



EXECUTIVE (Special)

MINUTES of the OPEN section of the meeting of the EXECUTIVE held on WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 22 2004 AT 5.00PM at the Town Hall, Peckham Road, London SE5 8UB

PRESENT: Councillor Nick Stanton, Leader (In the Chair)
Councillor Catherine Bowman, Deputy Leader
Councillor Denise Capstick, Health and Adult Care
Councillor Richard Porter, Regeneration and Economic Development
Councillor Caroline Pidgeon, Education
Councillor Lorraine Zuleta, Resources

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Columba Blango, James Gurling, Gavin O'Brien and Richard Thomas.

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 4 – Gateway 2 – Contract Award Approval – Home to School Transport Contract Award – Recommendations of Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Closed Agenda

Item 2 – Home to School Transport Interim Arrangements

3 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS

There were no disclosures of interests or dispensations.

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

4 **GATEWAY 2 – CONTRACT AWARD APPROVAL – HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT CONTRACT AWARD – RECOMMENDATIONS OF OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE** (see pages 1 to 17)

This item had not been circulated 5 clear days in advance of the meeting. The Chair agreed to accept the item as urgent as a delay in the award of contract would have negative impact on delivery of the service.

- RESOLVED:**
1. That the decision of the Executive of November 30th in respect of Gateway 2 – Contract Award Approval – Home to School Transport Contract Award be held in abeyance.
 2. That all information provided to the Committee is communicated to the District Auditor as a matter of urgency.
 3. That the Chief Executive and the Borough Solicitor ask internal audit to report back to the Executive on the issues raised concerning this contract.
 4. That a report be brought back to the Executive by the end of January 2005.

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.

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

This item was circulated as background papers to item 4 on the open agenda.

2 **HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT INTERIM ARRANGEMENTS**

The Executive agreed the interim arrangements for the supply of home to school transport for the period January 1 2005 to March 31 2005.

The meeting ended at 5.50pm

CHAIR:

DATED:

NOTE: ITEM 4 OF THE OPEN AGENDA RELATES TO A PREVIOUS CALL-IN REQUEST AND IS THEREFORE NOT SUBJECT TO CALL-IN.

THE CHAIR OF OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE HAS AGREED THAT THE DECISIONS IN RELATION TO ITEM 2 ON THE CLOSED AGENDA MAY BE TREATED AS A MATTER OF URGENCY. THE DECISION IS THEREFORE NOT SUBJECT TO CALL-IN AND MAY BE IMPLEMENTED IMMEDIATELY.