

AMENDMENTS

ITEM 3.2 – MEMBERS MOTION ON THE THEME: EMPLOYMENT AND LOCAL ECONOMY (see pages 1 - 3 of the main agenda)

AMENDMENT A

Moved: Councillor Hamish McCallum

Delete all and insert:

1. Council assembly:
 - 1) believes that access to training and employment in order to create more opportunities in the life of an individual and fully realise their potential is a fundamental liberty.
 - 2) welcomes the work of the previous coalition government to increase the number of apprenticeships in the United Kingdom.
 - 3) further welcomes that Labour in Southwark is following the example set nationally and the commitments outlined in the Liberal Democrat manifesto to prioritise apprenticeships locally.
 - 4) notes that there is a chronic shortfall in Southwark residents with construction qualifications and that this is a huge missed opportunity if we are to meet local demand for social housing both in the short- and long-term and ensure these new homes are maintained to an excellent standard.
 - 5) regards the council's abject failure to engage with Lewisham Southwark College over the past two years and its move to set up a rival further education institution as both deeply disappointing and disadvantageous to residents.
 - 6) congratulates the college on its efforts to improve as recognised by Ofsted in their latest inspection report, but recognises there is more for the college to do and that the best way the council can help is to engage.
 - 7) further notes the impact of childcare costs on many residents', especially women's, ability to improve their skills and return to work and therefore regrets that despite the council spending local taxpayers' money on the Childcare Commission, no progress has been made on implementing its recommendations more than eight months after their publication.
 - 8) notes that adult education providers in Southwark are working in silos to identify and attract their students before recommending them to employers. This is becoming problematic and a strain on their resources.
 - 9) acknowledges that further education providers have been encouraged by the council to work with local Small to Medium Enterprises (SMEs).

However, these providers are often unclear as to how they should contribute to these SMEs and in what capacity.

2. Council assembly therefore calls on the cabinet to:
 - 1) work more closely with all local education providers and employers to improve the quality of apprenticeships in the borough.
 - 2) work with organisations such as Southwark Works and the Construction Trust to address the shortfall in construction qualifications locally.
 - 3) urgently take its place on the Board of Governors of Lewisham Southwark College and work in partnership to improve standards and the employment and training prospects of young people in Southwark.
 - 4) welcome the new Principal of Lewisham Southwark College, Carole Kitching, and now support the college in its work to improve.
 - 5) understand that the council alone does not have the solutions and should work better with the borough's employers, training providers and residents to reach holistic resolutions.
 - 6) ensure rapid implementation of the recommendations of the Childcare Commission and explore what further steps the council can take to increase childcare provision in the borough to meet demand and new legislative requirements, and so reduce the barriers for parents returning to work.
 - 7) lead on getting the right young people into the correct specialisms and prevent those at risk of becoming NEETS from falling out of the system by establishing a strategic forum which engages with representatives from Southwark Works, the Construction Youth Trust, Morley College and other relevant organisations.
 - 8) create a strategic plan for further education providers which explicitly outlines the needs and requirements of local SMEs as well as the benefits to all parties involved – particularly young and adult learners.

ITEM 5.2.1 – MEMBERS MOTIONS: ARNOLD ESTATE WARM, DRY AND SAFE WORKS PROGRAMME (see page 5 of the main agenda)

AMENDMENT B

Moved: Councillor Lucas Green
Seconded: Councillor Eleanor Kerlake

After point 1 **delete** points 2 and 3 and **insert**:

2. Notes that although the kitchens and bathrooms programme was brought forward to April 2015, the warm, dry and safe works on the Arnold Estate started before that, so it was not possible to bring the kitchens and bathrooms programme into the scope of the work.
3. Notes that the council is spending £303.9m on housing investment works during 2015/16, which is significantly more than the council has ever spent before in a year.
4. Regrets however that the impact of the Chancellor's post-election decision to impose rent reductions on councils and housing associations without compensation, which will result in a net loss of £62m to the HRA over the next four years, unfortunately means that the council has to slow the proposed major works programme from that originally envisaged.
5. Notes that no decision has yet been taken on when the kitchens and bathrooms work will take place at the Arnold Estate, as all proposals from 2017/18 onwards are currently being consulted on and a final decision will not be taken until March 2016, and therefore asks that Cabinet consider carefully the views on the programme set out by the tenants and residents of Arnold Estate carefully before taking its decision in March.
6. Calls on the cabinet to ensure that despite the significant financial challenge, the kitchens and bathrooms programme is still delivered to all council properties, including the Arnold Estate.

AMENDMENT C

Moved: Councillor Ben Johnson
Secunder: Councillor Anood Al-Samerai

Add new paragraph 4 to end:

- Council assembly believes that all Southwark Council tenants are entitled to a new kitchen and bathroom.

ITEM 5.2.2 – MEMBERS MOTIONS: END CUTS TO POLICING IN LONDON (see pages 5
- 6 of the main agenda)

AMENDMENT D

Moved: Councillor David Hubber

Seconded: Councillor David Noakes

Add new paragraph 11 and re-order remaining paragraphs accordingly:

11. That the council consult residents on any proposed changes to its own community warden scheme.

Add to new paragraph 13:

“..., including retaining at least one dedicated PCSO in each of the 21 wards across Southwark, as well as keeping the existing structure.”

Add to new paragraph 14:

“..., including the option of not reducing the council tax precept next year to ensure PCSO numbers can remain at current levels in Southwark by raising extra funding for the Metropolitan Police.”

ITEM 5.2.3 – MEMBERS MOTIONS: GREATER LONDON PARK CITY CAMPAIGN (see pages 6 - 7 of the main agenda)

AMENDMENT E

Moved: Councillor Renata Hamvas

Seconded: Councillor Sunny Lambe

After point 2 **delete** points 3 - 6 and **insert**:

3. Notes that Southwark has a large number of parks and green spaces we can be immensely proud of, including a record number of Green Flag parks, and that resident satisfaction with Southwark parks is very high.
4. Notes that parks in Southwark already have the planning protection required to ensure that they are not under threat.
5. Notes that Southwark is a leading borough in London for parks and green spaces and that the council is continuing to invest in parks open spaces, while many local authorities are scaling back investment because of budget cuts.
6. Welcomes the council's work to ensure that standards in Southwark parks continue to improve against a very difficult backdrop of central government cuts.
7. Notes that there is no real detail on the potential benefits and risks of a Greater London National Park City for local authority parks and it is not yet clear what the implications of the proposals would be on Southwark's parks and open spaces.
8. Calls on the cabinet to ensure that at a time of ever-growing budgetary pressure, the council focuses on protecting investment in Southwark's parks and green spaces, continuing to improve standards and fulfilling the manifesto promise to increase the number of Green Flag parks in the borough.

ITEM 5.2.4 – MEMBERS MOTIONS:EXTEND THE 42 BUS ROUTE (see page 7 of the main agenda)

AMENDMENT F

Moved: Councillor Damian O'Brien

Seconded: Councillor Eliza Mann

Add new bullet point to end of paragraph 3:

Council assembly further notes that Transport for London has already announced a consultation on the extension of the 42 bus route to Sainsbury's East Dulwich for next month, including whether a double-decker is supported by both passengers and local residents.

ITEM 5.2.5 – MEMBERS MOTIONS: TRADE UNION BILL (see pages 7 - 8 of the main agenda)

AMENDMENT G

Moved: Councillor Anood Al-Samerai

Seconded: Councillor David Noakes

Insert new paragraph 3 and re-number remaining paragraphs accordingly:

3. Council assembly further notes that human rights groups Liberty, Amnesty International and the British Institute of Human Rights have all condemned the Bill as an attack on the basic right to protest and that the Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development has branded this law an 'outdated response that could have potentially counter-productive consequences.'

ITEM 5.2.6 – MEMBERS MOTIONS: TRANSATLANTIC TRADE AND INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP (TTIP) (see pages 8 - 9 of the main agenda)

AMENDMENT H

Moved: Councillor Anood Al-Samerai

Seconded: Councillor David Noakes

In paragraph 2 **insert** after “in-house”:

“...unless clear safeguards are provided – the absence of...”

In paragraph 3 **delete** “Labour” (after ‘Council assembly notes that’) and **insert** “MEPs from different political groups.”

In paragraph 3, first line, **delete** “moved by Labour MEPs” (after Council assembly welcomes...’ and **insert** “calling”.

Insert new paragraph 4 and re-number remaining paragraphs accordingly:

“Council Assembly also notes the calls in the European Parliament to get the controversial ISDS replaced by a transparent and accountable form of investor protection that protects the right of governments to regulate in the public interest.”

In paragraph 4 **delete** full stop and **insert** at end:

“...and notes the concerns already expressed by the Local Government Association, including:

- clear and specific safeguards for services delivered by councils, including education and social services;
- the continued right for councils to determine their own service delivery models now and in the future;
- the continued right for national governments and councils to set public policy and standards in all fields: health, safety, environmental protection, labour law, data protection and consumer protection.”