

Council Assembly

Wednesday 12 October 2011

7.00 pm

Harris Academy Peckham, 112 Peckham Road, London SE15 5DZ

Supplemental Agenda No.2

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Report title:		Public Question Time	
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From:		Strategic Director of Communities, Law & Governance	

1. QUESTION FROM PATRICK YORKE TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR FINANCE, RESOURCES AND COMMUNITY SAFETY

What is the net gain received from our disposable assets i.e. buildings, stocks up to date? And what are the purposed secured funds being used for?

2. QUESTION FROM DORCAS FAYEMI TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR CHILDREN'S SERVICES

In these times of financial restraint how does Southwark Council justify paying up to £63 daily for carers to supervise disabled children at home after school when there are organisation that can provide the desired level of care and more for a number of these children at £10 per day?

3. QUESTION FROM MICK BARNARD TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR FINANCE, RESOURCES AND COMMUNITY SAFETY

Can you provide the response times for responding to emails, letters and phone calls from the public and explain what action can be taken in the case of either a councillor or officer should they fail to comply with that requirement?

4. QUESTION FROM JEFF KELLAND TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR FINANCE, RESOURCES AND COMMUNITY SAFETY

The council on 1 August 2011 ended the lease on the first floor of Nutmeg House, Gainsford Street community space. What consultation took place with Tooley Street tenants and residents, how have the assets been disposed of and what compensation will be available for the loss of this community asset?

5. QUESTION FROM SUE WHITEHEAD TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR TRANSPORT, ENVIRONMENT AND RECYCLING

Was an assessment made of the impact on the visual environment - particularly in streets of terraced houses - prior to introducing bright blue recycling bins rather than bins of a less obtrusive dark blue as used in other areas, and was the Southwark Streetscape team consulted?

6. QUESTION FROM CHRIS COOPER TO THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

Re: Agenda item 6.4 - The governments pension proposals for the LGPS include pay more, work longer get less. This will have detrimental impact upon

the workforce, older members and younger members of our community. Could this item not be changed to state that the council fully support the TUC day of action?

AUDIT TRAIL

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Item No. 2.3	Classification: Open	Date: 12 October 2011	Meeting Name: Council Assembly
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RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That council assembly considers whether or not to hear a deputation from the three groups listed in paragraph 6 of the report.
2. That council assembly considers whether or not to hear any of the other deputations listed in paragraph 7 of the report

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

3. The council assembly procedure rules state that no more than three deputations shall be considered at any one meeting, and deputations shall be considered in the order of receipt. However the meeting can decide to suspend this rule in order to hear more or vary the order.
4. When considering whether to hear the deputation request, council assembly can decide:
 - to receive the deputation at this meeting or a future meeting; *or*
 - that the deputation not be received; *or*
 - to refer the deputation to the most appropriate committee/sub-committee.
5. A deputation shall consist of no more than six people, including its spokesperson. One member of the deputation shall be allowed to address the meeting for no longer than 5 minutes. The deputation spokesperson or any member of the deputation nominated by him or her shall be invited to ask a question of the leader or relevant cabinet member. After this time councillors may ask questions of the deputation for up to 5 minutes. At the conclusion of the questions, the deputation will be shown to the public seating area where they may listen to the remainder of the open section of the meeting.

KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

Deputation requests

6. The following deputation requests were the first three requests received. The deputations are listed in order of receipt.

1. **Latin American Recognition Campaign.**

The deputation request states:

'A new report entitled "No Longer Invisible", produced by Queen Mary College, London, revealed that the current Latin American population in London stands at 113,500 and most of them live or work in Southwark; however, we are not officially counted as we are not included in the monitoring forms of the local services providers and as a result our needs are not addressed. We would like to introduce our community, request to be recognised as an ethnic minority and to be included in the monitoring forms, talk about our achievements and request that our needs are addressed.'

2. Peckham Voluntary Sector Forum and Southwark Black Parents Forum Ltd

The deputation request states:

'Peckham Voluntary Sector Forum and Southwark Black Parents Forum Ltd, whom both of are very active community organisations in Southwark, are undertaking research coming from a grassroots level addressing the issue of:

Why is it that African heritage children, in particular Caribbean children, in Southwark are not achieving their full educational attainment level? How is Southwark Council going to contribute to the outcomes of the research to ensure the mechanisms are in place to support the families?

This is an area that Southwark Council has also identified as an issue for the education service.'

3. The Norwegian Church in London – St. Olav's Church

The deputation request states:

'In the light of the recent acts of terror in Norway, and as a response to the overwhelming support from all our friends in Southwark, it would be a privilege for us to be able to address the assembly to express our thanks and gratitude.'

Other deputation requests received by the deadline

7. If council assembly agrees to hear the three deputations listed above it would need to suspend council assembly procedure rule 2.6(11), which states that no more than three deputations shall be considered at any one meeting, in order to hear any of the deputations from the list below.

The deputations are listed in order of receipt.

4. Peckham Shed

The deputation request states:

'We wish to talk briefly about who we are, how the Peace Wall started and what it is/was, the plans for the future of the Peace Wall and the young people we work with, the reason for the positive reaction to the Peace Wall and the positive effects from it.'

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Background Papers	Held At	Contact
Deputation Request File	Constitutional Team 160 Tooley Street, London SE1 2QH	Lesley John 020 7525 7228
Council Assembly Procedure Rule 2.6, Southwark Constitution	Constitutional Team 160 Tooley Street, London SE1 2QH	Lesley John 020 7525 7228

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CONSULTATION WITH OTHER OFFICERS / DIRECTORATES / CABINET MEMBER		
Title	Comments sought	Comments included
Strategic Director of Communities, Law & Governance	No	No
Finance Director	No	No
Cabinet Member	No	No
Date final report sent to Constitutional Team	10 October 2011	

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