



COUNCIL ASSEMBLY
(ORDINARY MEETING)

MINUTES of the OPEN section of the meeting of the COUNCIL ASSEMBLY held on WEDNESDAY 17TH SEPTEMBER 2003 at 7.00 P.M. at the Town Hall, Peckham Road, London SE5 8UB

PRESENT:

The Worshipful the Mayor Councillor Columba Blango

Councillor Margaret Ambrose	Councillor Dermot McInerney
Councillor Alfred Banya	Councillor Kenny Mizzi
Councillor Michael Barnard	Councillor Abdul Mohamed
Councillor Beverley Bassom	Councillor Alison Moise
Councillor Paul Bates	Councillor Catriona Moore
Councillor Catherine Bowman	Councillor Vicky Naish
Councillor David Bradbury	Councillor Graham Neale
Councillor Denise Capstick	Councillor Gavin O'Brien
Councillor Fiona Colley	Councillor Dr. Abdur-Rahman Olayiwola
Councillor Dora Dixon-Fyle	Councillor Michelle Pearce
Councillor Toby Eckersley	Councillor Caroline Pidgeon
Councillor Stephen Flannery	Councillor Richard Porter
Councillor John Friary	Councillor Lisa Rajan
Councillor Mark Glover	Councillor Tony Ritchie
Councillor Aubyn Graham	Councillor Lewis Robinson
Councillor James Gurling	Councillor William Rowe
Councillor Barrie Hargrove	Councillor Andy Simmons
Councillor Alun Hayes	Councillor Tayo Situ
Councillor Jeffrey Hook	Councillor Bob Skelly
Councillor David Hubber	Councillor Robert Smeath
Councillor Kim Humphreys	Councillor Nick Stanton
Councillor Jonathan Hunt	Councillor Richard Thomas
Councillor Peter John	Councillor Veronica Ward
Councillor Billy Kayada	Councillor Neil Watson
Councillor Jelil Ladipo	Councillor Ian Wingfield
Councillor Lorraine Lauder	Councillor Anne Yates
Councillor Linda Manchester	Councillor Lorraine Zuleta
Councillor Eliza Mann	
Councillor Danny McCarthy	

1. PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1.1 ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE

The Mayor reported the Council had won top prize in the Best Local Tourism initiative for its work in the Bellenden Renewal area. The Council was also highly commended for its work on the Southbank Street Action Team. In addition, Borough Market was voted by viewers and listeners of BBC London as 'my favourite hang-out. The Mayor thanked everyone who contributed to those outstanding achievements.

The Mayor reported that Mike Geater, a Councillor from 1977-1990 and Mayor in 1982/83 had died after a long illness. Councillors Tony Ritchie, Danny McCarthy and Toby Eckersley paid tribute.

All present observed a one-minute silence in memory of Mike Geater.

Councillor Catriona Moore announced she would be resigning as Executive Member for Social Care and Health with effect from the end of September 2003.

1.2 NOTIFICATION OF ANY ITEMS OF BUSINESS WHICH THE MAYOR DEEMS URGENT

The Mayor agreed to accept the following items as late and urgent for the reasons set out in the reports:-

Supplemental Agenda No.1 containing the Members motion report and

Supplemental Agenda No.2 containing the Officer Concurrent reports on Items 4.1 & 4.2

1.3 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS

Councillors Mark Glover and James Gurling declared a personal and prejudicial interest in Item 8.4 in respect of their employments and withdrew from the meeting during consideration of this item.

Councillors Danny McCarthy, Anne Yates, Linda Manchester, Beverley Bassom and Margaret Ambrose, declared personal non-prejudicial interests in Item 4.1 as Registered Disabled persons.

Councillor Toby Eckersley declared a personal non-prejudicial interest in Item 8.6 as the owner of a property near Kennington Tube Station.

Councillor Lorraine Lauder declared a personal non-prejudicial in Items 4.2 & 8.11 as a tenant of a property in East Street Market and in respect of a charity stall pitch in East Street Market.

Councillor Vicky Naish declared a personal non-prejudicial interest in Item 4.1 in respect of her involvement with the Peoples Care Association.

Councillor Jeff Hook declared a personal non-prejudicial interest in Item 8.8 in respect of his employment at the Royal Observatory in Greenwich.

