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## EXECUTIVE

### REPORT FOR INFORMATION

**MEETING:** 17<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2003

**PRESENT:** Councillor Nick Stanton, Leader of the Council  
Councillor Caroline Pidgeon, Deputy Leader of the Council  
Councillor Catherine Bowman, Regeneration and Economic Development  
Councillor James Gurling, Communication and Performance Improvement  
Councillor Catriona Moore, Health and Social Care  
Councillor Richard Porter, Community Safety, Social Inclusion & Youth  
Councillor Bob Skelly, Education and Culture  
Councillor Lorraine Zuleta, Resources

#### **20.8 MOTIONS FROM MEMBERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH COUNCIL ASSEMBLY PROCEDURE RULE 3.9 – REPLICA WEAPONS**

The Executive considered the following motion referred from Council Assembly on the 30<sup>th</sup> April 2003, which was submitted in accordance with Council Assembly Procedure Rule 3.9(1) by Councillor Richard Porter and seconded by Councillor Columba Blango. This motion was subsequently amended and referred to the Executive for consideration:-

1. That Council welcomes the Home Office gun amnesty this month and wholeheartedly encourages Southwark residents who possess dangerous weapons to give them up.
2. That Council welcomes the hard work of community organisations including “Mums Against Guns” in recent months including the organisation of a street march and two public meetings.
3. That Council also welcomes the work of the police and their quick action and response in making arrests relating to recent shootings in the borough.
4. Therefore Council:
  - Welcomes the Government’s steps for a five-year minimum sentence for anyone found in possession of a firearm following the end of the amnesty.
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- Calls upon the Executive to investigate all avenues for the Council to tackle gun crime in Southwark and report back to Council Assembly on their actions.

The above motion was considered and agreed by Executive.

**COUNCILLOR NICK STANTON**

**LEADER OF THE COUNCIL**