Item No.	Classification:	Date:	Meeting Name:
4	Open	31st March 2004	Council Assembly
Report title:		Deputation Requests	
Ward(s) or groups affected:		All	
From:		Chief Executive (Borough Solicitor & Secretary)	

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

- That Council Assembly decide whether or not to receive the following deputations and should it agree to do so, at which meeting they should be received:
  - (a) Black Awareness Group (see Paragraph 2).
  - (b) Great Suffolk Street Traders (see Paragraph 3).
  - (c) Heygate Tenants and Residents Association (see Paragraph 4).
  - (d) Aylesbury Estate Campaign (see Paragraph 5).
  - (e) Direct Investment in Council Housing Campaign. (see Paragraph 6).

#### **BACKGROUND**

2. Ms Lucia Hinton, on behalf of the Black Awareness Group, has requested a deputation in order that the Black Awareness Group may be updated on Imperial Gardens and Camberwell Road businesses.

The Black Awareness Group has previously made Deputations to the January and February meetings of Council Assembly.

- 3. Mr Kumar, on behalf of the traders of Great Suffolk Street, has requested a deputation concerning the effects of the decision to close Trinity Street and the consultative measures prior to this decision.
- 4. Ms Doreen Gee, the Chair of the Heygate Tenants and Residents Association, has requested a deputation to make representations on the Unitary Development Plan.

The Second Draft for Deposit Southwark Plan (UDP) appears as Item 6.1 on this agenda. The Heygate Tenants and Residents Association are to meet shortly to decide which particular aspects of the Southwark Plan they wish to make representations about. Should specific questions be received prior to Council Assembly, Officer advice will be sent in a Supplemental Agenda dispatch.

- 5. Mr Piers Corbyn, on behalf of the Aylesbury Estate Campaign to Respect the Ballot decision and the People's Petition campaign and members of the Citizens Jury, has requested a deputation.
- Mr Piers Corbyn, on behalf of campaigners for Direct Involvement in Council Housing – improvement and New Build Council housing, has requested a deputation in support of an initiative from Austin Mitchell MP and the all Party Council Housing Group of MPs.

## **KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION**

7. In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 3.7 (3) the request that a deputation be received stands referred to Council Assembly to decide whether or not it wishes to receive the deputation, or whether it wishes to refer the deputation to an appropriate Committee/Sub-Committee.

Council Procedure Rule 3.7 (9) sets out the procedures to be observed at Council Assembly meetings:-

# **Composition of Deputations**

The deputation shall consist of no more than six persons, including its spokesperson.

# **Speech on Behalf of the Deputation**

Only one member of the deputation shall be allowed to address the Council Assembly, her or his speech being limited to 5 minutes.

## **Questions**

Members of the Council Assembly may ask questions of the deputation which shall be answered by their spokesperson or any member of the deputation nominated by her or him, for up to 5 minutes at the conclusion of the spokesperson's address.

### **Debate**

At the conclusion of the questions, the deputation may remain (subject to any resolution excluding attendance of the public) but shall take no further part in the proceedings.

## SUPPLEMENTARY ADVICE FROM OTHER OFFICERS

Comments to follow.

# **BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS**

Background Papers	Held At	Contact
Deputation Request	Town Hall,	Kevin Flaherty
File	Peckham Road,	020 7525 7236
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