Councillor Richard Thomas declared a personal non-prejudicial in Item 8.13 as a Friend of Herne Hill Velodrome and in item 9.3 in respect of an offer he had made on a house in College Ward.

Councillors Ian Wingfield and Alison Moise declared a personal non-prejudicial

interest in items 8.3 as employees of companies with business relationships with the Royal Mail.

Councillor Jalil Ladipo declared a personal non-prejudicial interest in item 8.6 in respect of his employment.

Councillors Stephen Flannery and Veronica Ward declared a personal non-prejudicial interest in item 7.1 as employees of Voluntary Sector organisations.

1.4 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors Mark Pursey, Paul Kyriacou, Norma Gibbes, Sarah Welfare, Dominic Thorncroft and Charlie Smith.

2. MINUTES

RESOLVED: The Open Minutes of the Ordinary Council Assembly meeting held on Wednesday 23rd July 2003 be deferred to allow the production and consideration of full transcripts of the questions and answers raised by Members on officer reports.

3. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 3.6 (see pages 1-2)

The answer to two public questions were circulated on green paper. Mr Patrick Yorke and Mr John Beasley were in attendance to ask a supplementary question of the Leader of the Executive Member for Environment & Transport and the Executive Member for Communications & Performance Improvement respectively. A copy of the questions and answers is set out in Appendix 1 to these minutes.

The Mayor announced that the minutes remaining for public question time would be added to the 30 minutes allowed for Members Question Time.

4. DEPUTATION REQUESTS

4.1 CREATING REAL EMPLOYMENT FOR THE DISABLED IN SOUTHWARK. (see pages 3 – 5 and Supplemental Agenda No.2)

Council Assembly agreed to accept a deputation from the Creating Real Employment for the Disabled in Southwark Group.

Members were addressed by the deputation's spokesperson Darren Burns, following which Councillors Tony Ritchie, Richard Thomas, Beverley Bassom, Andy Simmons, Alison Moise, and Neil Watson asked questions.

The Mayor concluded by thanking the deputation for attending and inviting its members to either withdraw or remain in the Chamber.

4.2 DEPUTATION REQUEST FROM EAST STREET MARKET TRADERS (see pages 6 – 8 and Supplemental Agenda No.2)

The deputation was withdrawn.

5. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 3.8 (see pages 9 to 17 , and blue and yellow papers circulated

at the meeting)

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 3.11 'Urgent Questions by Group Leaders', a question was submitted by Councillor Ian Wingfield to the Leader of the Council. A copy of the question and answer is attached as appendix 2 to these minutes.

Forty two questions were submitted and answers were circulated around the chamber on yellow paper. Question 16 was withdrawn. Within the time available supplementary questions were asked on questions 1 to 13, 17 to 27 and 29 to 32. A copy of the questions and answers are attached as appendix 3 to these minutes.

6. REPORTS FROM THE EXECUTIVE - REPORTS FOR RECOMMENDATION

6.1 SCHOOL ORGANISATION PLAN (see Pages 18 - 88)

This item was withdrawn.

REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

6.2 MOTIONS FROM MEMBERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH PROCEDURE RULE 3.9 –

Questions and supplemental questions to the Leader of the Council were asked by Councillors Peter John and Veronica Ward. These are attached as Appendix 4.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

7. OTHER REPORTS

7.1 INDIVIDUAL DECISION MAKING (see pages 91 to 152)

The Mayor stated one question from a Member had been received to this item, the answer to which had been circulated around the chamber on lilac paper. Councillor David Bradbury asked a supplemental question of the Vice-Chair of the Standards Committee, Councillor David Hubber, who was moving the item as the Chair of Standards Committee was not a member of the Council. The question and answer are attached in Appendix 4 to these minutes.

Councillor Peter John, seconded by Councillor Tony Ritchie, moved Amendment A. Following debate (Councillors Nick Stanton, Aubyn Graham, Toby Eckersley, Veronica Ward, Michelle Pearce and David Hubber) the amendment was put to the vote and declared to be carried.

Councillor Toby Eckersley, seconded by Councillor David Bradbury, moved Amendment B. Councillor Peter John waived his right to reply and the amendment was put to the vote and declared to be lost.

Councillor William Rowe, seconded by Councillor Lewis Robinson, moved Amendment C. Following debate (Councillors Peter John and Nick Stanton) the amendment was put to the vote and declared to be carried.

