

## AMENDMENTS

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### 3. THEMED DEBATE: ENVIRONMENT - MOTIONS ON THE THEME

**MOTION 1 – CARBON NEUTRAL COUNCIL BY 2020** (see pages 5 - 6 of the main agenda)

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#### AMENDMENT A

**Moved:** Councillor Dan Garfield

**Seconded:** Councillor Darren Merrill

#### Delete all and insert:

1. Council assembly believes that even in times of austerity protecting our natural environment is one of the most important issues for the borough and must remain a key priority for the council.
2. Council assembly believes this is recognised by all political parties and so calls on councillors to work together to suggest innovative ways for the council and Southwark residents to tackle carbon emissions and protect our natural environment.
3. Council assembly notes that the majority of emissions from transport in Southwark are from road vehicles and welcomes the council's transport plan which aims to reduce the impact of transport on air quality by encouraging sustainable travel choices within the borough.
4. Council assembly believes that the council should set an example in energy efficiency and welcomes the fact that it has delivered on its promise to reduce carbon emissions in council buildings by 8.5%.
5. Council assembly welcomes the introduction of food waste recycling to all street-based properties in the borough and notes the impact this is already having in areas involved in the scheme where recycling has increased to 51%.
6. Council assembly calls on members to consider these issues and discuss:
  - How the council can encourage more sustainable travel, especially safe cycling and walking
  - How the council can promote energy efficiency, not just in buildings owned by the council, but in all properties
  - Given the huge reductions in the council's budget this year and in the coming years, how the council can protect the public realm, Southwark's parks and green spaces.
7. Council assembly notes the stated aim of the coalition government to be the "greenest government ever" and calls on members to consider how Southwark can use government funding to support green investment and green jobs in our borough.

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### 3. THEMED DEBATE: ENVIRONMENT - MOTIONS ON THE THEME

#### MOTION 3 – MAKING SOUTHWARK A CYCLING BOROUGH (see page 7 of the main agenda)

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#### AMENDMENT B

**Moved:** Councillor Michael Situ

**Seconded:** Councillor Mark Glover

In paragraph 2, after “Southwark’s roads” **insert:**

...and further notes that 51% (18) of those accidents occurred on roads controlled by Transport for London.

After paragraph 2, **insert:**

- Council assembly believes that in order to improve cycle safety the council must work with Transport for London (TfL) and Greater London Authority (GLA). It therefore welcomes that the leader of the council wrote to the Commissioner for Transport for London, Peter Hendy, on 23 December regarding cycle safety. In that letter the leader outlined the council’s plan to put together a cyclists’ map of all roads in the borough which highlights the level of cycling proficiency needed to cycle. The leader also called on TfL to complement this report by undertaking an immediate review of the roads and junctions it controls in Southwark to see if all is being done to prevent accidents at these locations. The letter called on TfL to bring forward its road safety plan and to include in it casualty reduction targets so that Southwark and other boroughs can make road safety a strategic priority. Finally, the letter called on TfL to bring forward implementation of its safety review of the junction between Tower Bridge Road and Abbey Street.

In paragraph 3 **delete** all after “form of transport” and **insert:**

...and welcomes the council’s transport plan which proposes the following strategies to promote cycling:

- 20mph streets - making our roads safer for everyone by reducing speeds
  - Permeability improvements to increase access for cyclists e.g. two way cycling on one way streets
  - Developing 'green links' to encourage local cycle trips for less confident cyclists and families
  - Road safety initiatives e.g. cycle training, HGV cycle awareness etc
  - School travel plan initiatives e.g. bike loans to teachers
  - Cycle parking on and off street
  - Lobbying TfL to extend the cycle hire scheme.
- Council assembly recognises that council’s current long-term target for people cycling in Southwark is in line with the London target and based on key developments such as the introduction of cycle hire, and the existing and planned cycle superhighways. This target translates into a 33% increase (from 3-4% in current cycling levels or 4,700 new trips by bike every day.
  - Council assembly also notes that there is a clear commitment to review this target every three years, with flexibility to increase it.

