



**COUNCIL ASSEMBLY
(CONSTITUTIONAL COUNCIL)**

MINUTES of the open section of the meeting of the Council Assembly held on Wednesday May 31 2006 at 7.00 p.m. at the Town Hall, Peckham Road, London SE5 8UB

PRESENT:

The Worshipful the Mayor Councillor Paul Kyriacou

Councillor Paul Baichoo	Councillor Alison McGovern
Councillor James Barber	Councillor Tim McNally
Councillor Paul Bates	Councillor Kirsty McNeill
Councillor Columba Blango	Councillor Jonathan Mitchell
Councillor Denise Capstick	Councillor Abdul Mohamed
Councillor Fiona Colley	Councillor Adele Morris
Councillor Robin Ann Crookshank Hilton	Councillor Gordon Nardell
Councillor Toby Eckersley	Councillor David Noakes
Councillor Mary Foulkes OBE	Councillor Paul Noblet
Councillor John Friary	Councillor Olajumoke Oyewunmi
Councillor Mark Glover	Councillor Chris Page
Councillor Aubyn Graham	Councillor Andrew Pakes
Councillor James Gurling	Councillor Caroline Pidgeon
Councillor Barrie Hargrove	Councillor Lisa Rajan
Councillor Jeff Hook	Councillor Sandra Rhule
Councillor David Hubber	Councillor Lewis Robinson
Councillor Kim Humphreys	Councillor Jane Salmon
Councillor Helen Jardine-Brown	Councillor Martin Seaton
Councillor Peter John	Councillor Mackie Sheik
Councillor Jenny Jones	Councillor Tayo Situ
Councillor Susan ElanJones	Councillor Bob Skelly
Councillor Jelil Ladipo	Councillor Robert Smeath
Councillor Adedokun Lasaki	Councillor Althea Smith
Councillor Lorraine Lauder MBE	Councillor Nicholas Stanton
Councillor Evrim Laws	Councillor Richard Thomas
Councillor Richard Livingstone	Councillor Dominic Thorncroft
Councillor Linda Manchester	Councillor Veronica Ward
Councillor Eliza Mann	Councillor Anne Yates
Councillor Danny McCarthy	Councillor Lorraine Zuleta

1. PRELIMINARY BUSINESS
1.1 ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE OR CHIEF EXECUTIVE

The Mayor thanked all those members who had served in the last administration and asked that they be formally written to.

The Mayor announced that his Spiritual Adviser would be Reverend Jim Jelly from St. Luke's Church.

The Mayor stated that he wished to be addressed as 'Mr. Mayor.'

The Mayor reminded members that at the rise of council assembly there would be an extraordinary meeting of the new overview and scrutiny committee. He requested that the new members of the overview and scrutiny committee retire to room A2 at the close of the meeting.

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

There were no late items of business.

The following papers were circulated around the chamber: -

- A list of nominations for chairs and vice chairs on yellow paper
- Committee membership on lilac paper
- A list of executive portfolios on white paper
- A guide to the voting process on green paper
- Nominations to ALG committees and forums, LGA General Assembly and Urban Commission on blue paper
- Independent member biographies on pink paper
- Legal concurrent on amendments to item 4 on white paper.

1.3 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

There were none.

1.4 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors Michelle Holford, Nick Vineall and Ian Wingfield.

Apologies for lateness were received on behalf of Councillor Dora Dixon-Fyle.

2. MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the open minutes of the ordinary meeting held on Wednesday March 22 2006 be agreed and signed as a correct record of the proceedings.

GUILLOTINE

The clerk announced that the guillotine would fall at 10.07 p.m.

OFFICER REPORTS FOR RECOMMENDATION

3. CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES FOR 2006/07 (see pages 1 – 47)

The Mayor stated that in accordance with council assembly procedure rule 1.15(2), this being an officer report, the recommendations set out in the report were deemed to have been moved and were subject to amendment only. He announced he intended to consider each recommendation where a decision was needed separately.

Council assembly noted recommendation 1 (constitutional issues for the 2006/07 municipal year) and recommendation 2 (political group leaders, deputies and whips).

The Mayor stated that he had received two nomination for recommendation 3 (election of leader), Councillors Nick Stanton and Peter John. No further nominations were forthcoming, therefore the nominations were put to the vote following which it was agreed Councillor Nick Stanton be appointed leader of the council.

