

## Decisions of the Community Leadership Committee

11 March 2015

Members Present:-

Councillor David Longstaff (Chairman)  
Councillor Graham Old (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Brian Gordon	Councillor Lisa Rutter
Councillor Arjun Mittra	Councillor Mark Shooter
Councillor Alison Moore	Councillor Agnes Slocombe
Councillor Charlie O-Macauley	Councillor Anne Hutton (in place of Cllr Nagus Narenthira)
	Councillor Brian Salinger (in place of Cllr Eva Greenspan)

Apologies for Absence

Councillor Eva Greenspan      Councillor Nagus Narenthira

### 1. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

The Chairman of the Community Leadership Committee Councillor David Longstaff, welcomed all attendees to the meeting.

**RESOLVED that subject to the correction on page three of the agenda to read: *Family and Community Wellbeing Lead Committee Officer*, the minutes of the previous meeting on 10 November 2014 be agreed as a correct record.**

### 2. ABSENCE OF MEMBERS (IF ANY)

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Eva Greenspan and Councillor Nagus Narenthira, who were substituted for by Councillor Brian Salinger and Councillor Anne Hutton.

### 3. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND NON PECUNIARY INTERESTS (IF ANY)

Councillor Anne Hutton declared a non-pecuniary interest in relation to Agenda Item 8 (Assets of Community Value: Nomination of Childs Hill Library) and Item 11 (Urgency Committee – Notification of Decision in Relation to East Finchley Library as an Asset of the Community) by virtue of being a Member of Friern Barnet Community Library.

Councillor Arjun Mittra declared a non-pecuniary interest in relation to Agenda Item 8 (Assets of Community Value: Nomination of Childs Hill Library) and Item 11 (Urgency Committee – Notification of Decision in Relation to East Finchley Library as an Asset of the Community) by virtue of being a Member of Friern Barnet Community Library.

Councillor Alison Moore declared a non-pecuniary interest in relation to Agenda Item 8 (Assets of Community Value: Nomination of Childs Hill Library) and Item 11 (Urgency Committee – Notification of Decision in Relation to East Finchley Library as an Asset of the Community) by virtue of being an ordinary member of the East Finchley Library.

Councillor Mark Shooter declared a non-pecuniary interest in relation to Agenda Item 8 (Assets of Community Value: Nomination of Childs Hill Library) and Item 10 (Grant Awards) by virtue of being a Director of a local based charity.

Councillor Brian Salinger declared a non-pecuniary interest in relation to Agenda Item 8 (Assets of Community Value: Nomination of Childs Hills Library) and Item 11 (Urgency Committee – Notification of Decision in Relation to East Finchley Library as an Asset of the Community) as Mrs Salinger is the Vice-Chairman of Friern Barnet Community Library.

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

There was none.

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

There were none.

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

There were none.

#### **7. COMMISSIONING PLAN 2015-2020**

The Chairman introduced the item which set out the five year Commissioning Plan (2015/16 to 2019/20) for the Community Leadership Committee at Appendix A and noted the Addendum with the revised Equalities and Diversity section of the report.

The Chairman moved a motion which was duly seconded, to include an additional recommendation as set out below:

- Additional recommendation: 'That the Annual Report of the Commissioning is reported to a future meeting of the Community Leadership Committee'.

The Chairman then called for a vote on the recommendations:

#### **RESOLVED that:**

- 1. The Community Leadership Committee approves the Commissioning Plan for the Committee as set out at Appendix A, taking consideration of the consultation responses set out in Appendix C.**
- 2. The Annual Report of the Commissioning Plan is reported to a future meeting of the Community Leadership Committee.**

The votes were recorded as follows:

For	6
Against	0
Abstentions	5

## 8. ASSETS OF COMMUNITY VALUE: NOMINATION OF CHILDS HILL LIBRARY

The Chairman introduced the item and informed the Committee about the Community Right to Bid under the provisions of the Localism Act 2011.

Following queries from the Committee, it was noted that the under the Community Right to Bid local people have the right to nominate buildings or pieces of land to be listed on a register of Assets of Community Value managed by the Council.

The Committee further heard that where an owner of a listed asset wishes to dispose of it, there will be a period of time which would ultimately be for a period of six months- during which the asset cannot be sold or a qualifying lease granted or assigned – a qualifying lease is a lease originally granted for a 25 year term.

**RESOLVED that the Committee agree that Childs Hill Library should be listed as an Asset of Community Value and added to the Council's Register.**

The votes were recorded as follows:

For	11
Against	0
Abstentions	0

## 9. DEVELOPING A COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION STRATEGY FOR BARNET

The Chairman introduced the report and noted the Community Participation Action Plan as set out at Appendix 1 of the Agenda Item.

The Committee received a presentation outlining the work carried out following the agreement to develop a Community Participation Strategy for Barnet. It was noted that the six areas covered by the Implementation Plan are:

- Improving our information about local communities
- Making more use of current community capacity
- Using our purchasing power
- Exploring the benefits of working locally
- Building relationships between the VCS and the Council
- Using our resources and levers

**RESOLVED that:**

- 1. The Committee note the work done to develop the Community Participation Strategy.**
- 2. The Committee agree the proposed Implementation Plan.**
- 3. The Committee endorse the Strategy's aim to draw together and coordinate opportunities for more community involvement in service delivery from across the Council as these emerge in future.**

The votes were recorded as follows:

For	6
Against	0
Abstentions	5

**10. GRANT AWARDS**

The Committee considered the report which recommends an award of £40,000 (2015/16) to Love Burnt Oak, subject to the Council's Standard Conditions of Grant Aid to cover the costs of their Community Coordinator.

It was noted that current Love Burnt Oak activities include delivering a range of services at its own community facilities in partnership with the public and community sector.

The Committee were informed that the provision for the grant is from income to the Council from the Transformation Challenge Award from the Department of Communities and Local Government.

Councillor Arjun Mittra moved a motion which was duly seconded, to include the following additional recommendation:

- Additional recommendation: That the Committee receive a further report with update on the progress made following approval of the award to Love Burnt Oak.

The Chairman then called for a vote on the recommendations.

**RESOLVED that:**

- 1. The Committee approve the following recommendation of an award of £40,000 to Love Burnt Oak, funded from Transformation Challenge Award monies.**
- 2. The Committee receive a further report with update on the progress made following approval of the award to Love Burnt Oak.**

The votes were recorded as follows:

For	11
Against	0
Abstentions	0

**11. URGENCY COMMITTEE - NOTIFICATION OF DECISION IN RELATION TO EAST FINCHLEY LIBRARY AS AN ASSET OF THE COMMUNITY**

The Chairman noted the inaccuracy in relation to the title of the report at the time of printing and the correction to read:

Urgency Committee – Notification of East Finchley Library as an Asset of the Community

**RESOLVED that the decision of the Urgency Committee, as detailed below, be noted:**

**RESOLVED that East Finchley Library be listed as an Asset of Community Value and added to the Council’s Register.**

**12. FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME**

The Committee noted the Forward Work Programme as set out in the report.

**RESOLVED that the Community Leadership Committee consider the Forward Work Programme.**

**13. ANY ITEM(S) THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES ARE URGENT**

There were none.

The meeting finished at 8.30 pm