The substantive motion was put to the vote and declared to be carried.

RESOLVED: That Council Assembly instructs the Chief Executive to convene a

working party of 5 Councillors (2 Liberal Democrat, 2 Labour, 1 Conservative) to make recommendations for a revised set of proposals including consequential amendments to the Constitution's Procedure Rules and Schedules of Delegation with the intention that the revised item is submitted to Council Assembly at its November meeting.

7.2 FREEDOM OF THE BOROUGH (see pages 153 –155)

Following debate (Councillors Kim Humphreys, Denise Capstick, Jonathan Hunt, Vicky Naish, Danny McCarthy, John Friary, Tony Ritchie, David Hubber and David Bradbury), the motion was put to the vote and declared to be carried.

RESOLVED: That the Freedom of the Borough be awarded to Jack Jones OBE

8. MOTIONS SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH COUNCIL ASSEMBLY PROCEDURE RULE 3.9 (see pages 156 – 173 and Supplemental Agenda No.1 and No.2)

The Mayor informed Council Assembly Motions were not to be discussed in the order in which they appeared on the published Agenda papers. Members were provided with a schedule showing the order in which Motions were to be discussed following prioritisation by the Group Whips in accordance with Council Assembly Procedure Rule 3.10 (5).

8.10 MOTION NO.10 – 356 BUS ROUTE (see pages 167-168)

The Motion was proposed by Councillor William Rowe and seconded by Councillor Kim Humphreys.

Following debate (Councillors Nick Stanton, Michelle Pearce, and Richard Thomas) the motion was put to the vote and declared to be carried.

RESOLVED: 1 That Council notes with disappointment that Transport for London (TfL) has failed to consult properly with residents affected by the re-routing of the 356 Bus Route and has ignored representations made by residents, councillors and officers requesting a delay to the scheme to allow proper consultation.

2 That the Executive is requested to instruct officers to take whatever steps are possible to persuade TfL to reconsider the re-routing of the 356 bus so that it can be more useful to residents.

Note: This decision is referred to the Executive for consideration.

8.2 MOTION NO.2 – ALTERNATIVE FUEL (see pages 157-158)

This motion was proposed by Councillor Barrie Hargrove and seconded by Councillor Dermot McInerney.

An amendment was proposed by Councillor Graham Neale and seconded by Councillor Richard Thomas. Following debate (Councillors Dermot McInerney, Toby

Councillor Richard Thomas. Following debate (Councillors Dermot McInerney, Toby Eckersley and Barrie Hargrove the amendment was put to the meeting and declared to be carried.

Following debate (Councillor Richard Thomas) The substantive motion was put to the vote and declared to be carried.

- RESOLVED:** That Council Assembly notes
1. The positive impact of moving from conventional to alternative fuel “green” vehicles.
 2. Southwark’s pioneering lead in introducing such vehicles for Council use.
 3. Requests the Executive to receive a report laying out clear policy on the exclusive use of alternative fuelled vehicles by both the council itself and the council’s main contractors in the future and the possibility of establishing a biodiesel manufacturing plan within Southwark. Council asks that the report should look at all alternatives to petrol and diesel powered cars with the aim of reducing the emission of climate changing gases, particulates, SO₂, NO_x and other poisons.

Note: This decision is referred to the Executive for consideration.

8.3 MOTION NO.3 – POST OFFICES (see page 158)

This motion was proposed by Councillor Graham Neale and seconded by Councillor Caroline Pidgeon.

An amendment was proposed by Councillor Alfred Banya and seconded by Councillor Mick Barnard. Following debate (Councillors Andy Simmons and Jonathan Hunt the amendment was put to the meeting and declared to be carried.

The substantive motion was put to the vote and declared to be carried.

- RESOLVED:**
1. That Council condemns Post Office Limited for its moves to close up to 3000 urban post offices - one in three offices. Council notes with disappointment that Elephant & Castle and East Dulwich have already been casualties of this closure programme and Cheltenham Road, Nunhead is under consideration.
 2. That Council shares the concerns that Post Watch have expressed about two post offices (Cheltenham Road and St Norbetts Road) closing in the same area and the gap that this will leave in post office provision for local residents.

