

Item No. 3	Classification: Open	Date: 28th April 2004	Meeting Name: Council Assembly
Report title:		Deputation Requests	
Ward(s) or groups affected:		All	
From:		Chief Executive (Borough Solicitor & Secretary)	

RECOMMENDATION

1. 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) Darren P Burns Consultancy (see Paragraph 2).
 - (b) Jade Dry Cleaners, Queens Road (see Paragraph 3).
 - (c) East Dulwich Tenants and Residents Association (see Paragraph 4).
 - (d) Pullens Yards tenants.(see Paragraph 5).

BACKGROUND

2. Darren Burns, a disability consultant/disability rights campaigner has requested a deputation to ask for a meeting of a working party charged with the reassessment of Council policies around the needs of the disabled demographic in light of the Disability Discrimination Act. Mr Burns believes further action is required before the implementation of the last section of the Act in six months time.
3. Vasi Karabetca, of Jade Dry Cleaners, Queens Road, has asked for a deputation regarding the progress of the purchase of their property since September 2001.
4. Steve Hedger, the Chair of the East Dulwich Estate Tenants and Residents Association has requested a deputation concerning the regeneration of the East Dulwich Estate and options available for moving the issue forward. The deputation will be requesting that alternatives to the current proposals for the estate are considered which do not involve block demolition, in light of recent changes to the Capital Finance Regulations.
5. Sandi Harris, Secretary of the Pullen Arts Business Association has requested a deputation on behalf of Pullens Yards tenants who are asking for a level of rent which will ensure the survival of creative businesses.

KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

6. 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 File	Town Hall, Peckham Road, London SE5 8UB	Kevin Flaherty 020 7525 7236

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