Councillor Nick Stanton as the newly appointed leader of the council moved recommendation 4, his nominations for the appointment of the deputy leader and the executive members and their portfolios. The nominations were seconded by councillor David Hubber. The nominations were put to the vote and declared to be carried.

In accordance with council assembly procedure rule 1.17 (5) the following members requested that their vote against the above resolution be recorded:-

Councillors Paul Bates, Fiona Colley, Susan Elan Jones, Mary Foulkes, John Friary, Mark Glover, Aubyn Graham, Barrie Hargrove, Peter John, Lorraine Lauder, Evrim Laws, Richard Livingstone, Alison McGovern, Kirsty McNeill, Abdul Mohamed, Gordon Nardell, Ola Oyewunmi, Chris Page, Andrew Pakes, Sandra Rhule, Martin Seaton, Tayo Situ, Robert Smeath, Althea Smith, Dominic Thorncroft and Veronica Ward.

The Mayor moved recommendations 5, 6 and 7 (determination of size and composition of the council's regulatory and other committees). The motion was put to the vote and declared to be carried.

The Mayor moved recommendation 8 (themed scrutiny sub-committees to be appointed by overview and scrutiny committee). The motion was put to the vote and declared to be carried.

The Mayor moved recommendation 9 (appointment of chair and vice-chairs for overview and scrutiny committee) and stated that one nomination had been received for chair, Councillor Fiona Colley. No further nominations were forthcoming; therefore the nomination was put to the vote and council assembly appointed Councillor Fiona Colley as chair of the overview and scrutiny committee.

The Mayor stated that two nominations had been received for vice-chair for overview and scrutiny committee, Councillor Bob Skelly and Councillor Jenny Jones. No further nominations were forthcoming, therefore the nominations were put to the vote and council assembly appointed Councillor Bob Skelly as vice-chair of the overview

and scrutiny committee.

The Mayor moved recommendation 10 (appointment of chairs and vice-chairs for the remaining committees of the council). The Mayor announced that he had received some contested nominations. The Mayor stated contested and vacant positions would be dealt with separately as follows:-

Chair of Planning committee

Councillor Nick Stanton, seconded by David Hubber, nominated Councillor James Gurling as chair of planning committee.

Councillor Peter John, seconded by Councillor Paul Bates, nominated Councillor Aubyn Grajam as chair of planning committee.

The nominations were put to the vote and a vote having been taken, it was declared that Councillor James Gurling be appointed chair of planning committee.

Vice-chair of planning committee

Councillor Peter John, seconded by Councillor Paul Bates, nominated Councillor Aubyn Graham as vice-chair of planning committee

Councillor Nick Stanton, seconded by Councillor David Hubber, nominated Councillor Helen Jardine-Brown as vice-chair of planning committee.

The nominations were put to the vote and a vote having been taken, it was declared that Councillor Helen Jardine-Brown be appointed vice-chair of planning committee.

Chair of licensing committee

Councillor Peter John, seconded by Councillor Paul Bates, nominated Councillor Dominic Thorncroft as chair of licensing committee.

Councillor Nick Stanton, seconded by Councillor David Hubber, nominated Councillor Linda Manchester as chair of licensing committee.

The nominations were put to the vote and a vote having been taken, it was declared that Councillor Linda Manchester be appointed chair of licensing committee.

Chair of Rotherhithe community council

Councillor Nick Stanton, seconded by David Hubber, nominated Councillor Paul Noblet as chair of Rotherhithe community council.

Councillor Peter John, seconded by Councillor Paul Bates, nominated Councillor Richard Livingstone as chair of Rotherhithe community council.

The nominations were put to the vote and a vote having been taken, it was declared that Councillor Paul Noblet be appointed chair of Rotherhithe community council.

Vice-chair of Rotherhithe community council

Councillor Peter John, seconded by Councillor Paul Bates, nominated Councillor Mary Foulkes as vice-chair of Rotherhithe community council.

Councillor Nick Stanton, seconded by Councillor David Hubber, nominated Councillor Anne Yates as vice-chair of Rotherhithe community council.

The nominations were put to the vote and a vote having been taken, it was declared

that Councillor Anne Yates be appointed vice-chair of Rotherhithe community council.