3. That Council notes with concern that the proposed closures will come on top of the closure of over 4000 post offices since 1990 and that rural offices are not included in this scheme.
4. That Council believes that post offices provide an indispensable service for every local community across the UK, and that they especially support people who are most vulnerable, this is borne out by the decision to protect rural post offices.
5. That Council welcomes campaigning by local people to protect Southwark's post offices - such as the bilingual centre proposal at Elephant & Castle - and supports the recent community bid to save the Nunhead Post Office.
6. That Council notes the recent changes in consultation on post office closure proposals which extend the consultation period from 4 to 6 weeks and introduces an approach to reviewing the future of post office provisions based on parliamentary constituency areas as opposed to individual post offices.
7. That Council calls upon Post Office Limited not to proceed with further closures and produce a report on plans for post offices in the three Southwark parliamentary constituency areas.
8. That Council is also concerned about the potential effect that Direct Payments of benefits into bank accounts will have on the long term future of the Post Office and calls upon Government to simplify the process of opening a Post Office Card Account so that this can be done over the Post Office Counter and to urge major Banks to sign up to Universal Banking by making all current accounts accessible at Post Offices
9. That Council further calls upon the Executive to actively participate in any future consultation on the future of post offices closures reporting into both the financial and social implications of any proposed closures and also to work with local Councillors, local Members of Parliament, Post Office Ltd and Post Watch to find creative ways to ensure a vibrant and successful future for all post offices at the heart of the community.

Note: This decision is referred to the Executive for consideration.

8.13 MOTION NO.13 – HERNE HILL VELODROME (see pages 170 & 171 and Supplemental Agenda No.1)

In response to questions from Members, the Borough Solicitor and Secretary advised Council Assembly the Herne Hill Velodrome Planning application had been agreed, subject to conditions, by the Planning Committee on 30th June 2003. The issue had

been further considered by Council Assembly in July. She stated the public should expect to have confidence in the planning process. Exceptional decisions were possible and could be legally justified as long as they were rationally taken and demonstrably exceptional. She advised Members to carefully consider the very clear written advice provided by the Strategic Director of Regeneration and make a judgement as to whether or not a case could be made to revisit the Planning Committee's original decision.

Following receipt of this advice on the legality and advisability of this motion from the Borough Solicitor and Secretary, a closure motion under the terms of CAPR 1.14(i) was moved, seconded and agreed without debate that the Council should proceed to its next business.

Note: In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 1.17 (5) the following Members requested that their votes against the closure motion be recorded:- Councillors David Bradbury, Toby Eckersley, Kim Humphreys, Kenny Mizzi, Lewis Robinson and William Rowe.

8.5 MOTION NO.5 – BUSES ALONG RYE LANE (see pages 160 - 162)

This motion was proposed by Councillor Andy Simmons and seconded by Councillor Mark Glover.

An amendment was proposed by Councillor Richard Thomas and seconded by Councillor Nick Stanton. Following debate (Councillors Aubyn Graham, and Neil Watson) the amendment was put to the vote and declared to be carried.

The substantive motion was put to the vote and declared to be carried.

RESOLVED:

1. That Council notes that many local residents (particularly elderly residents) in the Nunhead and Peckham Rye Community Council area who use the Rye Lane post office are being inconvenienced by the lack of two way working for buses along Rye Lane. In February of this year a report was approved by the Executive, which proposed the use of enforcement powers available to the Council to address the problems associated with traffic congestion in Rye Lane.

2. That Council welcomes the decision to return the two way working of buses to Rye Lane on a trial basis.

3. That Council urges the Executive to:

- Ensure vigorous enforcement of car parking restrictions so that buses can get through;
- Take legal steps against car drivers who have been caught entering or parking illegally in Rye Lane and investigate publicly naming them;
- Publicise the presence of CCTV in the Rye Lane area to make drivers aware that they will be caught on camera if they abuse parking guidelines;
- Consider a report after 6 months on the success or failure of the enhanced enforcement.

Note: This decision is referred to the Executive for consideration.

8.6 MOTION NO.6 – PUBLIC TRANSPORT (see pages 162 – 163)

This motion was proposed by Councillor Caroline Pidgeon and seconded by Councillor Nick Stanton.

An amendment to be moved by Councillor Barrie Hargrove and seconded by Councillor Aubyn Graham was withdrawn with the consent of Council Assembly.

