

Minutes

OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE LONDON BOROUGH OF BARNET
held at Hendon Town Hall, The Burroughs, London NW4 4BQ, on 1 March 2016

PRESENT:-

The Worshipful the Mayor (Councillor Mark Shooter)
The Deputy Mayor (Councillor Alison Cornelius)

Councillors:

Hugh Rayner	Anne Hutton	Barry Rawlings
Maureen Braun	Andreas Ioannidis	Tim Roberts
Rebecca Challice	Dr Devra Kay	Gabriel Rozenberg
Pauline Coakley Webb	Sury Khatri	Lisa Rutter
Dean Cohen	Adam Langleben	Shimon Ryde
Jack Cohen	Kathy Levine	Brian Salinger
Melvin Cohen	David Longstaff	Gill Sargeant
Philip Cohen	Kitty Lyons	Joan Scannell
Geof Cooke	John Marshall	Alan Schneiderman
Richard Cornelius	Kath McGuirk	Agnes Slocombe
Tom Davey	Arjun Mittra	Stephen Sowerby
Val Duschinsky	Alison Moore	Caroline Stock
Paul Edwards	Ammar Naqvi	Daniel Thomas
Claire Farrier	Nagus Narenthira	Reuben Thompstone
Anthony Finn	Graham Old	Jim Tierney
Brian Gordon	Charlie O-Macauley	Amy Trevethan
Eva Greenspan	Alon Or-Bach	Laurie Williams
Helena Hart	Reema Patel	Peter Zinkin
John Hart	Bridget Perry	Zakia Zubairi
Ross Houston	Wendy Prentice	Rohit Grover
	Sachin Rajput	

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were none.

2. ELECT A MEMBER TO PRESIDE IF THE MAYOR IS ABSENT

The Worshipful the Mayor was present.

3. PRAYER

In the absence of The Mayor's chaplain, Dayan Yonason Abraham, the Mayoress offered prayers.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Worshipful the Mayor noted that on 15 July 2014 Council granted a General Dispensation to all Members to be present, speak and vote where they would otherwise have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest on the grounds that it was appropriate to grant a dispensation to allow all Members to participate fully. It was noted that this was in effect until the next Council elections, and that the general dispensation applied to:

- Council Tax:
- Setting the Council Tax or a Precept; and
- Decisions in relation to Council Tax Benefit.

The Worshipful the Mayor noted that Councillor John Marshall had been granted a dispensation by the Monitoring Officer in relation to his interest as a Trustee of Home Start Barnet, allowing him to stay and vote on item 11.1.

The following Members also declared an interest:

Member	Subject	Interest declared
Councillor John Marshall	Item 11.2 Report of Policy and Resources Committee - Loan to Barnet Homes' Registered Provider (Opendoor Homes) for the development of new affordable homes	Disclosable pecuniary interest as he is a Council appointed representative on the Board of The Barnet Group Ltd. It was noted Cllr Marshall would not take part in in the discussion or the vote on this item.
Councillor Ross Houston	Item 11.2 Report of Policy and Resources Committee - Loan to Barnet Homes' Registered Provider (Opendoor Homes) for the development of new affordable homes	Disclosable pecuniary interest as he is a Council appointed representative on the Board of The Barnet Group Ltd. It was noted Cllr Houston would not take part in in the discussion or the vote on this item.
Councillor Arjun Mittra	Item 11.2 Report of Policy and Resources Committee - Loan to Barnet Homes' Registered Provider (Opendoor Homes) for the development of new affordable homes	Non-pecuniary interest as his family are tenants of Barnet Homes
Councillor Andreas Ioannidis	Item 11.2 Report of Policy and Resources Committee - Loan to Barnet Homes' Registered Provider (Opendoor Homes) for	Non-pecuniary interest as he and his family are tenants of Barnet Homes

	the development of new affordable homes	
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5. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Members highlighted that the transcript of the Questions to the Leader attached to the minutes was incomplete. Officers advised that this was due to a technical issue with the recording equipment. Officers acknowledged that this was unsatisfactory, and informed Members that it would be resolved for future meetings.