Vice-chair of appointments committee

Councillor Fiona Colley, seconded by Councillor Paul Bates, nominated Councillor Peter John as vice-chair of the appointments committee.

Councillor Lewis Robinson, seconded by Councillor Toby Eckesley, nominated Councillor Kim Humphreys as vice-chair of the appointments committee.

The nominations were put to the vote and a vote having been taken, it was declared that Councillor Kim Humphreys be appointed vice-chair of the appointments committee.

In respect of the non contested positions, the nominations were put to the vote and declared to be carried.

The Mayor moved recommendation 11 (appointment of members to serve on the standards committee), recommendation 12 (the two independent members of the standards committee), recommendation 13 (appointment of the third and fourth independent members) and recommendation 14 (the election of chair and vice-chair to take place at the first meeting of the new standards committee), recommendation 15 (appointment to the licensing committee) and recommendation 16 (urgency committee). The motion was put to the vote and declared to be carried.

The Mayor stated that he had received one amendment to recommendation 17 – Council calendar. Councillor David Hubber, seconded by Councillor Lewis Robinson moved amendment A1.

Following debate (Councillors Paul Bates and Peter John), amendment A1 was put to the vote and declared to be carried.

The Mayor stated that he had received one amendment to recommendation 18 – LGA General Assembly allocation of votes. Councillor David Hubber, seconded by Councillor Lewis Robinson, moved amendment A2. With the consent of the meeting Councillor David Hubber amended amendment A2 as follows: Liberal Democrat two votes, Labour two votes and Conservatives one vote.

Amendment A2 was put to put to the vote and declared to be carried.

The allocation of votes for the LGA General Assembly having been agreed, the following nominations were put to the vote and declared to be carried – Councillors Nick Stanton (1 vote), Peter John (1 vote), Fiona Colley (1 vote), Toby Eckersley (1 vote) and James Gurling (Observer).

Council assembly noted recommendation 19 that the executive and standards committee will make appointments to all other outside committees and bodies for the municipal year 2006/07.

The Mayor moved recommendation 20 (establishment of voluntary bodies appointment panel). The motion 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 the appointment of political group leaders, deputies and

: whips be noted.

2. That Councillor Nick Stanton be elected leader of the council.
3. That the following be appointed as members of the executive to the portfolios as stated at the meeting:-
 - Deputy leader and housing management– Councillor Kim Humphreys
 - Executive member for children’s services and education – Councillor Caroline Pidgeon
 - Executive member for environment – Councillor Lisa Rajan
 - Executive member for citizenship, equalities and communities – Councillor Columba Blango
 - Executive member for community safety – Councillor Jeff Hook
 - Executive member for culture, leisure and sport – Councillor Lorraine Zuleta
 - Executive member for health and adult care – Councillor Denise Capstick
 - Executive member for regeneration – Councillor Richard Thomas
 - Executive member for resources – Councillor Toby Eckersley
4. That the size and composition of the council’s regulatory and other committees be appointed as follows:

Committee	Total	Liberal Democrats	Labour	Conservative
Committee 1 (in 2005/06 - Appointments Committee)	7)	3	3	1
Committee 2 (in 2005/06 - Planning Committee)	7	3	3	1
Committee 3 (in 2005/06 - Disciplinary Appeals Committee)	8)	4	4	0
Total	22	10	10	2

5. That the size and composition of community councils be noted.
6. That the size and composition of overview and scrutiny committee, as set out below, be appointed:-

Committee	Total	Liberal Democrats	Labour	Conservative
Overview & Scrutiny Committee	9(8)	4(4)	4(3)	1(1)

7. That in accordance with overview and scrutiny procedure rules, the themed scrutiny sub-committees be appointed by overview and scrutiny committee.

Note: The overview and scrutiny committee met at the rise of council assembly to determine its sub-committees for 2006/07.

8. That Councillors Fiona Colley and Bob Skelly, be appointed chair and vice-chair of the overview and scrutiny committee.

9. That the chair and vice-chairs of the following be appointed (see attached Appendix 1):

- Planning Committee
- Licensing Committee
- Appointments Committee
- Disciplinary appeals
- 8 Community Councils

Borough and Bankside
 Bermondsey
 Rotherhithe
 Walworth
 Peckham
 Camberwell
 Nunhead and Peckham
 Dulwich.