The substantive motion was put to the vote and declared to be carried.

RESOLVED:

1. That Council notes with interest that on 15 July 2003, London Underground Ltd was legally transferred from the control of the Government to Ken Livingstone – thereby making the tube directly accountable to Londoners.

2. That Council notes that the Mayor's new role will give him responsibility for the operation of trains and staffing of stations in addition to the setting of fares.

3. That Council registers its disappointment that the Mayor plans to hike up fares in January – to plug a hole in the congestion-charging budget. This is a further blow to the people of Bermondsey and Kennington following the Mayor's current position to refuse to re-zone these tube stations.

4. That Council reiterates its commitment to a high quality, reliable Tube and demands that the Mayor delivers improvements to the service that are in the interests of Southwark passengers. Council calls on the Mayor to consider again the re-zoning of Kennington and Bermondsey tube stations.

Note: This decision is referred to the Executive for consideration.

8.4 MOTION NO. 4- PLANNING POLICY ON MOBILE TELECOMMUNICATION MASTS

(see pages 159-160)

This motion was proposed by Councillor Lewis Robinson and seconded by Councillor William Rowe.

An amendment was proposed by Councillor Caroline Pidgeon and seconded by Councillor Catherine Bowman. Following debate (Councillors Ian Wingfield) the amendment was put to the meeting and declared to be lost.

The substantive motion was put to the vote and declared to be carried.

- RESOLVED:**
1. That Council Assembly notes with concern the increasing proliferation of mobile telecommunication masts in the Borough. In particular, planning applications by different mobile telephone communications companies are being made for sites in close proximity to each other. Council notes that of the 8621 existing telecommunications masts which could be shared by companies in the UK only 3087 (36%) are currently shared.
 2. That Council requests the urgent development or update of a Borough wide planning policy on mobile telecommunications masts which would establish how many current masts in the borough could be shared by companies, where they are sited, and to require companies to be prepared to allow mast sharing in new applications submitted for planning approval.

8.8 MOTION NO.8 – LIGHT POLLUTION (see pages 164-165)

This motion had been proposed by Councillor Mark Glover and seconded by Councillor Barrie Hargrove.

An amendment to be moved by Councillor Richard Thomas and seconded by Councillor Jeff Hook was withdrawn with the consent of Council Assembly.

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 1.13(5) Council Assembly signified the motion was unopposed. The motion was therefore put to the meeting and declared to be carried.

- RESOLVED:**
1. That the Council notes the proliferation of light pollution (caused by excessive artificial light being misdirected) in Southwark, London and the rest of the industrialised world.
 2. That the Council further notes that waste light from poorly designed lighting has led to the urban population of the UK being deprived of a view of the night sky that our predecessors would have taken for granted.
 3. That the Council is concerned that much of the energy used in generating wasted light is produced through the burning of fossil fuels, producing the carbon dioxide emissions that the UK is pledged to reduce, and that in general, light pollution can be reduced without detriment to the lighting task.
 4. That the Council therefore requests the Executive to bring forward proposals designed to control and minimise light pollution, in accordance with guidelines issued by the Institute of Lighting Engineers. These should include consideration of the following specific proposals:
 - (1) On highways and paved areas where Southwark Council has responsibility for upkeep, new and replacement street light fittings to be shielded and

designed to permit an upward light ratio in line with ILE guidelines.

- (2) As part of the Local Development Framework to specifically address light pollution, developers could be required to submit details of lighting schemes required as part of any new development in the planning application. Applicants could be asked to demonstrate that the scheme proposed is the minimum needed for security and working purposes and that it minimises potential pollution from glare and spillage through measures such as shielding.
- (3) To support the broad aims of the Council for the Protection of Rural England's campaign against 'night blight' including supporting the introduction of a light pollution clause in a future environmental protection bill.

Note: This decision is referred to the Executive for consideration.

8.9 MOTION NO.9 – LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL TAXATION (see pages 166-167)

This motion was not considered prior to the Guillotine at 11.10pm and in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 1.13(6) will be referred to the Council Assembly meeting on Wednesday 29th October 2003.

8.15 MOTION NO.15 – THE FORWARD PLAN (see page 172)

This motion had been proposed by Councillor Lewis Robinson and seconded by Councillor Kenny Mizzi. An amendment had been proposed by Councillor Nick Stanton and seconded by Councillor Mark Pursey.

