

<b>Item No.</b> 4.	<b>Classification:</b> Open	<b>Date:</b> June 28 2006	<b>Meeting Name:</b> Council Assembly
<b>Report title:</b>		Deputation requests	
<b>Ward(s) or groups affected:</b>		All	
<b>From:</b>		Chief Executive (Acting Borough Solicitor)	

## **RECOMMENDATION**

1. That council assembly consider whether or not to hear a deputation from Shad Thames Residents' Association.
2. That council assembly consider whether or not to hear a deputation from the Carers Group, Maroons Resource Centre.
3. That council assembly consider whether or not to hear a deputation from Peckham Vision.

## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

4. When considering whether to hear the deputation request, council assembly can decide to:
  - Receive the deputation at this meeting or a future meeting; *or*
  - That the deputation not be received; *or*
  - Refer the deputation to the most appropriate committee/sub-committee.
5. A deputation shall consist of no more than six people, including its spokesperson. Only one member of the deputation shall be allowed to address the meeting for no longer than 5 minutes. After this time members may ask questions of the deputation for up to 5 minutes. At the conclusion of the questions, the deputation will be shown to the public gallery where they may listen to the remainder of the open section of the meeting.

## **KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION**

### **Deputation request from the Shad Thames Residents' Association**

6. The residents of the Shad Thames area state in their deputation request letter:

"The deputation wish to speak to the issues concerning local people which are related to the motion submitted on the issue of Southwark Council's licensing policy. A number of local businesses, tenants and residents' associations, schools, places of worship, community organisations, local employees, visitor attractions, London Bridge Hospital and a number of local people have all expressed concern at the decision to grant a licence to a lap dancing club to be opened in Tooley Street. The deputation wish to make local stakeholders' views known to council members about the operation of Southwark's licensing policy."

## **Deputation request from the Maroons Resource Centre Carers Group**

7. The Maroons resource centre carers group state in their deputation request letter

“We wish to address the Southwark council assembly about the lack of adequate premises and resource facilities for BME mental health sufferers in the borough.

“The present resource centre has failed the council's own health and safety and environment standards for use by vulnerable people. The resource centre was located in this industrial estate over 12 years ago. The evidence is that there is no real commitment by the council to improve the quality and level of service for BME mental health sufferers in the borough. In the past, every time premises have been identified, officers have found reasons for not using them.

“We would like to seek the comment of the council and a decision by members to relocate this centre to adequate premises as a matter of urgency. For this we wish to take a deputation to the next council assembly.”

## **Deputation request from the Peckham Vision**

8. The request states that the deputation would like to address the council assembly about the unitary development plan and the proposed tram depot in Peckham.

## **SUPPLEMENTARY ADVICE FROM OTHER OFFICERS**

### **Comments from the strategic director environment & leisure – Shad Thames Residents' Association**

9. To follow

### **Comments from the strategic director health & community services – Maroons resource centre carers group**

10. To follow.

### **Comments from the strategic director regeneration – Peckham Vision**

11. To follow.

## **BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS**

<b>Background Papers</b>	<b>Held At</b>	<b>Contact</b>
Deputation Request File	Town Hall, Peckham Road, London SE5 8UB	Lesley John 020 7525 7228

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