10. That the following members be appointed to serve on the standards committee:-

Councillors David Hubber, Daniel McCarthy, Paul Bates, Robert Smeath and Lewis Robinson.

11. That council assembly in noting the two existing independent members, Wendy Golding and Jean Sackur, confirmed the appointment of the third and fourth independent members and note that the election of the chair and vice-chair will take place at the first meeting of the committee in the 2006/07 municipal year

12. That 15 councillors be appointed to serve on the licensing committee.

13. That the urgency committee be reconstituted for the decision making period between municipal elections and constitutional council in the 2006/07 municipal year with the following terms of reference and membership:

- Terms of Reference - Delegated power to exercise all the functions of the council, that are not reserved to council for decision in cases where, in the opinion of the chief executive it is necessary to act urgently in order to secure the efficient and expeditious conduct of the council's business.
 - Membership - The membership of the committee to comprise the leaders (or nominee) of the two largest political groups of the council (1 reserve member each – deputy leaders (or nominee)).
14. That the dates for council assembly meetings be agreed as follows:
- June 28 2006 (Statement of accounts)
 - September 13 2006
 - December 6 2006
 - January 24 2007 (Council tax base)
 - February 22 2007 (Budget and council tax setting)
 - March 28 2007
 - May 16 2007 (Mayor-making)
 - May 23 2007 (Constitutional meeting)
15. That the following members be appointed to the Local Government Authority General Assembly:- Councillors Nick Stanton (2 vote), Peter John (1 vote), Fiona Colley (1 vote), Toby Eckersley (1 vote) and Councillor James Gurling (Observer).
16. That it be noted that the executive and standards committee will make appointments to all other outside committees and bodies for the municipal year 2006/07, as required by part 3J of the constitution.
17. That the voluntary bodies appointment panel be established with the members as set out below.

Six members of the panel, including one independent member. Comprising of 2 Liberal Democrat, 2 Labour and 1 Conservative member.

4. **CONSTITUTIONAL REVIEW** (see pages 48 – 108)

The Mayor stated that in accordance with council assembly procedure rule 1.15(2), the recommendations set out in the report were deemed to have been moved and were subject to amendment only. He explained that several amendments had been received on various proposals within each recommendation, therefore, these would be considered separately.

At the juncture, the clerk drew members attention to the legal advice circulated on amendments B5, B6, B7 and B9. Following debate (Councillor Paul Bates), the whips of the three political parties stated that agreement had been reached on all

amendments apart from B8 – community councils.

Councillor Peter John, seconded by Councillor Paul Bates, moved amendment B8. Following debate (Councillors David Hubber, Richard Livingstone, Richard Thomas and Fiona Colley), amendment B was put to the vote and declared to be lost.

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

- RESOLVED:**
1. That the policy framework as set in table 1 in the report, be agreed.
 2. That the revised public questions and depositions clauses as set out in appendix A, be agreed.
 3. That the wording to expand council assembly procedure rule 3.8 – petitions, as set out below, be agreed:

*15. The member presenting the petition may speak for up to 3 minutes on the subject matter and number of signatories contained within the petition. Council assembly will not debate the petition. Receipt of the petition will be recorded in the minutes. The borough solicitor will arrange for a summary of any petition, which addresses an issue within the direct responsibility of the council to be referred to the relevant executive member or chief officer.

* This denotes that the procedure rule cannot be suspended.

4. That the expanded rules on Freedom of the Borough and Honorary Alderman - as set out below, be agreed:

5. GRANTING OF THE FREEDOM OF THE BOROUGH AND CONFERRING THE TITLE OF HONORARY ALDERMAN

5.1 The council assembly at a specially convened meeting shall consider the recommendation of the constitutional steering group¹ for nominations i.e. the conferment, for the purposes of honouring or granting the Freedom of the Borough, to any person, organization or body that meet the criteria approved by the council and who have rendered eminent service to Southwark, and shall by a resolution passed by not less than two-thirds of the members voting agree upon those to be honoured. Thereafter, the

Freedom of the Borough shall be presented to the agreed recipients.

5.2 The council assembly at a specially convened meeting shall consider the recommendation of the constitutional steering group for nominations i.e. the conferment, for the purposes of honouring or conferring the title of Honorary Alderman, to any person who meets the criteria approved by the council and who have rendered eminent service to Southwark as past members of the council, and who are not then councillors of the council, and shall by a resolution passed by not less than two-thirds of the members voting agree upon those to be honoured. Thereafter, the title of Honorary Alderman shall be presented to the agreed recipients.

5. That in line with legal advice, the following changes be made to the constitution:

- (i) In article 4.02 – Functions of council assembly – delete “(l) disposal of council owned metropolitan open land”; and,
- (ii) In Part 3C, matters reserved to the executive in paragraph 12 delete exclusion from executive decision of “disposal of council owned metropolitan open land”.

6. That the amendments to Part 3B and 3C; Executive terms of reference and matters reserved to the executive for collective decision making, as set out in paragraph 24 and 25 of the report, be agreed.

7. (i) That the change below be made to executive procedure rule 2.10 -deputations:-

Change 2.10(3) to become clause 2.10(3)(i) and **add** new clause 2.10(3)(ii):

“To preserve the ability for deputations to take place in connection with late or urgent items added to the executive agenda after the normal deadline for deputations, the leader or in his/her absence the deputy leader shall at the meeting have the discretion to decide whether or not to accept a late and urgent deputation.”

(ii). That the expanded executive procedure rules 2.10 - public question time, as set out below, be agreed:-

2.11 Procedures at executive meetings for public questions

1. The time during which public questions shall be taken shall not exceed 15 minutes.
2. A resident or business ratepayer of the borough may ask one written question (limited to 50 words) on any matter in relation to which the council have powers. The question must be received three clear working days in advance of the executive meeting by the borough solicitor.
3. Each question must provide the name and address of the questioner and name the executive member to whom the question should be put.

Scope of questions

4. The leader in consultation with the borough solicitor may reject a question if it:
 - is not about a matter for which the local authority has a responsibility or which affects the borough;
 - is defamatory, frivolous or offensive;
 - is substantially the same as a question which has been put at a meeting of the executive in the past three months;
 - requires the disclosure of confidential or exempt information;
 - concerns a planning or licensing application;
 - raises a grievance for which there are other established processes for resolution;
 - relates to an investigation (whether completed or no) by, or ruling of, the Standards Board for England, the

- standards committee or the Adjudication panel, in so far as those comments relate to the behaviour or conduct of an individual member or members.

Record of questions

5. The borough solicitor will enter each question in a book open to public inspection. Rejected questions will include reasons for rejection.

Asking the question at the meeting

6. The leader will invite the questioner to put the question to the member named in the notice.

Supplemental question

7. Any supplemental question will however be at the discretion of the chair.

Written answers

8. Any question, which cannot be dealt with during public question time, either because of lack of time or because of the non-attendance of the member to whom it was to be put, will be dealt with by a written answer.

Urgent items

9. To preserve the ability for public questions to take place in connection with late or urgent items added to the executive agenda after the normal deadlines for such questions, the leader or in his/her absence the deputy leader shall at the meeting have the discretion to decide whether or not accept a late and urgent public question.

(iii) That the clarification of the wording relating to the quorum for the full executive and executive committees as set out in appendix I of the report be agreed.

8.
 - (i) That the revised role and function of the standards committee be agreed.
 - (ii) That a constitutional steering panel be established with the terms of reference and membership as set out in appendix E of the report.
9. That the matters reserved to the licensing committee and matters delegated to the head of service and licensing officer panel be revised as set out in appendix F of the report.
10. That the revisions to financial standing orders (Part 4

of the constitution), as set out in appendix G, be agreed.

11. That the changes made to Article 12 – officers, be agreed – see appendix H of the report.

12. That arising from recommendations 1 – 11 and 13 - 15, officers be authorised to make any consequential amendments and cross-referencing amendments to the constitution.

13. That in order to formalise within the constitution the ability for in-depth overview and scrutiny, the overview and scrutiny committee and its sub-committees are to present reports to council assembly for noting, questions or debate. Therefore, Article 6 of the constitution, clauses 6.03 (Scrutiny) (iv) to be amended as follows:-

After "make recommendations to the executive and or council assembly arising from the outcome of the scrutiny process" add:

"or refer entire reports produced as the result of the scrutiny process to be debated and noted at council assembly."

