



EXECUTIVE

MINUTES of the OPEN section of the meeting of the EXECUTIVE held on Tuesday November 30 2004 at 7.00pm at the Town Hall, Peckham Road, London SE5 8UB

PRESENT: Councillor Nick Stanton, Leader
Councillor Catherine Bowman, Deputy Leader
Councillor Columba Blango, Equalities, Culture and Sport
Councillor Denise Capstick, Health and Adult Care
Councillor James Gurling, Communications and Performance Improvement
Councillor Gavin O'Brien, Housing and Community Safety
Councillor Richard Porter, Regeneration and Economic Development
Councillor Bob Skelly, Education
Councillor Richard Thomas, Environment and Transport
Councillor Lorraine Zuleta, Resources

1 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence.

2 **NOTIFICATION OF ANY ITEMS OF BUSINESS WHICH THE CHAIR DEEMS AS URGENT**

The Chair agreed to accept the following late items as urgent, the reasons for urgency to be specified in the relevant Minute:-

Open agenda

Item 16 – Motion referred from Council Assembly – Pirate Radio Stations
Item 18 – Double Glazed Window report

Closed agenda

Item 1 Gateway 2 – Contract Award Approval – Home to school transport contract award

3 **DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS**

Councillor Cathy Bowman declared a personal non-prejudicial interest in item 14 'Response to Regeneration and Transport Scrutiny Sub-Committee Final Report 'Public Engagement' – The Elephant and Castle Regeneration Project' as she lived in the area.

Councillor James Gurling declared a personal non-prejudicial interest in item 8 'Revised Draft Telecommunications Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG)' as he worked for a mobile phone company.

Councillor Richard Thomas declared a personal non-prejudicial interest in item 18 'Double Glazing Window Report' as he worked for a company that was partly funded by glass manufacturers.

4 **PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

There were no public questions.

5 **MINUTES**

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the open section of the meeting held on November 2 2004 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

The Executive considered the items set out on the open agenda, a copy of which has been incorporated in the Minute File. Each of the following paragraphs relates to the item bearing the same number on the agenda.

6 **COMMUNITY STRATEGY REVIEW** (see pages 1 – 4)

RESOLVED:

1. That the need for a review of the Southwark Community Strategy in line with statutory guidance be noted.
2. That the review process in line with the approach and timescales set out in the report be noted.
3. That the Council's input to the review be through the executive, scrutiny and community councils.

7 **REVISED DRAFT OUTDOOR ADVERTISEMENTS AND SIGNAGE SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING GUIDANCE (SPG)** (see pages 5 – 30)

RESOLVED: That the revised draft outdoor advertisements and signage supplementary planning guidance (SPG) attached as appendix A to the report be adopted.

8 **REVISED DRAFT TELECOMMUNICATIONS SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING GUIDANCE (SPG)** (see pages 31 – 64)

RESOLVED: That the revised draft Telecommunications supplementary planning guidance (SPG) attached as appendix A to the report be adopted.

9 **PROJECT START UP FOR PECKHAM AND WALWORTH ONE STOP SHOPS IN 2004-05** (see pages 65 – 108)

- RESOLVED:**
1. That the commencement of a project to deliver a new One Stop Shop at Walworth Town Hall (commencement in December 2004, delivery in May 2006) with a capital budget provision of £1,500,000 to cover the construction costs and for project contingency as described in the detailed feasibility study (appendix A of the report) be agreed.
 2. That the commencement of a project to deliver an expanded One Stop Shop at Peckham Library (commencement in December 2004, delivery by May 2006) with a capital budget provision of £500,000 to cover the construction costs and project contingency as described in the outline feasibility study (appendix B of the report) be agreed.
 3. That the Capital budget provision of £2 million that has already been agreed by the Council's Chief Officer Team and included in the proposed Capital programmes for 2005/6 and 2006/7 following executive decision in July 2004 be agreed. This funding is now needed for the period December 2004 – May 2006, being £0.5 million in 2004/5 and £1.5million in 2005/6.

10 **GATEWAY 1 – PROCUREMENT STRATEGY APPROVAL: EXTERNALISATION OF LEARNING DISABILITIES DAY CARE SERVICES** (see pages 109 – 116)

- RESOLVED:**
1. That the procurement strategy outlined in the report for the procurement of learning disabilities day services be approved.
 2. That the approval of the contract award be delegated to the executive member for Health and Adult Care.

11 **REPORT FOR APPROVAL OF PROCUREMENT STRATEGY: CORPORATE CLEANING CONTRACT** (see pages 117 – 125)

This item was deferred to the next meeting.

12 **OUTCOME OF ALLOCATIONS POLICY REVIEW CONSULTATION PROGRAMME AND FINAL PROPOSALS FOR NEW LETTINGS POLICY** (see pages 126 – 188)

This item was considered in conjunction with item 13 below.