**Delete** paragraphs 4 & 5.

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## 4.2 MOTION 1 – POST OFFICES FOR SOUTHWARK(see page 18 of the main agenda)

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### AMENDMENT C

**Moved:** Councillor Kevin Ahern

**Seconded:** Councillor Chris Brown

**Delete** all from paragraph 2 and **insert:**

- Council assembly notes that 48% of the £1.34 billion of 'new money' announced by the government for investment in the post office to aid the privatisation of Royal Mail is existing subsidy.
- Council assembly regrets the closure of post offices in Southwark in 2002 and 2008. It notes that Essex Council acted to save the post offices in Essex that were under threat in 2008. It further notes that Labour in Southwark campaigned for the Liberal Democrat/Tory council in Southwark to take similar action at the time, but that it chose not to.
- Council assembly notes the comments of the cabinet member for resources and community safety in 5 January's Southwark News, welcoming the Southwark Liberal Democrats' "Damascene conversion" and committing the council to working "with the post office to look into whether it is possible to combine post office services with other facilities".
- Council assembly calls on the cabinet to follow through with this commitment and report back on progress in not more than six months.

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## 4.2 MOTION 2 – CHANGES TO NHS SOUTHWARK (see pages 18-19 of the main agenda)

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### AMENDMENT D

**Moved:** Councillor Helen Morrissey

**Seconded:** Councillor Patrick Diamond

**Insert** at end:

- Council assembly rejects David Cameron's assertion that there was a "real problem" with nursing in UK hospitals and believes that if the Conservative/ Liberal Democrat government really wants to help nurses in Southwark to focus on patient care, it should listen to what nurses are saying and drop this unnecessary health bill.

### AMENDMENT E

**Moved:** Councillor David Noakes

**Seconded:** Councillor Denise Capstick

**Delete** all and **insert:**

1. Council assembly recognises and appreciates the excellent work done by doctors, nurses and other health workers in Southwark, and believes the NHS must always be universal, based on need and free at the point of use.
2. Council assembly commends the coalition government's commitment to increase NHS spending in this parliament, at a time when Labour had promised cuts.
3. Council assembly supports the need for proper reform of the NHS to deal with the pressures of a growing, ageing population, new technologies and rising costs.
4. Council assembly commends the work of Liberal Democrats locally and nationally, including Simon Hughes MP, in securing significant and necessary changes to the original Health and Adult Social Care Bill.
5. Council assembly welcomes an NHS that will be more locally accountable and democratic for the first time in 40 years with each commissioning board legally required to meet in public and to involve the public in their commissioning plans, while being subject to full freedom of information laws.
6. Council assembly welcomes the proposal to create a new public health body for England and to return responsibility for health improvement to local authorities.
7. Council assembly is concerned by any increase in waiting times in Southwark but notes that this is in part due to the specialist services offered by hospitals in Southwark. As waiting times are decreasing in neighbouring London boroughs, council assembly questions the link between NHS reforms and increased waiting times.
8. Council assembly is concerned that the cabinet member for health and adult social care has been banned from King's College Hospital Board meetings and calls on the leader to ensure that the council is working with our local hospitals and health services.

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## 4.2 MOTION 3 – SAVE CHAMBERS WHARF (see pages 19 - 20 of the main agenda)

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### AMENDMENT F

**Moved:** Councillor Fiona Colley  
**Seconded:** Councillor Richard Livingstone

**Insert** at end:

- Council assembly notes the discussions and outcomes of the public meeting held on 19 January at City Hall, hosted and chaired by Val Shawcross AM and resolves to update the Save Your Riverside Action Group on the outcome of this debate.

### AMENDMENT G

**Moved:** Councillor Anood Al-Samerai  
**Seconded:** Councillor Eliza Mann

At beginning of paragraph 1 after “Council assembly notes” **add:**

the unquestionable importance of a clean River Thames, but notes

At end of paragraph 7 **add:**

and to respond to the phase 2 consultation. Council assembly also welcomes Simon Hughes MP's calls for a debate on the floor of the House of Commons and calls for all Southwark's MPs to take part in this.

**Add** new paragraph 8:

Council assembly recognises and formally thanks the Save Your Riverside campaign for all their hard work in raising awareness of the issue and detailing credible technical arguments to challenge Thames Water.

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**5.1 BADMINTON HOUSE, QUORN ROAD, SE22 – DISPOSAL OF FREEHOLD INTEREST** (see pages 21 - 30 of the main agenda)

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**AMENDMENT H**

**Moved:** Councillor Tim McNally

**Seconded:** Councillor Michael Bukola

**Delete** all recommendations and **insert** new recommendation below:

Council recognises the desperate shortage of family-sized council homes, therefore the cabinet should not approve the disposal of the council's freehold interest in Badminton House, Quorn Road, SE22 because it comprises mainly 3 and 4 bedroom units. Any decision to approve the disposal would be contrary to the commitment made by Labour to residents of East Dulwich Estate that only 1 and 2 bedroom units would be sold off.