14. That in order to formalise an arrangement for the leader of the council to report back to members and take questions on the work of the Alliance clause (xiii) of council assembly procedure rules 3.2 be amended by adding after 'outside bodies':

"Once a year council assembly shall receive a report from the leader of the council on the work carried out by Southwark Alliance. Council will then also receive questions to the leader from members, relating to this report. Questions shall be treated as 'questions on reports'. This shall take place at a council assembly meeting following the publication of the Southwark Alliance annual report. Where possible this should be the first scheduled meeting after the publication of the report."

15. That, officers will work with overview and scrutiny committee members to consider putting into place suitable arrangements for scrutiny of decisions in the period between elections and annual (constitutional) council. This will be carried out in order to table suitable amendments to the constitution following the 2007 constitutional review."

At this juncture, Councillor Peter John requested that the government be requested

to change the status of the sale of metropolitan open land (MOL) so that it fell within the remit of council assembly. He thereafter requested that all members be informed whenever MOL was considered for disposal.

5. REVIEW OF MEMBER OFFICER AND COMMUNICATIONS PROTOCOLS (see pages 109 – 127)

The Mayor stated that in accordance with council assembly procedure rule 1.15(2), the recommendation set out in the report was deemed to have been moved and was subject to amendment only.

The recommendation contained within the report was put to the vote and declared to be carried.

RESOLVED: That the amendments to the member officer and communication protocols as set out in appendix A and B of the report, be agreed.

6. NOMINATIONS TO ASSOCIATION OF LONDON GOVERNMENT (ALG) COMMITTEES AND FORUMS 2006/07 (see pages 128 – 135)

The Mayor announced that he had received some contested nominations. The Mayor stated contested and vacant positions would be dealt with separately as follows:-

ALG Leaders' Committee (Associated Joint Committee)

The Mayor announced that he had received two nominations. Councillor Lewis Robinson, seconded by Councillor Toby Eckersley, moved that Councillor Kim Humphreys be added to the list of nominees. Thereafter, Councillor Peter John withdrew his name from the list of nominees.

The nominations were put to the vote and a vote having been taken, it was declared that Councillor Nick Stanton be appointed as the council's representative and Councillor Kim Humphreys be appointed as the deputy to the ALG Leaders' Committee (Associated Joint Committee).

ALG Transport and Environment Committee (Associated Joint Committee)

The Mayor announced that he had received two nominations. Councillor Nick Stanton, seconded by Councillor David Hubber, moved that Councillors James Barber, Lisa Rajan and Richard Thomas be added to the list of nominees.

The nominations were put to the vote and a vote having been taken, it was declared that Councillor Lisa Rajan be appointed as the council's representative and Councillors James Barber, Toby Eckersley, Barrie Hargrove and Richard Thomas be appointed as deputies to the ALG Transport and Environment Committee (Associated Joint Committee).

ALG Grants Committee (Associated Joint Committee)

The Mayor announced that he had received two nominations. Councillor Nick Stanton, seconded by Councillor David Hubber, moved that Councillor Columba Blango be added to the list of nominees.

The nominations were put to the vote and a vote having been taken, it was declared that Councillor Columba Blango be appointed as the council's representative and Councillors Toby Eckersley and Richard Livingstone be appointed as deputies to the

ALG Grants Committee (Associated Joint Committee).

Greater London Provincial Council

The Mayor announced that no nominations had been received. Councillor Nick Stanton, seconded by Councillor David Hubber, moved that Councillor Lorraine Zuleta be nominated.

The nomination was put to the vote and a vote having been taken, it was declared that Councillor Lorraine Zuleta be appointed as the council's representative to the Greater London Provincial Council.

ALG Children, Young People and Families Forum

The Mayor announced that he had received one nomination. Councillor Nick Stanton, seconded by Councillor David Hubber, moved that Councillors Bob Skelly and Toby Eckersley be added to the list of nominees.

The nominations were put to the vote and a vote having been taken, it was declared that Councillor Bob Skelly be appointed as the council's representative and Councillor Toby Eckersley be appointed as the deputy to the ALG Children, Young People and Families Forum.

ALG Housing Forum

The Mayor announced that he had received two nomination. Councillor Nick Stanton, seconded by Councillor David Hubber, moved that Councillor Tim McNally be added to the list of nominees.

The nominations were put to the vote and a vote having been taken, it was declared that Councillor Kim Humphreys be appointed as the council's representative and Councillor Tim McNally be appointed as the deputy to the ALG Housing Forum.

