

AMENDMENTS

ITEM 3: THEMED DEBATE – THE FUTURE OF SOUTHWARK – OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES (see pages 10-13 of the main agenda)

AMENDMENT A

Proposer: Councillor James Barber

Delete all and replace with:

1. Council assembly recognises that:
 - a. The theme of the motion is about the opportunities and challenges Southwark faces in the future, not the past.
 - b. Trading blows over the record of previous administrations, be it the Liberal Democrats in Southwark transforming recycling rates - from 3% to 22%, raising the number pupils achieving five or more A* to C grades in GCSE from 39% in 2002 to 58% by 2010, introducing Community Wardens, building the Canada Water Library and investing in Camberwell, Peckham and Dulwich leisure centres, or the Labour government's invasion of Iraq, exacerbation of the financial crisis, imposition of record levels of debt and the introduction and tripling of tuition fees for low earners may provide entertainment for some partisan obsessives, is largely pointless and irrelevant to this motion and this discussion.
 - c. The public does not expect council assembly to merely be used as a platform for distorted party propaganda.
 - d. The public does expect members to treat such a motion at council assembly as an opportunity to maturely discuss future challenges that Southwark faces and to seek to address them for the benefit of all its citizens.
2. Council assembly notes that:
 - a. The continuing housing crisis, climate change, air pollution, local infrastructure development, and Brexit will significantly impact Southwark and its citizens in the near future
 - b. These challenges deserve to be taken seriously, debated seriously and addressed properly with detailed, practical policies.
3. To address Southwark's housing crisis, council assembly therefore believes that:
 - a. It is unacceptable that Southwark currently has 5,944 empty homes, which is almost three times the London average.
 - b. The council's record of taking on average over 100 days to give an empty council home compares very poorly with neighbouring Tower Hamlets' record of 23 days.
 - c. A development strategy that results in a quarter of new-builds being sold abroad, or indeed 100% for some developments, is not one that responds to local need, nor delivers properly mixed communities.
 - d. The strategy of rolling over to developers and squeezing social housing onto existing estates has caused community tension, luxury flats being built well before social housing and an outcome of only 200 council

- homes built, whilst selling and demolishing over 2,000. Planning policy must ensure that every new development has mixed communities.
- e. It is vitally important that the public can have full confidence that planning decisions are unbiased and honest. