist.

**Question No. 7****Councillor John Marshall**

How many places would be provided at Christchurch if it were to become a single sex school?

**Answer by Councillor Lynne Hillan**

The buildings at Christ Church offer capacity for 5 forms of entry for 5-year groups, i.e. 150 pupils in each year group from Year 7 (11 year olds) to Year 11 (16 year olds).

**Supplementary Question No. 7****Councillor John Marshall**

Can I congratulate Councillor Hillan upon her proposals for this school, which are replacing a school shunned by local residents, by a school that will be popular both with parents and with children and will be widely welcomed. Can we have an assurance that the all-girls school will be in position by the year 2006.

**Answer by Councillor Lynne Hillan**

Thank you very much for your congratulations Councillor Marshall, well received. As for whether the girls school will be in position in 2006, I cannot give you assurances for that yet because we are still managing the pupils that are currently at the school and that will take a couple of years.

**Question No. 8**

**Councillor Sean Hooker**

In London tens of thousands of birds are killed or injured each year by colliding into windows. Will the plans for the West Hendon development take into consideration the effect of high-rise buildings on birds?

**Answer by Councillor Kanti Patel**

As part of the planning process Metropolitan West Hendon will be preparing an Environmental Impact Assessment which will review the risk to birds from the proposed development.

**Supplementary Question No. 8**

**Councillor Sean Hooker**

Thank you. I thank the Cabinet Member for his answer. Can I ask him what does the Cabinet Member think of the suggestion put to him by Councillor Monroe Palmer that the development at West Hendon is turned around to place the higher buildings on the Edgware Road and not on the Welsh Harp?

**Answer by Councillor Kanti Patel**

That has been considered and I just wait and see at the Cabinet meeting, thank you.

**Question No. 9**

**Councillor Linda McFadyen**

The Cabinet report on 22 March concerning the closure of Springwood day centre refers to seven people who have to be found day care, and may have to be found residential care, and the Council's excuse is that they are not important because they would have to go into residential care eventually anyway. Why is the Council not trying to support people at home with day care and home care, rather than forcing them into residential care, and what's going to be the extra costs of providing residential care, and who pays for that?

**Answer by Councillor Maureen Braun**

The Council supports 1,638 older people in their own homes through home care services. The department funds 780,000 hours of home care through its contracts with the independent sector, at a cost of £9.36M (£12 per hour which is below the London and all England average) and a further 156,000 through Housing 21 which is the TUPE transfer of the in-house service, The cost of this service is £3.744M (£24 per hour) The Council's performance against the DOH indicators for intensive home care provision, i.e. more than 10 hours per week and 6 or more visits per week, is in the upper quartile. The costs of residential care, for any Springwood users who require it, will be offset by the cost of the care package that ends. In some cases, the cost of care packages that maintain people in the community is in excess of the cost of a bed in residential care. This is the case for a number of Springwood service users.

**Supplementary Question No. 9****Councillor Linda McFadyen**

Thank you, yes I do have a supplementary and if we are going to mention the Ann Owen Centre yet again in this context, it's my understanding that there is no guarantee that it will be there after May for either the service users or the staff. But to this particular question, the final sentence of the written response says it all and I quote "The cost of care packages that maintain people in the community is in excess of the cost of a bed in residential care. This is the case for a number of Springwood service users." Can the Cabinet Member explain to the council why the council is quite happy to force elderly people into cheaper care homes while denying them the choice of independent living at home? When is she going to realise that she has lost the confidence of the service users and the people of this borough, and when is she going to resign.

**Answer by Councillor Maureen Braun**

I'll do the last bit of your question first Councillor McFadyen. I am going to resign when one of two situations arises. One when my Leader decides he no longer wishes me to occupy the post, and the second one if, I myself, decide I no longer wish to occupy the post. I've said before none of us have a freehold on the position.

Now in regard to the question that you have asked me, nobody's being forced into anything. I feel this is like a Heinz 57 Varieties, I just wonder how many more times you're going to ask the same questions on Springwood and I must congratulate you on your extensive vocabulary because you make it ever so slightly different each time. We referred to seven users where there was a problem, there is now three or four. I could answer you Councillor McFadyen and I will do so about their particular things but I will do so in writing because I think this is not the forum to discuss confidential reviews. It is quite easy to identify who these people might be but I will answer everything that you have asked me about them in writing.

**Question No. 10****Councillor Matthew Offord**

On 12 February, the Prime Minister made a speech in Brent naming 17 LEAs who would receive funds from the 'Building Schools for the Future Programme'. Having been so poorly treated under the past two local government settlements, can the Cabinet Member for Education please tell me if Barnet was one of the 17?

**Answer by Councillor Lynne Hillan**

No, Barnet was not selected to be part of the first wave of BSF (which relates to secondary school buildings). The rules for BSF have now been changed. Despite asking LEA's to submit expressions of interest with outline proposals, last December, officers have been told by the DfES that further BSF funding will be allocated on the basis of free school meals and GCSE results. No official announcement has been made.

In meetings with the Minister, we have been assured that the DfES was prepared to look at Barnet's proposed capital programme. These assurances were given in response to one of the findings of the KPMG report into school funding in Barnet which pointed out that Barnet has a high number of small schools, which raises our unit costs, and KPMG indicated that it would be financially advantageous to look at ways of reducing the number of small schools. In response, officers have:

Held lengthy discussions with DfES officials (with the LDBS) to consider Barnet's innovative proposals for secondary school Church of England provision. Despite these discussions, Barnet was not included in the first wave of BSF funding.

Held initial discussion with DfES officials to consider Barnet's proposals for improving our building stock in the primary sector. Again, the DfES could offer little encouragement and therefore officers are working up self-financing schemes to carry out essential and long overdue improvements and I will be bringing proposals to Cabinet later on in the year.

**Supplementary Question No. 10**

**Councillor Matthew Offord**

Thank you Mr Mayor. Is the Cabinet Member aware that of the 17 authorities who will receive BSF money 12 are Labour controlled, 4 in no overall control where Labour are hoping to take control in the forthcoming elections and just one is a Conservative authority. Does she agree this is yet another example of the government fiddling education funding to help themselves?

**Answer by Councillor Lynne Hillan**

It certainly does seem disproportionate, out of the 17 authorities for only one to be Conservative, particularly prior to the forthcoming elections. It's a great disappointment to Barnet because the KPMG report clearly highlighted that we had too many small schools; the DfES particularly requested that we put proposals forward, only to be turned down yet again.

**Question No. 11**

**Councillor Sean Hooker**

Will the London Fire Service be consulted over the West Hendon development?

**Answer by Councillor Kanti Patel**

Yes.

**Supplementary Question No. 11**

**Councillor Sean Hooker**

Thank you Mr Mayor. Is the Cabinet Member aware that the local fire service does not have the equipment to deal with fires in buildings over five storeys and if so what safety provision is he examining for the safety in any tall buildings planned for the future?

**Answer by Councillor Kanti Patel**

The all risks assessment and appraisal have been considered and the answer is there will be strategy with regards to the fire services' new development in the borough. So all the points have been considered and there will be an available service and equipment to cater for high buildings.

**Question No. 12**

**Councillor Mark Langton**

There was no mention in the decision to close Springwood Day Centre (without the provision of a brand new day centre at Wood Court) of the Cabinet on 22 March that friendship groups would be kept together if new day centre provision were found for service users. Will the Cabinet Member guarantee that such friendship groups will be kept together?

**Answer by Councillor Maureen Braun**

As we have said time and time again, where possible friendship groups will be kept together. Officers are making every effort to keep groups of friends together within the new arrangements. While I cannot guarantee that an entire group would be kept together, I do not envisage anyone moving in isolation.

**Supplementary Question No. 12**

**Councillor Mark Langton**

Thank you Mr Mayor. The real answer to keeping the entire friendship groups together would be to open Wood Court Day Centre, as planned by the Labour Group. How many more times does the Cabinet Member have to get it wrong before she resigns?

**Answer by Councillor Maureen Braun**

Oh dear, oh dear, oh dear, oh dear. I am sorry, you have won, I cannot say it again in a different manner. Wood Court is not going to provide a day centre; everybody at Springwood who requires or is eligible for day care will be placed alternatively and, I must say, some of the reviewing has come out quite strangely. Some of the so-called friendship groups have resulted in the fact that they actually do not love each other and a couple of people have said (no this is absolutely true) thank God you know I do not have to be with that old b---r any more, and I can go elsewhere.

**Question No. 13**

**Councillor Brian Gordon**

Please could more be done to ensure that refuse collectors replace wheelie bins in their correct position on properties after they have emptied the refuse.

**Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

All refuse crews are reminded in writing on a regular basis about the need to return bins to correct locations after emptying.

Individual locations, where non-return of bins is subject of customer complaints, are monitored by supervisors and crews called back as required to replace bins. Crews may be disciplined in some circumstances

Collection teams who fail to replace bins correctly and exceed a complaint level of over one non-returned bin a week will have pay reduced. An audit of the last 12 months complaints (based on CCU data) relating to non return of bins has shown that the average weekly complaint rate for the issue averages less than 3 complaints per 100,000 collections per week. The recent campaign by Barnet Borough Sight Impaired has highlighted this problem but I am certain that we have the issue under control in the Borough.

**Supplementary Question No. 13**

**Councillor Brian Gordon**

I am very grateful to Councillor Coleman for the interest he shows in rubbish bins and that he agrees with me, that they should be returned by the refuse collectors to their rightful position. Could he please confirm that the refuse collectors understand they must put the wheelie bins right back in the position from which they have been taken, so that residents do not have to go through the difficult procedure sometimes of pushing them back to where they should be.

**Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

Mr Mayor, I think the answer is yes.

**Question No. 14**

**Councillor Sean Hooker**

For what reasons is Welsh Harp Sailing Club being closed?

**Answer by Councillor Peter Davis**

After careful consideration, the decision was taken to cease the service at the Welsh Harp Youth Sailing Base from 1 April 2004 as with the limited resources available to the council, we are not in a position to continue to deliver a sailing programme that meets all of the very high standards expected of a responsible local authority. These relate to the council's overall duty of care with regard to water safety, legal and best practice requirements and the availability of suitably qualified staff. The main focus of the Leisure Service will now be directed upon the council's strategic decision to take forward the proposed development of new facilities as part of the overall regeneration of West Hendon.

**Supplementary Question No. 14**

**Councillor Sean Hooker**

Thank you Mr Mayor. Cabinet Member, if such careful consideration has been given to the future provision of the sailing club why have some residents been told by the council that sailing will not be possible ever again on the Welsh Harp due to Thames Water's plans to lower the water level. Is the Cabinet Member aware that English Nature will not permit this on a SSSI and, therefore, that this will not be a factor stopping the sailing being reintroduced?

**Answer by Councillor Peter Davis**

Thank you Mr Mayor. With the question of water level, this affects the sailing base in its present location. We are not saying that there won't be any sailing provision on the Welsh Harp, it will be moved to the other side of Cool Oak Lane. This is something that is a known fact and will be happening hopefully within the next two years.

**Question No. 15**

**Councillor Arun Ghosh**

When are the residents of Spencer House being moved, where are they going, and what measures are being taken to avoid any risk and danger to the elderly residents?

**Answer by Councillor Brian Salinger**

The decanting of Spencer House has already started.

The residents at Spencer House have been consulted about their future housing needs and will receive a personal meeting with the Sheltered Housing Project Officer to discuss their particular needs. This meeting often includes family and carers.

On going support is provided by the Sheltered Housing Officer, the Project Officer and Social Worker if they are receiving a care package.

We have kept a number of vacancies free in surrounding sheltered schemes and we can also access sheltered housing through local Housing Associations. We will seek to satisfy the tenants' choice of future accommodation.

We provide full support services for residents moving out of sheltered housing and have extensive experience in re-housing vulnerable, elderly people. Recently we have successfully decanted seven sheltered schemes and have had a high level of satisfaction from tenants. Most tenants are allocated a much higher quality of accommodation than they currently occupy. Most move to self contained sheltered housing although some choose to move to independent homes. We have also successfully found homes for tenants outside Barnet to be nearer relatives.

Finally, all tenants are entitled to Home Loss (£3,100) and Disturbance Allowance (based on individual assessments). Officers also arrange and pay removals expenses.

**Supplementary Question No. 15****Councillor Arun Ghosh**

Thank you Mr Mayor. I have got a supplementary on this. Does the Cabinet Member have any definite plans and consideration how the whole process will take place and what impact is the move having on the care packages provided by the social services?

**Answer by Councillor Brian Salinger**

The council has decanted a number of blocks similar to this and we have plenty of experience doing it and I am absolutely confident that the needs of all the residents will be taken into account.

**Question No. 16****Councillor Brian Gordon**

The Conservative Leader, Michael Howard, recently told a local councillors' conference that the Liberal Democrat idea of a local income tax would be quite unworkable and would "hit many more people much harder than Council Tax". Would you agree with this analysis, especially in the light of the suffering that has already imposed on Barnet's Council taxpayers due to the Labour Government's inequitable policies?

**Answer by Councillor Anthony Finn**

Yes.

**Supplementary Question No. 16****Councillor Brian Gordon**

Thank you for your endorsement of Michael Howard's criticism of the silly policies, very silly policies of the Liberal Democrats wanting a local income tax. Will you once again reiterate, Councillor Finn, that if it were not for the penal and vindictive policies of this government coupled with the wasteful and very damaging and irresponsible approach of London's Mayor then, probably the increase in council tax of this council, would be one of the lowest in London.

**Answer by Councillor Anthony Finn**

Most of Councillor Gordon's questions invite the simple answer yes, because it's easier so to answer. But he's quite right. We do not want local income tax, we do not want local inspector of taxes, local Danish Chopra's poking around in our business, it's enough with them as they are. We do not want them there. What we want is the government to give us more money, equitable money to London and not to hive it off to the northern boroughs, to the northern parts of England for their Labour Party places. Fairness is what we want, not this change of policy.

**Question No. 17****Councillor Sean Hooker**

What pieces of land owned by the Council have been identified by the Council for potential asset disposal?

**Answer by Councillor Anthony Finn**



Those properties and parcels of land which have been the subject of reports to the Cabinet Resources Committee and approved for disposal, or are referred to me for approval under delegated powers procedures, are the only ones which have been formally identified for asset disposal.

However, as part of the Council's property review process, officers have been and are continuing to undertake an on-going review of all the Council's property assets to identify under-utilised assets, those that may contribute to alternative service delivery and any that may be surplus to the Council's requirements. Once identified, reports about these potentially surplus assets are presented to the Cabinet Resources Committee for consideration.

**Supplementary Question No. 17**

**Councillor Sean Hooker**

Thank you. Councillor Finn given the near mistake of selling the land at the top of Marsh Close, in Mill Hill, which turned out to be very well used public open space, what public consultation do you propose to ensure that any asset that you are prepared to sell is truly under utilised.

**Answer by Councillor Anthony Finn**

All our policies are written down quite clearly. When we decide to sell something it goes to Cabinet Resources, it's stated clearly. Marsh Close was a typical example when the Liberal Party did not read their papers and it was the local people who had to tell them what was in the Cabinet papers. What a disgrace and incidentally, Jeremy Davies, I did correct the minutes of the meeting. It says Jeremy Davies himself used to play in Marsh Close, so Jeremy thanked me for correcting that for him.

**Question No. 18**

**Councillor Agnes Slocombe**

Would the Council consider sending out questionnaires to residents in Neeld and Rundell Crescents in my ward, which clearly ask for a yes or no response as to whether they wish to be included within the West Hendon CPZ?

**Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

Yes.

**Supplementary Question No. 18**

**Councillor Agnes Slocombe**

Thank you Mr Mayor, I've got a supplementary to the Cabinet Member. I welcome the Cabinet Member admitting that he was in the wrong and backing down. He seems to be doing rather a lot of that lately. All that is left now is for him to apologise to the residents, especially the ones that he has been rude to. Is he big enough to do that or is he still sulking? Thank you.

**Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

Mr Mayor, I am glad Councillor Slocombe read that question because I suspect she did not write it herself. Mr Mayor, we have not made a U-turn. This administration is not like Tony Blair, there have been no mistakes. The residents wanted a reconsultation, as a listening administration, we are reconsulting.

**Question No. 19**

**Councillor Brian Gordon**

How much use has so far been made of the new Anti-Social Behaviour legislation within the Borough particularly with regard to housing estates?

### **Answer by Councillor Brian Salinger**

In so far as the Council's role as a landlord is concerned, the main powers in respect of anti-social behaviour, contained in the Anti Social Behaviour Act 2003 do not come in to force until 30<sup>th</sup> June 2004. The Council is still awaiting the guidance notes and best practice that we will be expected to follow.

I have repeatedly made clear that the Council under this administration will do everything within our powers to tackle anti-social behaviour utilising any appropriate legislation.

The Housing Scrutiny committee, of which Cllr Gordon is a member, is in the process of finalising a report on Ant-Social behaviour and I look forward to reading that report and considering the recommendations that I expect to be within it.

### **Supplementary Question No. 19**

**Councillor Brian Gordon**

Councillor Salinger, would you please take on board that you have the full support of the intelligent members of this council, which narrows it down a bit, in utilising the new legislation on anti-social behaviour to ensure that our council estates remain as peaceful, harmonious, tranquil and as safe as possible.

### **Answer by Councillor Brian Salinger**

I am delighted with that support from Members, frankly from wherever they come. But I have to say it's not just a question of our housing estates. A lot of the problems that exist in this borough are not related directly to council housing. We will use those powers wherever we feel the need to use them.

### **Question No. 20**

**Councillor Susette Palmer**

When the Cabinet consider any tenders for the site of South Friern Library will they undertake that such a tender will only be acceptable to them if the new library provision for South Friern will be as least as spacious as it is at present for this well used community library. Furthermore will they agree to keep the present library open until building work actually starts on a replacement?

### **Answer by Councillor Peter Davis**

We will need to be assured that any plans for a new library provide sufficient space to enable a modern and fully accessible service to be delivered. The Library is currently remaining open until September to enable proposals for the redevelopment of the site to be considered. Cabinet will consider the future arrangements for maintaining the current opening hours once this period of investigation is completed.

### **Supplementary Question No. 20**

**Councillor Susette Palmer**

Thank you for the reply, Councillor Davis. But would you just like to clarify that the reply actually means no South Friern Library replacement will not definitely be as spacious as it is now, and that no, you are not undertaking to keep a continuous library provision for the people of South Friern.

### **Answer by Councillor Peter Davis**

Thank you. Our intention is we do want to keep, obviously, a continuous library provision in South Friern and during the six months consultation period we are looking to make sure this is happening. We also, when we are reprovisioning the library, are going to make sure that there is a recommendation the library will be the same size as the existing one and that, I hope, makes this clear. Thank you.

**Question No. 21**

**Councillor Ansuya Sodha**

The Cabinet Member will be aware that the residents of Neeld and Rundell Crescents are very unhappy to have been included in the West Hendon CPZ, and that there has been much confusion as to the process of consultation and implementation. Will the Cabinet Member immediately begin an urgent review of the inclusion of these two roads, including a simply yes/no consultation questionnaire to residents as to whether they wish to be included within the CPZ?

**Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

Yes.

**Supplementary Question No. 21**

**Councillor Ansuya Sodha**

Councillor Coleman this is yet another U-turn. I have got here a pile of correspondence. Councillor Coleman, in some of them your officers say yes Rundell Crescent and Neeld Crescent won't be included in the consultation or there won't be any CPZ. After a meeting with Councillor Coleman what happens?- the roads have to be included. My question to you, Councillor Coleman, is that my residents are absolutely fed up with your U-turn, can you now please give us a guarantee that whatever the results of the consultation, that the council will implement the choice of the residents. This is a democratic country. This is not a dictatorship here and people should have a right to choose.

**Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

Well Johnny Come Lately Councillor Sodha to this subject. I repeat there has not been a U-turn on this. This administration will always listen to reasonable requests from our residents. Do I take it though from the tone of Councillor Sodha's comments, that she's not in favour of a reconsultation.

**Question No. 22**

**Councillor Brian Gordon**

What plans are there for this year's Passover refuse skip facility?

**Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

This Administration has increased the number of skips available. They were provided over the weekend of 2nd to 5th April, (skips being on site on Friday 2nd, Sunday 4th and the morning of Monday 5th).

The service was advertised in advance in the Jewish Press and seems to have been heavily used.

**Supplementary Question No. 22**

**Councillor Brian Gordon**

Thank you. My ward, and of course us personally, as well were very grateful to have the skips. Would you and the relevant council officers please accept the expressions of appreciation from the Jewish community for the excellent and the helpful and efficient way in which once again the Passover skip facility was operating this year. Thank you.

**Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

Yes indeed I will Councillor Gordon. I know that you have been very involved in the expansion of this service which is appreciated by the Jewish community across the borough. I was very taken with the photo opportunity featured in the Finchley and Hendon Times as I hadn't thought of that one myself.

**Question No. 23**

**Councillor Susette Palmer**

Has the cabinet member agreed to allow Totteridge residents to commission an independent report on the safety of the Totteridge library building?

**Answer by Councillor Peter Davis**

At an on site meeting with 2 residents on 30 March 2004 the residents were provided with a copy of the council's independent stock condition survey and DDA survey. The residents viewed the building at first hand with officers and the Cabinet Member. The residents have asked for no further information since this time.

**Supplementary Question No. 23**

**Councillor Susette Palmer**

Councillor Davis thank you for the reply but is there anything else positive that has happened recently with regards to reprovisioning this library with which you would like to update us with.

**Answer by Councillor Peter Davis**

No not at this present time. We are still going ahead with the consultations there and, at this moment, I do not think there is any more I can add. Thank you.

**Question No. 24**

**Councillor Colin Rogers**

Please state the total number and percentage results for each individual road where consultation has taken place with residents as to whether they wish their road safety measures to be retained.

**Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

I am unaware that this Administration has removed any road safety measures indeed we have installed numerous additional road safety measures, under the safe routes to school programme and from the Highways budget.

**Supplementary Question No. 24**

**Councillor Colin Rogers**

Thank you Mr Mayor. I am surprised that the Cabinet Minister doesn't know the answer to the question but let me give him one example. Naylor Road and Ridgeview, there were 182 consultation forms sent out after the safety measures had been ripped out

When is the Cabinet Minister going to start listening to residents

**Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

Mr Mayor I've answered the question. No road safety measures that I am aware of have been removed in this borough. Councillor Rogers of course is referring to traffic humps. The London Ambulance Service would not agree with him that traffic humps are road safety measures. They wouldn't agree with him because there are 500 unnecessary deaths in London each year caused by road humps.

**Question No. 25**

**Councillor Brian Gordon**

Please would you comment on the rumour that a significant part of Edgwarebury Park might be allocated for the prospective Edgware City Academy.

**Answer by Councillor Peter Davis**

While the potential for use of parts of the Edgwarebury Park for the Academy have been investigated, there are no plans for such use, nor are there any plans to develop such proposals. As stated in the report to Cabinet on 22nd March 2004 regarding the Academy: "There will be no use of Edgwarebury Park, as this was considered unsuitable in light of the school's requirements and likely concern about restricted access."

**Supplementary Question No. 25**

**Councillor Brian Gordon**

Councillor Davis thank you for your reassurance that Edgwarebury Park will remain intact. Would you please reiterate that this council regards the maintenance of good quality parks and accessible recreation facilities as a matter of the highest priority?

**Answer by Councillor Peter Davis**

I would indeed reiterate this and also take this opportunity to thank you for your interest in the matter of Edgwarebury Park and also to thank the proactive interest of the Edgware councillors, Councillors Scannell and Hart in this matter. Thank you.

**Question No. 26**

**Councillor Monroe Palmer**

Can The Leader explain why Barnet Council are delivering our magazine to Brent residents. Are we doing this to other neighbouring boroughs. Does this not make Barnet look even more foolish and wasteful than usual under your administration?

**Answer by Councillor Victor Lyon, Leader of the Council**

It is our aim that every household in the borough of Barnet receive a regular copy of the Council's magazine for residents, Barnet First. To help us achieve maximum circulation, the magazine is delivered by Royal Mail with the post, and is supplemented by door-to-door delivery by private contractors where Royal Mail delivery is not available. However, Royal Mail door drops can only be booked by full postal sector. Since local authority and postal boundaries do not coincide, it means some residents living outside the borough of Barnet do receive the publication. A short note explaining the reason why households outside the borough receive a copy of Barnet First is printed on page 2 of every edition of the magazine.

This is more cost effective than door-to-door delivery and is common practice amongst other local authorities.

**Supplementary Question No. 26**

**Councillor Monroe Palmer**

Mr Mayor, to Councillor Lyon. This is about the fact that the Barnet magazine is delivered wonderfully to neighbouring boroughs as well as Barnet. As you say it's normal practice Councillor Lyon, for boroughs' magazines to go to different boroughs. Can you not agree that this gives a very bad image because it does make us look like absolute idiots that we do not know where the boundaries are. Can you therefore confirm, because I am not sure that this does happen everywhere, that this happens not only in NW2, where I discovered it, but also in NW9, N2, N10, N14, to name but a few because we border on an awful lot of places where the postal codes not only affect Barnet but other boroughs. I know you're trying to portray Barnet as a good borough throughout but surely this is crazy.

**Answer by Councillor Victor Lyon, Leader of the Council**

No, Mr Mayor, it's not crazy. It is the most economic way of doing distribution and I would have thought those residents who happen to fall within the postal district where they may not have the good fortune to actually be in Barnet will realise, when they read our magazine, how much they are missing.

**Question No. 27**

**Councillor Anne Hutton**

If the Council is not to consult with local residents before road safety measures are removed, will residents at least be consulted within three months of completion of the removal of roads safety measures as to whether or not they want the road safety features reinstated?

**Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

This administration has not removed any road safety measures. Traffic calming measures will be examined in line with agreed council policy.

**Supplementary Question No. 27**

**Councillor Anne Hutton**

Thank you Mr Mayor. Perhaps Councillor Coleman you could explain why Barnet has been criticised by the London Assembly Transport Committee for ripping out the 150 road safety measures, including safety cushions, humps and cycle lanes at a cost of a quarter of a million pounds.

**Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

I suggest Councillor Hutton gets a correct briefing, because that is incorrect.

**Question No. 28**

**Councillor Brian Gordon**

The Shadow Chancellor of the Exchequer Oliver Letwin, recently stated that on the first day after the next General Election, a Conservative administration would "freeze recruitment to the Civil Service across the board" and exercise a radical pruning of civil service wastage. Are these policies not equally appropriate for local government, such as we have in Barnet?

**Answer by Councillor Katia David**

As everyone knows the number of people employed in the Civil Service has grown under this Labour Government. The Cabinet Office announced on 16 October 2003 that the number of full time permanent civil service posts was increasing at an annual rate of over 5% a year.

It is not surprising that the Shadow Chancellor recognises the need to take urgent action to put right an unsustainable spending spree and re-introduce responsible government.

In Barnet we inherited the consequences of just such an unsustainable spending spree two years ago and we took just the sort of measures that are being advocated nationally to ensure sound and sensible management.

We have introduced tight controls on recruitment and have had them in place for several months. These will continue so that we concentrate on filling key service delivery posts, and those required for essential projects. We have a programme to ensure value for money and effectiveness, and this will continue. We have started to modernise the Council's core systems to make best use of modern IT and to help staff to become more efficient and will implement these systems over the next year.

We have also set up systems to root out and prevent fraud which have proved very successful, and we believe that it is unfortunate that the previous Administration did not take up similar actions themselves.

So we should all be pleased to see that the next national government will be following the example set by the current administration in the this Borough.

**Supplementary Question No. 28**

**Councillor Brian Gordon**

Councillor David thank you for your helpful answer. Would you please join me in congratulating Councillor Freer for being perceptive enough with all those who have helped him to root out the fraud that was taking place within this council so early on in the time of this administration.

**Answer by Councillor Katia David**

Why yes, Councillor Gordon I will join you in congratulating Councillor Freer. It took Councillor Freer just weeks to discover the fraud that was going on under the previous administration's noses for years and years and years. But then again the previous administration did not believe in having a Cabinet Member for Value and Effectiveness, they ran a dictatorship with a Leader who had 9 portfolios himself and had some 'yes' boys and 'no' boys but just did exactly what he'd told them to.

**Question No. 29**

**Councillor Kath McGuirk**

The Council is threatening to prosecute and fine residents in East Barnet, Brunswick Park, Oakleigh and Totteridge if they place recyclables in their wheelie bin rather than the recycling black box. In order to threaten prosecution the council must have made financial plans to support such action, otherwise residents will suspect the council is bluffing. What finances have been set aside to pursue such prosecutions, for which service budget will these come, and what estimate of the number of prosecutions has the Council made for the financial year 2004/5?

**Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

Should the council prosecute anybody we would expect to recover any costs. However perhaps Councillor McGuirk would kindly tell me whether she supports the scheme or not?

**Supplementary Question No. 29**

**Councillor McGuirk**

I thank Councillor Coleman for his question to me and unlike Cabinet Members I'll actually answer it. He asked if we are in favour of the scheme. Of course we are in favour of the principle but the key issue is enforcement. The problem is that the council has no financial plans to prosecute anybody. In fact, there are no plans to prosecute anybody at all. Staff are not searching wheelie bins, residents will only receive a letter. I adhere to what you say. As the chances of a prosecution are next to none what will the Cabinet Member be going to do when residents realise he's bluffing and recycling rates start to fall.

### **Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

Councillor McGuirk is wrong on matters of fact and on matters of policy. Under the Environmental Protection Act 1990, a good piece of Thatcherite Conservative legislation, we have all the legal powers we need. But she's right on one point Mr Mayor, we are not searching people's wheelie bins. That is not the way the scheme works. The scheme works in that you have a black box you will put something in it, simple acid tests as to whether you have taken part, whether there is something in your black box. I have to say her rather carping attitude is in contrast to the more positive attitude from Councillor Hooker in the Ham & High letter that he wrote last week. If we prosecute blatant and persistent offenders who will not take part and behave in an anti-social manner by not recycling, then I am sure this council would obtain the costs as well as any fines that Magistrates might impose. We are determined to make a success of recycling to achieve our targets and the financial benefits that will accrue to this council. We are ground breaking in this policy. We are leading the way in the United Kingdom and I am proud of that and this administration is proud of that.

### **Question No. 30**

### **Councillor Brian Gordon**

What is your opinion on the effect on Barnet concerning the London Mayor's desire to extend the congestion charge to cover a wider area?

### **Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

I refer Councillor Gordon to the report agreed by the 22<sup>nd</sup> March meeting of Cabinet and the conclusion that the proposed extension to the Congestion Charging Scheme is widely regarded as premature and is unlikely to have a positive effect on Barnet.

The consultation currently underway on the proposed western extension (responses due Friday 23 April 2004) is based on inadequate technical information and a decision to extend the scheme should not be made until the full effects of the existing scheme are better understood.

At a local level, Barnet has concerns for the following reasons:

The borough is unlikely to benefit in terms of a reduction in traffic movement, and must consider the possibility of a potential increase in commuter parking.

Barnet could experience increased congestion, particularly along major routes such as the North Circular Road, due to traffic displacement.

The current proposals of a combined charging area with the possible inclusion of two free routes through the extended zone, may lead to an increase in traffic flows and congestion on the A5/A41 corridors leading to Marble Arch.

TfL predict the capital cost of implementing the proposed extension to be in the region of £100-120m. With operating costs, TfL's figures show the enlarged scheme will cost in the range of £135m to £155m per annum with the majority of this being paid to the commercial organisations operating the scheme.



Original projections for the central area scheme suggested net revenue of £200m, and net revenues in future years for the central scheme are now projected to rise between £80 and £90m. The shortfall on the original scheme highlights the difficulty in making accurate predictions for this type of scheme.

If no changes to the scheme are made, such as an increase in the daily charge or penalty levels, the cost of running the extended scheme will be almost twice the net revenue.

The scheme would further increase the relatively high levels of transport expenditure in central London at the expense of outer London boroughs such as Barnet. For example, it is estimated that the cost of running additional public transport services associated with the western extension will be in the region of £10m per annum.

The London Mayor's current allocation of funding for borough projects is currently £160m per annum and boroughs have been warned that this is likely to fall long term, perhaps by as much as 50%.

**Supplementary Question No. 30**

**Councillor Brian Gordon**

Councillor Coleman I am sure that Barnet's public will view with dismay the negative effects of extending the congestion charge as you set out in your answer. Would you not agree that the Mayor of London has shown himself to be an enemy of the private motorist. Is he not disgracefully abusing his position as Mayor in penalising Barnet for refusing to accept his half-baked traffic policies?

**Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

Mr Mayor I would agree indeed with Councillor Gordon, what's more not only is the Mayor ignoring results of the consultation on congestion charging, even the London Fire and Emergency Planning Authority has come out officially against the extension of the congestion charging zone. The officers of our authority advised members only last week that it would be very unwise indeed, for operational fire brigade reasons to extend the congestion charge. I do not expect the Mayor of London to listen even to the fire brigade. I do expect him to listen to the views of the London residents when they vote him out of office on June 10.

**Question No. 31**

**Councillor Alan Schneiderman**

Was the £72,000 saving originally envisaged from closing South Friern Library for a full year, and if not, for how long?

**Answer by Councillor Peter Davis**

The saving was for the financial year from 1 April 2004 to 31 March 2005.

**Supplementary Question No. 31**

**Councillor Alan Schneiderman**

Thank you. Can I just ask Councillor Davis that while the six month reprieve for South Friern Library was welcomed, will he reassure the local residents by giving them a commitment to extend the reprieve until building work starts to reprovide a new library on that site.

**Answer by Councillor Peter Davis**

At the end of the six-month period we will be reviewing the situation and then I can answer you on exactly what we will be doing with the strategy. Thank you.

**Question No. 32****Councillor Matthew Offord**

With the appointment of a new Borough Police Commander, Chief Superintendent Mark Ricketts, can the Cabinet member for Environment please tell me if he knows the Chief Superintendent's views on alcohol free zones?

**Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

The new borough Police Commander attended the launch of the borough's first alcohol free zone in North Finchley. He is extremely supportive of the Council's initiative and has taken a rigorous view on enforcement.

**Supplementary Question No. 32****Councillor Matthew Offord**

Thank you Mr Mayor. Does the Cabinet Member expect a U-turn by local Labour politicians who have tried to talk the schemes down?

**Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

Well Mr Mayor you will recall when you inaugurated the alcohol free zone with the Shadow Home Office Minister that Councillor Slocombe and Councillor McGuirk were there to give it their full support, I assumed they were there to give it their full support, and it has been a success, the first prosecution is already going through the courts. It has improved the quality of life for residents using the North Finchley shopping centre. If the pilot scheme proves to be a success I will roll it out into any other areas that any member of this council feels will be beneficial and I assume some Labour and Liberal Democrat colleagues would like alcohol free zones in their wards. If so I will entertain requests for those alcohol free zones favourably.

**Question No. 33****Councillor Jim Tierney**

With reference to the possible redevelopment of the Tesco/Whitefields site in Cricklewood, why were the Council's regeneration partners of Hammerson, Standard Life and Cricklewood Redevelopment Ltd not informed or consulted on the Council's proposal to work exclusively with Multiplex until three days after the Cabinet had decided to work exclusively with Multiplex?

**Answer by Councillor Kanti Patel**

Hammerson and Cricklewood Redevelopment Limited had been advised at a meeting of the Cricklewood Working Group before the Cabinet meeting.

**Supplementary Question No. 33****Councillor Jim Tierney**

I thank Councillor Patel for his answer. But I would just ask as a supplementary is this multi-million pound Cricklewood development so unimportant to the Cabinet Member that he did not see fit to pick up the 'phone himself and tell CRL directly what was going on. The CRL Development Manager said, in the Hendon Times, that he was entitled to common courtesy and indeed common sense from the council, neither of which appears to have been extended to him in this latter day, eleventh hour multi-plex episode. Will the Cabinet Member now redeem the situation by making a public apology to CRL in an attempt to build bridges with this very important partner.

**Answer by Councillor Kanti Patel**

Thank you Councillor Tierney. I make no public apology and I make no U-turn. We will not offer an exclusive zone to any developer in this borough. We have every right to encourage any developer or financier and all the people who have a viable scheme. This was a scheme envisaged two years ago by the London Tower and Dawnay Days. It wasn't viable, there was no financial agreement on it, there was no money available. Having said that, before you asked me to apologise, you spent 8 years under your administration, or probably 10 years, what have you done zero. They are only fighting each other and it was because of the good offices of the Leader, Councillor Victor Lyon, that brought Cricklewood Ltd, Hammerson and the other participants. We are here, we've got a draft development scheme, we have also got the actual scheme coming to the Cabinet meeting and I am sure everyone will support that. But as far as an exclusive zone is concerned we will not be held to ransom by any developer who feels he has got Cricklewood as part of his exclusive rights that nobody should come anywhere near. Let me make it absolutely clear, it might be cavalier, but when you offer, if anybody wants to develop they need an exclusive right for a desk top study. This was only a desktop study and it will remain so. Can I make it very clear it is only a desktop study, so we will talk to anybody who's interested to move the scheme forward.

**Question No. 34**

**Councillor Matthew Offord**

Has the Cabinet member for Education read the Government's response to the Education and Skills Committee's 'Public Expenditure: Schools' Funding report?'

**Answer by Councillor Lynne Hillan**

Yes I have and it is interesting how the Government have now fully taken on board the affect that the schools funding changes had on a number of our schools. They admit that mistakes were made and want to work more closely with LEA's and schools to ensure that this does not happen again.

The report says that "It was a serious weakness in the Department's strategy to implement the school's funding changes without knowing in detail how schools would be affected". Barnet told them but they would not listen.

**Supplementary Question No. 34**

**Councillor Matthew Offord**

The Cabinet Member is too modest as she fails to mention the government admits in its response that central government does not fund schools directly, local education authorities do. The government is responsible for allocating resources to LEAs. I am sure that all members recall the select committee original report, Barnet was expected to use up the whole of its increase in formula grant plus another £121m to fund education passporing. Can she tell me if she has received any apologies over the erroneous statements made by the Members opposite, particularly the letter written to all our head teachers by her Labour shadow.

**Answer by Councillor Lynne Hillan**

Thank you. So one year on the government admits their mistakes. However, it's too little too late for the young people who have had their education disrupted. For the teachers and staff that lost their jobs, for the Heads who have been ignored and demoralised and too late for the residents in Barnet who have had to pay the increased council tax to cover the government's mistakes. It would be nice to receive an apology both from the other side of the Chamber today but also from Mr Clarke. However, I would settle for his resignation.

**Question No. 35**

**Councillor Alison Moore**

What arrangements have been made for those parents who applied in good faith for places this year at Christ Church Secondary School and are now without a school place for their child in September?

**Answer by Councillor Lynne Hillan**

At the very beginning of the consultation on the reorganisation proposals, officers wrote to all parents who had indicated a preference for a place at Christ Church for September 2004. This meant that parents were aware of the proposals before the deadline for the secondary school preferences. There were 33 pupils for whom the school was identified as a sole or first preference, of whom 13 were Barnet residents, and a further 40 pupils for whom the school was a second or third preference.

**Supplementary Question No. 35**

**Councillor Alison Moore**

Thank you. There are children in the East Finchley and Finchley areas who are currently without a school place for September as a direct result of the Cabinet Member's decision to close Christ Church in the middle of a secondary transfer process this year. Despite your reply, Councillor Hillan, parents feel this was done without adequate warning to parents to allow them to make appropriate, informed and realistic choices about the schools to which they would apply as part of their three choices. Does the Cabinet Member understand the distress and anger that these parents feel and can she tell council precisely how she will ensure that they are all offered places at another school of their choice?

**Answer by Councillor Lynne Hillan**

Every single parent of Christ Church was written to prior to Christ Church closing. They have all been written to since and they have all attended various open days from the schools that have got places. For instance in year 9 we currently have 112 children, 40 of which are Barnet children. We have enough places at Bishop Douglass, Ravenscroft, St Mary's and the Greg Academy. In fact we could place all 112 of them in Barnet, so I do not think that there is a problem.

**Question No. 36**

**Councillor Olwen Evans**

Is Cllr Coleman happy with the level of increase in the North London Waste Authority levy for 2004/2005?

**Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

No. I am sick and tired that the Council taxpayers of this Borough have to suffer an above inflation increase in the levy from the North London Waste Authority mainly because of the lack of recycling from a few "Dirty Boroughs" in North London.

In 2003/04 the NLWA levy for Barnet Council was £7,720,005, 22% of the total levy. In 2004/05 the NLWA levy for Barnet Council is £8,279,149, a 7.2% increase on 2003/04 and 21.57% of the total levy.

The Boroughs who are completely failing to get their act together on recycling are Liberal Democrat Controlled Islington, Labour controlled Haringey and Labour run Waltham Forrester. There is no excuse for this failure except the lack of Political will and the knowledge that because of the way the levy works Barnet taxpayers will pick up the bill.

**Supplementary Question No. 36**

**Councillor Olwen Evans**

Thank you, Mr Mayor. It obviously would be preferable for Barnet if the payment for refuse disposal was on a tonnage base. Would the Cabinet Member say does he ever think the day will come when we will be paid for disposal of our refuse on a tonnage basis?

**Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

Mr Mayor, as you will know as a fellow member of the North London Waste Authority, a shift to a tonnage based system would be a considerable saving, somewhere approximately £1m to the council tax payers of this borough. The move to a tonnage base has to be unanimous. It has been consistently blocked by the Labour borough of Hackney and the usually Labour borough of Waltham Forest; two of the dirtiest boroughs in North London. They, as you will know Mr Mayor, both have an appalling record on recycling. My understanding Mr Mayor, though, is that this government is considering lifting the device by which one or two local authorities can block the move to a tonnage basis and is considering imposing a tonnage base. That cannot come soon enough for the council taxpayers of this borough.

**Question No. 37**

**Councillor Paul Rogers**

With reference to the London Academy and plans for the redevelopment of the Stonegrove and Spur Road estate, if the council cannot buy sites referred to as B and C in the Cabinet report of 22 March, it cannot release site E and F for the Stonegrove/Spur Road redevelopment because sites E and F would become the property of the Academy Trust. What contingency plans are in place for the redevelopment scheme if that should happen?

**Answer by Councillor Brian Salinger**

It was a requirement of the DfES that the Council provide a fall back option that it could guarantee using land that was already in its ownership, although no party wished this option to become necessary, and all efforts will be made to purchase the land proposed for the Academy. It should be noted that the Secretary of State has the power to remove land from local authority ownership in order that an Academy be set up.

**Supplementary Question No. 37**

**Councillor Paul Rogers**

Thank you Mr Mayor. The Cabinet Member deserves to be congratulated on his rather startlingly honest reply. Given the seriousness of the situation, perhaps the Cabinet Member could update the council on the process so far made in buying the sites referred to as E and F?

**Answer by Councillor Brian Salinger**

Mr Mayor, I thank him for the early part. "Discussions are ongoing" is as much as I can say this evening.

**Question No. 38**

**Councillor Phil Yeoman**

According to the Council, the Ann Owens Centre in East Finchley provides care to elderly residents with low to medium needs. The council has chosen to cut the grant to the centre, preferring to spend the money on road repairs. Please list all the social care services provided by the Council to elderly residents with low to medium care needs.

**Answer by Councillor Maureen Braun**

The community care department does not provide services to those assessed in these eligibility criteria bands. However the council, through the corporate grant process, funds voluntary and independent organisations to the value of £1.7M. Approximately £1M of this grant aid is allocated to organisations that either directly or indirectly support individuals with low and medium care needs. I attach the grants list as an Appendix.

**Supplementary Question No. 38**

**Councillor Phil Yeoman**

I am reliably informed at the AGM we will have a new head of that area, a new head with Cabinet responsibilities I think I'll wait 'til then to ask supplementary questions.

**Question No. 39**

**Councillor Linda McFadyen**

The Cabinet report on 22 March concerning the closure of Springwood day centre talks about an 'adverse affect' on the 51 of 88 service users who have some form of dementia or other mental health problem. What does the council mean precisely by 'adverse affect'?

**Answer by Councillor Maureen Braun**

Research suggests that dementia sufferers can react badly to change. In some cases change, if not carefully managed, can lead to deterioration in capacity.

**Question No. 40**

**Councillor Mark Langton**

The housing allocations policy includes preferential allocation of homes with gardens to families with young children above families with a family member with a disability. Will the Cabinet member ensure that either the Council/Barnet Homes amend the allocations policy to ensure families with a family member with a disability are not discriminated against, as they could also greatly benefit from a home with a garden?

**Answer by Councillor Brian Salinger**

I refer Councillor Langton to the reply that I have given to his amazingly similarly worded question Number 3 on the list of questions for this meeting

**Question No. 41**

**Councillor Arun Ghosh**

If the Cabinet member would make a statement about the closure of the Welsh Harp Youth Sailing Base?

**Answer by Councillor Peter Davis**

As per statement in response to Q 14.

**Question No. 42**

**Councillor Agnes Slocombe**

In a letter to me dated 27 March the Cabinet Member alleged that my residents had launched personal and unjustified attacks on Council officers. Please either withdraw those allegations or be specific about what kind of attacks those were?

**Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

In a letter dated 30 March, a local resident described a Chief Officer as sending "an inaccurate, rude and childish email". In another letter dated 14 March, addressed to the Chief Executive, the same local resident asked for a Highways Officer be removed from office. There have also been a number of quotes from this resident in the local Newspapers.

**Question No. 43****Councillor Ansuya Sodha**

The Council originally told residents of Neeld and Rundell Crescents in writing that the CPZ leaflet delivered in November 2002 was not part of the formal consultation, but was the first stage of presenting proposals to residents who would be consulted again at a later stage. Why did the Council break its promise to consult again?

**Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

The council has not broken its promise on this or any other matter related to controlled parking zones.

**Question No. 44****Councillor Colin Rogers**

Please provide a list of roads where road safety measures have been removed – and as a result of resident consultation – been replaced.

**Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

This administration has not removed any road safety measures. Traffic calming measures will be examined in line with agreed council policy.

**Question No. 45****Councillor Anne Hutton**

Will the Cabinet Member ensure that ward councillors are informed and consulted BEFORE road safety measures are to be removed from their ward?

**Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

Yes should this Administration ever remove any road safety measures. As Cabinet Member I have no plans to remove any road safety measures nor have I done so.

**Question No. 46****Councillor Kath McGuirk**

At the Council meeting on 12 July 2001, Cllr Victor Lyon put forward plans for a Traffic Regulation Order to ban lorries and vans weighing over 3 tonnes, such as transit vans, from overnight parking on public roads in the borough. When are you going to implement the current Leader of the Council's proposal?

**Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

I am informed that officers considered this proposal but unfortunately found it completely impractical.

**Question No. 47****Councillor Alan Schneiderman**

Are you guaranteeing that if the South Friern library site is sold that a library will be reprovided?

**Answer by Councillor Peter Davis**

The Cabinet Resources Committee on 18 March 2004 approved the recommendation that interested parties be invited to submit their proposals for the redevelopment of the South Friern Library site and its adjoining buildings and that the data pack that the council will provide to support this process is to include the specification for a new library facility.

**Question No. 48****Councillor Jim Tierney**

With reference to the possible redevelopment of the Tesco/Whitefields site in Cricklewood, why is the Council not working with its regeneration partners of Hammerson, Standard Life and Cricklewood Redevelopment Ltd to develop proposals for the site as part of the larger Development Framework?

**Answer by Councillor Kanti Patel**

Any proposals for the Tesco/Whitefields site will form part of the larger development framework, and of course, the council's Cricklewood partners will be involved in that process.

**Question No. 49**

**Councillor Paul Rogers**

Without going into the figures, the expected capital receipt from the housing developer will far exceed the cost of either land designated B and C in the London Academy Cabinet report of 22 March or the Council's capital contribution to the SEN facility. Nor can it be used to pay back the prudential borrowing to fund the purchase of land A because that is a revenue spend. So will the capital receipt simply go into the general capital programme pot, or is the council intending to spend that money on the local area or given that it is school land being sold, wouldn't it be appropriate to invest the money in new school buildings elsewhere?

**Answer by Councillor Anthony Finn**

The capital receipt is a Council contribution to the establishment of the Barnet City Academy, as described in reports to Cabinet of 9th September 2002 and 10th February 2004.

**Question No. 50**

**Councillor Phil Yeoman**

Has Barratt Homes in the process of or bought the Barnet College Russell Lane site, and if not, who is?

**Answer by Councillor Kanti Patel**

I understand that Barrett's are the bidder preferred by Barnet College.

**Question No. 51**

**Councillor Linda McFadyen**

The Cabinet report on 22 March claimed the plans set out to close Springwood (and not open Wood court day centre as planned) are based not on the financial imperatives to close Springwood but instead are firmly rooted in continuing to meet service users needs during this transition phase. Do you think residents would have more respect for the council if it was just honest and said the closure was all to do with saving money and nothing to do with improving services?

**Answer by Councillor Maureen Braun**

By closing Springwood a year or so in advance of the planned closure, some £300,000 is saved. However the review of all day care services, of which it may be said that the Springwood closure was the catalyst, will certainly bring about an improved and more efficient service not only to the Springwood users, but all users of day centres.

**Question No. 52**

**Councillor Arun Ghosh**

Will the Cabinet Member confirm in writing the Council's proposals to re-open the Welsh Harp Youth Sailing Base by 2006 at the latest, the timetable for this and the detailed plans for doing so?



**Answer by Councillor Peter Davis**

The plans for the redevelopment of the Welsh Harp Sailing Base are included in the overall plans for the regeneration of West Hendon and the timetable and detailed plans for this scheme will be available in due course.

**Question No. 53**

**Councillor Agnes Slocombe**

Would the Council consider taking yellow lines out of roads in West Hendon where residents do not want them (and where are no safety issues involved)?

**Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

The council carries out a review of yellow lines each year, and requests for yellow lines to be removed by residents are included in this review if officers feel that the request meets the council's criteria which were approved in 1995. I suggest Councillor Slocombe writes to the Head of Highways and design or raises the matter at the Area Environment Committee.

**Question No. 54**

**Councillor Ansuya Sodha**

In September 2003, the Council told residents of Neeld and Rundell Crescents in writing that the recommendation to Members would be for Neeld and Rundell Crescents to be excluded from the West Hendon CPZ. Can the Cabinet Member confirm this was the case, and if so, on what grounds the decision was taken to ignore officer advice?

**Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

At no time have I or Councillor Offord ignored or overturned officers' advice on any matters related to this CPZ.

**Question No. 55**

**Councillor Colin Rogers**

When will the council start to consult with local residents and ward councillors BEFORE road safety measures are removed?

**Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

I refer Cllr Rogers to my answer to Q27. This administration is installing additional road safety measures and is not intending to remove any road safety measures.

**Question No. 56**

**Councillor Alan Schneiderman**

What consultation is going to take place with residents firstly on whether they want the current South Friern library retained or the council's proposed mixed-use development, and secondly at a later stage on the specific proposals for any mixed-use development that includes a library?

**Answer by Councillor Peter Davis**

The Council has taken note of the views of residents with regard to South Friern Library and is continuing to provide the full range of services available from the current site for the next 6 months to enable proposals for the redevelopment of the site, including the specification

for a new library facility, to be explored. We will engage with the local community when we have collated all of the responses from those parties who are interested in developing the site. Whilst the submission of proposals is being progressed, officers will continue to work with the local community and Friends of Barnet Borough Libraries and respond to issues relating to South Friern Library. There will be further consultation at a later stage on details of proposal as part of any planning application.

**Question No. 57**

**Councillor Jim Tierney**

The 22 March Cabinet report on the council dumping the London Towers Arena proposals included reference to “associated enabling development”. What does the Council envisage such development including or has Multiplex been given no guidance on what would be permissible to the Council?

**Answer by Councillor Kanti Patel**

Multiplex have been provided with copies of the council’s corporate plan. The purpose of the proposed six-month exclusivity period is to enable them to examine the development potential of this area of Cricklewood and bring forward proposals for the council’s consideration. It is from Multiplex in the instance to determine what type and extent of enabling development might be appropriate.

**Question No. 58**

**Councillor Paul Rogers**

Is the Council considering using a compulsory purchase order to buy the land shown as A, B and C in the London Academy Cabinet report of 22 March, and would the Council be prepared to use that CPO if necessary?

**Answer by Councillor Anthony Finn**

As stated in the report received by Cabinet on 9th September 2002 "The Council will work with the trustees to assist in the acquisition of the green belt land on the north side of Spur Road (All Souls) for use as playing/sports fields by the London Academy. This will involve joint negotiations with the owners of the land, but if these prove unsuccessful then it is probable that the use of CPO powers will be necessary...".

**Question No. 59**

**Councillor Phil Yeoman**

What discussions has the council held with the purchaser/prospective purchaser of the Barnet College Russell Lane site?

**Answer by Councillor Kanti Patel**

There have been informal discussions including council officers with Barrett’s but no planning application has been submitted.

**Question No. 60**

**Councillor Linda McFadyen**

The Cabinet report on 22 March concerning the closure of Springwood Day Centre mentions the financial cap imposed by the temporary Head of Community Care for homecare. What practical impact will that have on the homecare service provided, and what difference will users notice as a result?

**Answer by Councillor Maureen Braun**

The financial cap referred to in the report is the hourly rate cap the head of Community Care imposed on the tender process for the new homecare contracts. This Cap was imposed to meet budget constraints and to limit the increase on expenditure to what the council could afford. The tendering agencies have all re-tendered within this cap, allowing for the first time the council to apply a standard rate across all its home care providers, with the exception of Housing Twenty One where the council is tied into a further eight years at £24 per hour with above annual RPI increases as a term in the contract.

The impact on service users and the service is nil, other than when allocating work to independent agencies. It will be done on quality and availability rather than on cost.

**Question No. 61**

**Councillor Arun Ghosh**

How many Street Enforcement officers are allocated to each ward, including West Hendon, and how often do they remain in the ward?

**Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

Councillor Ghosh fails to understand the nature of the Street Enforcement Service in that it provides the flexibility to cover issues across the whole Borough in marked contrast to the Neighbourhood Warden Service set up in such a hasty rush by the last Administration that failed to provide any service for vast swaths of the Borough.

However we ensure that one officer is allocated to exclusively to each ward between Monday and Friday. This officer works 8am to 4pm and is in the ward on each day. If the designated officer is absent on any day an officer from our 10am start shift will cover for that day and will work to 6pm.

In addition if there are specific issues the Street Enforcement service allows for flexible deployment into West Hendon from across the Borough.

The designated officer for West Hendon is Colin Bowell whom I would have thought Cllr Ghosh would have taken the trouble to meet up with.

**Question No. 62**

**Councillor Ansuya Sodha**

Residents of Neeld and Rundell Crescents would be very happy for the Cabinet Member (and the Hendon Area Environment Sub-Committee Chair) to visit the roads to see the particular issues involved as to why they do not wish to be part of the CPZ. Would the Cabinet Member agree to such a visit?

**Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

Yes.

**Question No. 63**

**Councillor Alan Schneiderman**

With reference to the future of South Friern Library, the Council has promised that the data pack for the sale of the site will invite proposals for a new library as part of the redevelopment of the site. Will the specification require reprovision of all the services and facilities currently available at the library with the same amount of floor-space as a minimum, and that what the Council is looking for is an improvement on that?

**Answer by Councillor Peter Davis**

We would wish to ensure that any new library facility would provide full access, public toilets and predominantly open plan space designed on one floor to give as much flexibility as possible to provide a modern and innovative library service that will deliver the Administration's vision for libraries as a community resource available to all.

**Question No. 64**

**Councillor Jim Tierney**

What brief has the Council given Multiplex to assist their drawing up of proposals for the redevelopment of the Cricklewood site covering Tesco, Hendon Sports Centre and the three schools?

**Answer by Councillor Kanti Patel**

Multiplex have not been provided with a brief. In the light of the Cabinet decision of 22 March an exclusivity agreement is currently being prepared. Multiplex will only commit resources to this project once the exclusivity agreement has been completed.

As I indicated in my reply to Question 57 Multiplex have been provided with copies of the council's corporate plan which clearly sets out the council's five key priorities. They have indicated to me that they will want to have an initial series of meetings with myself and relevant council officers to discuss the potential opportunities in this part of Cricklewood and how these might be best used to meet the council's stated priorities.

**Question No.65**

**Councillor Paul Rogers**

Now that the workload of the Cabinet Member for Housing has been severely reduced due to the creation of the Barnet Homes Board running management of council housing in the borough, has the Council Leader decided on the future of the post and responsibilities of the Cabinet Member for Housing, and if so, what are these to be?

**Answer by Councillor Victor Lyon, Leader of the Council**

The responsibilities of all Cabinet posts are often under my consideration. As and when I feel it necessary or desirable I shall make the necessary changes.

**Question No. 66**

**Councillor Phil Yeoman**

What discussions has the Council held with the Mayor of London, Ken Livingstone and/or the GLA about the future of the Barnet College Russell Lane site?

**Answer by Councillor Kanti Patel**

See response to Questions 50 and 59. There is no planning application before the council and therefore there has been no consultations or discussions with any statutory bodies. Until a scheme emerges it will not be possible to confirm whether a future planning application will be of strategic importance and referable to the Mayor.

**Question No. 67**

**Councillor Linda McFadyen**

The drug rehabilitation centre, Turning Point on Colney Hatch Lane is very important. What are the options for any re-provision if the South Friern library site is sold bearing in mind the joint funding with Enfield and Haringey and the need to keep the centre accessible to all three boroughs?

**Answer by Councillor Maureen Braun**

The Council owns the whole of the property freehold. The former clinic was occupied by Barnet Healthcare NHS Trust under a licence pursuant to the National Health Reorganisation Act 1973 as it had a minority user interest. By 1999 it had vacated the building pending possible re-use at a later date. At that time Turning Point, an organisation providing programmed drug counselling and support services for young people, was looking for accommodation. Turning Point is joint-funded by Barnet, Haringey and Enfield. The

Trust relinquished its rights and it was agreed that the Council would grant Turning Point a tenancy of the clinic for a term of 18 months from February 2000. Turning Point pays a rent and contributes to service supplies, heating, maintenance, insurance and business rates. It was agreed in 2002 that the tenancy should be extended to August 2003. Turning Point is still in occupation, holding over under the terms of the agreed tenancy.

The Cabinet Resources Committee considered a report on 18 March relating to the future proposals for the South Friern Library and the adjoining buildings. The decision included examining the relocation options for Turning Point.

**Question No. 68**

**Councillor Arun Ghosh**

What is the Council doing to repair or replace the out-of-order parking charges machine in the Perryfield Way car park?

**Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

My understanding is that all pay and display machines in Perryfield Way car park are now working and I have instructed officers to keep regular vigilance to make sure this remains the case.

**Question No. 69**

**Councillor Ansuya Sodha**

Please list all the roads consulted on their inclusion within the West Hendon CPZ and the dates the consultation letters were sent to residents.

Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman

Roads	Questionnaires Sent
Cool Oak Lane	May-03
Stuart Avenue	May-03
Woolmead Avenue	May-03
Seeling Avenue	May-03
Dehar Crescent	May-03
Esmar Crescent	May-03
Audley Road	Dec-02
Dartmouth Road	Dec-02
Edgeworth Avenue	Dec-02

Edgeworth Close	Dec-02
Edgeworth Crescent	Dec-02
Elliot Road	Dec-02
Faber Gardens	Dec-02
Woodward Avenue	Dec-02
Station Road	Dec-02
Talbot Crescent	Dec-02
Vaughan Avenue	Dec-02

**Question No. 70**

**Councillor Alan Schneiderman**

What consultation did the Council conduct with local residents before closing the Welsh Harp Youth Sailing Base in West Hendon?

**Answer by Councillor Peter Davis**

The Council engaged with the Friends of the Welsh Harp Youth Sailing base via meetings and correspondence and also responded to numerous enquiries and queries from individual users, residents, schools and user groups.

**Question No. 71**

**Councillor Jim Tierney**

With reference to the possible redevelopment of the Tesco/Whitefields site in Cricklewood, has the Council informed Multiplex whether the Council is in favour or opposed to high-rise buildings on the site?

**Answer by Councillor Kanti Patel**

The council has not yet discussed any specific site proposals with Multiplex.

**Question No. 72**

**Councillor Phil Yeoman**

Has the purchaser/prospective purchaser of the Barnet College Russell Lane site indicated to the council that no social housing or affordable housing should be provided on the 11 acre site and that instead the Council should accept a cash sum, and if so, what is the Council's response?

**Answer by Councillor Kanti Patel**

As stated in question 59 above, there is no planning application before the Council, only informal discussions at officer level and therefore, no specific proposals have been made to the council.

**Question No. 73**

**Councillor Arun Ghosh**

I continue to receive numerous complaints about serious rat infestations in West Hendon. What is the Council doing to resolve the rat infestations?

**Answer by Councillor Brian Salinger**

### Rear of Esmar Crescent and The Harp Public House car park

This area has been fenced off both on the public house car park and the bottom of the gardens in Esmar Crescent. There is rubbish and rodent harbourage material dumped on the land. There is also some evidence of rat activity present. Efforts are being made by Environmental Health to trace the present owners of the land so as to oblige them to take pest control measures.

### Corner of Cool Oak Lane and West Hendon Broadway

This is Council owned land. There is an accumulation of rubbish behind the billboard hoarding. There is also evidence of rat activity within the compound area and rat holes are evident on the pathway and side fence to the rear and side of 129 West Hendon Broadway. Rats are also undermining the pavement adjacent to the traffic control box on the corner of Cool Oak Lane and West Hendon Broadway.

A total of nine visits have been made between the 19/12/03 and 24/3/04 with a total of 5.4kg of bait being laid because of the severity of this infestation. Further visits are programmed to eliminate this infestation.

Consideration has been given to removal of the accumulation at the rear of the billboard but it is feared that if this done the rats will disperse further round the area.

### 211 West Hendon Broadway Euro Fried Chicken shop.

Rats have undermined the pavement outside the shop. Investigations are being made to trace the source of the rat population. In the meantime our Pest Control Team will carry out treatment to control the infestation.

### Air-raid shelter West Hendon Broadway

Rat activity has been detected on this land. This is Council land and

Baiting is to commence on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2004.

### Perryfield Way land adjacent to car park.

This is Council owned land. Rat bait stations have been installed by a private contractor working for the Council. However, rat burrows are also being baited by the Pest Control Team and will continue to be baited until the infestation is brought under control.

Investigations are also being carried out for drainage problems that may be allowing the egress of rats from the sewers.

### Little Treasures Day Nursery, Marquin Centre Marsh Drive and Perryfield Way Junction.

Rat holes have been located in the grassed mound on the Nursery land, and the grass verge outside the perimeter fence. Although this is on private land rodent baiting will be undertaken by the Pest Control Team and the co-operation of the owners of the land sought to bring this infestation under control.

### Back yards at the rear of the shops on the West Hendon Broadway between Perryfield House and 211 West Hendon Broadway, these shops back onto the car park and wasteland.

Test Baiting will be offered in respect of this privately owned area and the drains examined for any defects that may be allowing the egress of rodents from the sewers. The owners co-operation will be sought to rectify any drainage problems found and bring this infestation under control.

## Welsh Harp Lake

This is an ongoing problem due to excessive feeding of the bird population of the lake. It is a natural habitat and control of rats within this area is difficult without exposing the wildlife population to the risk of poisoning by rodenticides. A total of eleven visits have been carried out between 21/11/03 and 24/3/04. To minimise any risk to wildlife baiting has had to be carried out using both contact dust and grain rodenticide. Further visits are programmed.

### **Question No. 74**

**Councillor Ansuya Sodha**

Please list the total number of households consulted by each road on their inclusion within the West Hendon CPZ.

### **Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

Roads	No. of households
Cool Oak Lane	28
Stuart Avenue	52
Woolmead Avenue	54
Seelig Avenue	8
Dehar Crescent	17
Esmar Crescent	18
Audley Road	238
Bertram Road	48
Dartmouth Road	45
Edgeworth Avenue	30
Edgeworth Close	83
Edgeworth Crescent	44
Elliot Road	45
Faber Gardens	25
Woodward Avenue	19
Station Road	93
Talbot Crescent	21
Vaughan Avenue	29

### **Question No. 75**

**Councillor Alan Schneiderman**



The Youth Justice Plan includes a detention and training order target, which concerns liaison between the remand institution and the council as the young offender finishes their custodial sentence and is then supervised by the youth offending service. The target for the past year was 100%: what did the Council actually achieve?

**Answer by Councillor Peter Davis**

The Council achieved 18% in 2003.

In the first quarter of 2004 it has achieved 78%.

The reason for the poor figures was due to the fact that:-

the custodial centres did not have the same target as the YOT. A meeting with the centre had to be held within 10 working days. It was often impossible for staff to do this when they already had commitments.

The reason for the improvement is because:-

the custodial centres now have the same target of holding a meeting within 10 working days

(Reply subject to Monitoring Officer clearance)

**Question No. 76**

**Councillor Phil Yeoman**

If the Council takes a cash sum rather than social/affordable housing for the Barnet College, Russell Lane site, can the Cabinet Member guarantee to Council that the money will be used for NEW social housing for rent or NEW affordable housing elsewhere, rather than spent on meeting council costs relating to the decent homes standard, the regeneration schemes, etc?

**Answer by Councillor Kanti Patel**

It will be for the relevant Planning Committee to decide what are the appropriate planning gain items to secure by way of a Section 106 Agreement in accordance with the relevant planning legislation, Planning Policy Guidance issued by the Secretary of State, the Unitary Development Plan, Strategic Planning Guidance and advice from the Head of Planning.

**Question No. 77**

**Councillor Arun Ghosh**

Several residents have complained to me about the locking of Malcolm Park in the evening, as residents use the park as a shortcut to reach Hendon Station and there is no notice at any of the three entrances as to what time the park is closed. What is the Council doing to resolve this?

**Answer by Councillor Peter Davis**

Malcolm Park is one of the parks on the council's agreed list of greenspaces locked at night (Cabinet meeting 21 May 2003).

Laminated notices have been placed at all the entrances to all these parks. However, these are regularly vandalised and replaced when reported missing. They were last replaced at Malcolm Park on Thursday 8 April.

**Question No. 78**

**Councillor Ansuya Sodha**

Please list the total number of households who responded and percentage response rate by each road on their inclusion within the West Hendon CPZ.

**Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

I have asked Officers to assemble the information and write to the Member.

**Question No. 79**

**Councillor Phil Yeoman**

If the Council takes a cash sum rather than social/affordable housing for the Barnet College Russell Lane site, will the Cabinet Member support a reference to the External Auditor against the Council's gerrymandering in favour of the Conservative Party?

**Answer by Councillor Kanti Patel**

It will be for the relevant Planning Committee to decide what are the appropriate planning gain items to secure by way of a Section 106 Agreement in accordance with the relevant planning legislation, Planning Policy Guidance issued by the Secretary of State, the Unitary Development Plan, Strategic Planning Guidance and advice from the Head of Planning.

**Question No. 80**

**Councillor Arun Ghosh**

What progress has been made with implementing the following notice of motion I submitted, and which was agreed by Council eighteen months ago on 15 October 2002? The agreed motion read as follows:

"Council notes that more than 5,500 people in the UK, including Barnet residents, are waiting for a transplant that could save or transform their lives, but that only 2,700 transplants are carried out each year. Council asks the Council Chief Executive to write to the UK Transplant Chief Executive offering the London Borough of Barnet's support for their organ donor registration campaign. Council urges the Cabinet to promote organ donor registration via the council website, by providing a free article and advert within the council magazine Barnet Life, and in any other ways possible. Council urges the Cabinet to follow the best practice of other local authorities by enclosing NHS organ donor registration forms asking people to sign up as potential donors with the electoral registration form in 2003".

**Answer by Councillor Victor Lyon, the Leader of the Council**

I would inform Cllr Ghosh that our Chief Executive wrote to the Chief Executive of the National Health Service UK Transplant on 23 December 2002. Details of the NHS Organ Donor Register have appeared on the Council's web site for some time. The details include the address, telephone number and the web site of the register and the opening hours of the organ donor line. The suggestion that the Council should enclose NHS Organ Donor Registration forms when electoral registration forms are sent out would apparently be illegal.

The only outstanding matter from the Motion is the question of the article and advertisement on Organ Donor Registration in Barnet First. This does not appear to have been done and I am investigating the reasons for this.

I feel sure that many residents of the borough will agree with Cllr Ghosh on the importance of transplants but, of course, for some people of certain religious persuasions, this also causes them a problem.

**Question No. 81**

**Councillor Ansuya Sodha**

Please list the total number of households and percentage of those for, against, do not know (and any other categories used by the Council) by each road on their inclusion within the CPZ.

**Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

I refer the member to the answer to question 78.

**Question No. 82**

**Councillor Phil Yeoman**

For income from bus lane cameras, what was the original budget estimate 2003/4 what is the latest budget outturn forecast 2003/4 and what is the budget income agreed for 2004/5?

**Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

I refer Councillor Yeoman to page 78 of the Council Budget 2004/2005 and Capital Programme. The outturn forecast for 2003/4 is £1.1m

**Question No. 83**

**Councillor Arun Ghosh**

Given the Council's choice to cut and close front-line services (while spending £11million on road repairs), unsatisfactory LEA OFSTED rating, worsening CPA environment services score, £10million budget overspend, mass redundancies, and general decline in the quality of council services over the past two years, what plans does the Administration have to introduce fixed-term contracts and/or performance-related pay for the posts of director and above?

**Answer by Councillor Victor Lyon, Leader of the Council**

I made it quite clear during questions that were raised following my budget speech on 2 March 2004, that it was important that the under spending by the previous Administration on maintenance of roads and IT had to be corrected. Whilst it may not appear that these two services are 'front line', the effect on the infrastructure of the borough and the efficiency of Council services depend upon in the long run. In particular, the previous policy of patch and mend of roads could be a danger, but in the long run is less cost effective than proper resurfacing. Of course, I do not agree with Cllr Ghosh's statements regarding a decline in the quality of Council services. Indeed, there is much evidence to the contrary, including the improvement to our SSI rating for Children's Services from one to two stars, national recognition of our improved performance in housing and achievement of ALMO status, a much more positive follow-up on our youth service inspection, and great improvements this year in Planning & Environment PI's. I would also point out the favourable comments from the Audit Commission that Barnet is well placed for further improvement.

My appropriate Cabinet Members will consider the possibility of fixed term contracts and/or performance related pay for certain Officers in conjunction with their existing policies of looking at ways to retain and motivate key members of staff.

**Question No. 84**

**Councillor Ansuya Sodha**

Please list the roads excluded from the West Hendon CPZ following consultation with residents who said they did not want to be included.

**Answer by Councillor Brian Coleman**

Edgeworth Close.

**Question No. 85**

**Councillor Phil Yeoman**

What improvements is the Council making to advertise and make available scrutiny committee agenda items to the general public and press – and especially interested residents – before meetings (given the lack of a published timetable of scrutiny committee meetings resulting in residents not knowing when to look for committee papers in a library, lack of scrutiny committee agendas on the council website and often prohibitive cost of subscribing to the circulation of committee papers)?

**Answer by Councillor Victor Lyon, Leader of the Council**

Cllr Yeoman will be aware that a copy of each Overview & Scrutiny Agenda is sent to the local press. The Council's web site now has dedicated web pages explain what the scrutiny function is and how it operates, as well as the current Committee's work programmes. The Scrutiny Office also supplies copies of papers directly as requested to residents, community and voluntary groups. This web site also gives details of the by-monthly Overview & Scrutiny newsletter with details of the on-going scrutiny enquiries and reviews. Details of future meeting dates for each of the scrutiny committees are also given. Cllr Yeoman will also be aware from discussions at which he was present, I wish to give scrutiny committees a wider brief. In the Council timetable for the new municipal year, I hope that Chairmen of the Scrutiny Committees may well be able to give greater advance warning of the dates of meetings and the work that they will be undertaking.

**Question No. 86**

**Councillor Ansuya Sodha**

If the Cabinet Member would make a statement on the latest position with regard to the Council's staff redundancies, including the number of staff still "at risk" and the financial packages being offered?

**Answer by Councillor Katia David**

By 8 April, the number of staff at risk of redundancy had fallen from 240 to 78.5 of whom 58 had been issued with notices. Compensation for redundancy is in accordance with the statutory and pension scheme entitlements and is based on actual earnings.

**Question No. 87**

**Councillor Phil Yeoman**

What was the cost to the council taxpayer of the administration employing staff to stand guard by the fire alarms around Hendon Town Hall during the Council meeting on 2 March 2004?

**Answer by Councillor Victor Lyon, Leader of the Council**

There was no increased cost to the Council taxpayer as the staff employed for the Council Meeting on 2 March 2004 were those that were there to assist those extra members of the public who were expected to attend the overflow meetings in the Committee Rooms. As part of their security duties, they were required to ensure that no disruption to the Council Meeting should take place, possibly by the setting off of false fire alarms.

I have to remind Cllr Yeoman that in 1997 the Council Annual Meeting was disrupted by the setting off of a false fire alarm and the subsequent adjournment of the Council. This stopped the possible election of a Conservative nominee for the Mayoralty. The enquiry by the former Labour/Liberal Democrat Administration took some 18 months to report inconclusively and I am sure Cllr Yeoman would agree that he would not wish to see the democratic will of the Council frustrated again by certain mischievous elements and , therefore, since that time, part of the security duties at Council meetings has been to keep an eye on the fire alarms.

**Question No. 88**

**Councillor Ansuya Sodha**

What efforts have been made to re-deploy council staff this year, how many have been re-deployed and how many have accepted different posts with lower pay?

**Answer by Councillor Katia David**

Considerable success has been achieved in reducing the numbers at risk of redundancy. Of those actually issued with formal notice, 12 members of staff have been formally redeployed of whom three will receive salary protection.

**Question No. 89**

**Councillor Ansuya Sodha**

What arrangements is the Council making to give information to staff being made redundant about redeployment, retraining and job opportunities elsewhere?

**Answer by Councillor Katia David**

The Learning and Development team have run a range of training events and workshops to support staff at risk of redundancy. These have been held on site at places like Springwood Day Centre as well as at NLBP. A very successful job fair was held to inform all the affected staff of the vacancies which exist across the Council.

**Question No. 90**

**Councillor Ansuya Sodha**

How many people have been served with redundancy notices so far and what is their gender and ethnic origin?

**Answer by Councillor Katia David**

As at 8 April 58 redundancy notices had been issued, the distribution being:

Male = 31

Female = 27

Ethnic origin split:

Asian Chinese	1	Asian Indian	3	Asian other	1
Black African	5	Black Caribbean	5	No response	8
Other ethnic group	0	Other ethnic group	28	White Irish	1
White Other	5	White Turkish Cypriot	1		

**Question No. 91**

**Councillor Ansuya Sodha**

Has the Council carried out an equal pay audit, and if so, what were the results?

**Answer by Councillor Katia David**

Yes, by implementing single status and carrying out the associated job evaluation procedures, the Council is one of the 20% of local authorities nationally who have carried out an equal pay audit. Equal pay for work of equal value is assured by this process.



Question No. 92

Councillor Ansuya Sodha

If a statement could be made on the withdrawal of the mini-bus that Mapledown Special School has always had, and which was used to transport vulnerable children and young people to swimming lessons and other essential activities?

Answer by Councillor Lynne Hillan

Currently carrying out transport review looking at all transport in Education and Community Care. However, a decision has been made that the mini buses used by Mapledown and Oakleigh Schools will not be included in this review.



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AGENDA ITEM 10

**REPORT OF THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL**

The Cabinet delegation arrangements for inclusion in the Constitution are as follows:

**3. RESPONSIBILITY FOR EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONS**

General

3.1 All the local authority functions that are not mentioned in the first two tables, or reserved to Council in Article 4, are executive functions. These are the responsibility of

- Individual members of the Executive (the Leader and members of the Cabinet)
- The Cabinet Meeting
- Cabinet Committees
- Area Sub-Committees (see 3.10 below)
- Joint Committees (see Article 11)
- Officers (see section 6 below)

Cabinet Members

3.2 Set out below is a table in the first column of which are listed the names, addresses and wards of Cabinet Members. The second column sets out each Cabinet member's functions and the third column summarises what has been delegated.

<b>Executive Member and Portfolio</b>	<b>Responsibilities</b>	<b>Delegation</b>
Cllr Victor Lyon 10 Charnwood Place Whetstone London N20 0PE  Totteridge Ward  LEADER	The Leader	The Leader may discharge any function of the Executive.

<b>Executive Member and Portfolio</b>	<b>Responsibilities</b>	<b>Delegation</b>
<p>Cllr. Lynne Hillan 20 Ashurst Road North Finchley London N12 9AX</p> <p>Brunswick Park Ward</p> <p>CHILDREN'S SERVICES, EDUCATION AND LIFELONG LEARNING</p>	<p>To lead on budget, policy formulation and implementation in relation to education. In particular, raising standards, ongoing education and services to schools. Early years provision. Children's Services.</p>	<p>The general powers delegated to Cabinet Members are set out below.</p> <p>Certain functions are delegated to officers, in consultation with the Cabinet Member. These are set out in Paragraph 6 of Part 3 of the Constitution.</p>
<p>Cllr Peter Davis 5 Galley Lane Arkley, Barnet Herts, EN5 4AR</p> <p>Underhill Ward</p> <p>COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND YOUTH</p>	<p>To lead on budget, policy formulation and implementation in relation to youth and community based service, parks and libraries.</p>	<p>The general powers delegated to Cabinet Members are set out below.</p> <p>Certain functions are delegated to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Area Sub-Committees as set out in paragraph 3.10 below.</li> <li>▪ Officers, in consultation with the cabinet member, as set out in paragraph 6 of Part 3 of the Constitution.</li> </ul>
<p>Cllr. Brian Coleman 1 Essex Park Finchley London N3 1ND</p> <p>Totteridge Ward</p> <p>ENVIRONMENT</p>	<p>To lead on budget, policy formulation and implementation on environmental and safety services. In particular, a healthy environment, street based services, highways and parking provision, and private sector rented housing.</p>	<p>The general powers delegated to Cabinet Members are set out below</p> <p>Certain functions are delegated to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Area Sub-Committees as set out in paragraph 3.10 below.</li> <li>▪ Officers, in consultation with the cabinet member, as set out in paragraph 6 of Part 3 of the Constitution.</li> </ul>

<b>Executive Member and Portfolio</b>	<b>Responsibilities</b>	<b>Delegation</b>
<p>Cllr. Brian Salinger 32 The Ridgeway London N11 3LJ</p> <p>Oakleigh Ward</p> <p>HOUSING AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH</p>	<p>To lead on budget, policy formulation and implementation in relation to housing (and benefits), neighbourhood development and environmental health.</p>	<p>The general powers delegated to Cabinet Members are set out below</p> <p>Certain functions are delegated to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Area Sub-Committees as set out in paragraph 3.10 below.</li> <li>▪ Officers, in consultation with the cabinet member, as set out in paragraph 6 of Part 3 of the Constitution.</li> </ul>
<p>Cllr. Kanti Patel Poonam Villa 12a Woodside Lane North Finchley London N12 8RG</p> <p>High Barnet Ward</p> <p>BOROUGH DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING</p>	<p>To lead on budget, policy formulation and implementation in relation to regeneration and development. In particular, economic development, town centre regeneration, planning and building control</p>	<p>The general powers delegated to Cabinet Members are set out below</p> <p>Certain functions are delegated to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Area Sub-Committees as set out in paragraph 3.10 below.</li> <li>▪ Officers, in consultation with the cabinet member, as set out in paragraph 6 of Part 3 of the Constitution.</li> </ul>
<p>Cllr. Maureen Braun 42 Sherwood Road Hendon London NW4 1AD</p> <p>Hendon Ward</p> <p>SOCIAL CARE</p>	<p>To lead on budget, policy formulation and implementation in relation to social services. In particular, adult social services and care in the community</p>	<p>The general powers delegated to Cabinet Members are set out below.</p> <p>Certain functions are delegated to Officers, in consultation with the cabinet member, as set out in Paragraph 6 of Part 3 of the Constitution.</p>

<b>Executive Member and Portfolio</b>	<b>Responsibilities</b>	<b>Delegation</b>
<p>Cllr. Katia David 16 Oakleigh Park South London N20 9JU</p> <p>High Barnet Ward</p> <p>HUMAN RESOURCES, SOCIAL INCLUSION AND EQUALITIES</p>	<p>To lead on budget, policy formulation and implementation on all matters relating to personnel, equalities and access to services.</p>	<p>The general powers delegated to Cabinet Members are set out below</p> <p>Certain functions are delegated to Officers, in consultation with the cabinet member, as set out in Paragraph 6 of Part 3 of the Constitution.</p>
<p>Cllr Anthony Finn 4 Cheyne Walk Hendon London NW4 3QJ</p> <p>Hendon Ward</p> <p>RESOURCES</p>	<p>To lead on budget, policy formulation and implementation in relation to resources. In particular finance and property services.</p>	<p>The general powers delegated to Cabinet Members are set out below</p> <p>In addition this Cabinet Member has the power to agree virements up to £250,000 in consultation with Resources Cabinet Committee and to accept the highest bid on a proposed property disposal subject to that bid not exceeding £1,000,000 and no more than 10% below the estimated disposal value.</p> <p>Certain functions are delegated to Officers, in consultation with the cabinet member, as set out in Paragraph 6 of Part 3 of the Constitution.</p>

Executive Member and Portfolio	Responsibilities	Delegation
Cllr. Mike Freer 23 Claverley Grove Finchley London N3 3DG  Finchley Church End Ward  VALUE AND EFFECTIVENESS	To lead on budget, policy formulation and implementation in relation to effectiveness and value of Council services, risk management, Asset Management Plan, IT and the distribution of grants. In particular, the monitoring of delivery and effectiveness of services.	The general powers delegated to Cabinet Members are set out below. In addition this cabinet Member may approve grant to voluntary organisation, up to £20,000 per annum  Certain functions are delegated to Officers, in consultation with the cabinet member, as set out in Paragraph 6 of Part 3 of the Constitution.

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3.3 Cabinet Members general powers may be summarised as

1. To discharge the executive functions that fall within their portfolio, whether or not they are also delegated to officers except for matters specifically reserved to Council, Cabinet or cabinet committees.
2. To consider consultation documents, other than those referred to the Executive and, in consultation with the appropriate officers determine whether the Council's response needs to be approved by them or by the appropriate Director or Chief Officer.
3. To authorise inviting tenders for contracts for approved schemes in excess of £75,000 provided that a written estimate of the total cost of the contract had first been obtained.
4. To accept, subject to paragraph 2.2.1 of the Contract Procedure Rules, tenders or quotations for works or supplies valued in excess of £75,000 but not more than £250,000 within their portfolio. This must be following consultation with the Cabinet Member for Resources or the Leader in cases where the Cabinet Member for Resources is the appropriate portfolio holder.
5. To approve any non-statutory plan or strategy requiring approval by the Executive and not reserved to the Cabinet for decision in paragraph 3.8.

3.4 Except in cases of urgency, they will not normally take delegated decisions if they

- involve something other than the implementation of an annual Performance Management Plan or a decision previously taken by Council, Committee or Cabinet.
- are key decisions as defined in Article 13 of the Constitution.

## Explanatory Note

This covers urgent (not emergency) decisions that were not anticipated within the budget or PMP but nevertheless relate to everyday business, not major changes/decisions outside the approved budget and 11 statutory plans.

Example : school heating system fails at the beginning of the autumn term.

### Cabinet Committees

3.5 Cabinet Committees may discharge the executive functions that fall within their terms of reference, whether or not they are also delegated to officers, except for matters specifically reserved to Cabinet. The Rules in Part 4 of the Constitution may reserve certain decisions to cabinet committees.

3.6 The Cabinet Committees are:

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Functions</b>	<b>Membership</b>
Resources	<p>Capital and revenue finance, forecasting, monitoring, borrowing and taxation.</p> <p>To consider reports on treasury management strategy and activity, including creating and maintaining a Treasury Management Policy Statement.</p> <p>Grants and loans from all sources to voluntary organisations. (Grants above £50,000 are reserved to the Cabinet)</p> <p>Monitor the trading position of appropriate council services, carry out debt analysis and look at income sources and charging policies.</p> <p>To write off debt.</p>	<p>Councillor Anthony Finn (Chairman) Councillor Mike Freer Councillor Victor Lyon Councillor Brian Coleman Councillor Lynne Hillan Councillor Kanti Patel</p>

Committee	Functions	Membership
	<p>To determine external or cross-boundary trading limit.</p> <p>To agree exceptions to standing orders, all decisions relating to approved lists and agreed national registers, authorise post tender negotiations and accept tenders which are not the lowest.</p> <p>To agree externalisation contracts including any proposal to appoint external cash investment managers.</p> <p>Approval of schemes not in performance management plans but not outside the Council's budget or policy framework.</p> <p>All matters relating to land and buildings owned, rented or proposed to be acquired or disposed of by the council.</p>	
<p>Equalities and Social Inclusion</p>	<p>To develop a social inclusion strategy for the Borough.</p> <p>To oversee the promotion and delivery of the council's social inclusion strategy.</p>	<p>Councillor Katia David (Chairman)  Councillor Peter Davis  Councillor Anthony Finn  Councillor Maureen Braun</p>

Committee	Functions	Membership
	<p>To develop and approve equalities policies, strategies and practice across the council in relation to both employment and service delivery.</p> <p>To consider in detail service equalities audits and to monitor the implementation of equalities audits action plans.</p> <p>To continue to support and review the integration of equalities in the Best Value Review process.</p> <p>To ensure the effective implementation of new legislation as it relates to the Council's policy and practice eg Disability Discrimination Act 1995, Human Rights Act 1998, Race Relations Amendment Act 2000 etc.</p>	
ICT	<p>To develop and recommend to Cabinet for adoption an e-Government strategy and associated ICT policies and strategies</p> <p>To submit to Cabinet each year detailed proposals for all council ICT expenditure in the coming year for consideration as part of the budget and forward plan process.</p> <p>To monitor the implementation of the e-Government and ICT strategies.</p>	<p>Councillor Mike Freer (Chairman)  Councillor Anthony Finn  Councillor Katia David  Councillor Victor Lyon</p>



Committee	Functions	Membership
	<p>To co-ordinate and decide priorities for the development of e-government and ICT systems and projects to achieve the council's modernisation objectives in accordance with the approved strategies.</p> <p>All matters relating to the purchase or leasing of ICT equipment and software, provided that it is in accordance with the approved e-Government and ICT strategies and the Council's budget and policy framework.</p> <p>To oversee the performance of the IT service and the balance between internal and external service provision.</p> <p>For ICT contracts, to agree exceptions to standing orders, all decisions relating to approved lists and agreed national registers, authorise post tender negotiations and accept tenders including those which are not the lowest.</p>	

## Cabinet

- 3.7 The Cabinet Meeting may discharge any executive functions whether or not they are also delegated to officers.
- 3.8 The following decisions are reserved to the Cabinet meeting
- Those so reserved in the Rules in Part 4 of the Constitution
  - Considering an executive function delegated to an area environment sub-committee referred to it for a decision.
  - Considering policy initiatives, initiating new policy proposals and determining the way in which policy reviews will be carried out.
  - Determining responses to consultation documents on proposals which could result in the council having to provide a new service, discontinue an existing one or change service provision in such a way that there are budgetary implications.
  - Determining whether meetings relating to non-key decisions will be held in public or private.
  - Agreeing budget virements of up to £2.5m and applications of up to 50% of the latest estimated general fund of housing revenue account balances and to make recommendations to Council on virements over these amounts and those over £100,000 where the amount is more than 10% of the budget head.
  - Grants to voluntary organisations above £50,000.
  - Considering recommendations made to them by overview and scrutiny committees.
  - A decision to adopt, or recommend to Council for adoption, a plan or strategy reserved to Cabinet as listed below, or the Council's budget and virement limits.

This includes the following:

### Statutory Framework Policies – For Council Decision

- Best Value Performance Plan
- Children's Services Plan
- Community Plan
- Crime and Disorder Reduction Strategy (incorporating Drug and Alcohol Team Strategy)
- Education Development Plan
- London Transport Strategy – Local Implementation Plan
- Plans and strategies comprising the UDP
- Youth Justice Plan
- Single Education Plan (from 2005)

### Plans and Strategies for Cabinet Decision

- ◆ Corporate Plan
- ◆ Food Law Enforcement Service Plan
- ◆ Housing Strategy

- ◆ Homelessness Strategy
- ◆ Adult Learning Plan
- ◆ Behaviour Support Plan
- ◆ School Organisation Plan
- ◆ Equalities Policy
- ◆ Race Equality Scheme
- ◆ Rights of Way Improvement Plan
- ◆ Waste Plan
- ◆ Accessibility Plan
- ◆ Civil Contingencies Plan (subject to confirmation)
- ◆ Local Development Framework and Supplementary Planning Guidance (subject to confirmation)

Non-statutory plans and strategies for approval by the Executive and not listed above will be approved by the relevant Cabinet member.

3.9 In taking decisions the Executive must act within the law and the Council's Constitution.

#### Area environment sub-committees

3.10 Area environment sub-committees as well as discharging council functions (see Part 3, Section 2 – Responsibility for Council Functions) perform functions that are the responsibility of the Executive as set out below.

Body responsible	Functions	Membership
Area Environment Sub-Committees	<p>To discharge the Executive's functions, within the boundaries of their areas, in accordance with council policy and within budget, apart from matters of significance to the whole borough or crossing sub-committee boundaries that relate to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Highways use and regulation not the responsibility of the Council</li> </ul> <p>(Explanatory note: The Council's highways functions are limited to:            - creating, stopping up and diverting footpaths and bridleways            - asserting and protecting public rights to use highways            - removing things deposited on highways which cause nuisance.            All other highways functions are the responsibility of the Executive.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Town centre regeneration and management, including the operation of council markets</li> <li>• Private sewers, drains, public conveniences, land drainage and</li> </ul>	1 councillor for each ward in the area, with a substitute member for each ward.

Body responsible	Functions	Membership
	<p>water courses</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Refuse collection, cleansing, litter, waste and recycling</li> <li>• Day-to-day promotion, management and development of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- parks, open spaces, allotments, recreation and leisure facilities;</li> <li>- libraries, museums, arts and tourism facilities</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Local nature reserves, sites of special scientific interest and other controlled areas</li> <li>• Day-to-day environmental issues and management of land on council housing estates</li> <li>• Cemeteries and crematoria</li> <li>• Making recommendation to Cabinet on the designation of conservation areas</li> </ul>	

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#### **4. LIMITATIONS ON DELEGATION TO COUNCIL COMMITTEES AND SUB-COMMITTEES**

4.1 Committees and sub-committees of the Council are authorised to discharge all functions within their terms of reference with the exception of:

- Those matters referred to in the above tables
- Decisions reserved to the Council meeting in Article 4 of the Constitution

4.2 The Area Planning Sub-Committees can take decisions within their terms of reference provided they are not within the list of matters reserved to the Planning and Environment Committee, or contrary to Council policy or outside budget.

4.3 Area environment sub-committees may take decisions within their terms of reference provided they are not matters of significance to the whole borough, contrary to Council policy or outside budget and subject to the limitation for deciding matters crossing sub-committee boundaries as set out in Article 10 of the Constitution.

#### **5. MEMBERS' RIGHTS TO REFER MATTERS TO PARENT BODY**

5.1 Any committee listed in the following schedule may decide to report on any matter to Council and any sub-committee may report to its parent committee.

In such cases the decision is reached by the usual process, such as a majority vote. The report may make recommendations or seek instructions.

- 5.2 A chairman of an area sub-committee may refer the sub-committee's recommendations up to the parent committee.
- 5.3 A specified number of members of a committee or sub-committee (see the table below) may require that a matter on which the committee or sub-committee had proposed to take action is referred up to the next meeting of the Council or the parent committee to which the committee or sub-committee would ordinarily report, subject to the exceptions set out in 5.5, 5.6 and 5.7 below.
- 5.4 In such a case:-
- 5.4.1 for committees, the action the committee had proposed to take will be recommended to the Council;
- 5.4.2 for sub-committees, the action the sub-committee had proposed to take will be recommended to the committee;
- 5.4.3 no action shall be taken on the matter in the meantime.
- 5.5 The first exception is that no matter that has been the subject of a decision by the Council or, in the case of sub-committees, the parent committee in the previous six months may be referred up.
- 5.6 The second exception is Area Planning Sub-Committees, no matter relating to the regulatory and enforcement functions of the Council relating to town and country planning and the control of buildings and new streets may be referred up.
- 5.7 The third exception is the Planning and Environment Committee, no matter relating to the regulatory and enforcement functions of the Council relating to town and country planning may be referred up to the Council meeting.

<b>Committee/Sub-Committee</b>	<b>No. of members required to support a reference</b>	<b>Council/parent committee</b>
Planning and Environment	6	Council
Area planning sub-committees	2	Planning and Environment
Area environment sub-committees (council functions)	2	Planning and Environment
Area environment sub-committees (executive functions)	2	The Executive

<b>Committee/Sub-Committee</b>	<b>No. of members required to support a reference</b>	<b>Council/parent committee</b>
General Functions Committee	3	The Council

5.8 Where area environment sub-committees are discharging executive functions a reference up can only be to the Executive.

5.9 This provision shall not apply to Appeals Committees, Overview and Scrutiny Committees and Chief Officers Appointments, Investigating and Disciplinary Panels.

## **6. POWERS DELEGATED TO OFFICERS**

### General Powers

6.1 Chief Officers (ie the Chief Executive, Directors and Heads of Service as listed in Article 12) can take decisions, in consultation with the Cabinet Member concerned:

- to discharge the functions allocated to them or dealt with by them or their staff, except for matters specifically reserved to Executive Members, Cabinet meeting, Cabinet Committees, Committees or Council.
- in all matters where they have managerial or professional authority
- to authorise and accept quotations for contracts up to £75,000 for approved schemes with sufficient estimate provision.
- to agree settlements of up to £1,000 subject to budget and audit trails.
- to agree financial settlement where recommended by the Ombudsman or a Court.
- without exception, in cases of emergency.

### **Explanatory Note**

This covers emergency decisions that were not anticipated within the budget or PMP but nevertheless relate to everyday business, not major changes/decisions outside the approved budget and 11 statutory plans.

Example : school heating system fails during mid-winter, or a school roof collapses today.

6.2 They may use whatever means they consider appropriate to discharge those functions, including

- incurring expenditure and collecting income
- engaging and deploying staff
- deploying other resources within their control
- placing contracts and procuring other resources within or outside the Council.

- 6.3 Besides having delegated powers to deal with executive matters, specific chief officers have powers to deal with regulation, licensing and enforcement matters which are functions for which the Council is responsible.
- 6.4 All Directors and Chief Officers will draw up a list of specific powers delegated to them which is published on the intranet.

#### Specific Powers

- 6.5 In addition, in consultation with the Cabinet member concerned:
- Strategic Directors have the power to agree virements up to £100,000 between Budget Heads, and
  - Heads of Service, the power to agree virements up to £100,000 within a budget head.
- 6.6 The Borough Treasurer has the powers set out in the Financial Standing Orders and in particular:
- To agree to revenue or capital expenditure not provided for within the control budget being incurred if the Borough Treasurer is satisfied that it is wholly reimbursable to the Council, or compensatory savings have been identified. In all circumstances the expenditure must be consistent with performance management plans.
  - To take the most appropriate form of borrowing from the approved sources, and to make the most appropriate form of investments in approved instruments.
  - Subject to a report being submitted to Resources Cabinet Committee on the action taken, to write off debt up to £5,000, in consultation with the Borough Solicitor.
- 6.7 The following Officers also have the powers indicated:
- the Borough Treasurer to make grants to voluntary organisations up to £2,000 per annum.
  - the Director of Economic and Community Development, in consultation with the Cabinet Members for Resources to make decisions about:
    - leases of not more than 30 years,
    - licences and easements,
    - to acquire land for under £5,000 and
    - to dispose of interests in property for consideration not exceeding £100,000 plus proper fees.

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#### Restrictions and Conditions

- 6.8 Directors and Chief Officers will not take decisions that are reserved to another decision making body under this constitution, and in particular
- they will only take Key Decisions as defined in Article 13 of the

Constitution, or which do not involve the implementation of an annual Performance Management Plan or a decision previously taken by Council, Committee or Cabinet, if it is impractical for the relevant Executive Member to do so

- they will only take decisions that are reserved to Council or Cabinet under this Constitution in an emergency and if it is lawful for them to do so.

6.9 When exercising delegated powers officers must act within the law and the Council's constitution, and follow Council policy and the lawful instructions of Council Committees and the Executive. If exceptionally they need to depart from Council policy or those instructions, they must report to the relevant body as soon as possible.

6.10 Key decisions taken by officers will be published and recorded in accordance with the Access to Information Procedure Rules. Other decisions taken by officers must be recorded and made available to members of the Council either as individual or summary decisions published on the Members Intranet or as a performance indicator reported to an Overview and Scrutiny Committee,

6.11 They may authorise other officers to exercise these powers in practice, but they are taken in their name and they remain their responsibility.

6.12 Emergency action taken under delegated powers must be reported to the relevant body as soon as possible.

## **7. JOINT ARRANGEMENTS**

The following are the joint arrangements for the discharge of functions which are the responsibility of the Executive:

- London Boroughs Grants Scheme under Section 48 Local Government Act 1985.
- Transport Committee for London agreement dated 15 January 1998.
- Association of London Government agreement dated 1 April 2000.

Victor Lyon  
Leader of the Council



Annual Council Meeting

18 May 2004

AGENDA ITEM 13.4

REPORT OF THE HEAD OF COMMITTEE

1. APPOINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES AND A CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN OF EACH STANDING COMMITTEE

1. 1 Political Balance

1.1.1 The Council must allocate seats on committees and other prescribed bodies so as to give effect to the political balance rules under the Local Government and Housing Act 1989.

1.1.2 This report gives effect to that requirement.

1.1.3 There have been no changes to the political split of the Council since the Annual Meeting on 13 May 2003. Therefore, the political balance calculation remains unchanged for 2004/2005.

1.1.4 Therefore, the allocation of seats on committees and sub-committees as proposed and set out in Appendix A is:

77 Conservative  
56 Labour  
14 Liberal Democrat  
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1.1.5 The political proportionality rules also apply to those outside bodies dealing with local government matters to which the council appoints three or more representatives. They therefore apply to the Welsh Harp Joint Consultative Committee. The calculation indicates that the allocation must be two Conservative and two Labour.

1.1.6 The Council appoints or nominates members to a variety of special statutory bodies, or informal or consultative bodies that are not council committees or sub-committees. The political balance rules do not apply to these. These are set out in Appendix B.

1.1.7 The consultative bodies established for consultation with staff are also not regarded as council committees subject to the political balance rules. Each has a special composition.

1.1.8 The Regulations provide an exception from the political balance requirements where a committee is established to discharge functions in part of an authority's area, and

- (a) consists entirely of members elected for wards which comprise the area, and
- (b) either the area or its population does not exceed two-fifths of the total for the authority.

This allows the six area planning and environment sub-committees to be constituted on a ward member basis and still comply with the law.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- (1) **That it be noted that, on the basis that the Council is made up of 63 members comprising three political groups (Conservative 33 members, Labour 24 members, Liberal Democrat 6 members), the allocation of seats on committees and other bodies appointed by the Council and on sub – committees and other bodies appointed by council committees should be in accordance with Appendices A and B.**
- (2) **That each political group be invited to nominate members for seats in accordance with those principles and that allocation, and that the Council and council committees appoint committees, sub – committees and other relevant bodies in accordance with those principles and that allocation.**

1.2 Non-Council Members of Committees and other Bodies - Nominations

Nominations have been sought for Non-Council Members of Committees and other bodies as indicated below:

1.3 Education and Children Overview and Scrutiny Committee

The Council on 13 May, 2003, agreed that with effect from 2004/2005 the period of appointments of voluntary school representatives be for a period of two years.

Nominations so far received for 2004/2005 are set out in Appendix C. Council

**RECOMMEND : That the following be appointed to serve as voting voluntary – aided school representatives on the Education and Children Overview and Scrutiny Committee for 2004/2005 – 2005/2006 : -**

- (i)Mr Denis Carey;**
- (ii)one representative of the Persons who Appoint Foundation Governors to Voluntary Aided Jewish Schools – nominations set out in Appendix C ;**
- (iii) and a representative of the Church of England, to be nominated by the London Diocesan Board.**

#### 1.4 Housing Overview and Scrutiny Committee

The Constitution provides for two non – voting co-opted tenant representatives to be appointed to this Committee. The Council, on 21 October, 2003, agreed that these appointments should be made by the Barnet Housing Consultative Panel.

**RECOMMEND : That the two non – voting co-opted tenant representatives on the Housing Overview and Scrutiny Committee for 2004/2005 be appointed by the Barnet Housing Consultative Panel.**

#### 1.5 Independent Members of the Standards Committee

The Council at their Annual Meeting on 14 May 2002 appointed four independent people to serve on the Standards Committee, one of whom was appointed as Chairman.

Three of the independent people have their confirmed their willingness to continue, Mr Anil Goonewardene has resigned. The vacancy will be advertised and the outcome reported to a future meeting of Council.

##### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1. That, Professor Brian L GOMES da COSTA, Ms Marguerite Argles, JP, and Reverend Bernd Koschland be appointed to serve as Independent Persons on the Standards Committee for the municipal year 2004/2005.**
- 2. That Professor Brian L GOMES da COSTA be appointed Chairman for the municipal year 2004/2005.**
- 3. That the outcome of the advertisement seeking nominations to fill the vacancy caused my Mr Goonewardene’s resignation be reported to a future meeting.**

#### 2. Vacancies on School Governing Bodies

Appendix C lists (in bold) current vacancies now needing to be filled in the Council’s representation on school governing bodies.

In order to reflect the political balance of the Council, the political balance on school governing bodies (as at 30 April 2004) should be: -

Conservative	168
Labour	122
Liberal Democrat	30
Total	320

The current balance on school governing bodies is: -

Conservative	151
Labour	106
Liberal Democrat	24
Non political	1
Vacancies	38
Total	320

All persons appointed will hold office for four years from the date of appointment, with the exception of those appointed to the governing bodies of Woodcroft Infant and Nursery School and Woodcroft Junior School, as these schools are due to be amalgamated, with an anticipated amalgamation date of 1 September 2004, and the governing bodies of the existing schools will be wound up when the amalgamation takes place.

A temporary governing body has been set up in order to prepare for the new school, which will continue until a permanent governing body is established, and LEA governors were appointed to the temporary body by the General Functions Committee on 1 April 2004.

The positions at Garden Suburb Infant and Garden Suburb Junior Schools, shown as new vacancies on Appendix C, have arisen due to the two schools having arranged to reconstitute their separate governing bodies into a combined governing body, under the terms of the Federation of Schools (Community Schools, Community Special Schools, Voluntary Controlled Schools and Maintained Nursery Schools) (England) Regulations 2003.

One further vacancy exists, in addition to those detailed on Appendix C, at Friern Barnet School. However, the governing body is currently considering its reconstitution and, therefore, this vacancy does not presently need to be filled.

The Group Secretaries have been advised of the vacancies.

**RECOMMEND: That the Council make appointments to fill the vacancies reported.**

### 3. Representation of the Council on Outside Bodies

#### 3.1 Changes to the Representation of the Council on Outside Bodies

Since the last Annual Council Meeting, a thorough review of the outside bodies to which the Council makes appointments has been undertaken. As a result, many have been found to be defunct or no longer requiring Council representatives to be appointed. The number of bodies requiring appointments has been reduced from 121, to 99, which includes four new

bodies added to the list over the past year. Members are asked to note that Council appointments are no longer required to the following bodies:

Annunciation Catholic Youth Centre  
Area Centre Team Youth Advisory Committee  
Arts Team Youth Advisory Committee  
Association for Public Service Excellence  
Barnet Community Health Council  
Barnet Early Years Partnership  
Barnet Racial Equalities Council  
Barnet Racial Equalities Council – Executive Committee  
Barnet Sports Council  
Board of the North London Learning and Skills Council  
Central Team Youth Advisory Committee  
Centre for Local Economic Strategies  
Church Farm Youth Advisory Committee  
Detached Youth Work Team Youth Advisory Committee  
Enfield and Barnet Enterprise Agency  
Grahame Park Task Force  
Hendon Youth Sports Centre Advisory Committee  
Neeld and Parsons Charities  
North London Environmental Fund  
Outdoor Activity Team Youth Advisory Committee  
Social Services Secure Accommodation Panel  
South East Regional Association for the Deaf – Executive Council  
South East Regional Association for the Deaf – General Council  
South Team Youth Advisory Committee  
Watling Club  
West Team Youth Advisory Committee

In addition, representation on the London Local Authority Arts Forum has been reduced, as the third position which was previously held by an officer is no longer required, and the LGA's Urban Commission no longer requires the appointment of deputies to the two Members appointed.

Finally, there are two bodies which it has not been possible to make contact with and which are believed to be defunct. These are the Barnet Borough Conference of Voluntary Youth Organisations and the Joint Advisory Panel. The Council is asked to agree that appointments to these bodies need no longer be made.

**RECOMMEND: That the Council agree that no further representatives will be appointed to the Barnet Borough Conference of Voluntary Youth Organisations and the Joint Advisory Panel.**

### 3.2 Vacancies on Outside Bodies

Appendix D lists in bold the vacancies in the Council's representation on Outside Bodies.

The Group Secretaries have been advised of the vacancies.

Members are asked to note, with regard to the Moxon Street Old Infants School Foundation, that this organisation is currently without a secretary, due to the recent death of the former secretary, whose son is looking into resolving this situation. The Council's current representative on this organisation, Mr Peter Wilkinson, is aware of this situation. It is possible that the organisation, which handles a small charitable fund, may be wound up in the near future.

**RECOMMEND: That the Council make appointments to fill the vacancies reported.**

### 3.3 Representation of the Council on the Stonegrove and Spur Road Partnership Board Steering Group

The Council has been asked to appoint two representatives to the Stonegrove and Spur Road Partnership Board Steering Group, to comprise one Member and one officer, plus two substitutes. The appointments are for a period of two years, and renewable thereafter every two years. The purpose of the group is to guide and direct the regeneration of Stonegrove and Spur Road estates and their neighbourhood management.

The Group Secretaries have been advised of the vacancies.

**RECOMMEND: That the Council make appointments as requested to the Stonegrove and Spur Road Partnership Board Steering Group.**

## 4. Public Health Acts: Appointment of Proper Officer

The Council, on 12 September 1995 (Minute 47), appointed Dr Maurice Susman, Barnet Health Authority's Consultant in Communicable Diseases Control as proper officer for certain actions under the Public Health Acts, Dr Stephen Farrow as his Deputy and Anne Lippitt, the then Deputy Director of Environmental Services and Controller of Administration Services, to act with Dr Susman in carrying out certain functions.

The Local Government Association has now advised the Council that one of the consequences of the establishment of the new Health Protection Agency (HPA) is the need for local authorities to make new Proper Officer appointments, because the existing authorisations could not be carried over to the new HPA.

The Council has been advised of a list of doctors who carry out emergency public health on-call duties for the North Central London sector and should be appointed as Proper Officers, with Dr. Sukhdev Sharma being named as the lead officer for Barnet.

There is a requirement for certain aspects of the legislation for a Council Officer to carry out duties, with the Consultant. It is recommended that this Officer should be the Head of Environment and Neighbourhood Services and Deputy Director of Environment.

Failure to appoint a Proper Officer correctly could leave a local authority liable for consequential losses.

The London Boroughs of Enfield, Haringey, Camden and Islington are being asked to make similar appointments.

**RECOMMEND :**

- (1) That Dr Sukhdev Sharma, be appointed as proper officer for the purposes of**
  - (a) Sections 11, 20, 21, 36 and 40 of the Public Health (Control of Diseases) Act 1984;**
  - (b) Regulations 6, 8 and Schedules 3 and 4 of the Public Health (Infectious Diseases) Regulations, 1988;**
  - (c) Section 47 of the National Assistance Act, 1948, as amended by the National Assistance (Amendment) Act 1951;**
  - (d) Part VII (Regulations 18 to 20), Milk and Dairies (General);**
  - (e) Sections 84 and 85 of the Public Health Act, 1936;**
  - (f) Section 37 of the Public Health Act, 1961;**
  - (g) any Regulation, Order or other subsidiary legislation made under the above provisions and any commitment amending or replacing.**
- (2) That both Dr Sukhdev Sharma and Steve Presland, Head of Environment and Neighbourhood Services and Deputy Director of Environment be appointed as proper officers for the purposes of Sections 18, 22, 24, 29, 31, 32, 42, 43 and 48 of the Public Health (Control of Diseases) Act 1984.**
- (3) That the following be appointed to as proper officers in exercise of the above powers in the absence of the Consultant in Communicable Diseases :**
  - Dr Peter Sheridan**
  - Dr Sri Nadarajah**
  - Dr Catherine Brogan**
  - Dr Ann Marie Connolly**
  - Dr Ugo Okoli**
  - Dr Diane Addei**
  - Dr Andrew Burnett**
  - Dr Dagmar Zeuner**
  - Dr Andrew Harris**

Roy Goddard  
Head of Committee

Political Balance Allocation on Committees and Sub-Committees

Based on a total of 147 seats on ordinary committees (shown highlighted)

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Total Seats</b>	<b>Conservative</b>	<b>Labour</b>	<b>Liberal Democrat</b>
<b>Cabinet Overview and Scrutiny Committee</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Audit and Resources Overview &amp; Scrutiny Committee</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Improvement Overview and Scrutiny Committee</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Education and Children Overview &amp; Scrutiny Committee</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Housing Overview &amp; Scrutiny Committee</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Planning and Development Overview &amp; Scrutiny Committee</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Community, Recreation, Leisure &amp; Arts Overview &amp; Scrutiny Committee</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Health and Social Care Overview &amp; Scrutiny Committee</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Environment Overview &amp; Scrutiny Committee</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Human Resources and Equalities Overview &amp; Scrutiny Committee</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>General Functions Committee</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Planning and Environment Committee</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2</b>



<b>Committee</b>	<b>Total Seats</b>	<b>Conservative</b>	<b>Labour</b>	<b>Liberal Democrat</b>
Special Committee to deal with the Constitution	7	4	2	1
Standards Committee	3	1	1	1
<b>Appeals (1)</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Appeals (2)</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Appeals (3)</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Appeals (4)</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Appeals (5)</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>-</b>
Chief Officers Appointments Panel	7	4	2	1
Chief Officers Disciplinary & Capability Investigating Panel	5	3	1	1
Chief Officers Disciplinary Panel	<u>5</u>	3	1	1

The panels relating to Chief Officers are convened when appointments are required.

Appointments to the Welsh Harp Joint Consultative Committee are Conservative 2, Labour 2.

Planning and Environment Committee – will have 21 Members which Council can appoint to on a ward basis and achieve political balance. For wards with split representation the allocation of seats will be:-

Underhill Ward - 1 Conservative Seat  
Hale Ward - 1 Labour Seat

Area Planning and Environment Sub-Committees – one member per ward. For Wards with split representation the allocation of seats will be:-

Underhill Ward - 1 Conservative Seat  
Hale Ward - 1 Labour Seat

Bodies to which the Political Balance Rules do not apply

Corporate JNCC, Teachers JNCC, Corporate Joint Consultation (Health, Safety & Welfare)	Consultative bodies with agreed constitutions.
Social Services Review Panels (Children and Community Care)	Special statutory bodies appointed by the Head of Committee Administration. Social Services Review Panels are dealt with as an outside body. The Social Services Secure Accommodation Panel is now treated as an outside body.
Social Services Secure Accommodation Panel	
Standing Committee for Religious Education	Treated as outside bodies to which appointments are made by the Council
Social Services Joint Inspection Unit Advisory Panel	
Adoption and Permanency Panel	
School Organisation Committee	A statutory body but not a Committee of the Council – treated as an outside body
Pension Fund Management Advisory Panel	Not a committee, one member from each political group.
Consultative Forums	Not committees.

## Register of Appointments and Nominations on School Governors

**1. Organisation: Annunciation RC Infant School**

No. of Representatives: 1

Current Representatives Vac Ref

- 1 - **Mr D Williams** (Resigned 18/03/2003) VP3.1  
**Period of appointment:** 09/07/2000 to 08/07/2004 Labour

**2. Organisation: Annunciation RC Junior School**

No. of Representatives: 1

Current Representatives Vac Ref

- 1 - **Ms Rosemary Carney** (Resigned 03/12/2002) VP.18.1  
**Period of appointment:** 23/01/2002 to 22/01/2006 Labour

**3. Organisation: Barnet Hill JMI and Nursery School**

No. of Representatives: 3

Current Representatives Vac Ref

- 1 - **Mr Gordon Massey** (Appointed 27/06/2001) P2.1  
**Period of appointment:** 28/06/2001 to 27/06/2005 Labour
- 2 - **Mr J Tyler** (Disqualified 13/06/2003) P2.2  
**Period of appointment:** 27/07/2001 to 26/07/2005 Conservative
- 3 - **Councillor Linda McFadyen** (Appointed 10/09/2002) P2.3  
**Period of appointment:** 10/09/2002 to 09/09/2006 Labour

**4. Organisation: Brookhill Nursery School**

No. of Representatives: 2

Current Representatives Vac Ref

- 1 - **Mrs J Last** (Appointed 04/02/2001) NP.46.1  
**Period of appointment:** 04/02/2001 to 03/02/2005 Conservative
- 2 - **Councillor Susan Steinberg** (Disqualified 29/04/2003) NP.46.2  
**Period of appointment:** 19/03/2002 to 18/03/2006 Conservative

**5. Organisation: Christ Church CE JMI School**

No. of Representatives: 2

Current Representatives Vac Ref

- 1 - **Mr Tim Roberts** (Resigned 20/12/2002) VP.05.1  
**Period of appointment:** 10/09/2002 to 09/09/2006 Labour
- 2 - **Mr R Lawson** (Appointed 28/06/2000) VP.05.2  
**Period of appointment:** 09/07/2000 to 08/07/2004 Conservative

## 6. Organisation: Christ Church CE Secondary School

No. of Representatives: 2

Current Representatives Vac Ref

- 1 - Councillor Brian Coleman (Appointed 09/07/2000) VS.02.1  
Period of appointment: 09/07/2000 to 08/07/2004 Conservative
- 2 - **Mr Victor Kaye** (Resigned 08/10/2003) VS.02.2  
Period of appointment: 19/11/2002 to 18/11/2006 Conservative

## 7. Organisation: Clitterhouse Infant and Nursery School

No. of Representatives: 3

Current Representatives Vac Ref

- 1 - **Mr Jonathan Herbst** (Resigned 24/06/2003) P.28a.1  
Period of appointment: 27/07/2001 to 26/07/2005 Conservative
- 2 - Councillor Alan Schneiderman (Appointed 11/11/2003) P.28a.2  
Period of appointment: 11/11/2003 to 10/11/2007 Labour
- 3 - **Mr P Bird** (Deceased 09/01/2003) P.28a.3  
Period of appointment: 11/11/1999 to 10/11/2003 Conservative

## 8. Organisation: Clitterhouse Junior School

No. of Representatives: 3

Current Representatives Vac Ref

- 1 - Mrs Diana Harris (Appointed 09/07/2002) P.28b.1  
Period of appointment: 09/07/2002 to 08/07/2006 Conservative
- 2 - Councillor Alan Schneiderman (Appointed 11/11/2003) P.28b.2  
Period of appointment: 11/11/2003 to 10/11/2007 Labour
- 3 - **Mr Norman Bedford** (Expired 10/11/2003) P.28b.3  
Period of appointment: 11/11/1999 to 10/11/2003 Conservative

## 9. Organisation: Courtland JMI School

No. of Representatives: 3

Current Representatives Vac Ref

- 1 - **Mrs J Burton** (Resigned 13/07/2003) P.39.1  
Period of appointment: 09/07/2000 to 08/07/2004 Liberal Democrat
- 2 - Mr K Dyll (Appointed 28/06/2000) P.39.2  
Period of appointment: 09/07/2000 to 08/07/2004 Conservative
- 3 - Mrs A Pottinger (Appointed 28/06/2000) P.39.3  
Period of appointment: 09/07/2000 to 08/07/2004 Labour

## 10. Organisation: Garden Suburb Infant and Garden Suburb Junior Schools

No. of Representatives: 4

Current Representatives		Vac Ref
1 - Ms Mary Ogle	(Appointed 01/04/2004)	P.24c.1
Period of appointment:	02/04/2004 to 01/04/2008	Conservative
2 - Mrs Barbara Harris	(Appointed 01/04/2004)	P.24c.2
Period of appointment:	02/04/2004 to 01/04/2008	Conservative
<b>3 New Vacancy</b>		<b>P.24c.3</b>
<b>4 New Vacancy</b>		<b>P.24c.4</b>

## 11. Organisation: Goldbeaters Primary School

No. of Representatives: 4

Current Representatives		Vac Ref
<b>1 - Ms Rosemary Carney</b>	<b>(Resigned 03/12/2002)</b>	<b>P.35.1</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>15/04/2001 to 14/04/2005</b>	<b>Labour</b>
2 - Mrs Valerie Barrett	(Appointed 13/12/2000)	P.35.2
Period of appointment:	07/12/2000 to 06/12/2004	Labour
3 - Councillor Claire Farrier	(Appointed 22/02/2001)	P.35.3
Period of appointment:	22/02/2001 to 21/02/2005	Labour
4 - Mr Vinay Sharma	(Appointed 09/07/2002)	P.35.4
Period of appointment:	09/07/2002 to 08/07/2006	Conservative

## 12. Organisation: Grasvenor Avenue Infant School

No. of Representatives: 2

Current Representatives		Vac Ref
<b>1 - Mrs A Beiseigel</b>	<b>(Resigned 19/11/2003)</b>	<b>P.45.1</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 13/05/2007</b>	<b>Conservative</b>
<b>2 - Mr J Tyler</b>	<b>(Disqualified 30/05/2003)</b>	<b>P.45.2</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>27/07/2001 to 26/07/2005</b>	<b>Conservative</b>

## 13. Organisation: Hampden Way Nursery School

No. of Representatives: 2

Current Representatives		Vac Ref
1 - Mrs J G Lodhi	(Appointed 28/06/2000)	P.48.1
Period of appointment:	09/07/2000 to 08/07/2004	Conservative
<b>2 - Mr Suresh Jethwa</b>	<b>(Resigned 22/10/2003)</b>	<b>P.48.2</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>11/11/1999 to 10/11/2003</b>	<b>Labour</b>

#### 14. Organisation: Mapledown School

No. of Representatives: 3

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

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|--|---------------------------------|----------------|
| 1 - Mr Suraj Sehgal                    | (Appointed 11/09/2001)          | SP.01.1        |
| Period of appointment:                 | 12/09/2001 to 11/09/2005        | Conservative   |
| <b>2 - Mrs Doreen Neall (deceased)</b> | <b>(Deceased 29/03/2004)</b>    | <b>SP.01.2</b> |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b>          | <b>04/11/2001 to 03/11/2005</b> | <b>Labour</b>  |
| 3 - Councillor Ansuya Sodha            | (Appointed 08/07/2003)          | SP.01.3        |
| Period of appointment:                 | 01/09/2003 to 31/08/2007        | Labour         |

#### 15. Organisation: Monkfrith JMI School

No. of Representatives: 3

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

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|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|
| 1 - Councillor Andreas Tambourides | (Appointed 19/11/2003)          | P.09.1        |
| Period of appointment:             | 19/11/2003 to 18/11/2007        | Conservative  |
| 2 - Mrs J G Lodhi                  | (Appointed 28/06/2000)          | P.09.2        |
| Period of appointment:             | 09/07/2000 to 08/07/2004        | Conservative  |
| <b>3 - Mrs Jackie Carlowe</b>      | <b>(Resigned 21/07/2003)</b>    | <b>P.09.3</b> |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b>      | <b>07/12/2000 to 06/12/2004</b> | <b>Labour</b> |

#### 16. Organisation: Moss Hall Infant School

No. of Representatives: 3

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

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|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------|
| <b>1 - Mr Nadeem Nusrat</b>   | <b>(Resigned 22/10/2003)</b>    | <b>P.18a.1</b> |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b> | <b>19/11/2002 to 18/11/2006</b> | <b>Labour</b>  |
| 2 - Ms Kim Zeital             | (Appointed 11/11/2003)          | P.18a.2        |
| Period of appointment:        | 11/11/2003 to 10/11/2007        | Labour         |
| 3 - Ms Miriam Aquilina        | (Appointed 16/12/2003)          | P.18a.3        |
| Period of appointment:        | 06/01/2004 to 05/01/2008        | Labour         |

#### 17. Organisation: Northway School

No. of Representatives: 3

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

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|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1 - Mrs M Stannard            | (Appointed 16/12/2003)          | SP.02.1             |
| Period of appointment:        | 06/01/2004 to 05/01/2008        | Conservative        |
| <b>2 - Mr Hugh Rayner</b>     | <b>(Resigned 25/11/2003)</b>    | <b>SP.02.2</b>      |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b> | <b>09/07/2002 to 08/07/2006</b> | <b>Conservative</b> |
| 3 - Ms Dadia Conti            | (Appointed 08/07/2003)          | SP.02.3             |

Period of appointment: 01/09/2003 to 31/08/2007 Labour

**18. Organisation : Osidge Foundation School**

No. of Representatives: 2

Current Representatives Vac Ref

1 - **Mr Mark Gordon** (Expired 31/08/2003) **FP2.1**  
**Period of appointment: 01/09/1999 to 31/08/2003 Labour**

2 - Councillor Andreas Tambourides (Appointed 08/07/2003) **FP2.2**  
Period of appointment: 01/09/2003 to 31/08/2007 Conservative

**19. Organisation: St. Johns CE Primary N11**

No. of Representatives: 2

Current Representatives Vac Ref

1 - Mrs Eileen Botham (Appointed 10/02/2004) **VP.32.1**  
Period of appointment: 17/02/2004 to 16/02/2008 Conservative

2 - **Councillor Terry Burton** (Resigned 05/02/2003) **VP.32.2**  
**Period of appointment: 30/03/2000 to 29/03/2004 Conservative**

**20. Organisation: St. Johns NW4**

No. of Representatives: 1

Current Representatives Vac Ref

1 - **Mrs R Levy** (Expired 16/02/2004) **VP.21a.1**  
**Period of appointment: 17/02/2000 to 16/02/2004 Conservative**

**21. Organisation: St Marys CE School, East Barnet**

No. of Representatives: 1

Current Representatives Vac Ref

1 - **Mrs E Parnwell** (Resigned 25/11/2002) **VP.19.1**  
**Period of appointment: 15/12/2001 to 14/12/2005 Labour**

**22. Organisation: St Marys CE School, N3**

No. of Representatives: 2

Current Representatives Vac Ref

1 - **Ms Elizabeth Davies** (Disqualified 27/03/2004) **VP.20.1**  
**Period of appointment: 20/11/2002 to 19/11/2006 Conservative**

2 - Mrs S Barker (Appointed 10/09/2002) **VP.20.2**  
Period of appointment: 10/09/2002 to 09/09/2006 Labour

### 23. Organisation: Sunnyfields Primary School

No. of Representatives: 3

Current Representatives Vac Ref

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|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1 - Councillor Maureen Braun  | (Appointed 28/06/2000)          | P.31.1              |
| Period of appointment:        | 09/07/2000 to 08/07/2004        | Conservative        |
| 2 - <b>Mr Darren Caplan</b>   | <b>(Expired 08/05/2004)</b>     | <b>P.31.2</b>       |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b> | <b>09/05/2000 to 08/05/2004</b> | <b>Conservative</b> |
| 3 - Mr R J Teare              | (Appointed 08/07/2003)          | P.31.3              |
| Period of appointment:        | 01/09/2003 to 31/08/2007        | Liberal Democrat    |

### 24. Organisation: The Martin Infant School

No. of Representatives: 4

Current Representatives Vac Ref

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|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1 - Councillor Philip Yeoman  | (Appointed 11/11/2003)          | P.20a.1             |
| Period of appointment:        | 11/11/2003 to 10/11/2007        | Labour              |
| 2 - <b>Mrs Pam Daly</b>       | <b>(Resigned 10/01/2004)</b>    | <b>P.20a.2</b>      |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b> | <b>19/11/2002 to 18/11/2006</b> | <b>Conservative</b> |
| 3 - Mr Charles Clore          | (Appointed 14/05/2003)          | P.20a.3             |
| Period of appointment:        | 14/05/2003 to 13/05/2007        | Conservative        |
| 4 - Miss Pamela Walker        | (Appointed 16/12/2003)          | P.20a.4             |
| Period of appointment:        | 06/01/2004 to 05/01/2008        | Conservative        |

### 25. Organisation: The Martin Junior School

No. of Representatives: 4

Current Representatives Vac Ref

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|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1 - Councillor Philip Yeoman  | (Appointed 11/11/2003)          | P.20b.1             |
| Period of appointment:        | 11/11/2003 to 10/11/2007        | Labour              |
| 2 - Ms Judy Kraus             | (Appointed 19/11/2002)          | P.20b.2             |
| Period of appointment:        | 19/11/2002 to 18/11/2006        | Conservative        |
| 3 - Mrs J Shrank              | (Appointed 10/02/2004)          | P.20b.3             |
| Period of appointment:        | 11/02/2004 to 10/02/2008        | Conservative        |
| 4 - <b>Mrs B Cassab</b>       | <b>(Resigned 14/01/2004)</b>    | <b>P.20b.4</b>      |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b> | <b>11/11/2003 to 10/11/2007</b> | <b>Conservative</b> |



## 26. Organisation: The Orion Primary School

No. of Representatives: 4

Current Representatives		Vac Ref
1 - Councillor Gill Sargeant	(Appointed 16/12/2003)	P.36.1
Period of appointment:	06/01/2004 to 05/01/2008	Labour
2 - Ms Nargis Narenthira	(Appointed 28/11/2001)	P.36.2
Period of appointment:	28/11/2001 to 27/11/2005	Labour
<b>3 - Mr A Maund</b>	<b>(Resigned 31/12/2002)</b>	<b>P.36.3</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>06/01/2000 to 05/01/2004</b>	<b>Conservative</b>
4 - Mr J Hart	(Appointed 19/11/2002)	P.36.4
Period of appointment:	19/11/2002 to 18/11/2006	Conservative

## 27. Organisation: Tudor JMI School

No. of Representatives: 3

Current Representatives		Vac Ref
1 - Councillor Alison Moore	(Appointed 16/09/2003)	P.22.1
Period of appointment:	16/09/2003 to 15/09/2007	Labour
<b>2 - Mr Dermot Donnelly</b>	<b>(Disqualified 13/06/2003)</b>	<b>P.22.2</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>09/07/2002 to 08/07/2006</b>	<b>Conservative</b>
3 - Mr Stefan Kerner	(Appointed 14/05/2003)	P.22.3
Period of appointment:	14/05/2003 to 13/05/2007	Conservative

## 28. Organisation: Underhill Infant School

No. of Representatives: 3

Current Representatives		Vac Ref
1 - Councillor Anita Campbell	(Appointed 11/11/2003)	P.1a.1
Period of appointment:	11/11/2003 to 10/11/2007	Labour
2 - Mr Duncan Macdonald	(Appointed 11/11/2003)	P.1a.2
Period of appointment:	11/11/2003 to 10/11/2007	Liberal Democrat
<b>3 - Ms R Burrage</b>	<b>(Expired 05/01/2004)</b>	<b>P.1a.3</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>06/01/2000 to 05/01/2004</b>	<b>Liberal Democrat</b>

## 29. Organisation: Wessex Gardens Primary School

No. of Representatives: 4

Current Representatives		Vac Ref
1 - <b>Mr F Dannenburg</b>	<b>(Expired 05/01/2004)</b>	<b>P.27.1</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>06/01/2000 to 05/01/2004</b>	<b>Conservative</b>
2 - Councillor Eva Greenspan	(Appointed 26/07/2001)	P.27.2
Period of appointment:	27/07/2001 to 26/07/2005	Conservative
3 - Dr John Gearson	(Appointed 22/03/2001)	P.27.3
Period of appointment:	22/03/2001 to 21/03/2005	Conservative
4 - Councillor Monroe Palmer	(Appointed 23/10/2001)	P.27.4
Period of appointment:	24/10/2001 to 23/10/2005	Liberal Democrat

## 30. Organisation: Whitings Hill Primary School

No. of Representatives: 4

Current Representatives		Vac Ref
1 - <b>Ms Helena Davis</b>	<b>(Resigned 20/10/2003)</b>	<b>P.03.1</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>11/06/2003 to 10/06/2007</b>	<b>Conservative</b>
2 - Councillor Susan Steinberg	(Appointed 09/07/2002)	P.03.2
Period of appointment:	09/07/2002 to 08/07/2006	Conservative
3 - Mr Steve Tyler	(Appointed 02/03/2004)	P.03.3
Period of appointment:	03/03/2004 to 02/03/2008	Labour
4 - Mrs Judy Copping -Joyce	(Appointed 27/07/2001)	P.03.4
Period of appointment:	27/07/2001 to 26/07/2005	Conservative

## 31. Organisation: Woodcroft Infant and Nursery School

No. of Representatives: 3

Current Representatives		Vac Ref
1 - <b>Miss A Smart</b>	<b>(Resigned 05/01/2004)</b>	<b>P.37a.1</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>06/01/2000 to 05/01/2004</b>	<b>Conservative</b>
2 - <b>Mr Richard Burrows</b>	<b>(Expires 31/05/2004)</b>	<b>P.37a.2</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>01/06/2000 to 31/05/2004</b>	<b>Conservative</b>
3 - Councillor Steven Blomer	(Appointed 11/11/2003)	P.37a.3
Period of appointment:	11/11/2003 to 10/11/2007	Labour

### 32. Organisation: Woodcroft Junior School

No. of Representatives: 3

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

- |                              |                          |              |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|
| 1 - Councillor Steven Blomer | (Appointed 11/11/2003)   | P.37b.1      |
| Period of appointment:       | 11/11/2003 to 10/11/2007 | Labour       |
| 2 - Miss A Smart             | (Resigned 05/01/2004)    | P.37b.2      |
| Period of appointment:       | 06/01/2000 to 05/01/2004 | Conservative |
| 3 - Mr Richard Burrows       | (Expires 31/05/2004)     | P.37b.3      |
| Period of appointment:       | 01/06/2000 to 31/05/2004 | Conservative |

## Register of Appointments and Nominations on Outside Bodies

**1. Organisation: Age Concern Barnet**

Special Conditions:

None

No. of Representatives: 2

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

**1 - Councillor Malcolm Lester (Expires 18/05/2004) 0005  
Member**

**Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004**

**2 - Mr Tim Sims (Expires 18/05/2004) 0006  
Member**

**Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004**

**2. Organisation: Almshouse Charities of Samuel Atkinson and Others**

Special Conditions:

Persons appointed need not be Members of the Council but they must be nominated by the Councillors representing the Edgware Ward.

Appointment is four years, or for the remaining unexpired term if an appointee is replaced mid-term.

No. of Representatives: 3 (Representative Trustees)

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

**1 - Councillor Joan Scannell (Resigned 02/12/2003) 1002  
Member**

**Period of appointment: 09/07/2003 to 06/12/2004**

**2 - Mrs Jackie Page (Appointed 20/03/2002) 1003  
Member**

**Period of appointment: 20/03/2002 to 19/03/2006**

**3 - Councillor Brian Gordon (Appointed 26/11/2002) 1004  
Member**

**Period of appointment: 26/11/2002 to 25/11/2006**

**3. Organisation: Association of London Government - Crime & Public Protection Forum**

Special Conditions:

Councils make nominations (usually lead member for community safety/policing matters). Appointments, including nine-member steering group and officer positions, made by Leaders' committee.

No. of Representatives: 1 + 1 deputy

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

**1 - Councillor Peter Davis (Expires 18/05/2004) 0208  
Nominee**

**Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004**

**2 - Councillor Malcolm Lester (Expires 18/05/2004) 0208a  
Deputy**

**Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004**

**4. Organisation: Association of London Government - Culture & Tourism Forum**

Special Conditions:

Councils make nominations (usually lead member for culture, tourism or sport). Appointments, including nine-member steering group and officer positions, made by Leaders' committee

No. of Representatives: 1 + deputy

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

<b>1 - Councillor Peter Davis</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0202</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	<b>Nominee</b>
<b>2 - Councillor Victor Lyon</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0202a</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	<b>Deputy</b>

**5. Organisation: Association of London Government - Economic Development Forum**

Special Conditions:

Councils make nominations (usually lead member for economic development, Europe or regeneration). Appointments, including nine-member steering group and officer positions, made by Leaders' committee.

No. of Representatives: 1 + 1 deputy

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

<b>1 - Councillor Kanti Patel</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0209</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	<b>Nominee</b>
<b>2 - Councillor Melvin Cohen</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0209a</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	<b>Deputy</b>

**6. Organisation: Association of London Government - Education Forum**

Special Conditions:

Councils make nominations (usually lead member for education). Appointments, including nine-member steering group and officer positions, made by Leaders' committee.

No. of Representatives: 1 + 1 Deputy

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

<b>1 - Councillor Lynne Hillan</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0203</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	<b>Nominee</b>
<b>2 - Councillor John Marshall</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0203a</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	<b>Deputy</b>

**7. Organisation: Association of London Government - Grants Committee**

Special Conditions:

Councils nominate directly one voting member and up to four named deputies.

No. of Representatives: 1 + up to 4 deputies

Current Representatives		Vac Ref
<b>1 - Councillor Michael Freer</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0109 Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>2 - Councillor Katia David</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0109a Substitute</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>3 - Councillor Anthony Finn</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0109b Substitute</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>4 - Councillor Kanti Patel</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0109c Substitute</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	

**8. Organisation: Association of London Government - Greater London Provincial Council**

Special Conditions:

Councils nominate a deputy representative to the GLPC Employers Side. The Leaders' Committee will constitute the GLPC Employers Side. However, it will not normally meet to deal with day to day matters. Instead these will be dealt with by a meeting of deputy representatives nominated by the boroughs.

No. of Representatives: 1+ deputy

Current Representatives		Vac Ref
<b>1 - Councillor Katia David</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0204 Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>2 - Councillor Leslie Sussman</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0204a Deputy</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	

**9. Organisation: Association of London Government - Health & Social Care Forum**

Special Conditions:

Councils make nominations (usually lead member for social services or health). Appointments, including nine-member steering group and officer positions, made by Leaders' committee.

No. of Representatives: 1 + 1 deputy

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

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|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>1 - Councillor Maureen Braun</b> | <b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>     | <b>0207<br/>Nominee</b> |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b>       | <b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b> |                         |
| <b>2 - Councillor Helena Hart</b>   | <b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>     | <b>0207a<br/>Deputy</b> |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b>       | <b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b> |                         |

**10. Organisation: Association of London Government - Housing Forum**

Special Conditions:

Councils make nominations (usually lead member for housing). Appointments, including nine-member steering group and officer positions, made by Leaders' Committee.

No. of Representatives: 1 + 1 deputy

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

- |                                      |                                 |                         |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>1 - Councillor Brian Salinger</b> | <b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>     | <b>0206<br/>Nominee</b> |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b>        | <b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b> |                         |
| <b>2 - Councillor Fiona Bulmer</b>   | <b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>     | <b>0206a<br/>Deputy</b> |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b>        | <b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b> |                         |

**11. Organisation: Association of London Government - Lead Member for Equalities**

Special Conditions:

The Leaders Committee AGM currently appoints from nominations made by the the boroughs a 'lead member' for equalities who will also be an ex-officio member of the Leaders' Committee, if not already a member.

No. of Representatives: 1

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

- |                                   |                                 |                         |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>1 - Councillor Katia David</b> | <b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>     | <b>0205<br/>Nominee</b> |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b>     | <b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b> |                         |

**12. Organisation: Association of London Government - London Caribbean Partnership**

Special Conditions:

1 Member + 1 deputy.

No. of Representatives: 1 + 1 deputy

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

- |                                      |                                 |                         |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>1 - Councillor Agnes Slocombe</b> | <b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>     | <b>0110<br/>Member</b>  |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b>        | <b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b> |                         |
| <b>2 - Councillor Katia David</b>    | <b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>     | <b>0110a<br/>Deputy</b> |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b>        | <b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b> |                         |

**13. Organisation: Association of London Government - London Housing Unit Committee**

Special Conditions:

Annual appointment. Usually the Leader is nominated.

No. of Representatives: 1 + 1 deputy

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

- |                                      |                                 |                        |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|
| <b>1 - Councillor Brian Salinger</b> | <b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>     | <b>6400<br/>Member</b> |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b>        | <b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b> |                        |
| <b>2 - Councillor Fiona Bulmer</b>   | <b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>     | <b>6401<br/>Deputy</b> |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b>        | <b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b> |                        |

**14. Organisation: Association of London Government - London Housing Unit Executive Sub-Committee**

Special Conditions:

Annual appointment. Usually the Lead Member for Housing is nominated.

No. of Representatives: 1 + 1 deputy

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

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|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|
| <b>1 - Councillor Brian Salinger</b> | <b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>     | <b>6402<br/>Member</b> |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b>        | <b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b> |                        |
| <b>2 - Councillor Fiona Bulmer</b>   | <b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>     | <b>6403<br/>Deputy</b> |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b>        | <b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b> |                        |



**15. Organisation: Association of London Government - S101 Leaders Committee**

Special Conditions:

Councils nominate one voting member (usually the Leader, but not necessarily) and up to two named deputies. All three members will receive papers for meetings. The council's representative will also be the representative to the company ALG Limited, unless alternative arrangements are made.

No. of Representatives: 1 + 2 deputies

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

<b>1 - Councillor Victor Lyon</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0198</b>
<b>Member</b>		
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>2 - Councillor Anthony Finn</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0198a</b>
<b>Deputy</b>		
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>3 - Councillor Brian Salinger</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0198b</b>
<b>Deputy</b>		
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	

**16. Organisation: Association of London Government - Transport & Environment Committee**

Special Conditions:

Councils nominate directly (usually lead member for transport and / or environmental issues). One voting member and up to four named deputies.

No. of Representatives: 1 + up to 4 deputies

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

<b>1 - Councillor Brian Coleman</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0227</b>
<b>Member</b>		
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>2 - Councillor John Marshall</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0227a</b>
<b>Deputy</b>		
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>3 - Councillor Gerard Silverstone</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0227b</b>
<b>Deputy</b>		
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>4 - Councillor Melvin Cohen</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0227c</b>
<b>Deputy</b>		
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>5 - Councillor Andreas Tambourides</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0227d</b>
<b>Deputy</b>		
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	

## 17. Organisation: Barnet Borough Arts Council

Special Conditions:

Three representatives must be Members of the Council.

No. of Representatives: 4

Current Representatives	Vac Ref
<b>1 - Councillor Peter Davis</b> (Expires 18/05/2004)	<b>0022</b>
<b>Member</b>	
<b>Period of appointment:</b> 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004	
<b>2 - Councillor Wendy Prentice</b> (Expires 18/05/2004)	<b>0023</b>
<b>Member</b>	
<b>Period of appointment:</b> 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004	
<b>3 - Councillor Susan Steinberg</b> (Expires 18/05/2004)	<b>0024</b>
<b>Member</b>	
<b>Period of appointment:</b> 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004	
<b>4 - Head of Cultural Services</b> (Expires 18/05/2004)	<b>0025</b>
<b>Member</b>	
<b>Period of appointment:</b> 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004	

## 18. Organisation: Barnet Care Attendant Scheme Management Committee

Special Conditions:

(a) Representatives must be Members of the Council;

(b) Preferably, one representative should be the Cabinet Member for Social Care.

No. of Representatives: 2

Current Representatives	Vac Ref
<b>1 - Councillor Soon-Hoe Teh</b> (Expires 18/05/2004)	<b>0032</b>
<b>Member</b>	
<b>Period of appointment:</b> 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004	
<b>2 - Councillor Kevin Edson</b> (Resigned 24/03/2004)	<b>0033</b>
<b>Member</b>	
<b>Period of appointment:</b> 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004	

## 19. Organisation: Barnet Community and Police Consultative Group

Special Conditions:

Representatives shall be:

(a) The Leader of the Council

(b) The Cabinet Members for Children's Services, Education and Lifelong Learning, Children and Community Development and Social Care.

(c) 1 representative each from the Labour and Liberal Democrat Groups.

If in future years a member in the latter category is appointed to chair one of the committees concerned, the matter would need to be reported back to Committee.

No. of Representatives: 6 members plus 6 substitutes

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

1 - Councillor Victor Lyon Leader of the Council Period of appointment:	(Expires 18/05/2004) 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004	1032 Member
2 - Councillor Lynne Hillan Period of appointment:	(Expires 18/05/2004) 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004	1033 Member
3 - Councillor Maureen Braun Period of appointment:	(Expires 18/05/2004) 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004	1034 Member
4 - Councillor Peter Davis Period of appointment:	(Expires 18/05/2004) 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004	1035 Member
5 - Councillor Soon-Hoe Teh Period of appointment:	(Expires 18/05/2004) 22/10/2003 to 18/05/2004	1036 Member
6 - Councillor Sean Hooker Period of appointment:	(Expires 18/05/2004) 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004	1037 Member
7 - Councillor Joan Scannell Period of appointment:	(Expires 18/05/2004) 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004	1038 Substitute
8 - Councillor Melvin Cohen Period of appointment:	(Expires 18/05/2004) 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004	1039 Substitute
9 - Councillor Gerard Silverstone Period of appointment:	(Expires 18/05/2004) 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004	1040 Substitute
10 - Councillor Terry Burton Period of appointment:	(Expires 18/05/2004) 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004	1041 Substitute
11 - Councillor Alan Schneiderman Period of appointment:	(Expires 18/05/2004) 19/11/2003 to 18/05/2004	1042 Substitute
12 - Councillor Susette Palmer Period of appointment:	(Expires 18/05/2004) 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004	1043 Substitute

## 20. Organisation: Barnet Community Homes

### Special Conditions:

A charity set up to run the Council's former Residential Care Homes for Older People. One representative is required, who does not have to be a Councillor.

No. of Representatives: 1

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

- |                                     |                                 |               |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|
| <b>1 - Councillor Maureen Braun</b> | <b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>     | <b>9898</b>   |
|                                     |                                 | <b>Member</b> |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b>       | <b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b> |               |

## 21. Organisation: Barnet Housing Aid Centre

### Special Conditions:

The Management Committee shall be constituted with up to 15 Members. Three must be elected representatives of the Local Authority who will be non-voting members.

No. of Representatives: 3

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

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|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|
| <b>1 - Councillor Allan Turner</b>   | <b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>     | <b>0044</b>   |
|                                      |                                 | <b>Member</b> |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b>        | <b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b> |               |
| <b>2 - Councillor Brian Salinger</b> | <b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>     | <b>0045</b>   |
|                                      |                                 | <b>Member</b> |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b>        | <b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b> |               |
| <b>3 - Councillor Fiona Bulmer</b>   | <b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>     | <b>0046</b>   |
|                                      |                                 | <b>Member</b> |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b>        | <b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b> |               |

## 22. Organisation: Barnet Housing Associations Liaison Group

### Special Conditions:

The representatives must include the Cabinet Member for Housing and Environmental Health and the Director of Social Affairs (or his representative for Housing or his representative for Social Services).

No. of Representatives: 4

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

- |                                       |                                 |               |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|
| <b>1 - Councillor Brian Salinger</b>  | <b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>     | <b>0047</b>   |
|                                       |                                 | <b>Member</b> |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b>         | <b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b> |               |
| <b>2 - Councillor Fiona Bulmer</b>    | <b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>     | <b>0048</b>   |
|                                       |                                 | <b>Member</b> |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b>         | <b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b> |               |
| <b>3 - Head of Housing</b>            | <b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>     | <b>0049</b>   |
|                                       |                                 | <b>Member</b> |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b>         | <b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b> |               |
| <b>4 - Director of Social Affairs</b> | <b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>     | <b>0050</b>   |
|                                       |                                 | <b>Member</b> |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b>         | <b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b> |               |

**23. Organisation: Barnet Voluntary Service Council**

Special Conditions:

- (a) Representatives must be Members of the Council.
- (b) One representative is invited to serve on the Board of Trustees.
- (c) The Council may from time to time invite any person holding office within the area of benefit to become an ex-officio member of the Council provided always that such person on leaving office ceases to be a member.
- (d) The Council may co-opt persons having special knowledge or experience and for such period as the Council determine provided always that the numbers of co-opted persons shall not exceed at any time one fourth of the representative members of the Council.

No. of Representatives: 3

Current Representatives		Vac Ref
<b>1 - Councillor Maureen Braun</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0029 Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>2 - Councillor Terry Burton</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0030 Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>3 - Councillor Helena Hart</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0031 Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	

**24. Organisation: Barnet Volunteer Bureau**

Special Conditions:

Annual appointment.

No. of Representatives: 1

Current Representatives		Vac Ref
<b>1 - Ms Helena Davis</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0054 Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>22/10/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	

**25. Organisation: Brent Cross Association Limited**

Special Conditions:

(a) Clause 17 of the Articles of Association entitles the Council to authorise such person as it thinks fit to act as its representative at any meeting of the Association, i.e one person only.

(b)The representative is a non-voting member.

No. of Representatives: 1

Current Representatives		Vac Ref
<b>1 - Councillor Kanti Patel</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0055 Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	

**26. Organisation: Continuing Care Review Panel**

Special Conditions:

- (a) Annual appointment (to be renewed at Annual Council)
- (b) The representative will only be required to sit on the Panel if the review does not concern a Barnet Borough resident.
- (c) Councillors are not eligible for appointment, under the terms of new regulations.

No. of Representatives: 1

Current Representatives Vac Ref

**1 - Councillor Maureen Braun (Vacant 14/04/2004) 4526 Member**

**Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004**

**27. Organisation: Court of the City University (Northampton College)**

Special Conditions:

None.

No. of Representatives: 1

Current Representatives Vac Ref

**1 - Councillor Lynne Hillan (Expires 18/05/2004) 0058 Member**

**Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004**

**28. Organisation: Darlands Lake Nature Reserve Management Group**

Special Conditions:

One Councillor from Totteridge Ward

One Councillor from Mill Hill Ward

No. of Representatives: 2

Current Representatives Vac Ref

**1 - Councillor Brian Coleman (Expires 18/05/2004) 0010 Member**

**Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004**

**2 - Councillor Jeremy Davies (Expires 18/05/2004) 0011 Member**

**Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004**

**29. Organisation: Disability Action in the Borough of Barnet**

Special Conditions:

None.

No. of Representatives: 2

Current Representatives Vac Ref

**1 - Councillor Robert Newton (Expires 18/05/2004) 0060 Member**

**Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004**

**2 - Director of Social Affairs (Expires 18/05/2004) 0061 Member**

**Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004**

**30. Organisation: East Finchley Neighbourhood Centre Management Committee**

Special Conditions:

Representatives must be Members of the Council and should be serving councillors from any of the wards of East Finchley, Finchley Church End, Garden Suburb, West Finchley and Woodhouse.

No. of Representatives: 5

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

<b>1 - Councillor Colin Rogers</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0169</b>
		<b>Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>2 - Councillor Eva Greenspan</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0170</b>
		<b>Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>3 - Councillor Kitty Lyons</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0171</b>
		<b>Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>4 - Councillor John Marshall</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0172</b>
		<b>Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>5 - Councillor Mark Langton</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0173</b>
		<b>Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	

**31. Organisation: Edgware District Reform Synagogue Youth Club**

Special Conditions:

None

No. of Representatives: 1

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

<b>1 - Councillor Alan Sloam</b>	<b>(Resigned 21/10/2003)</b>	<b>3006</b>
		<b>Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>26/11/2002 to 25/11/2006</b>	

**32. Organisation: Friend in Need Community Centre**

Special Conditions:

The Grants Committee at their meetings on 4 and 9 March 1992 appointed Grant Aid to this organisation for 1992/93 subject to Member level representation on the organisation's Management Committee.

No. of Representatives: 1 + 1 substitute

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

<b>1 - Councillor Susan Steinberg</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0190</b>
		<b>Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>2 - Councillor Terry Burton</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0191</b>
		<b>Substitute</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	

### 33. Organisation: Friends of Barnet Borough Libraries

Special Conditions:

(a) The representative and substitute representative must be Members of the Council.

(b) Attendance of meetings is in a liaison capacity.

(c) It has previously been suggested that it is appropriate if the Member representative is from within the constituency of the body or near to it.

No. of Representatives: 1 + 1 substitute

Current Representatives		Vac Ref
<b>1 - Councillor Peter Davis</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0075</b>
		<b>Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>2 - Councillor Wendy Prentice</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0076</b>
		<b>Substitute</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	

### 34. Organisation: Friends of Mill Hill Old Railway Management Group (formerly Deans Lane/Bunns Lane, NW7 Management Committee)

Special Conditions:

Two Members and two officers to be appointed

No. of Representatives: 4

Current Representatives		Vac Ref
<b>1 - Councillor Brian Gordon</b>	<b>(Appointed 09/07/2002)</b>	<b>1049</b>
		<b>Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>09/07/2002 to 08/07/2006</b>	
<b>2 - Councillor Jeremy Davies</b>	<b>(Appointed 09/07/2002)</b>	<b>1050</b>
		<b>Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>09/07/2002 to 08/07/2006</b>	
<b>3 - Director of Environment</b>	<b>(Appointed 09/07/2002)</b>	<b>1051</b>
		<b>Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>09/07/2002 to 08/07/2006</b>	
<b>4 - Head of Leisure and Youth</b>	<b>(Resigned 16/01/2004)</b>	<b>1052</b>
		<b>Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>09/07/2002 to 08/07/2006</b>	

### 35. Organisation: Friern Barnet Voluntary Care for the Elderly

Special Conditions:

The representative must be a Member of the Council, preferably with local interests in the Friern Barnet area.

No. of Representatives: 1

Current Representatives		Vac Ref
<b>1 - Councillor Robert Newton</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0078</b>
		<b>Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	



### **36. Organisation: Friern Park Centre Management Committee**

Special Conditions:

Representatives must be Members of the Council and be a serving Councillor from any of the wards of Coppetts, East Finchley, Mill Hill, Oakleigh, Totteridge, West Finchley and Woodhouse.

No. of Representatives: 5

Current Representatives	Vac Ref
<b>1 - Councillor Alison Moore (Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0164</b>
<b>Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	<b>Member</b>
<b>2 - Councillor Gerard Silverstone (Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0165</b>
<b>Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	<b>Member</b>
<b>3 - Councillor Brian Coleman (Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0166</b>
<b>Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	<b>Member</b>
<b>4 - Councillor Jim Tierney (Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0167</b>
<b>Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	<b>Member</b>
<b>5 - Councillor Alan Schneiderman (Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0168</b>
<b>Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	<b>Member</b>

### **37. Organisation: Grahame Park Area Community Development Trust**

Special Conditions:

Representative should be the Lead Member for Housing.  
Annual appointment.

No. of Representatives: 1

Current Representatives	Vac Ref
<b>1 - Councillor Brian Salinger (Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0237</b>
<b>Period of appointment: 08/04/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	<b>Member</b>

### **38. Organisation: Grahame Park Interim Management Board**

Special Conditions:

Annual appointment.

The representatives should comprise two Councillors and two officers. Initial appointees were the Cabinet Member for Housing, Ward Member for Colindale, Director of Environment and Head of Housing, and deputies were Chairman of the Hendon Area Forum, Ward Member for Colindale and an officer from Housing. The Board would like any replacements to hold the same offices or similar level of seniority.

No. of Representatives: 4 +3 Deputies

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

<b>1 - Councillor Brian Salinger</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0236a</b>
<b>Member</b>		
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>08/04/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>2 - Councillor Gill Sargeant</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0236b</b>
<b>Member</b>		
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>08/04/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>3 - Director of Environment</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0236c</b>
<b>Member</b>		
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>08/04/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>4 - Mr Nigel Hamilton</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0236d</b>
<b>Interim Head of Housing</b>		<b>Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>02/04/2004 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>5 - Councillor Matthew Offord</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0236e</b>
<b>Deputy</b>		
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>08/04/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>6 - Councillor Danish Chopra</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0236f</b>
<b>Deputy</b>		
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>22/10/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>7 - Mr Derek Rust</b>	<b>(Resigned 08/03/2004)</b>	<b>0236g</b>
<b>Deputy Head, Barnet Homes</b>		<b>Deputy</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>19/11/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	

### **39. Organisation: Greater London Enterprise Company**

Special Conditions:

None

No. of Representatives: 2

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

<b>1 - Councillor Kanti Patel</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0234</b>
<b>Member</b>		
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>2 - Councillor Melvin Cohen</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0235</b>
<b>Substitute</b>		
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	

#### 40. Organisation: Hampstead Garden Suburb Institute Council

Special Conditions:

- (a) One representative must be a Garden Suburb Ward member.
- (b) The other two representatives must not be elected members of the Council.
- (c) Appointments are for three years and must be ratified by the Institute before taking effect.

No. of Representatives: 3

Current Representatives		Vac Ref
<b>1 - Councillor John Marshall</b>	<b>(Resigned 18/11/2003)</b>	<b>1167</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>08/07/2003 to 07/07/2006</b>	<b>Member</b>
2 - Mr Gerald Shamash	(Appointed 08/07/2003)	1168
Period of appointment:	08/07/2003 to 07/07/2006	Member
3 - Ms Marjorie Harris	(Appointed 08/07/2003)	1169
Period of appointment:	08/07/2003 to 07/07/2006	Member

#### 41. Organisation: Hampstead Heath Management Committee (City of London)

Special Conditions:

The representative must be a Member of the Council.

No. of Representatives: 1

Current Representatives		Vac Ref
<b>1 - Councillor Melvin Cohen</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0099</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	<b>Member</b>

#### 42. Organisation: Health and Social Care Partnership Board

Special Conditions:

3 representatives - one from each of the three main political groups, to include the Cabinet Member for Health and Social Services. The Board meets four times a year. The term of office will run in the first instance from January 2002 to March 2003, and annually thereafter.

No. of Representatives: 3

Current Representatives		Vac Ref
<b>1 - Councillor Maureen Braun</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0600</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	<b>Member</b>
2 - Councillor Sean Hooker	(Expires 18/05/2004)	0600a
Period of appointment:	14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004	Member
3 - Councillor Claire Farrier	(Expires 18/05/2004)	0600b
Period of appointment:	09/07/2003 to 18/05/2004	Member

**43. Organisation: Heritage of London Trust**

Special Conditions:

None.

No. of Representatives: 1

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

- |                                    |                                 |               |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|
| <b>1 - Councillor Anthony Finn</b> | <b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>     | <b>0100</b>   |
|                                    |                                 | <b>Member</b> |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b>      | <b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b> |               |

**44. Organisation: LGAs Urban Commission**

Special Conditions:

Authorities are entitled to appoint up to two representatives to attend meetings of the Commission - either two elected members or one member and one officer. Barnet Council has 7 votes.

Meetings of the LGA Urban Commission are held twice a year.

No. of Representatives: 2

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

- |                                     |                                 |               |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|
| <b>1 - Councillor Victor Lyon</b>   | <b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>     | <b>0223</b>   |
|                                     |                                 | <b>Member</b> |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b>       | <b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b> |               |
| <b>2 - Councillor Brian Coleman</b> | <b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>     | <b>0225</b>   |
|                                     |                                 | <b>Member</b> |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b>       | <b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b> |               |

**45. Organisation: LHC - Building Components and Services**

Special Conditions:

The representatives and substitute must be Members of the Council.

No. of Representatives: 2 + 1 substitute

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

- |                                      |                                 |                   |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| <b>1 - Councillor Brian Salinger</b> | <b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>     | <b>0116</b>       |
|                                      |                                 | <b>Member</b>     |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b>        | <b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b> |                   |
| <b>2 - Councillor Kanti Patel</b>    | <b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>     | <b>0117</b>       |
|                                      |                                 | <b>Member</b>     |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b>        | <b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b> |                   |
| <b>3 - Councillor John Marshall</b>  | <b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>     | <b>0118</b>       |
|                                      |                                 | <b>Substitute</b> |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b>        | <b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b> |                   |

#### **46. Organisation: Local Government Association**

Special Conditions:

(1) Representatives must be Members of the Council.

(2) Votes are allocated on the basis of population. Barnet has seven votes which are taken by the Administration, who will decide on the allocation between their representatives.

No. of Representatives: 4

Current Representatives		Vac Ref
<b>1 - Councillor Philip Yeoman</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0214</b>
		<b>Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>2 - Councillor Victor Lyon</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0215</b>
		<b>Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>3 - Councillor Brian Salinger</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0216</b>
		<b>Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>4 - Councillor Anthony Finn</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0217</b>
		<b>Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	

#### **47. Organisation: London Local Authority Arts Forum**

Special Conditions:

Only elected members of a local authority will be requested on the Forum. One should be the Cabinet Member dealing with culture and the arts.

No. of Representatives: 2

Current Representatives		Vac Ref
<b>1 - Councillor Peter Davis</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0084</b>
		<b>Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>2 - Councillor Wendy Prentice</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0085</b>
		<b>Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	

#### **48. Organisation: London Youth Games Limited**

Special Conditions:

(a) Annual appointment.

(b) The representative must be a Member of the Council.

(b) The substitute is to be an Officer.

No. of Representatives: 1 + 1 substitute

Current Representatives		Vac Ref
<b>1 - Councillor Peter Davis</b>	<b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0124</b>
		<b>Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>2 - Head of Leisure and Youth</b>	<b>(Resigned 16/01/2004)</b>	<b>0125</b>
		<b>Substitute</b>
<b>Period of appointment:</b>	<b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	

**49. Organisation: Management Committee for Rowley Green Common**

Special Conditions:

Annual appointment.

No. of Representatives: 4 (2 members & 2 officers)

Current Representatives	Vac Ref
<b>1 - Councillor Katia David (Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0159 Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>2 - Councillor Wendy Prentice (Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0160 Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>3 - Director of Education and Children (Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0161 Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>4 - Head of Leisure and Youth (Resigned 16/01/2004)</b>	<b>0162 Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	

**50. Organisation: Moxon Street Old Infants School Foundation**

Special Conditions:

The representative trustee may, but need not, be a Member of the Council.

No. of Representatives: 1

Current Representatives	Vac Ref
<b>1 - Mr Peter Wilkinson (Expires 12/06/2004)</b>	<b>1103 Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment: 13/06/2001 to 12/06/2004</b>	

**51. Organisation: National Society for Clean Air and Environmental Protection**

Special Conditions:

The Council's representative on this body is to be the Head of Environmental Services or their representative (G.P. Cttee. Dec. 2/6/75-8(e)).

No. of Representatives: 1

Current Representatives	Vac Ref
<b>1 - Head of Environmental and Neighbourhood Services (Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0132 Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	

**52. Organisation: New Barnet Community Association General Committee**

Special Conditions:

The persons appointed must be Members of the Council.

No. of Representatives: 2

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

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|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|
| <b>1 - Councillor Olwen Evans</b>    | <b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>     | <b>0192</b>   |
|                                      |                                 | <b>Member</b> |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b>        | <b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b> |               |
| <b>2 - Councillor Wendy Prentice</b> | <b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>     | <b>0193</b>   |
|                                      |                                 | <b>Member</b> |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b>        | <b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b> |               |

**53. Organisation: New Barnet Community Association Management Committee**

Special Conditions:

The person appointed must be a Member of the Council serving on the New Barnet Community Association General Committee.

No. of Representatives: 1

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

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|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|
| <b>1 - Councillor Olwen Evans</b> | <b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>     | <b>0194</b>   |
|                                   |                                 | <b>Member</b> |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b>     | <b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b> |               |

**54. Organisation: Nicholl & Daniel Homes Charity**

Special Conditions:

Four year appointment.

Representatives may, but need not, be Members of the Council, but they shall be persons who through residence, occupation or employment or otherwise have a special knowledge of the area of benefit, i.e. of the Wards of Childs Hill, Colindale, Golders Green, Hale, Hendon, Mill Hill and West Hendon.

Meetings are held on Friday evenings.

No. of Representatives: 5 (Nominative Trustees)

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

- |  |                                 |               |
|--|---------------------------------|---------------|
| <b>1 - Mrs Doreen Neall (deceased)</b> | <b>(Deceased 29/03/2004)</b>    | <b>1076</b>   |
|  |                                 | <b>Member</b> |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b>          | <b>09/07/2002 to 08/07/2006</b> |               |
| 2 - Councillor Matthew Offord          | (Appointed 09/07/2002)          | 1077          |
|  |                                 | Member        |
| Period of appointment:                 | 09/07/2002 to 08/07/2006        |               |
| 3 - Mr Sachin Rajput                   | (Appointed 09/07/2002)          | 1078          |
|  |                                 | Member        |
| Period of appointment:                 | 09/07/2002 to 08/07/2006        |               |
| 4 - Mr Michael Green                   | (Appointed 23/01/2002)          | 1079          |
|  |                                 | Member        |
| Period of appointment:                 | 23/01/2002 to 22/01/2006        |               |
| 5 - Mr John Hedge                      | (Appointed 09/07/2002)          | 1080          |
|  |                                 | Member        |
| Period of appointment:                 | 09/07/2002 to 08/07/2006        |               |

**55. Organisation: North London Chamber of Commerce (Barnet)**

Special Conditions:

(a) Annual appointment.

(b) Representative should be a Senior Officer with an Investment or Economic Development background.

No. of Representatives: 1

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

**1 - Cricklewood Strategic Manager (Expires 18/05/2004) 0028 Member**

**Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004**

**56. Organisation: North London Waste Authority**

Special Conditions:

(1) One representative is to be appointed on the contractor side and one representative is to be appointed on the client side.

(2) The persons appointed must be elected members.

No. of Representatives: 2

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

**1 - Councillor Brian Coleman (Expires 18/05/2004) 0133 Member**

**Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004**

**2 - Councillor Melvin Cohen (Expires 18/05/2004) 0134 Member**

**Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004**

**57. Organisation: Oakhill Woods Nature Reserve Management Group**

Special Conditions:

Annual appointment.

No. of Representatives: 5 (3 members & 2 officers)

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

**1 - Councillor Susan Steinberg (Expires 18/05/2004) 0135 Member**

**Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004**

**2 - Councillor Terry Burton (Expires 18/05/2004) 0136 Member**

**Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004**

**3 - Councillor Daniel Hope (Expires 18/05/2004) 0137 Member**

**Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004**

**4 - Director of Environment (Expires 18/05/2004) 0138 Member**

**Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004**

**5 - Head of Leisure and Youth (Resigned 16/01/2004) 0139 Member**

**Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004**



## **58. Organisation: Relate North London**

Special Conditions:

- (a) The Council decided to appoint Members with Social Services interests (one each from the majority and minority party).
- (b) One representative must be an officer of the Council (GP Ctte Rpt – 4/9/87)

No. of Representatives: 3

Current Representatives	Vac Ref
<b>1 - Councillor Malcolm Lester (Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0051 Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>2 - Councillor Barry Rawlings (Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0052 Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>3 - Director of Social Affairs (Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>0053 Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	

## **59. Organisation: School Organisation Committee**

Special Conditions:

1. The Council appoints seven Members as representatives.
2. The organisation meets about once a term, i.e. about three times a year . Meetings start at 7.30pm, with pre-meetings at 7.00pm.

No. of Representatives: 7

Current Representatives	Vac Ref
<b>1 - Councillor Vanessa Gearson (Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>9800 Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>2 - Councillor Lynne Hillan (Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>9801 Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>3 - Councillor Christopher Harris (Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>9802 Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>4 - Councillor Matthew Offord (Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>9803 Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>5 - Councillor Fiona Bulmer (Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>9804 Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>6 - Councillor Susan Steinberg (Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>9805 Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	
<b>7 - Councillor Jack Cohen (Expires 18/05/2004)</b>	<b>9806 Member</b>
<b>Period of appointment: 14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b>	

**60. Organisation: Watling Community Association**

Special Conditions:

One representative must be a Member of the Council.

No. of Representatives: 2

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

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|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|
| <b>1 - Councillor Brian Gordon</b> | <b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>     | <b>0153</b>   |
|                                    |                                 | <b>Member</b> |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b>      | <b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b> |               |
| <b>2 - Caroline Margo</b>          | <b>(Expires 18/05/2004)</b>     | <b>0154</b>   |
|                                    |                                 | <b>Member</b> |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b>      | <b>14/05/2003 to 18/05/2004</b> |               |

**61. Organisation: Youth Sport and Leisure Foundation**

Special Conditions:

Appointee need not be a Councillor

Appointment is as a Trustee of the Foundation

No. of Representatives: 2

Current Representatives

Vac Ref

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| <b>1 - Head of Leisure and Youth</b> | <b>(Resigned 16/01/2004)</b>                   | <b>7368</b>   |
|                                      |  | <b>Member</b> |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b>        | <b>Until appointee resigns</b>                 |               |
| <b>2 - Dr R J Vis</b>                | <b>(Appointed 12/06/2001)</b>                  | <b>7368a</b>  |
|                                      |  | <b>Member</b> |
| <b>Period of appointment:</b>        | <b>From 12/06/2001 until appointee resigns</b> |               |

Annual Council Meeting

18 May 2004

AGENDA ITEM 13.4

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF THE HEAD OF COMMITTEE

5. Corporate Plan 2004/5 – 2007/8: Best Value Performance Plan.

In order to meet Constitutional and legislative requirements, full Council are required to approve the Best Value Performance Plan (BVPP). The Plan is also required to be in the public domain by 30 June, each year.

For this authority, the Corporate Plan forms the main body of the BVPP. The BVPP is complete when a technical appendix containing information relating to the Best Value Performance Indicators and targets is attached to the Corporate Plan.

Cabinet approved the attached draft Corporate Plan for 2004/5 – 2007/8 on 26 April. Data collection for the Performance Indicators for the year ended 31 March 2004 is underway and will be included in a final draft of the Corporate Plan, for consideration by Cabinet on 1 June, with a view to making recommendations to Council on 7 July.

**Recommend –**

- (1) That the draft Corporate Plan, as agreed by Cabinet on 26 April, 2004, be approved as a clear framework and foundation for the Best Value Performance Plan**
- (2) That it be noted that the final version Best Value Performance Plan will be submitted to Council on 7 July, on recommendation by Cabinet.**

6. Minutes of meeting held on 20 April 2004

In accordance with the Council's Constitution, transcripts of supplemental questions asked at Council meetings are sent to the members concerned for checking for grammar, spelling etc. The Questions are normally sent by email.

Due to technical problems, amendments required by Councillor Olwen Evans to Supplemental Question 36 were not received. The final sentence should read: "Would the Cabinet Member say if he ever thinks the day will come when we will pay for disposal; of our refuse on a tonnage basis?"

**Recommend – That the minutes of the meeting held on 20 April, 2004, be approved, subject to the final sentence of Supplemental Question 36 being corrected to read as follows:**

**"Would the Cabinet Member say if he ever thinks the day will come when we will pay for disposal of our refuse on a tonnage basis?"**

7. Education and Children Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Agenda item 1.3 refers to the appointment of voluntary school representatives to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee for the period 2004/05 – 2005/06.

Attached is the Appendix referred to in the item.

Roy Goddard  
Head of Committee

## AGENDA ITEM: 6

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Meeting	Cabinet
Date	26 April 2004
<b>Subject</b>	<b>Corporate Plan</b>
Report of	Leader of the Council Cabinet Member for Value and Effectiveness
Summary	This report describes and appends a copy of the Corporate Plan (including an example of the service performance tables to be appended to the plan) for Barnet Council for the years 2004/05 – 2007/08. In pursuit of the council's aim of becoming an excellent authority, the plan provides the basis for taking forward the achievements of the current corporate plan, updating performance targets and management arrangements.

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Officer Contributors	Nick Walkley - Assistant Chief Executive Julia Bennett - Local Partnerships and Policy Manager
Status (public or exempt)	Public
Wards affected	Not applicable
Enclosures	Appendix A – draft corporate plan 2004/05 – 2007/08 Appendix B – example of draft service performance table
For decision by	Cabinet
Function of	Executive
Reason for urgency / exemption from call-in (if appropriate)	Not applicable

Contact for further information: Julia Bennett, Local Partnerships and Policy Manager – 020 8359 7011.

## **1. RECOMMENDATIONS**

### **1.1 That the draft corporate plan be considered and approved**

## **2. RELEVANT PREVIOUS DECISIONS**

2.1 Cabinet approval on 14 April 2003 of draft corporate plan 2003/04 – 2007/08

2.2 Cabinet approval on 29 September 2003 of community plan

## **3. CORPORATE PRIORITIES AND POLICY CONSIDERATIONS**

- 3.1 The draft corporate plan sets out how the council will deliver the administration's five corporate priorities. The plan follows the format of the current corporate plan, sets out how the priorities will be delivered according to the service targets in the corporate performance tables (an example of which is included) and includes a summary of achievements against the targets for 2003/04 and a statement of the administration's values. The values are reflected in the community plan which incorporates the council's key targets.
- 3.2 The plan is a single integrated improvement plan. Whilst the corporate plan is not our Best Value Performance Plan, it is nevertheless intended to satisfy the government requirement to publish a summary of the authority's strategic objectives and priorities for improvement; the arrangements for addressing the authority's improvement priorities (including the findings of the Audit Commission's Qualitative Assessment of Continuous Improvement (QACI) of Barnet's improvement under the Comprehensive Performance Assessment process which took place in late autumn 2003) and the outcomes that are expected to be achieved as a result; and a brief statement on contracts. A separate index of our achievements against Best Value Performance indicators will be published by the end of June and will refer to the fact that the above information has already been published in our corporate plan.

## **4. RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES**

- 4.1 Failure to deliver a corporate plan will erode the authority's capacity to become an excellent authority. Strategic direction, corporate commitment, coherent performance management and improvement will be undermined.

## **5. FINANCIAL, STAFFING, ICT AND PROPERTY IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 In considering the 2002/3 Annual Audit Letter, Cabinet on 19 February endorsed action being taken by the Chief Executive to strengthen financial management, which included the production of a risk assessed and sustainable long term financial strategy that is based on a fully costed Corporate Plan. The resources to deliver the commitments in 2003-4 set out in the corporate plan were agreed by Council on 2 March 2004, and deployment of those resources is set out in the business plans produced by each service as part of their performance management plans for the financial year 2004-05. An updated Financial Forward Plan was included in the budget report to Council, and as part of the 2005-6 budget process over the coming months Cabinet will continue to identify proposals for delivering corporate plan improvements in later years so that the production of a risk assessed and sustainable long term financial strategy based on a fully costed Corporate Plan is achieved.

## **6. COMMENTS, IF ANY, OF THE COUNCIL'S STATUTORY OFFICERS (HEAD OF PAID SERVICE, CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER, MONITORING OFFICER)**

6.1 None.

## **7. BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

7.1 The plan is for 2004/5-2007/8 and replaces the 2003/4 plan as the single operational document that should be used to guide and monitor the delivery of all the Council's objectives. It is intended to reaffirm the council's priorities and targets and how we plan to go about meeting them. It will show achievements against the priorities set this time last year, and, through the annual business planning process, it updates targets to ensure they are still relevant to Barnet's communities. The published plan will include updated full-year achievements and performance tables for 2004/5 – 2007/8 for each service. Residents, members, staff and outside partners can then judge how well the council is performing against the commitments expressed in the plan.

7.2 The approach to the new plan meets the commitment made last year to update the plan each year with a report back on progress achieved. A summary of performance information has also been sent out with next year's Council Tax bills so that all residents can judge how the Council is performing.

7.3 The plan is divided into the following sections:-

- Leader's introduction to the plan;
- Introduction to the corporate plan;
- Progress against our 2003/04 plan (this will be updated to reflect the full year performance data when it is submitted by April 26<sup>th</sup> 2004);
- Details of the five priorities;
- Budget information;
- Tables setting out targeted performance (a single service example is included at this stage. The final plan will include performance tables for each service as set out in the council's budget book as agreed on March 2<sup>nd</sup> 2004, up-dated to include 2003-04 final performance data as a baseline for comparison);
- Strategic plans in Barnet;
- Where to get more information.

7.4 The corporate performance tables will show services performance targets which will be reported to Overview & Scrutiny Committees for member review on a quarterly basis. The corporate performance tables also form the basis of all officer performance monitoring.

## **8. LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS**

8.1 Service Performance Management Plans

8.2 Corporate plan 2003/4 – 2007/8

8.3 Council's budget 2 March 2004

MO: PJ

BT: CM

# **London Borough of Barnet**

## **Corporate Plan**

**2004/5 - 2007/8**



## **Foreword – Our Corporate Values**

Welcome to the Corporate Plan for 2004/5 to 2007/8, which takes forward the council's priorities.

Our priorities remain those on which the Administration was elected in 2002:

- A First Class Education Service
- Tackling Crime
- Supporting the Vulnerable in our Community
- A Cleaner Greener Barnet
- Repairing Roads and Pavements

As my Administration implements the council's key priorities, a number of key values inform our priorities and govern how we are putting the community first. They are as follows:

### **Customer Care**

The users and potential users of our services know best what services they need and how they want them delivered. The establishment of a customer care strategy and accompanying quality standards across the authority will ensure that we put the needs of customers first.

### **Local Choice**

Wherever possible, users should have a choice of services. We have already introduced a choice based lettings scheme, greater freedom to choose respite care providers, asked residents when we repair roads whether they want road humps installed, and offer the widest possible choice of schools to meet parents' needs. We will extend choices in other services, and widen the range of services that the customer can access electronically if they so wish.

Barnet is a distinctive and diverse community and local people should have the freedom to choose local solutions rather than a centrally-imposed blueprint.

### **An Active Community**

One of Barnet's strengths is the interest that residents take in civic affairs and the active role that they play in society - whether as school governors, unpaid carers, or Neighbourhood Watch co-ordinators. This contributes to a sense of civic pride in the borough. An active community and a listening council can work together to improve the quality of life for all in Barnet.

### **Value for Money**

We are developing an organisation that is fit for purpose and slim enough to provide value for money, ensuring we are a good council with which to do business. This means that we manage our affairs as efficiently as possible, using best business practices. We are undertaking a major project to ensure we have new business systems fit for the Twenty-First Century for areas such as finance and payroll. We are revising our property base to dispose of outdated buildings and re-investing in modern office accommodation. We have taken much closer control over how we buy in goods and services to improve efficiency.

We are becoming a sound and flexible organisation that gets its core business right in order to provide quality services at the lowest possible cost.

We rigorously plan our services through the development of a performance management plan for each service, making sure that we use them to make decisions about the budget so that money is focused on residents' key priorities.

## **Facilitating Success**

In a borough as successful as Barnet, it is counter-productive for the council to intervene in aspects of life where others, such as the private sector or families and communities, can do it better.

Where the council is the most efficient vehicle for providing local services, we will do so. Where we buy in services, we look to whoever can provide the best service to the local community and ensure close monitoring thereafter.

At the same time, as the only body elected to represent the whole of Barnet, we have a unique role as a community leader. This means we have a role in supporting you on local issues such as post office closures or hospital waiting times.

Our job is to create the conditions which maintain and enhance a successful Barnet, leveraging in benefits for the area through the improvement of the local infrastructure, creating a thriving borough in which to invest. Major private investment in the physical development of areas such as Cricklewood and Brent Cross highlights the council's ability to help establish a high quality environment in which business wants to invest, at the gateway to the north.

Councillor Victor Lyon  
Leader of the Council

# Introduction

Barnet Council seeks to put the community first, through providing services that meet the needs of our residents and communities.

The Corporate Plan is a map of how the council will do this.

The council is a large and complex organisation. In order to manage effectively we need to be very clear about our priorities, to ensure that we plan, organise and resource our activities efficiently and successfully, and match resources to our five priorities.

So why a new Corporate Plan?

The plan is for 2004/5-2007/8 and replaces the 2003/4-2007/8 plan as the single operational document to guide and monitor the delivery of all the council's objectives.

It reaffirms our priorities and targets and how we plan to go about meeting them. However, it also shows what our achievements have been as a council against the priorities we set ourselves this time last year, as well as updating those priorities through our annual business planning process, ensuring they remain relevant to our communities.

Throughout, the plan highlights how our activities are continually moving the borough forward and therefore making a real impact in improving the quality of life for the people of Barnet. Our targets build on our positive achievements, take account of feedback from residents and partners alike and demonstrate a clear direction for the council.

We hope that, whether you live in Barnet, work for Barnet, are active in the Barnet community or use our services, this plan is a useful guide to the council's priority activities.

Leo Boland  
Chief Executive

# Progress against our 2003/4 Plan

This section monitors our progress against the targets set in the 2003/4 Plan and summarises our achievements and ongoing developments.

## A First Class Education Service

2003/2004 Targets	2003/2004 Achievements
<p><b>Providing support to Barnet schools to raise standards and help children to achieve</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 81% of Key Stage 2 pupils achieved Level 4 in English and 34% reached Level 5. Our results are better than national averages but we did not meet our local targets and were unable to improve on last year's results</li> <li>• 79% of Key Stage 2 pupils achieved Level 4 in Maths and 36% reached Level 5. Our performance was better than the national average, but performance was static compared with last year's results</li> <li>• 60% of pupils attained 5+ GCSEs at A-C. This is better than the national average of 53% and is also an improvement on last year's results by 1%. Our local target was 62%</li> <li>• 87% of pupils gained 5+ GCSEs (inc English and Maths) at A-G or above. This is better than the national average of 84%, but is a dip in our performance of 1% since last year. Our very challenging target was 93.5%</li> <li>• Attendance targets in both primary and secondary schools were achieved</li> <li>• We improved our performance for statemented pupils with special education needs educated in local mainstream schools</li> </ul>
<p><b>Providing a school system that is fit for purpose and meets the requirements of local communities</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We received positive feedback on our Private Finance Initiative bid for schools but ultimately it was not agreed. This has reduced the pace of our progress against plans to expand choice and refurbish schools.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Giving people learning and leisure opportunities throughout life</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We met our target of fully using libraries' ICT learning facilities. There were 55,000 users of the People's Network of ICT facilities through our libraries in 3 months last year and we are heading for over 200,000 users over the whole year</li> <li>• Although we just failed to meet our very challenging target of satisfying all Public Library Standards, the standards are due to be revised next year and we will work towards meeting the updated requirements</li> <li>• A Family Learning Officer has been appointed, enabling us to plan and develop further learning provision in libraries</li> <li>• We continue to meet our target of increasing year on year the use of community learning facilities in libraries. Community learning courses have proved to be very popular and are fully booked</li> </ul>
<p><b>Offering opportunities for young people, especially those at risk</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There was a monthly average of 1905 young people (13-19) having face to face contact with youth workers. These attendance figures are a drop from the 2002/03 base of 2218.</li> <li>• 65 young people achieved skills units through Oasis project (providing alternative routes to attainment for young people). This exceeded our target by 30%</li> </ul>

A Special Education Needs co-ordinator on the progress of Looked After Children in Barnet after their school received funding: *"funding has made an enormous difference to their work output"*  
 (The council's Children & Families Service provides funding for the education of Looked After Children in Barnet)

## Tackling Crime

2003/2004 Targets	2003/2004 Achievements
<b>Reducing crime</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Street robbery and other robbery levels are similar to last year's, which means we are going to have to work harder with our partners next year to reduce these crimes by our 2005 targets of 5% and 16% respectively</li> <li>• The number of repeat victims of racially motivated crime and domestic violence both reduced by 5% - achieving targets set</li> <li>• Barnet is well positioned to achieve the target of reducing domestic burglary by 5% between 2002 and 2005</li> <li>• Re-offending rates of young people are moving towards our long-term target of a 7% reduction between 2003 and 2006</li> </ul>
<b>Deterring and preventing crime</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• £27.75m PFI has been awarded to improve street lighting and signage throughout the borough</li> <li>• Potential schemes have been identified for new Closed Circuit TV installation and we are awaiting confirmation of funding arrangements. We aimed to implement at least one new scheme a year.</li> <li>• We aimed to implement the new European Lighting Standards but these have not yet been finalised and adopted by British Standards. We are currently designing schemes in accordance with EU draft guidance in anticipation of standards being introduced in 2004/05</li> </ul>

An Edgware resident delighted with how the council dealt with some anti social behaviour in his area:

*"I rang up and they were terrific, incredible. The problem was resolved quickly, without fuss"*

(Barnet's Street Enforcement Service / Community Safety Team help the police tackle anti social behaviour)

## Supporting the Vulnerable in our Community

2003/2004 Targets	2003/2004 Achievements
<b>Providing good homes in balanced communities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We are on course to achieve our targets for increasing numbers of properties meeting the Decent Homes standard by 5% and are working well towards our long-term goal of 21% by 2007/8</li> <li>• Regenerating priority estates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Stonegrove</b>- 88% of the estate residents voted in favour of plans (75% turnout). Planning application submitted.</li> <li><b>Dollis Valley</b>- partner selected and agreed at Cabinet</li> <li><b>West Hendon</b>- planning application submitted January 04</li> <li><b>Grahame Park</b>- 79% of the estate residents voted yes for project. Planning application submitted</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Providing first class care for vulnerable adults</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We met our target of maintaining at no more than 12 the number of delayed discharges of people from hospital to a care place</li> </ul>
<b>Securing excellent services to enhance life chances for at risk young people and families</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Numbers of children entering care are reducing and we are on target to meet our long term target of 100 children for 2006/07</li> <li>• We exceeded our annual target for reducing the length of time spent in care through adoptions, better care planning and throughput of young people</li> <li>• Currently 10.3% of children on the Child Protection register have been on it for two years or more. This just exceeds our target of 10.5%.</li> <li>• The proportion of children in care living locally has remained static at 63% (our target was 66%) and we need to work harder with our partners to increase this next year</li> </ul>

One of Barnet's Foster Carers on the computer provided by the council:

*"I am absolutely delighted with the computer... The children have been using it a lot... I have also been getting full benefit out of it"*

## A Cleaner Greener Barnet

2003/2004 Targets	2003/2004 Achievements
<b>Improving usage and standards of greenspaces</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 82% of residents use Barnet's greenspaces. 72% said they were satisfied with greenspaces and we exceeded our targets in this area.</li> </ul>
<b>Extending recycling</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We have achieved our 18% recycling target, but must work hard to reach our ambitious 2007-08 recycling target of 30%</li> <li>• We became the first local authority to introduce compulsory recycling which started in four of Barnet's wards in April</li> </ul>
<b>Improving the street scene</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We met target satisfaction levels for street cleanliness with customer satisfaction surveys indicating 100% of highways are of a high standard of cleanliness</li> <li>• Two new Town Keepers have been introduced this year</li> <li>• We exceeded our target of removing 90% of graffiti in town centres served by Town Keepers by the end of the next working day. We achieved 93% and are on target to increase this to 99% by 2007/8</li> <li>• Reported fly-tips are currently removed within two and a half hours (our target is 12 hours). We have achieved our target of setting up a fly-tip investigation team to develop preventative measures</li> </ul>
<b>Protecting the green belt</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We have achieved our aim of having no incursions into the designated green belt</li> </ul>

A borough resident delighted with our doorstep recycling policy:  
*'With the black box outside our doorstep, recycling has never been easier'.*

## Repairing Roads and Pavements

2003/2004 Targets	2003/2004 Achievements
<b>Improving the condition of principal roads</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• £2.5m has been invested in enhancing the condition of principal roads to meet nationally defined standards. Our annual condition survey results will be reported in June.</li> </ul>
<b>Improving condition of non-principal roads</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• £1m has been invested in improving non-principal roads to meet national standards. Our annual condition survey results will be reported in June.</li> <li>• We are currently repairing 78% of reported dangerous potholes within 24 hours.</li> </ul>

A Finchley resident's response when asked about the resurfacing work done on their road:  
*"Work was done to a very high standard and workers were very good"*

A Stonegrove resident reflecting on their impression of our road works:  
*"Working through the night meant less disruption for traffic flow and less inconvenience for residents"*

## **The Council's Priorities**

Our overall priorities remain those on which the Administration was elected in 2002, and which continue to address those issues which local communities tell us remain important to them.

### **A First Class Education Service**

Providing support to Barnet schools to raise standards and help children to achieve – led by the Education Service

- Promote improvement and innovation in the curriculum and how it is taught
- Improve targeting, coordination and effectiveness of support for children whose achievement is at risk
- Improve the suitability of the learning environment for all children
- Improve performance monitoring and decision making
- Support schools in developing their own management and leadership capacity

Giving people learning and leisure opportunities throughout life – led by the Customer Care Service

- Increase take up of community learning services in libraries by adults and families
- Ensure full utilisation of People's Network for lifelong learning, information, e-government & leisure

Offering opportunities for young people, especially those at risk – led by the Education Service

- Ensure a high quality and meaningful service is offered to young people, especially those at risk of social exclusion

### **Tackling Crime**

Reduce crime – led by the Children's & Families Service

- Promote community safety to minimise the likelihood of people in Barnet being either victims or perpetrators of crime

Deter and prevent crime – led by the Environmental and Neighbourhood Service and Highways & Design Service

- Implement at least one new CCTV scheme per year
- Refocus the Street Enforcement Service on daytime activities and act on intelligence data
- Reduce fear of crime through improved street lighting

### **Supporting the Vulnerable in our Community**

Provide homes in balanced communities – led by the Housing Service and Cricklewood and Strategic Development Unit

- Regenerate priority housing estates, including the Cricklewood & Brent Cross regeneration area
- Improve the quality of housing and achieve the government's Decent Homes standard
- Support vulnerable homeless people

- Provide an appropriate mix of housing to meet the needs of older people

Provide first class care for vulnerable adults – led by the Community Care Service

- Promote independence through improved home care arrangements
- Assess need in an accurate and timely manner

Secure excellent services to enhance life chances for young people and families at risk – led by the Children and Families Service

- Reduce number of looked after children
- Improve local placement choice
- Improve care management

## **A Cleaner Greener Barnet**

Extend recycling – led by the Environmental and Neighbourhood Service

- Extend recycling and increase the percentage of household waste recycled

Improve the street scene – led by the Environmental and Neighbourhood Service

- Remove graffiti, abandoned vehicles and fly-tips within target timescales
- Improve customer satisfaction ratings

Improve standards of greenspaces – led by the Environmental and Neighbourhood Service

- Introduce assessment of parks against Green Flag quality standards seeking a 1% year on year improvement

Reduce congestion – led by the Highways and Design Service

- Reduce traffic queue lengths
- Implement congestion reduction

## **Repairing Roads & Pavements**

Improve the condition of roads – led by the Highways and Design Service

- Meet targets on principal and non-principal roads against national standards

Improve the condition of pavements – led by the Highways and Design Service

- Meet targets on pavements against national standards

## **A better council for a better Barnet – how the council will achieve its five priorities**

The council needs to improve rapidly how it works and the infrastructure it works with to deliver these priorities. Our aim is to be an excellent authority.

Invest in the infrastructure and modernise our systems – led by Borough Treasurers, the Corporate Performance Office, Human Resources & Information Systems



- Implement the Modernising Core Systems Project (finance, payroll, HR & purchasing systems)
- Improve access to technology for staff and customers
- Complete the IS Recovery Plan

Develop Corporate Capacity – led by the Chief Executive, the Corporate Performance Office, Internal Audit, Law & Probity and Committee & Administration

- Strengthen financial standing
- Enhance performance management and promote service improvement
- Improve corporate governance and risk management arrangements by ensuring audit recommendations are fully implemented
- Extend partnership and community engagement
- Enhance the role of Scrutiny in policy making, developing partnerships and holding the Cabinet and health partners to account
- Ensure our information management satisfies the Freedom of Information Act and achieves best practice
- Improve the council's emergency planning & contingency arrangements

Develop our staff and become an employer of choice – led by Human Resources and the Corporate Performance Office

- To support liP re-accreditation by focussing on communication, appraisal and good people management with Learning and Development plans that target outcomes
- Deal with recruitment & retention difficulties
- Complete round 2 of Making a Difference corporate management learning & development programme and start round 3

## Corporate Risks

1. **Strengthening Financial Management** to include Core Financials Project; Disposals and Capital Receipts; Local Land Charges Income
2. **Community Care** Performance and Financial Management
3. **Corporate Performance Inspection** to include residual issues from 2003-4 PMP Process; Local Public Service Agreements; Best Value Performance Indicators
4. **Corporate Asset Strategy** to include Asset Management and Information Communications Technology Investment Strategy
5. **OFSTED Actions**
6. **Payroll**

These are the council's key corporate risks as agreed by the Directors' Group in 2004. The key risks were selected from the Chief Internal Auditor's presentation of the annual risk analysis outcomes.

We aim to address these risks in line with our new corporate Risk Management Strategy. The relevant heads of service will maintain detailed and robust risk matrices to effectively manage the key corporate risks. The Borough Treasurer will co-ordinate quarterly briefing cabinet reports to provide an element of challenge to risk management procedures.

## Council Budget Summary

Council Services	2003/4 Current Estimate	2004/5 Original Estimate	Increase/ (Decrease) from 2003/4 to 2004/5
	£	£	£
Borough Solicitor	(46,640)	(386,000)	(339,360)
Borough Treasurer	8,558,370	8,418,310	(140,060)
Central Expenses (see notes below) :-			
Central Contingency	3,474,260	5,842,350	2,368,090
Net Interest receipts and charges	246,950	1,671,950	1,425,000
Levies & Subscriptions	22,008,270	21,268,040	(740,230)
Internal Asset Rental Charges	(11,604,810)	(11,604,810)	-
Miscellaneous services & income	957,790	2,431,450	1,473,660
Children's Services	20,377,110	24,622,040	4,244,930
Committee Administration	2,328,300	2,433,830	105,530
Community Care	59,257,640	63,940,630	4,682,990
Corporate Performance Office / Information Systems	6,524,170	6,442,790	(81,380)
Customer Care	11,389,390	11,749,570	360,180
Education	168,724,600	178,522,340	9,797,740
Environmental Services	24,141,560	23,590,610	(550,950)
Highways, Building Control & Design (see note below)	8,540,690	6,696,510	(1,844,180)
Housing (see note below)	10,273,940	4,780,320	(5,493,620)
Human Resources	2,642,910	1,955,940	(686,970)
Planning, Strategic Development & Valuation	190,240	207,770	17,530
Public Offices	4,316,150	4,297,280	(18,870)
Strategic Directors	1,656,560	1,604,490	(52,070)
<b>Total Service Expenditure</b>	<b>343,957,450</b>	<b>358,485,410</b>	<b>14,527,960</b>

The notes below set out the reasons for some of the significant variations between years that are not due to changes in services costs and/or demands:-

- The contingency provision for additional employee oncosts for national insurance and pension costs has been allocated to services in 2003/04 but not yet in 2004/5, resulting in the increase in contingency estimate between the two years.
- The additional net interest costs arises from increases in council borrowing allowed under the new capital prudential code in order to finance increased capital investment from 2004/05 onwards.
- The reduction in levies is because the Environment Agency levy has been largely replaced by direct funding from the Government in 2004/05.
- Miscellaneous Services and Income in 2003/04 includes nearly £1m of savings made in year. Any subsequent year's savings are reflected in the relevant service's 2004/05 budgets.
- The reduction in Highways includes road works that are to be charged to capital rather than revenue and also increases in income from planning & development fees.
- Housing reflects additional specific government grant to meet the cost of Housing Benefits which produces a reduction in the 2004/05 budget.

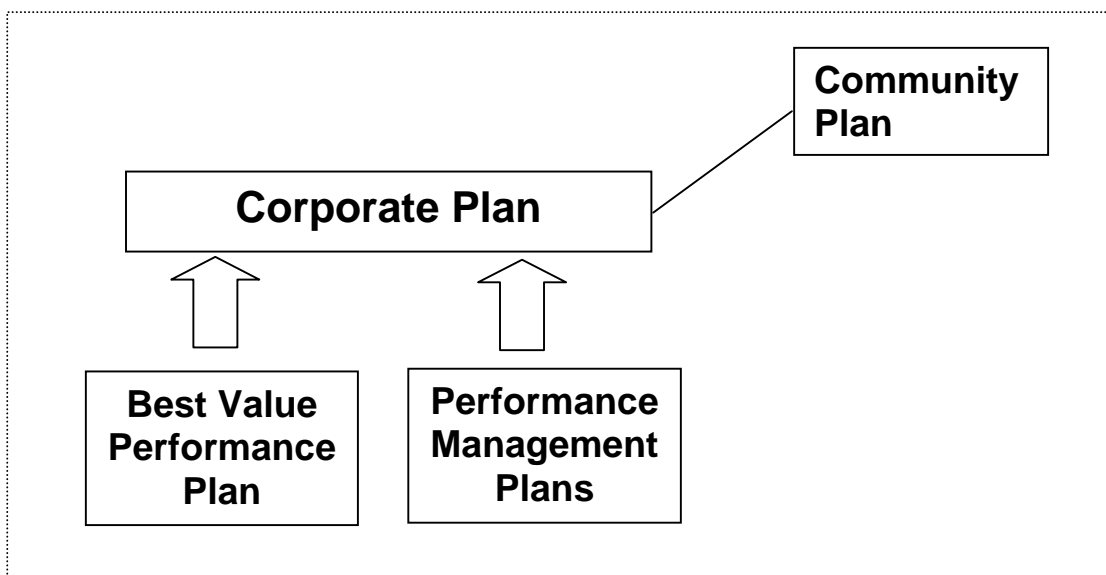
## Strategic Plans in Barnet

The **Corporate Plan** is the single document which draws together the work of the Council. Service level **Performance Management Plans** feed into the plan. They are informed by the issues that are key to residents, present the service priorities for the coming year and look ahead to future years.

The Corporate Plan also meets key requirements for the **Best Value Performance Plan**, a statutory performance monitoring document, by including: a summary of the authority's strategic objectives and priorities for improvement; the arrangements for addressing the authority's improvement priorities and the outcomes that are expected to be achieved as a result. A separate index of our achievements against Best Value Performance indicators will be published by the end of June 2004. Also in accordance with BVPP requirements all individual contracts awarded during the past year which involve a transfer of staff comply, where applicable, with the requirements in the Code of Practice on Workforce Matters in Local Authority Service Contracts.

The **Community Plan** is a strategy to promote the economic, environmental and social well-being of their areas. It brings together the priorities of the public, private and voluntary agencies involved in providing services in Barnet. This work is co-ordinated through the Local Strategic Partnership, a coalition of local interests including the London Borough of Barnet, the Police & the Primary Care Trust.

The priorities in the Community Plan complement those outlined in the Corporate Plan.



## Where to get more information

For information about how services are performing contact the council's Corporate Performance Office [no.].

For information about services look on the council's website at [www.barnet.gov.uk](http://www.barnet.gov.uk), or contact Firstcontact@Barnet [no's] or the Corporate Performance Office.

Further copies of this plan are available at....

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## Service Performance Tables

These tables set out achievements against local targets and priorities. Achievements against national Best Value Performance Indicators will be published by the end of June 2004.

### Local Public Service Agreement Targets

#### Highways & Design

Objective	Baseline 2003/04	Target 2004/2005	Measures 2004/2005	Target 2007/2008
<b>Repair our Roads and Pavements</b>		91%	% principal roads meeting national standards	95%
		65%	% non-principal classified carriageway for which at least one of the UKPMS Condition Index thresholds specified in DfT guidance for the baseline year have been equalled or exceeded, as measured by BVPI 97(a)	90% (LPSA target of 65% by 2005/6)
		86%	% non-principal unclassified carriageway for which at least one of the UKPMS Condition Index thresholds specified in DfT guidance for the baseline year have been equalled or exceeded, as measured by BVPI 97(b)	93% (LPSA target of 87% by 2005/6)
		87%	% footways meeting national standard	90%
<b>Reduce the fear of crime through Improved street lighting</b>		75 No. column replacement	Monthly works programmes	Achievement of £27.75M PFI credits, and implementation of column replacement programme
		Submit Outline Business Case to Project Review Group & submit OJEC notice	Activity reporting	
<b>Reduce Congestion</b>		Implementation of ten projects	Project Management Milestones	Continuation of Priority programme
		Reduction of queue lengths by an average of 10 %	Compare traffic flows on major roads	Facilitate route treatments to improve travel time

Objective	Baseline 2003/04	Target 2004/2005	Measures 2004/2005	Target 2007/2008
<b>Increase levels of Customer Satisfaction</b>		Achieve satisfaction figures in excess of 80%	Satisfaction Surveys	85%

Note: Once all full year 2003/4 performance data has been gathered, completed performance tables for each service area will be appended to the final plan.