

<b>Item No.</b> 7.1	<b>Classification:</b> Open	<b>Date:</b> 17 October 2012	<b>Meeting Name:</b> Council Assembly
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**MOTION FROM MEMBERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH COUNCIL ASSEMBLY PROCEDURE RULE 2.10 (6) – MOTION ON THEMED DEBATE – HEALTH AND WELLBEING PRIORITIES**

Cabinet on 25 September 2012 considered the following motion referred from council assembly on 4 July 2012 which had been moved by Councillor David Noakes, seconded by Councillor Denise Capstick and subsequently amended.

1. That council assembly recognises and thanks the dedicated health professionals in our borough who work so hard to improve the lives of Southwark residents in our hospitals, GP surgeries and our homes.
2. That council assembly welcomes the increase in life expectancy in the borough, but notes the significant health inequalities which still exist among Southwark residents.
3. That council assembly welcomes the return of responsibility for public health to local government and the formation of Southwark's shadow health and wellbeing board, to finally provide some democratic accountability for health provision in Southwark.
4. That council assembly noted and supports the four work areas that have been identified as priorities for the shadow health and wellbeing board in their first year: prevention or reduction of alcohol-related misuse; coping skills, resilience and mental wellbeing; early intervention and families; healthy weight and exercise.
5. That council assembly also noted that sexual health and drug addiction are major areas of public concern in the borough, which have a disproportionate impact on the health and wellbeing of a significant minority of our residents, and calls on the new shadow board to consider these issues.
6. That council assembly believes that a wider and more diverse board membership leads to more effective, accountable and representative decisions and outcomes. Council assembly therefore calls for the health and wellbeing board to consider ways to involve other parties and representatives from the voluntary sector.

We noted the motion and the comments of the strategic director of health and community services.

## **MOTION FROM MEMBERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH COUNCIL ASSEMBLY PROCEDURE RULE 2.10 (6) – SOUTHWARK NURSERIES**

Cabinet on 25 September 2012 considered the following motion referred from council assembly on 4 July 2012 which had been moved by Councillor Graham Neale, seconded by Councillor Catherine Bowman and subsequently amended.

1. That council assembly noted 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. That council assembly noted that the consultation will continue until 31 July 2012 and urges parents and relevant stakeholders to submit their views.
3. That council assembly also noted 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. That it noted 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. That 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.

We noted and agreed the motion with the following amendment: 'David Laws to replace Sarah Teather' in recommendation 5.

### **BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS**

<b>Background Papers</b>	<b>Held At</b>	<b>Contact</b>
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