- RESOLVED:**
1. That the results of the Allocations Policy Review Consultation Programme as set out in paragraphs 7, 8, 9 and 10 of the report be noted.
 2. That the final proposals for the introduction of choice based lettings be agreed with a view to implementing the policy at the beginning of the next financial year on a date to be decided by the executive member for Housing and Community Safety.

3. That the final proposals relating to changes in the housing list prioritisation be agreed with a view to implementing the changes in tandem with the Choice Based Lettings policy.

13 **OUTCOME OF ALLOCATIONS POLICY REVIEW CONSULTATION PROGRAMME AND FINAL PROPOSALS FOR NEW LETTINGS POLICY – REPORT FROM HOUSING SCRUTINY SUB-COMMITTEE** (see pages 189 – 191)

This item was considered in conjunction with item 12 above.

- RESOLVED:**
1. That it be noted that the housing scrutiny sub-committee considered the results from the Housing Allocations Policy Review Consultation Programme and the final proposals for the Lettings Policy at the meeting on November 10 2004.
 2. That it be noted that the consultation carried out on the housing allocations review policy was one of the largest carried out by the council and that it also be noted that the housing scrutiny sub-committee is generally happy with the consultation undertaken.
 3. That the relatively low rate of response to the consultation be noted.
 4. That it be noted that there could be future improvements to consultation undertaken on housing policies by ensuring the timeframe for consultation:-
 - i) accommodates the need to consult with the various housing-related associations, forums and councils in a logical order
 - ii) takes into account possible seasonal influences on response rates (e.g. summer holidays).

14 **RESPONSE TO REGENERATION AND TRANSPORT SCRUTINY SUB-COMMITTEE FINAL REPORT ‘PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT’ – THE ELEPHANT AND CASTLE REGENERATION PROJECT** (see pages 192 – 200)

RESOLVED: That it be noted that the process of engagement at the Elephant and Castle follows the recommendations of the regeneration scrutiny sub-committee (see appendix B of the report).

15 **APPROPRIATION FOR PLANNING PURPOSES OF THE COUNCIL OWNED SECTION OF POTTERS FIELD FORMER COACH PARK SITE** (see pages 201 – 238)

The Executive heard a deputation from Ms Lindsay Garrett of Bevan Brittan Company on behalf of their client Berkeley Homes in respect of the appropriation of the council owned section of the Potters Field Former Coach Park Site. A copy of a letter from the company was circulated at the meeting.

A supplementary report from the Borough Solicitor providing additional information and advice was also circulated at the meeting (item 15a pages 273 – 275).

RESOLVED: That the appropriation of Potters Field for planning purposes be approved (land shown in appendix 1.4 of the report).

16 **MOTION REFERRED FROM COUNCIL ASSEMBLY – PIRATE RADIO STATIONS**
(see pages 239 – 247)

This item had not been circulated 5 clear days in advance of the meeting. The Chair agreed to accept the item as urgent as interested external parties had been advised that the item would be on the agenda for this meeting.

RESOLVED: That the motion and the comments of the Strategic Directors of Regeneration and Housing be noted.

17 **SITE AT OLD KENT ROAD, ST JAMES ROAD, ROLLS ROAD AND MARLBOROUGH GROVE INCLUDING EVELINE LOWE SCHOOL MARLBOROUGH GROVE, SE1**
(see pages 248 – 262)

This item was withdrawn.

18 **DOUBLE GLAZED WINDOW REPORT** (see pages 263 – 272)

This item had not been circulated 5 clear days in advance of the meeting. The Chair agreed to accept the item as urgent as council assembly had requested the executive to obtain a report from officers by the end of November 2004.

- RESOLVED:**
1. That the report on double glazing costs be noted.
 2. That further reports be received on a procurement strategy for major works contracts addressing the issue of costs for leaseholders and on the desirability of the Council funding an independent advice service capable of advising leaseholders on section 20 notices and asks officers to review the communication and marketing strategy of the Leasehold Management Unit to ensure that leaseholders are aware of the very generous easy payment options offered by the Council.

EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED: That 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 paragraphs 7,8 and 9 of the Access to Information Procedure Rules of the Constitution.

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

MINUTES

The Executive approved as a correct record the Minutes of the closed section of the meeting held on November 2 2004.

1 GATEWAY 2 – CONTRACT AWARD APPROVAL – HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT AWARD

The Executive approved the award of the home to school transport contract.

The meeting ended at 8.30pm

CHAIR:

DATED:

DEADLINE FOR NOTIFICATION OF CALL-IN UNDER SECTION 18 OF THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PROCEDURE RULES IS MIDNIGHT, WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 8 2004

THE ABOVE DECISIONS WILL NOT BE IMPLEMENTABLE UNTIL AFTER THAT DATE. SHOULD A DECISION OF THE EXECUTIVE BE CALLED-IN FOR SCRUTINY, THEN THE RELEVANT DECISION WILL BE HELD IN ABEYANCE PENDING THE OUTCOME OF SCRUTINY CONSIDERATION