

DECISIONS OF THE CABINET RESOURCES COMMITTEE

27 JULY 2006

COMMITTEE:

*Councillor Mike Freer (Chairman)

Councillors

* Anthony Finn BSc (Econ) FCA	* John Marshall
* Lynne Hillan	* Matthew Offord

* Denotes Member present

\$ Denotes Member absent on Council business

1. MINUTES:

The minutes of the meeting held on 28 June 2006 were approved.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

All Members were present.

3. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS:

Councillors Mike Freer, Anthony Finn, Lynne Hillan, John Marshall and Matthew Offord declared a personal but non-prejudicial interest in Agenda Item 6: Former Southgate & Barnet Sea Cadets, Osidge Lane, Southgate in that they knew Councillor Terry Burton who is a trustee of the Association of Foreign War Veterans. They remained in the room during discussion of this item.

4. PROPERTY DISPOSALS (Report of the Leader and Cabinet Member for Resources– Agenda Item 4)

For the reasons set out in the Cabinet Member's report, the Committee
RESOLVED – That the content of the report be noted.

5. DISPOSAL OF PARK HOUSE, N2 (Report of the Leader and Cabinet Member for Resources– Agenda Item 5)

For the reasons set out in the Cabinet Member's report, the Committee
RESOLVED – That unless by 31 August 2006, The Hampstead Garden Suburb Institute has secured the planning consent they require and that suitable funding is arranged so that they are in a position to proceed with the purchase of the Council's freehold interest in the property, then the Chief Valuer be instructed to commence the remarketing of the property this Autumn.

6. FORMER SOUTHGATE & BARNET SEA CADETS, OSIDGE LANE, SOUTHGATE (Report of the Leader and Cabinet Member for Resources– Agenda Item 46

For the reasons set out in the Cabinet Member's report, the Committee

RESOLVED – That the Committee agrees to a short-term letting of the Former Barnet and Southgate Sea Cadet's building at Osidge Lane to the Association for Veterans of Foreign Wars for a rent-free period for 18 months.

7. MONITORING REPORT 2006/07 (Report of the Leader and Cabinet Member for Resources– Agenda Item 7)

For the reasons set out in the Cabinet Member's report, the Committee

RESOLVED –

- (1) That the General Fund budget monitoring position be noted.
- (2) That the following virement to the 2006/07 budget be approved:
 - (i) Decrease of the Dedicated Schools Grant income budget and reduction of budget for grants to nurseries by £257,000;
 - (ii) Reduction of the contribution to balances of the Special Parking Account of £815,000 and a reduction of expenditure on planned maintenance (£500,000), responsive maintenance (£100,000), street lighting PFI deal (£135,000) and car park non-domestic rates (£80,000).
- (3) That the projected capital outturn position be noted.
- (4) That the following external grant monies and revenue contributions are added to the approved capital programme:
 - (i) Improving Information Management (£0.172m)
 - (ii) Waste Performance Efficiency Grant (£0.364m in 2006/07 and 0.381m in 2007/08)
 - (iii) Neighbourhood Renewal Fund (£0.500m in 2006/07 and 2007/08)
 - (iv) London Marathon Trust Grant (£0.160m) and revenue contribution from Leisure (£0.020m)
 - (v) Youth Capital Fund additional allocation (£0.041m)
- (5) That the changes to the approved capital programme outlined in Appendix B are approved resulting in a net reduction to the programme of £0.881m.
- (6) That the Prudential Indicators are noted.
- (7) That the outstanding debt position for the Council is noted.

8. ST. MARY'S & ST. JOHN'S PRIMARY SCHOOL – NEW NURSERY SITE (Report of the Cabinet Member for Education and Lifelong Learning and the Leader/Cabinet Member for Resources– Agenda Item 8)

For the reasons set out in the Cabinet Member's report, the Committee

RESOLVED –

- (1) That the Committee supports the transfer of 658 square metres of Council owned land to the trustees of St. Mary's and St. John's Primary School in

order to assist the governors in their duty to implement the provision of a new nursery by transferring a suitable interest in the land (that satisfies the requirements of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998) by means of a 50 year lease at a peppercorn rent.

- (2) That the Legal Department in conjunction with the Head of Property Services be instructed to draw up a suitable lease that satisfies the requirements of the act and that protects the Council's interests.

9. AERODROME ROAD BRIDGES REPLACEMENT PROCUREMENT ISSUES AND RISKS (Report of the Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport and the Leader/Cabinet Member for Resources– Agenda Item 9)

For the reasons set out in the Cabinet Member's report, the Committee

RESOLVED –

- (1) That the Committee notes the progress of the project to date and the project specific tasks that need to be addressed prior to completion.
- (2) That Members note the serious challenges and risks that exist and lie ahead in meeting the timetable and the matters requiring the agreement of Network Rail, in particular the completion of an Underbridge Agreement.
- (3) That the Council enters into an Underbridge Agreement with Network Rail and proceeds with the project within known risk parameters.
- (4) That the Head of Environment and Transport keep the Risk Register under close scrutiny and report back to this Committee should there be a significant increase in risk to the Council arising from the implementation of this project.

10. PARKING CONTRACT, PROVISION OF BAILIFF SERVICES (Report of the Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport and the Leader/Cabinet Member for Resources – Agenda Item 10)

For the reasons set out in the Cabinet Member's report, the Committee

RESOLVED –

- (1) That the Council go out to tender through the European Procurement Route on a voluntary basis for the provision of bailiff services to recover unpaid Penalty Charge Notices (PCN's). The proposed contract period is four years.
- (2) That Members note that it is the Council's intention to appoint a number of Bailiff Companies, under a Framework Agreement, to enhance the flexibility of the Service and to maximise potential income to the Authority.

11. CCTV INSTALLATION PROGRAMME 2006/07 (Report of the Cabinet Member for Community Engagement and Community Safety– Agenda Item 11)

For the reasons set out in the Cabinet Member's report, the Committee

RESOLVED –

- (1) That the revised capital funding and programme costs as set out in Appendix B of the report be approved and the resulting saving of £105,000 be returned to central resources in 2006/07.

- (2) That the Committee agree to the addition to the Capital Programme of the Hendon Brent Street scheme at a cost of £140,000 in 2006/7 and the Burnt Oak scheme at a cost of £160,000 in 2006/7 with both being funded from Neighbourhood Renewal Fund monies
- (3) That subject to the approval of the above:
 - (i) the Head of Environment and Transport arranges for instructions to be placed with the CCTV Term Contractor T. E. Beach to commence with the installation of CCTV in the areas recommended in this report (East Finchley Town Centre, Whetstone Town Centre and Hendon (Brent Street)) at the relevant rates contained within the CCTV Installation Contract 2004-2007.
 - (ii) the quotations received from BT Redcare for the installation of fibre optic transmission cabling to link cameras to the control room, be accepted.

12. BRITISH RED CROSS EXTENSION FOR THE JOINT CONTRACT FOR EQUIPMENT AND MINOR ADAPTATIONS - LBB/PCT (Report of the Cabinet Member for Social Care and Housing– Agenda Item 12)

For the reasons set out in the Cabinet Member's report, the Committee

RESOLVED –

- (1) That in variance to the earlier decision of the Cabinet Resources Committee, the current Integrated Equipment provider, the British Red Cross, have their contract to deliver, collect, service and store community and nursing equipment extended by one year from 1 July 2006 and that the option to extend the contract for a second period of up to twelve months subject to satisfactory performance be agreed.
- (2) That the Agreement with the Primary Care Trust (PCT) under section 31 of the Health Act be extended to cover the period of the contract.

13. MOTION TO EXCLUDE THE PRESS AND PUBLIC: -

RESOLVED - That under Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the paragraphs as indicated of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act (as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006):

Agenda Item	Subject	Exemption Category
15.	Exempt information relating to agenda item 4 in public session: Property Disposals	3
16.	Exempt information relating to agenda item 6 in public session: Former Southgate & Barnet Sea Cadets, Osidge Lane, Southgate	3

14. PROPERTY DISPOSALS

RESOLVED – That the exempt information be noted.

15. FORMER SOUTHGATE & BARNET SEA CADETS, OSIDGE LANE, SOUTHGATE

RESOLVED – That the exempt information be noted.

The meeting finished at 7.40pm

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Post meeting note and correction

ST. MARY'S & ST. JOHN'S PRIMARY SCHOOL – NEW NURSERY SITE (Report of the Cabinet Member for Education and Lifelong Learning and the Leader/Cabinet Member for Resources– Agenda Item 8)

The report should have had an exempt report dealing with the valuation of the land. It is referred to in the public report and the Committee should have been appraised of the valuation when taking their decision. The report should also have referred to transferring a freehold rather than a leasehold interest.

Consequently, a Delegated Powers Report is now being prepared to enable a fresh decision to be taken.