The minutes of the meeting of 26 January 2016 were agreed as a correct record.

6. OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Worshipful the Mayor noted he was honoured to welcome a visit to the borough from the Duchess of Cornwall last week, who was visiting the Holocaust Survivors Centre.

The Worshipful the Mayor noted he would be visiting the council's regional office in Belfast next week, where he would also be visiting the Mayor of Belfast.

A reminder was given that tickets for the Mayors gala dinner taking place on 7 April at Saracens were still available, with proceeds going to the Mayor's charities. Members were also encouraged to join up to the walking and cycling Community Challenge for charity, taking place on Sunday 13 March.

On procedural matters, the Worshipful the Mayor noted that this was a Council Budget Meeting, meaning that under Council Procedure Rule 4.1 only (Statutory Formalities/Announcements) and 3 (Statutory Council Business) would apply to this meeting. It was noted that Item 14 Motions for Adjournment had been included on the agenda in error and that no business could be conducted under item 14 as it fell under Part 4 of council business.

7. ANY BUSINESS REMAINING FROM LAST MEETING

There was none.

8. THE MAYORALTY FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR, 2016-2017

The Worshipful the Mayor called for nominations for election of Mayor of the London Borough of Barnet for 2016/17:

Conservative Group Nomination

Councillor Wendy Prentice, duly seconded by Councillor Bridget Perry moved that Councillor David Longstaff be proposed for the appointment of Mayor of the London Borough of Barnet at the annual meeting of the council on 24 May 2016.

Labour Group Nomination

Councillor Ross Houston, duly seconded by Councillor Jim Tierney moved that the Councillor Kath McGuirk be proposed for the appointment of Mayor of the London Borough of Barnet at the annual meeting of the council on 24 May 2016.

The Worshipful the Mayor advised Council that a vote for was in favour of the Conservative Nomination, Councillor David Longstaff, and a vote against was in favour of

the Labour Nomination, Councillor Kath McGuirk. Upon the Conservative nomination being put to the vote, the votes were declared as follows:

For: 32
Against: 30
Abstain: 0
Absent: 1
TOTAL: 63

Councillor David Longstaff was nominated.

RESOLVED – That Councillor David Longstaff be formally proposed and seconded at the annual meeting of the council on 24 May 2016 for the appointment as Mayor of the London Borough of Barnet for the municipal year 2016/17.

Councillor David Longstaff thanked those present for his nomination and announced that Councillor Suri Khatri had consented to be his Deputy Mayor.

9. PETITIONS FOR DEBATE

There were none.

10. REPORTS FROM THE LEADER

There were none.

11. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

11.1 REPORT OF POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE- BUSINESS PLANNING 2016-2020

The Worshipful the Mayor moved suspension of Council Procedure Rule 26 with regards to the length of speeches on the budget. This was duly seconded and carried.

The Worshipful the Mayor noted there were corrections to recommendations 1.3 and 1.4 in the report, to delete the words 'subject to the results of the current consultation' as the final results of the consultation had been received and considered.

RESOLVED to allow the initial speeches on the budget to be up to the following lengths:

Councillor	Time
Cllr Richard Cornelius	15 mins
Cllr Barry Rawlings + amendment	10 mins
Cllr Jack Cohen + amendment	4 mins
Cllr Daniel Thomas	4 mins
Cllr Ross Houston	4 mins
Cllr Dean Cohen	4 mins
Cllr Anne Hutton	4 mins
Cllr Sachin Rajput	4 mins
Cllr Reema Patel	4 mins
Cllr Reuben Thompstone	4 mins
Cllr Alison Moore	4 mins

CLlr Richard Cornelius – right of reply	5 mins
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The Leader, Councillor Richard Cornelius, moved reception and adoption of the recommendations set out in the report from the Policy and Resources Committee.

Councillor Councillor Barry Rawlings moved his amendment which was seconded by Councillor Adam Langleben. Councillor Jack Cohen moved his amendment which was seconded by Councillor Anthony Finn.

Debate ensued.

In line with Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 and in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 15.4 voting was recorded.

Upon being put to the vote, the Labour Alternative Budget was declared lost. Voting on the Labour Alternative Budget:

	For	Against	Not Voting	Absent
Maureen Braun		✓		
Rebecca Challice	✓			
Pauline Coakley Webb	✓			
Dean Cohen		✓		
Jack Cohen	✓			
Melvin Cohen		✓		
Philip Cohen	✓			
Geof Cooke	✓			
Alison Cornelius		✓		
Richard Cornelius		✓		
Tom Davey		✓		
Val Duschinsky		✓		
Paul Edwards	✓			
Claire Farrier	✓			
Anthony Finn		✓		
Brian Gordon		✓		
Eva Greenspan		✓		
Rohit Grover		✓		
Helena Hart		✓		
John Hart		✓		
Ross Houston	✓			
Anne Hutton	✓			
Andreas Ioannidis	✓			
Devra Kay	✓			
Sury Khatri		✓		
Adam Langleben	✓			
Kathy Levine	✓			
David Longstaff		✓		
Kitty Lyons	✓			
John Marshall		✓		

	For	Against	Not Voting	Absent
Kath McGuirk	✓			
Arjun Mittra	✓			
Alison Moore	✓			
Ammar Naqvi	✓			
Nagas Narenthira	✓			
Charlie O'Macauley	✓			
Graham Old		✓		
Alon Or-Bach	✓			
Reema Patel	✓			
Bridget Perry		✓		
Wendy Prentice		✓		
Sachin Rajput		✓		
Barry Rawlings	✓			
Hugh Rayner		✓		
Tim Roberts	✓			
Gabriel Rozenberg		✓		
Lisa Rutter		✓		
Shimon Ryde		✓		
Brian Salinger		✓		
Gill Sargeant	✓			
Joan Scannell		✓		
Alan Schneiderman	✓			
Mark Shooter		✓		
Agnes Slocombe	✓			
Stephen Sowerby		✓		
Caroline Stock		✓		
Daniel Thomas		✓		
Reuben Thompstone		✓		
Jim Tierney	✓			
Amy Trevethan	✓			
Laurie Williams	✓			
Peter Zinkin		✓		
Zakia Zubairi	✓			

For: 31
 Against: 32
 Abstain: 0
 Absent: 0

TOTAL: 63

Upon being put to the vote, the Liberal Democrat Alternative Budget was declared lost.
Voting on the Liberal Democrat Alternative Budget:

	For	Against	Not Voting	Absent
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	For	Against	Not Voting	Absent
Maureen Braun		✓		
Rebecca Challice			✓	
Pauline Coakley Webb			✓	
Dean Cohen		✓		
Jack Cohen	✓			
Melvin Cohen		✓		
Philip Cohen			✓	
Geof Cooke			✓	
Alison Cornelius		✓		
Richard Cornelius		✓		
Tom Davey		✓		
Val Duschinsky		✓		
Paul Edwards			✓	
Claire Farrier			✓	
Anthony Finn		✓		
Brian Gordon		✓		
Eva Greenspan		✓		
Rohit Grover		✓		
Helena Hart		✓		
John Hart		✓		
Ross Houston			✓	
Anne Hutton			✓	
Andreas Ioannidis			✓	
Devra Kay			✓	
Sury Khatri		✓		
Adam Langleben			✓	
Kathy Levine			✓	
David Longstaff		✓		
Kitty Lyons			✓	
John Marshall		✓		
Kath McGuirk			✓	
Arjun Mittra			✓	
Alison Moore			✓	
Ammar Naqvi			✓	
Nagas Narenthira			✓	
Charlie O'Macauley			✓	
Graham Old		✓		
Alon Or-Bach			✓	
Reema Patel			✓	
Bridget Perry		✓		
Wendy Prentice		✓		
Sachin Rajput		✓		
Barry Rawlings			✓	
Hugh Rayner		✓		

	For	Against	Not Voting	Absent
Tim Roberts			✓	
Gabriel Rozenberg		✓		
Lisa Rutter		✓		
Shimon Ryde		✓		
Brian Salinger		✓		
Gill Sargeant			✓	
Joan Scannell		✓		
Alan Schneiderman			✓	
Mark Shooter		✓		
Agnes Slocombe			✓	
Stephen Sowerby		✓		
Caroline Stock		✓		
Daniel Thomas		✓		
Reuben Thompstone		✓		
Jim Tierney			✓	
Amy Trevethan			✓	
Laurie Williams			✓	
Peter Zinkin		✓		
Zakia Zubairi			✓	

For: 1
 Against: 32
 Abstain: 30
 Absent: 0

TOTAL: 63

Upon being put to the vote the recommendations in the report of the Policy and Resources Committee were declared carried, with voting being declared as follows:

	For	Against	Not Voting	Absent
Maureen Braun	✓			
Rebecca Challice		✓		
Pauline Coakley Webb		✓		
Dean Cohen	✓			
Jack Cohen		✓		
Melvin Cohen	✓			
Philip Cohen		✓		
Geof Cooke		✓		
Alison Cornelius	✓			
Richard Cornelius	✓			
Tom Davey	✓			
Val Duschinsky	✓			
Paul Edwards		✓		
Claire Farrier		✓		
Anthony Finn	✓			

	For	Against	Not Voting	Absent
Brian Gordon	✓			
Eva Greenspan	✓			
Rohit Grover	✓			
Helena Hart	✓			
John Hart	✓			
Ross Houston		✓		
Anne Hutton		✓		
Andreas Ioannidis		✓		
Devra Kay		✓		
Sury Khatri	✓			
Adam Langleben		✓		
Kathy Levine		✓		
David Longstaff	✓			
Kitty Lyons		✓		
John Marshall	✓			
Kath McGuirk		✓		
Arjun Mittra		✓		
Alison Moore		✓		
Ammar Naqvi		✓		
Nagas Narenthira		✓		
Charlie O'Macauley		✓		
Graham Old	✓			
Alon Or-Bach		✓		
Reema Patel		✓		
Bridget Perry	✓			
Wendy Prentice	✓			
Sachin Rajput	✓			
Barry Rawlings		✓		
Hugh Rayner	✓			
Tim Roberts		✓		
Gabriel Rozenberg	✓			
Lisa Rutter	✓			
Shimon Ryde	✓			
Brian Salinger	✓			
Gill Sargeant		✓		
Joan Scannell	✓			
Alan Schneiderman		✓		
Mark Shooter	✓			
Agnes Slocombe		✓		
Stephen Sowerby	✓			
Caroline Stock	✓			
Daniel Thomas	✓			
Reuben Thompstone	✓			
Jim Tierney		✓		

	For	Against	Not Voting	Absent
Amy Trevethan		✓		
Laurie Williams		✓		
Peter Zinkin	✓			
Zakia Zubairi		✓		

For: 32
 Against: 31
 Abstain: 0
 Absent: 0
 TOTAL: 63

RESOLVED that Council:

- 1.1 Note the final consultation report in Appendix G, the equalities impact assessments and the cumulative equalities impact assessments in Appendix H;
- 1.2 Approve the MTFs attached as Appendix A and the detailed revenue budgets in Appendices B1 and B2. The MTFs sets out all of the budget changes over the period 2016-20, including assumptions around inflation, changes to levies, pressures, savings and grant funding. It is the model around which the council's financial strategy is based.
- 1.3 Approve that the budget for 2016/17 is prepared on the basis of no increase to council tax in 2016/17, other than for the increase set out below in 1.4;
- 1.4 Approve application of the social care precept at 1.7% in 2016/17 – to help fund care for the elderly;
- 1.5 Note that the Chief Finance Officer under his delegated powers in accordance with para 4.3.2 of the Financial Regulations has calculated the amount of 135,324 (band D equivalents) as the Council Tax base for the year 2016/17 [item T in the formula in Section 31B (1) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, as amended (the "Act")];
- 1.6 Approve the following amounts calculated for the year 2016/17 in accordance with Sections 31(A) and (B), 34, 35 and 36 of the Act:
 - a) £956,469,590 being the aggregate of the amounts which the council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(2) (a) to (f) of the Act;
 - b) £804,761,913 being the aggregate of the amounts which the council estimated for the items set out in Section 31A(3) (a) to (d) of the Act;
 - c) £151,707,677 being the amount by which the aggregate at 1.6(a) above exceeds the aggregate at 1.6(b) above, calculated by the council in accordance with Section 31A(4) of the Act as its Council Tax requirement for the year (Item R in the formula section 31A(4) of the Act);
 - d) £1,121.07 being the amount at 1.6(c) above (item R), divided by Item T (Item 1.5 above), calculated by the council, in accordance

with Section 31B(1) of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year;

London Borough of Barnet Valuation Bands (£)

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
747.38	871.94	996.51	1121.07	1370.20	1619.32	1868.45	2242.14

Being the amounts given by multiplying the amounts at 1.6(d) above by the number which, in proportion set out in Section 5(1) of the Act, is applicable to dwellings listed in valuation band D, calculated by the council, in accordance with Section 36(1) of the Act, as the amounts to be taken into account for the year in respect of categories of dwellings listed in different valuation bands;

- 1.7 Approve, on the advice of the Chief Finance Officer, that the council's basic amount of Council Tax for 2016/17 as set out in 1.6(d) above is not excessive in accordance with the principles approved under section 52ZB and 52ZC of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, set out in the Referendums relating to Council Tax increases (Principles) Report (England) 2016/17;
- 1.8 Approve that for the year 2016/17 the Greater London Authority has provisionally indicated that the following amounts in precepts will be issued to the council, in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, for each of the categories of the dwellings shown below:

Greater London Authority Valuation Bands (£)

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
184.00	214.67	245.33	276.00	337.33	398.67	460.00	552.00

- 1.9 Approve that having calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts at 1.6(d) with the amounts at 1.8, the council, in accordance with Section 30(2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, sets the following amounts as the amounts of Council Tax for the year 2016/17 for each of the categories dwellings shown below:

Council Tax for Area (£)

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
931.38	1086.61	1241.84	1397.07	1707.53	2017.99	2328.45	2794.14

- 1.10 Approve that the Barnet Council Tax Support Scheme, adopted in January 2015, remain unchanged except for uprating in line with Department for Work and Pension changes for housing benefit.
- 1.11 Note that the working age non-dependent (ND) charges be uprated as set out in paragraph 1.6.14 of the Policy and Resources Committee Report.
- 1.12 Approve that in accordance with Section 38(2) of the Act the Chief Executive be instructed to place a notice in the local press of the amounts set under recommendation 1.9 above within a period of 21 days following the Council's decision;