ALG Health & Social Care Forum

The Mayor announced that he had received one nomination. Councillor Nick Stanton, seconded by Councillor David Hubber, moved that Councillors Denise Capstick and Eliza Mann be added to the list of nominees.

The nominations were put to the vote and a vote having been taken, it was declared that Councillor Denise Capstick be appointed as the council's representative and Councillor Eliza Mann be appointed as the deputy to the ALG Health & Social Care Forum.

ALG Culture & Tourism Forum

The Mayor announced that he had received one nomination. Councillor Nick Stanton, seconded by Councillor David Hubber, moved that Councillors Columba Blango and Lorraine Zuleta be added to the list of nominees.

The nominations were put to the vote and a vote having been taken, it was declared that Councillor Lorraine Zuleta be appointed as the council's representative and Councillor Columba Blango be appointed as the deputy to the ALG Culture & Tourism Forum.

ALG Crime and Public Protection Forum

The Mayor announced that he had received one nomination. Councillor Nick Stanton, seconded by Councillor David Hubber, moved that Councillors Jeff Hook and David Noakes be added to the list of nominees.

The nominations were put to the vote and a vote having been taken, it was declared that Councillor Jeff Hook be appointed as the council's representative and Councillor David Noakes be appointed as the deputy to the ALG Crime and Public Protection Forum.

ALG Economic Development Forum

The Mayor announced that he had received one nomination. Councillor Nick Stanton, seconded by Councillor David Hubber, moved that Councillors Paul Noblet and Richard Thomas be added to the list of nominees.

The nominations were put to the vote and a vote having been taken, it was declared that Councillor Richard Thomas be appointed as the council's representative and Councillor Paul Noblet be appointed as the deputy to the ALG Economic Development Forum.

London Housing Unit Committee (Sectoral Joint Committee)

The Mayor announced that he had not received any nominations.

Councillor Nick Stanton, seconded by Councillor David Hubber, moved that Councillor Nick Stanton be nominated. Councillor Peter John, seconded by Councillor Fiona Colley, moved that Councillor Paul Bates be nominated.

The nominations were put to the vote and a vote having been taken, it was declared that Councillor Nick Stanton be appointed as the council's representative to the London Housing Unit Committee (Sectoral Joint Committee).

London Housing Unit Executive Sub-Committee

The Mayor announced that he had received two nominations for the sub-committee.

The nominations were put to the vote and a vote having been taken, it was declared that Councillor Kim Humphreys be appointed as the council's representative to the London Housing Unit Executive Sub-Committee.

ALG Limited Company

The Mayor announced that he had received two nominations.

The nominations were put to the vote and a vote having been taken, it was declared that Councillor Nick Stanton be appointed as the council's representative to the ALG Limited Company.

7. REPORT OF THE URGENCY COMMITTEE (see supplemental agenda 2, page 6)

The Mayor stated that in accordance with council assembly procedure rule 1.15(2), the recommendation set out in the report was deemed to have been moved and was subject to amendment only.

The recommendation contained within the report was put to the vote and declared to be carried.

RESOLVED: That the content of the report be noted.

8. APPOINTMENT TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION – URBAN COMMISSION (see supplemental agenda 1, pages 6 – 8)

The Mayor announced that he had not received any nominations.

Councillor David Hubber, seconded by Councillor Lewis Robinson, moved that Councillors Richard Thomas and Toby Eckersley be nominated. Councillor Peter John, seconded by Councillor Fiona Colley, moved that Councillors Abdul Mohamed and Alison McGovern be nominated.

The nominations were put to the vote and a vote having been taken, it was declared that Councillors Richard Thomas and Toby Eckersley be appointed as the council's representative to the Local Government Association Urban Commission and that their allocation of votes be 3 and 2 respectively.

EXCLUSION MOTION

RESOLVED: That under the access to information procedure rules of the Southwark constitution, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in section 1 of paragraph 10.1 of the procedure rules.

CLOSED ITEM

1. APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT PERSON TO STANDARDS COMMITTEE

The following is a summary of the decisions taken in the closed section of the meeting:-

Council assembly agreed that Bola Ogun and Mark Rolelofsen be appointed as independent voting members to the standards committee for a three year period (May 2006 to May 2009).

The meeting closed at 8.40 p.m.

MAYOR:

DATED: