

## AMENDMENTS

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### ITEM 3.3.1 – MEMBERS’ MOTIONS ON THE THEME: THE THREAT TO ADULT CARE SERVICES IN THE SOUTH OF THE BOROUGH (see page 4 of the main agenda)

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#### AMENDMENT A

**Moved:** Councillor David Noakes  
**Seconded:** Councillor Anood Al-Samerai

**Add at end:**

Council assembly believes that we all have a responsibility to care for the most vulnerable in our community.

Council assembly believes in the provision of day centres for Southwark's vulnerable and elderly residents, including those with dementia, physical disabilities, learning disabilities, and mental health problems.

Council assembly urges cabinet to properly and openly consult, communicate and work with service providers and users to ensure and enhance the future of day centre provision in Southwark.

#### AMENDMENT B

**Moved:** Councillor Dan Garfield  
**Seconded:** Councillor Kevin Ahern

**Delete all and insert:**

- Council assembly notes that the Tory Liberal Democrat government has slashed local council budgets for older people's social care by over £1 billion since coming to power and will cut social care and disability payments by £8.6 billion by 2015.
- Council assembly also notes that the government has cut the council's overall budget by 25% or £90m in real terms since it came to power, and regrets that these cuts disproportionately fall on more deprived areas like Southwark. It is from within this context that the council is ensuring older people in Southwark continue to enjoy world class day services while finding the necessary savings to balance the council's books.
- Council assembly notes the council's intention to build a new centre for excellence for older people who are living with dementia or other complex needs which will focus on maximising independence and enable older people to live longer in their own homes.
- Council assembly notes that the centre of excellence would provide state-of-the-art facilities and activities for older people that are superior to those currently provided at Fred Francis and Southwark Park road. All users of Fred

Francis and Southwark Park Road with personal budgets would be guaranteed a place at the centre and provided with free transport to and from the new centre.

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**ITEM 3.3.2 – MEMBERS’ MOTIONS ON THE THEME: HEALTH AND WELLBEING PRIORITIES** (see pages 4 – 5 of the main agenda)

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**AMENDMENT C**

**Moved:** Councillor Catherine McDonald  
**Seconded:** Councillor Nick Dolezal

In paragraph 5 **delete** “on cabinet members and” and “as priority work areas”

In paragraph 6 **delete** “to include councillors from all parties...” and **insert** “to consider ways to involve other parties...”

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**ITEM 3.3.3 – MEMBERS’ MOTIONS ON THE THEME: HEALTH IN SOUTHWARK** (see pages 5 – 6 of the main agenda)

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**AMENDMENT D**

**Moved:** Councillor Paul Noblet  
**Seconded:** Councillor Jonathan Mitchell

**Delete** points 3-6, renumber following points accordingly and **insert:**

3. Council assembly welcomes the national decrease in patient waiting times with 50,000 fewer patients waiting more than 18 weeks for treatment since the Labour government left office.
4. Council assembly notes the introduction of widespread privatisation in the NHS under the previous Labour government in the 2006 National Health Service Act.
5. Council assembly is concerned by the wasteful practice of the Labour government in paying £250 million to private providers for operations that were never performed.
6. Council assembly welcomes the coalition government’s real terms increase in NHS spending within this parliament.
7. Council assembly further welcomes the additional £7.2 billion funding allocation for adult social care which will make a vital difference to the lives of some of the most vulnerable residents in Southwark.
8. Council assembly further notes with concern the disastrous impact of PFI contracts on the finances of hospitals, especially in South London, which were encouraged under the Labour government.

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**ITEM 5.2 – MEMBERS’ MOTIONS: SAVE SOUTHWARK NURSERIES** (see pages 14  
– 15 of the main agenda)

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**AMENDMENT E**

**Moved:** Councillor Dora Dixon-Fyle

**Seconded:** Councillor Renata Hamvas

**Delete all and insert:**

1. Council assembly notes that Tenda Road and Bishop’s House children’s centres will remain open and this has always been the case and regrets the mendacious campaign by local Liberal Democrat councillors that gave the impression that these centres would close.
2. Council assembly notes that the consultation will continue until 31 July and urges parents and relevant stakeholders to submit their views.
3. Council Assembly also notes that Southwark has had a real terms cut of 25% of its budget in the last 2 years – far greater than other local authorities including more affluent boroughs like Richmond.
4. It notes the hypocrisy of the local Liberal Democrat MP for Bermondsey and Old Southwark, Simon Hughes, to campaign against nursery closures while voting to cut their funding.
5. Council assembly calls on the leaders’ of each political group on the council and the local MP to write a joint letter to the Liberal Democrat Children’s Minister, Sarah Teather MP, urging her to rethink her cuts to nursery funding.

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**ITEM 8.4 – APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE – RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE** (see pages 132 - 138 of the main agenda)

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**AMENDMENT F**

**Moved:** Councillor Catherine Bowman

**Seconded:** Councillor Anood Al-Samerai

**Delete all and insert:**

1. Council assembly notes with concern the lack of transparency and accountability in the recruitment process for the position of chief executive and other members of the reorganised chief officer team.
2. Council assembly believes that Southwark Council should be an open organisation where everyone is given a fair chance of succeeding and that equality of opportunity exists for all.
3. Council assembly therefore instructs the appointments committee to embark on a full and open external recruitment process for the position of chief executive, the most senior position in the council.
4. Council assembly further believes that no officer of Southwark Borough Council should receive a salary greater than the prime minister (£142,500).
5. Council assembly therefore instructs the appointments committee to cap the salary offer for the successful applicant for the post of chief executive, along with all other senior posts, at this level.

**Note:** Parts 4 and 5 of the amendment would rescind a previous decision of council assembly made on 28 March 2012 (Pay policy statement). Council assembly procedure rules require that any amendment proposing such a change must be accompanied by a notice signed by at least 16 members, received four clear working days in advance of the meeting. Therefore council assembly would need to consider suspending council assembly procedure rule 1.11 to consider this part of the amendment.