- 1.13 Note the capital programme approved by Policy and Resources Committee as set out in Appendix C1 and C2, and that the Chief Officers be authorised to take all necessary actions for implementation;**
- 1.14 Approve that the Chief Finance Officer be authorised to adjust capital project budgets and financing in 2016/17 throughout the capital programme after the 2015/16 accounts are closed and the amount of slippage and budget carry forward required are known.**
- 1.15 Approve the approval of the Treasury Management Strategy for 2016/17 as set out in Appendix I;**
- 1.16 Note the following in relation to the Housing Revenue Account, approved by Policy and Resources Committee:**
- a) The proposed rent decrease by 1% for council dwelling as set out in paragraph 1.9.3 to take effect from 1 April 2016;**
 - b) The proposed increase to service charges for council dwelling as set out in paragraph 1.9.9 to take effect from 1 April 2016;**
 - c) The proposed rent increase of 2% for council garages as set out in paragraph 1.9.9 to take effect from 1 April 2016,**
- 1.17 Note the Housing Revenue Account estimates for 2016/17 as set out in Appendix D, approved by Policy and Resources Committee;**
- 1.18 Note the submission of the Authority Proforma Tool in relation to the Dedicated Schools Budget as set out in Appendix E;**
- 1.19 Note the Assurance fees and charges in Appendix F approved by Policy and Resources Committee, whilst noting the Adults, Children's and Environment fees and charges that were approved at their relevant Theme Committee as detailed in Appendix F;**
- 1.20 Note the summary equality impact assessment (EIA) and cumulative assessment set out in section 5.6 of the Policy and Resources Committee report. Appendix H provides the cumulative impact and individual Delivery Unit assessments where significant changes to service delivery are proposed;**
- 1.21 Approve the reserves and balances policy as set out in Appendix K and indicative amounts as set out in para 1.11 of the Policy and Resources Committee report and the Chief Finance Officer's assessment of adequacy of reserves in section 1.11. The Committee recommend to Council that CFO authorised to adjust balances in 2016/17 after 2015/16 accounts are closed and the amount of balances carry forward required are known;**
- 1.22 Note the budget movements approved by Policy and Resources Committee as set out in para 1.12 of the Policy and Resources Committee report;**
- 1.23 Note the transformation programme approved by Policy and Resources Committee as detailed in Appendix J and additional funding as set out in para 1.13 of the Policy and Resources Committee report;**

1.24 Note the write offs approved by Policy and Resources Committee as detailed in Appendix L and summarised in para 1.12.8 of the Policy and Resources Committee report;

1.25 Approve the corporate risk register as set out in Appendix M.

11.2 REPORT OF POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE - LOAN TO BARNET HOMES' REGISTERED PROVIDER (OPENDOOR HOMES) FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF NEW AFFORDABLE HOMES

Councillor John Marshall and Councillor Ross Houston left the Chamber at the start of consideration of this item.

Councillor Richard Cornelius moved reception and adoption of the report. Debate ensued.

The recommendations as set out in the report were put to the vote, and were declared carried.

RESOLVED:

- 1. That Council approve the of a loan of £57.5m to Opendoor Homes, subject to approval of the establishment of Opendoor Homes as a Registered Provider by the Homes and Communities Agency on such terms as the Section 151 Officer considers, on advice, to be appropriate and in the best interests of the Council.**
- 2. That authority is delegated to the Council's Section 151 Officer to increase the loan amount as specified in recommendation 1 up to £65m during the draw down period, if needed to provide contingency for unanticipated increases in costs over the life of the development programme.**
- 3. That authority is delegated to the Council's Section 151 Officer; in consultation with HB Public Law and other professional advisors as appropriate, to agree the legal documentation to support the loan, including the Loan Agreement and Development Agreement.**
- 4. That authority is delegated to the Council's Section 151 Officer, in consultation with HB Public Law, to authorise entering into the Agreements on behalf of the Council and to do such acts as are reasonably required to give effect to the Agreements.**

11.3 REPORT OF POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE - ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW WHOLLY OWNED COUNCIL HOUSING COMPANY

Councillor Tom Davey moved reception and adoption of the report. Debate ensued.

The recommendation as set out in the report was put to the vote and was declared carried.

RESOLVED:

That Council approve the creation of a wholly owned council housing company to develop and own homes, subject to the Policy and Resources Committee further agreeing the business plan in due course, prior to the wholly owned housing company commencing trading.

11.4 REPORT OF ASSETS REGENERATION AND GROWTH COMMITTEE - BRENT CROSS CRICKLEWOOD

The Worshipful the Mayor noted that that if there were any questions on the exempt report relating to this item, consideration and voting on the item would be deferred to the end of the meeting, with debate on the exempt information taken in exempt session. It was noted a Member wished to raise a matter relating to the exempt report and therefore consideration on the item was deferred to agenda item 16.

11.5 REPORT OF GENERAL FUNCTIONS COMMITTEE - PAY POLICY STATEMENT

Councillor Joan Scannell moved reception and adoption of the recommendation set out in the report of the General Functions Committee. Councillor Barry Rawlings moved his amendment. Debate ensued.

The amendment in name of Councillor Barry Rawlings was put to the vote. Votes were recorded as follows:

For:	31
Against:	32
Abstain:	0
Absent:	0
TOTAL:	63

The amendment was declared lost.

The recommendation as set out in the report was put to the vote. Votes were declared as follows:

For:	32
Against:	0
Abstain:	31
Absent:	0
TOTAL:	63

The recommendation in the report was declared carried.

RESOLVED that Council approves the annual Pay Policy Statement for the financial year 2016/17 (Annex A).

12. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

12.1 REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER - MEMBERS ALLOWANCE SCHEME 2016-17

The Monitoring Officer moved reception and adoption of the recommendations set out in the report.

The recommendations as set out in the report were put to the vote. The votes were recorded as follows:

For:	32
Against:	2
Abstain:	29
Absent:	0
TOTAL:	63

The recommendations were declared carried.

RESOLVED that:

1. **Council have regard to the recommendations of the Independent Panel on the Remuneration of Councillors in London as attached as Appendix A.**
2. **Council approve the Members' Allowances Scheme attached as Appendix B for 2016/17 with effect from 1 April 2016.**

12.2 REPORT OF HEAD OF GOVERNANCE

The Head of Governance moved reception and adoption of the recommendations set out in the report. It was noted that there was an error in the narrative to Appendix B. The membership of the Chipping Barnet Area Planning Committee was not subject to proportionality rules, but must have one member from each of the relevant wards, which in this case was applicable to Cllr Paul Edwards for Underhill.

The recommendations as set out in Appendix A to the report were put to the vote, and were declared carried.

The recommendations as set out in Appendix B to the report were put to the vote, and were declared carried.

RESOLVED that:

1. **Council note the changes to the Calendar of Meetings 2015/16 and 2016-17 in Appendix A.**
2. **The Labour Group nomination for change of membership on the Committee detailed in Appendix B be approved.**

13. QUESTIONS FOR REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES

There were none.

14. MOTION TO EXCLUDE THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

The Worshipful the Mayor moved 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 paragraph 9 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act (as amended).

15. REPORT OF ASSETS REGENERATION AND GROWTH COMMITTEE - BRENT

CROSS CRICKLEWOOD (EXEMPT)

Councillor Daniel Thomas introduced the report and moved reception and adoption. Debate ensued.

Following consideration of the exempt information the public were re-admitted to the meeting.

The recommendations as set out in the report were put to the vote, and were declared carried.

RESOLVED that Council:

- 1. Note the report of Assets, Regeneration and Growth Committee on 30 November 2015 as attached at Appendix 1 which approved the Joint Venture Structure and authorised the establishment of a Shadow Shareholder Board for the Brent Cross South Joint Venture, and that its terms of reference and membership to be drawn up for Council approval.**
- 2. Note the Brent Cross South Joint Venture Structure at Appendix 3 attached to the report of the Assets, Regeneration and Growth Committee on 30 November approved by the Committee on 30 November 2015.**
- 3. Agree the terms of reference for the Shadow Shareholder Board for the Brent South Joint Venture as outlined in paragraph 2.15.**
- 4. Agree that the composition and Membership of the Shadow Shareholder Board be agreed, as per paragraphs 2.13 and 2.14.**
- 5. Note the decisions outlined in Appendix 2 which will be required by the Shadow Shareholder Board as detailed in the Project Agreement and Shareholder and associated documentation necessary to form the Brent Cross South Joint Venture.**
- 6. Note that the Project Agreement, Shareholder Agreement and associated documentation will be reported to Assets, Regeneration and Growth Committee on 17 March 2017 for approval. That report will recommend that the Chief Executive be authorised in consultation with the Leader to finalise the documentation.**

The meeting finished at 9.11 pm