

MEETING

COUNCIL

DATE AND TIME

TUESDAY 29TH OCTOBER, 2019

AT 7.00 PM

VENUE

HENDON TOWN HALL, THE BURROUGHS, LONDON NW4 4BQ

Dear Councillors,

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**Amendment by: Cllr Alan Schneiderman
Single-Use Plastics in Barnet**

Delete all and replace with (addition in bold):

Council recognises that:

1. Around 10 million tons of new single-use plastic is made each year. In many cases there are practical alternatives available that are either re-usable or sustainable.
2. The Ellen MacArthur Foundation has estimated that by weight there could be more plastic in the oceans than fish by 2050.
3. Single-use plastics litter Barnet parks and streams – damaging our green spaces and wildlife, while adding to costs for our residents.

Council notes that:

1. Plastics ingested by animals not only kill many animals, but also lead to toxic transfer and contamination of animal and human food chains.
2. The plastic bag charge, brought in by a Conservative government, has led to an 85% reduction in disposable plastic bag usage in England – with 9 billion fewer bags per year entering landfill or waste treatment.
3. Households in Barnet recycle more than those in more than two thirds of London boroughs.
4. The government has completed its consultation to introduce a Deposit Return Scheme. Such schemes have successfully reduced single-use waste in countries such as Denmark, Sweden, the Netherlands and Germany.
5. Barnet Council has already taken steps to reduce single-use plastic use, with efforts to phase out their provision taking place across Council sites.

Council resolves to:

1. Reduce waste, where feasible and practicable, by:
 - a. Replacing single-use plastics used by the Council and all commissioned services with sustainable or re-usable alternatives.
 - b. Ensuring all future council procurement exercises eliminate the use of single-use plastics
 - c. Encourage and promote community water-refill schemes
2. Work with TfL and encourage the Mayor of London to install free water fountains across Barnet's 30 town centres and other high footfall areas.
3. Support the creation of a wide-ranging Deposit Return Scheme
4. Explore other ways to minimise plastic waste across the borough

Council welcomes Cllr Weeden-Sanz's support for the single-use plastics initiative already discussed and agreed at Environment Committee and Policy & Resources Committee following the Member's Item from Cllr Jo Cooper in June entitled 'Make Barnet Plastic Free'.

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**Amendment by: Cllr Peter Zinkin
Single-Use Plastics in Barnet**

Replace with (additions are in bold):

Council recognises that:

1. Around 150 million tons of new single-use plastic is made each year. In many cases there are practical alternatives available that are either re-usable or sustainable.
2. The Ellen MacArthur Foundation has estimated that by weight there could be more plastic in oceans than fish by 2050.
3. Single-use plastics litter Barnet parks and streams – damaging our green spaces and wildlife, while adding to costs for our residents.

Council notes that:

1. Plastics ingested by animals not only kill many animals, but also lead to toxic transfer and contamination of animal and human food chains.
2. The plastic bag charge, brought in by a Conservative government, has led to an 85% reduction in disposable plastic bag usage in England – with 9 billion fewer bags per year entering landfill or waste treatment.
3. Households in Barnet recycle more than those in more than two thirds of London Boroughs.
4. The government has completed its consultation to introduce a Deposit Return Scheme. Such schemes have successfully reduced single-use waste in countries such as Denmark, Sweden, the Netherlands and Germany.

Council welcomes:

1. **The decision of the Environment Committee to join the North London Waste Authority plan to work with its constituent boroughs introduce low-plastic zones.**
2. **The decision by Policy and Resources Committee to undertake a review of single-use plastic used by the Council and all Council commissioned services.**
3. **The decision to instruct officers to explore more options to limit the use of single-use plastics, and the damage to the environment that they can cause, across the borough.**

Council resolves to:

1. Reduce single-use plastic waste, where feasible and practicable, by:
 - a. Replacing single-use plastics used by the Council and all commissioned services with sustainable or re-usable alternatives.
 - b. Ensuring all future council procurement exercises minimise the use of single-use plastics.
 - c. Encourage and promote community water-refill schemes
 - d. Work with the NLWA to introduce low-plastic zones in Barnet

3. Work with TfL and encourage the Mayor of London to install free water fountains across Barnet's 30 town centres and other high footfall areas.

4. Support the creation of a wide-ranging Deposit Return Scheme.

5. Explore other ways to minimise plastic waste across the borough.

Amendment by: Cllr Ross Houston

Delete all and replace with (addition in bold):

The Council recognises that:

1. Barnet has a historic connection with the Armed Forces, having been home to RAF Hendon and Inglis Barracks, amongst other military premises.
2. Barnet signed the Armed Forces Covenant in 2012.
3. The Armed Forces Community is of great importance to Barnet and it is imperative it is fully integrated, treated fairly with respect and gratitude.
4. 'Renewing the Covenant in the Capital' is a project that has been developed to help improve the understanding and delivery of the Armed Forces Covenant across London's boroughs.
5. The Defence Employer Recognition Scheme encompasses bronze, silver and gold awards for employer organisations that pledge, demonstrate or advocate support to defence and the armed forces community, and align their values with the Armed Forces Covenant.
 - a. Barnet Council is currently recognised with a Bronze Award.

The Council believes that:

1. Barnet should continuously support the Armed Forces Community in recognition of their service and many sacrifices. This includes serving men and women and their families, veterans and members of reserve and cadet forces.
2. Reiterating the importance of the Covenant will give Barnet the opportunity to demonstrate our commitment to the Armed Forces community; to find better ways to share best practice and to adopt new approaches that will improve the integration and appreciation of the Armed Forces across the borough.

The Council resolves to:

1. Have the renewed Armed Forces Covenant signed by:
 - a. The Mayor and Leader of the Council, **and Leaders of each other political Group**
 - b. Representatives from the health, education, employment, housing, multi-faith and voluntary sectors.
 - c. Representatives from the emergency services.
2. Show our commitment towards supporting the armed forces in Barnet by achieving both Silver and then Gold Award status in the Employer Recognition Scheme.

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Amendments to Opposition motion: A fully funded, proper pay rise for local government workers (agenda item 14.3) in the name of Cllr Barry Rawlings AGENDA ITEM 14.3

Amendment by: Cllr Daniel Thomas
A fully funded, proper pay rise for local government workers

Replace with the following (additions are in bold)

Council notes:

- 1. In response to financial decisions made by the government over the past decade, Barnet Council has been at the forefront of innovating the way that services are delivered.**
- 2. Outsourcing some services has played an important part in making savings for our residents, while ensuring that quality services are still delivered to them.**
- 3. There is a national joint committee tasked with settling the local government pay claim.**
- 4. That the Council seeks to support staff in the delivery of their work wherever and however possible.**

Council believes:

- 1. That the work carried out by staff; both directly employed and those working in our outsourced services; is fundamental to the delivery of the Council's services.**
2. Without the professionalism and dedication of our staff, the council services our residents rely on would not be deliverable.
3. Our staff help to keep our communities clean, look after those in need, and keep our towns running.

Council resolves to:

- 1. Continue to convey our appreciation for the professionalism of our staff and the providers of our outsourced services.**
- 2. Work with the workforce and relevant unions, as well as the National Joint Committee which sets pay rates across the country, to ensure that there is an appropriate settlement to the local government pay claim.**

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Amendment by: Cllr Ross Houston
A fully funded, proper pay rise for local government workers

Delete all and replace with (addition in bold):

Council notes:

- Government has endured central government funding cuts of nearly 50% since 2010.
- Between 2010 and 2020, councils will have lost 60p out of every £1 they have received from central government.
- The 2019 LGA survey of council finances found that 1 in 3 councils fear they will run out if funding to provide even their statutory, legal duties by 2022/23. This number rises to almost two thirds of councils by 2024/2025 or later.
- The LGA estimates councils will face a funding gap of £8 billion by 2025.
- Faced with these cuts from central government, the local government workforce has endured years of pay restraint with the majority of pay points losing 22 per cent of their value since 2009/10.
- At the same time as seeing their pay go down in real terms, workers experience ever increasing workloads and persistent job insecurity. Across the UK an estimated 876,000 jobs have been lost in local government since June 2010 - a reduction of 30 per cent. Local government has arguably been hit by more severe job losses than any other part of the public sector.
- There has been a disproportionate impact on women, with women making up more than two thirds of the local government workforce.

Council believes:

- Our workers are public service superheroes. They keep our communities clean, look after those in need and keep our towns and cities running.
- Without the professionalism and dedication of our staff, the council services our residents rely on would not be deliverable.
- Government funding has been cut to the extent that a proper pay rise could result in a reduction in local government services.
- The government needs to take responsibility and fully fund increases in pay; it should not put the burden on local authorities whose funding has been cut to the bone.

Council resolves to:

- Back the GMB's campaign for pay justice and support the pay claim submitted by the NJC local government unions for a £10 per hour minimum wage and a 10 per cent uplift across all other pay points in 2020/21.
- Write to the secretary of state to call for a pay increase for local government workers to be funded with new money from central government.
- Meet with local NJC union representatives to convey support for the pay claim.
- Encourage all local government workers to join a union.

Council instructs the Chief Executive to write to the GMB and all staff outlining LB Barnet's support for this campaign and the pay claim.

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**Amendment to Administration motion: Barnet celebrates Giving Tuesday 2019
(agenda item 14.4) in the name of Cllr Daniel Thomas**

AGENDA ITEM 14.4

Amendment in the name of Cllr Jess Brayne

Delete all and replace as follows (changes / additions in bold):

This council notes that:

1. Over 1000 charities operate in Barnet
2. Giving Tuesday is a global generosity movement that has helped millions of people come together to support and champion the causes they believe in and the communities in which they live – raising more than £7.8 million in online donations alone in the UK last year.
- 3. Charities undertake valuable work every day of the year supporting Barnet residents. Donations are only one of the streams of the income upon which they rely. Contracts with Barnet Council represent a significant source of funding for the charities with which the council works.**

This council believes that:

1. The charities which operate in Barnet, enriching the lives of our residents and the borough at large, deserve more recognition **and support**.
2. Giving Tuesday is a non-prescriptive and non-political campaign that will benefit our community.
- 3. A close working relationship between the council and charities benefits Barnet residents.**

This council resolves to:

1. Develop a programme to publicly support Giving Tuesday 2019 on 3rd December.
2. Work with partners to gain publicity and recognition for Barnet's charities and third sector organisations.
- 3. Collaborate with charities to develop mutually supportive ways of working, including reviewing the tendering process, length and nature of the contracts that the Council enters into with charities.**

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Amendments to Opposition motion: Brexit and Barnet (agenda item 14.5) in the name of Cllr Ross Houston

AGENDA ITEM 14.5

**Amendment by: Cllr Daniel Thomas
Brexit and Barnet**

Replace with following (additions are in bold)

Council notes the revisited Brexit agreement. Council notes the decision by Parliament to give the Withdrawal bill a second reading and looks forward to it becoming legislation

In the meantime, Council recognises that some of the 40,000 or so EU citizens living in Barnet may need advice and assistance applying for settled status. Around 15,000 in Barnet have already applied for settled status independently.

Council therefore agrees to continue providing advice and assistance for settled status to any EU citizens living in Barnet through Citizens Advice Barnet and the Council's registrar service.

Council reiterates that there is no great urgency in applying for this status. The deadline for applications is June 2021 if the Withdrawal Agreement passes, and December 2020 if not.

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Amendment to Opposition motion: Support London's Living Wage for Care Workers motion (agenda item 14.6) in the name of Cllr Barry Rawlings

AGENDA ITEM 14.6

**Amendment by : Cllr Sachin Rajput
Support London's Living Wage for Care Workers**

Replace with the following:

Council believes that care workers provide the most crucial services to our elderly and disabled residents, and they deserve to be paid a living wage.

Council notes that some former Fremantle care workers that have been transferred to the Barnet Group may be being paid less than the London Living Wage which is currently £10.55 per hour. The Barnet Group policy is to pay all its workers at least the London Living Wage.

Council welcomes the commitment for a feasibility report into the issue to be brought back to the next meeting of Policy & Resources Committee.

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Amendment by: Cllr Reema Patel
Support London's Living Wage for Care Workers

Delete all and replace with (addition in bold):

Council believes that care workers provide the most crucial services to our elderly and disabled residents, and they deserve to be paid a living wage.

Council notes that the former Fremantle care workers that have been transferred to the Barnet Group are being paid less than the London Living Wage which is currently £10.55 per hour. The London Living Wage has been identified as the minimum rate of pay that workers in the Capital need to cover the cost of living essentials. The Barnet Group policy is to pay all its workers at least the London Living Wage.

Council welcomes the commitment for a feasibility report into the issue to be brought back to the next meeting of Policy & Resources Committee.

Council calls on Policy & Resources Committee to ensure all Barnet Group employees are paid at least London's Living Wage.

Council agrees to write to all Barnet Group staff affected by this issue and invite them to attend the Policy & Resources Committee when the feasibility report is discussed.

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Amendment to Opposition motion: Barnet's Climate Action Plan (Agenda Item 14.7) in the name of Cllr Jo Cooper

AGENDA ITEM 14.7

**Amendment by: Cllr Paul Edwards
Barnet's Climate Action Plan**

Add at the end:

Council notes that according to the Friends of the Earth assessment only 41 per cent of homes are well insulated in Barnet, and 10 per cent of households in the area are in fuel poverty, which means they can't afford to heat their homes properly. Poor insulation results in high greenhouse gas emissions and high energy bills.

Council also notes that switching from gas central heating to eco-heating (such as heat pumps), which doesn't burn fossil fuels, will help reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

Council instructs the Policy and Resources Committee / Housing & Growth Committee to consider:

- how LB Barnet could help residents upgrade the insulation of 8,590 homes per year in Barnet which will help ensure all homes are properly insulated by 2030, lifting as many people as possible out of fuel poverty;
- how LB Barnet could help residents access Government grants for installing eco-heating.

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Amendment by: Cllr Geof Cooke
Barnet's Climate Action Plan

Add at the end:

Council notes that transport is the biggest source of greenhouse gases in the UK, so constant efforts by LB Barnet to encourage more people to reduce car use and increase the proportion of journeys by public transport, cycling and walking is a key element of any local Climate Action Plan.

According to Friends of the Earth, to deliver the greenhouse gas reductions the UK needs will require car use to be reduced by between 20 per cent and 60 per cent, depending on other factors like the speed of switch to electric vehicles.

Council notes that in Barnet only 48 per cent of people commute by public transport, 2 per cent cycle, and 6 per cent walk. The figures in the best performing similar local authority area are 68 per cent, 4 per cent and 17 per cent respectively.

Council instructs the Environment Committee to consider:

- adopting a target of 80 per cent of people in Barnet commuting by public transport, cycling and walking by 2030, and developing a strategy for reaching the target;
- ways to increase the number of Electric Vehicle Charging points in Barnet to at least 142 by 2030 - the Committee on Climate Change recommended minimum for Barnet;
- offering a service to install EVCs on private driveways and land;
- securing agreement from major local employers, including LB Barnet, to set a target for increasing the proportion of staff sharing car journeys in Barnet.

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**Amendment: Cllr Barry Rawlings
Barnet's Climate Action Plan**

Add at the end:

Council notes that, according to Friends of the Earth, the UK needs to produce up to 8 times more renewable electricity to end reliance on climate-wrecking oil and gas.

Council instructs Policy & Resources Committee to consider how LB Barnet can help increase the current level of 3MW renewable power in the Borough to 57MW - the best level of similar local authority areas.

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**Amendment: Cllr Anne Clarke
Barnet's Climate Action Plan**

Add at the end:

Council notes that trees help absorb the main greenhouse gas carbon dioxide from the atmosphere and store it as carbon.

Council instructs the Environment Committee to consider how Barnet can increase tree cover to 20 per cent from an estimated 10 per cent currently; and if current plans meet this target, how a target of 30 per cent could be met.

Council also instructs the Environment Committee to ensure that LB Barnet applies for any Mayor of London funds to promote awareness raising campaigns around reducing engine idling in Barnet - a practice that increases greenhouse gas emissions and air pollution unnecessarily.

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**Amendment: Cllr Alan Schneiderman
Barnet's Climate Action Plan**

Add at the end:

Council notes that making everything we buy, using it and throwing it away all contribute to climate change.

Council notes that Barnet currently reuses, recycles and composts around 37 per cent of its waste, compared to 49 per cent in similar local authorities.

Council instructs the Environment Committee:

- to consider setting a target of 70 per cent of household waste reused, recycled or composted in Barnet as has been set across Wales, and
- develop a plan to work towards zero waste by 2030.

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**Amendment: Cllr Alison Moore
Barnet's Climate Action Plan**

Add at the end:

Council notes that many local authorities invest their pension scheme funds in fossil fuel companies that contribute to climate change.

Council notes that, as well as the environmental impact, there are risks associated with holding assets in fossil fuel companies as climate change action results in a move away from carbon.

Council instructs the Pension Fund Committee to review its holdings in fossil fuel companies and to divest from these in order to protect and maximise returns to the Pension Fund.

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**Amendment: Cllr Ross Houston
Barnet's Climate Action Plan**

Add at the end:

Council notes the requirement in the London Plan for zero carbon developments.

Council instructs Policy & Resources Committee:

- to review the extent to which LB Barnet has implemented the Mayor's zero carbon standard on new development since the standard came into effect, and where this has not been achieved what mitigation in the form of carbon offsetting has occurred;
- to ensure that the London Plan requirements for zero carbon developments and carbon offsetting are fully implemented and enforced going forward.

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Amendment to Opposition motion: The right to independent living (agenda item 14.8) in the name of Cllr Reema Patel

AGENDA ITEM 14.8

**Amendment by: Cllr Sachin Rajput
The right to independent living**

Replace with the following (additions in bold)

Council notes extremely low levels of admissions to our care homes, compared with other boroughs in London. Council reaffirms its commitment to the right to independent living for all Barnet's elderly and disabled people.

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Amendment by: Cllr Jo Cooper
The right to independent living

Add at the end:

Council reaffirms its commitment to ensuring that in care planning assessments each social care user's need is understood in relation to wellbeing as set out in Section 1(2) of the Care Act.

Council acknowledges its legal duty under the Care Act, Section 9 (4), that assessment of needs must be done by reference to the nine dimensions of wellbeing as set out in Section 1(2) of the Care Act.

This means that:

"A needs assessment must include an assessment of:

- (a) The impact of the adult's needs for care and support on the matters specified in section 1(2),
- (b) The outcomes that the adult wishes to achieve in day-to-day life."

Council instructs the Adults & Safeguarding Committee to continue to promote the right to independent living for all residents.

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Amendment by: Cllr Paul Edwards
The right to independent living

Add at the end:

Council notes the recent paper from the British Association of Social Workers (BASW) that argues that care plans should record unmet need and be focused on independent living.

Council also notes that the BASW paper is now out to consultation with social workers and encourages all LB Barnet social care staff to respond to the online consultation.

Council also instructs officers to bring a report to the next Adults & Safeguarding Committee on the BASW proposals on wellbeing, assessment, eligibility and care, so that these can be considered by the Committee ready for any LB Barnet response to forthcoming Government reforms to adult social care.

<https://www.basw.co.uk/media/news/2019/oct/basw-england-consultation-future-adult-social-care>

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Amendment to Opposition motion: Supporting our nurseries (agenda item 14.9) in the name of Cllr Anne Clarke

AGENDA ITEM 14.9

**Amendment by: Cllr David Longstaff
Supporting our nurseries**

Delete all and replace with:

“Council notes that the council subsidised nurseries have recently raised the issue of budget challenges and further notes the nurseries in question are not in any position to close themselves. Any closure would be a decision of the Council, after consultation, and require the agreement of the Chairman of the Children, Education & Safeguarding (CES) Committee. The council has no plans to close any of the four nurseries.

Council notes that representatives from the nurseries have already met, in September 2019, with the Leader of the Council, Cllr. Dan Thomas, Executive Director of Children's services, Chris Munday and Service Director of Education and Skills, Ian Harrison, to discuss financial issues. As with any school facing a deficit, the council will work with the school to balance the budget.

Council notes that at the last CES committee meeting, through a Members Item brought by Cllr. Anne Clarke, it was agreed to incorporate nurseries' financing into the Annual School Funding report. The next report will be received at the January 2020 CES meeting.”

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Amendment by: Cllr Pauline Coakley Webb
Supporting our nurseries

Delete all and replace with (addition in bold):

Council notes that without further funding in the medium to long-term, the four outstanding nurseries that are currently subsidised by Barnet Council will close.

Council notes that, for example, the Barnet Early Years Alliance nursery schools are currently forecasting a deficit of £92,922 in 2020/21 and a deficit of £468,926 in 2021/22.

Council supports the maintained nursery schools' need for a long-term viable funding formula to be put in place from 2020 onwards to provide for the additional costs which maintained nursery schools face in relation to their statutory obligations including to employ a headteacher, qualified teachers and other staff on local authority pay scales.

Council believes the formula must take into account that maintained nursery schools are schools and in addition to the hourly rate under the EYNFF they should be entitled to school-based funding including a lump sum and premises components for reimbursement of business rates.

Council instructs officers to meet with the four nurseries to discuss their funding situation and come up with a plan to ensure they do not close and can plan for a sustainable future.

Council requests the CES Committee receives an update on this plan at its next meeting.

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Amendment to Opposition motion: Supporting people with Alzheimer's and Dementia (agenda item 14.10) in the name of Cllr Pauline Coakley-Webb

**Amendment by : Cllr Sachin Rajput
Supporting people with Alzheimer's and Dementia**

AGENDA ITEM 14.10

Amend:

Paragraph 3 to read:

“Council notes that LBB’s website could be improved when it comes to the pages relating to both council tax exemptions and blue badge applications for those suffering from Alzheimer’s and dementia.”

Paragraph 6 to read:

“Likewise, in respect of the new blue badge guidelines, which were formally implemented by local authorities on 30th August 2019, Council instructs officers to clarify that non-visible hidden conditions includes dementia and Alzheimer’s.”

Motion should now read:

Council notes that Alzheimer’s and dementia is affecting more and more of our residents as we support an increasing ageing population.

Council believes that carers are usually so busy coping with their caring role that unless we positively promote the benefits to which the person suffering these diseases are entitled to, many will go unnoticed.

Council notes that LBB’s website could be improved when it comes to the pages relating to both council tax exemptions and blue badge applications for those suffering from Alzheimer’s and dementia.

Council agrees to add additional precise information both on the relevant council website pages and as an informative article in the next Barnet First magazine.

Council therefore instructs officers to amend the web pages on council tax exemption to include specifically that mental health impairment includes dementia and Alzheimer’s, and that council tax reductions and exemptions can be backdated to the date of diagnosis.

Likewise, in respect of the new blue badge guidelines, which were formally implemented by local authorities on 30th August 2019, Council instructs officers to clarify that non-visible hidden conditions includes dementia and Alzheimer’s.

Council agrees that information on both aspects will be made prominent in the next issue of Barnet First magazine.

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Amendment by: Cllr Paul Edwards
Supporting people with Alzheimer's and Dementia

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Council believes that carers are usually so busy coping with their caring role that unless we positively promote the benefits to which the person suffering these diseases are entitled to, many will go unnoticed.

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Council agrees that information on both aspects will be made prominent in the next issue of Barnet First magazine.

Council asks that the Adults & Safeguarding Committee is provided with an update on progress against each of these actions at its next meeting.

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**Amendment to Opposition motion: Stop using harmful herbicides in Barnet
(agenda item 14.11) in the name of Cllr Jo Cooper**

AGENDA ITEM 14.11

**Amendment by : Cllr Dean Cohen
Stop using harmful herbicides in Barnet**

Remove: All of motion after 'Council notes:'

Replace rest of motion as follows:

Council notes:

1. This issue was discussed at the Environment Committee in September 2019.
2. The Environment Committee requested that the Executive Director for Environment submit a report to the Committee on the issue.
3. Hackney and Croydon are currently testing non-chemical alternative herbicides.

Council resolves:

1. To ensure that a report is prepared to outline the operation of weed control, and to see where non-chemical alternatives can be effectively used.
2. For this report to include how other boroughs, particularly those neighbouring Barnet operate their weed control services.
3. To review the reports from Hackney and Croydon Councils regarding their non-chemical herbicide pilots when they are available.

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**Amendment by : Cllr Alan Schneiderman
Stop using harmful herbicides in Barnet**

Delete all and replace with (addition in bold):

Council notes:

- the growing body of scientific evidence showing a link between glyphosate exposure and an increased risk of cancer;
- the spraying of glyphosate in Barnet is causing concern among residents and elected representatives about its potential harmful effects on children, animals and wildlife on our streets, housing estates and parks;
- the contracting staff who carry out this work need to be protected from harm;
- The Mayor's commitment in the Environment Strategy to "reduce the use of pesticides and peat-based products, such as compost";
- the work of Transport for London (TfL) with suppliers and contractors to explore safer alternatives such as hot foam, for essential vegetation management and weed control; the London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham was the first council in London to cease the use of glyphosate, to support biodiversity and protect habitat against any long-term chemical effect;
- other London Boroughs such as Hackney and Croydon are trialling nonchemical weed removal and exploring alternatives; and
- in June 2019 the German state-owned rail operator Deutsche Bahn announced it would stop using glyphosate on its tracks and is looking for substitutes to replace the widely used glyphosate herbicide.

In light of the public and occupational health concerns about glyphosate exposure and the need to protect habitat and biodiversity Council instructs the Environment Committee to:

- bring forward an action plan and timetable for a major reduction, to zero over time, in the spraying of glyphosate on Council land
- to support any London Councils working group for London borough representatives, specialists and other key land managers in London to work towards the removal of this and any other harmful herbicides

Council notes that where there are problems with invasive species such as Japanese Knotweed and where there is a duty to eradicate, then glyphosate may be used until an acceptable non-chemical alternative becomes available - but instructs that its use should be limited to stem injection rather than spraying.

Council asks the Chief Executive to write to the Mayor of London and the London Assembly setting out LB Barnet's support for the Mayor's commitment on this issue, enclosing a copy of Barnet's own action plan.

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