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 1.13(5), Council Assembly signified that both the motion and amendment were unopposed. The motion as amended was therefore put to the meeting and declared to be carried.

RESOLVED: That Officers are instructed when drawing up the Forward Plan of Key Decisions the phrases "consultation as appropriate", "consultation will take place as appropriate" or variants on these are not to be used in the column detailing consultation, and that instead officers must specifically state what, if any, consultation is being proposed. Officers are further instructed to identify consultees as soon as practicable.

8.11 MOTION NO.11 – EAST STREET MARKET (see pages 168-169)

This motion was withdrawn.

8.12 MOTION NO.12 – HOUSING FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES (see page 170)

This motion had been proposed by Councillor Stephen Flannery and seconded by Councillor Anne Yates.

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 1.13(5), Council Assembly signified the motion was unopposed. The motion was therefore put to the meeting and declared to be carried.

- RESOLVED:**
1. That Council notes the large number of Southwark residents who are on the Council Housing waiting list and have a specific need for a disability unit. Some of these residents have been on the list for many years and face little prospect of a move in the near future.
 2. That Council acknowledges the general shortage of social housing. Council recognizes however, that long waits for properties with disabled access are caused by: a) an acute shortage of suitable properties; b) the occupation, for various reasons, of some of these few existing properties by those without a disability.
 3. That Council requests the Executive to agree that this important matter should be considered as part of the ongoing Housing Allocations Review.

Note: This decision is referred to the Executive for consideration.

8.1 MOTION NO.1 – ALG SCRUTINY NETWORK (see page 157)

This motion was not considered prior to the Guillotine at 11.10pm and in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 1.13(6) will be referred to the Council Assembly meeting on Wednesday 29th October 2003.

8.14 MOTION NO.14 – UNAUTHORISED ADVERTISING (see pages 171-172)

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 3.9(3) this motion was referred to the Executive without debate.

8.7 MOTION NO.7 – EUROPEAN CONSTITUTION (see pages 163 – 164)

This motion was not considered prior to the Guillotine at 11.10pm and in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 1.13(6) will be referred to the Council Assembly meeting on Wednesday 29th October 2003.

8.16 MOTION 16 – HERNE HILL CPZ (see pages 172-173)

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 3.9(3) this motion was referred to the Executive without debate.

9 ADJOURNMENT DEBATES

9.1 BALLOT FOR 29th OCTOBER 2003 COUNCIL ASSEMBLY ADJOURNMENT DEBATES

The Mayor drew the names of the following Councillors in the ballot for Adjournment Debates to be held at the 23rd July Council Assembly:

1. Councillor Alun Hayes
2. Councillor Paul Kyriacou
3. Councillor Robert Smeath
4. Councillor Jeff Hook (1st reserve)
5. Councillor Sarah Welfare (2nd reserve)
6. Councillor Stephen Flannery (3rd reserve)

9.2 ADJOURNMENT DEBATE No.1 – COUNCILLOR MARK GLOVER (THE LANE WARD)

Councillor Mark Glover highlighted local concern over rumours that the future of the Pelican Neighbourhood Housing Office was in doubt.

The debate was responded to by Councillor Beverley Bassom who referred Members to her answer to the written question submitted by Councillor Wingfield and assured Councillor Glover that no decision had been taken to close the Pelican Neighbourhood Housing Office.

9.3 ADJOURNMENT DEBATE No.2 – COUNCILLOR ALISON MOISE (BRUNSWICK PARK WARD)

Councillor Alison Moise highlighted problems caused by anti social parking and anti social behaviour at Muscatel Place, Camberwell.

The debate was responded to by Councillor Richard Thomas who offered to investigate any specific issues raised by Councillor Moise.

9.4 ADJOURNMENT DEBATE No.3 – COUNCILLOR WILLIAM ROWE (COLLEGE WARD)

Councillor William Rowe reported on parking and congestion problems occurring on roads in his ward to the east of Lordship Lane and asked that local input be made on schemes before final decisions were made on traffic priorities contained in the Borough Spending Plan.

The debate was responded to by Councillor Richard Thomas who indicated steps to allow for an annual opportunity for local priorities to be fed into the process would be considered prior to next year's budget being agreed.

The meeting closed at 11.46 p.m

MAYOR:

DATED: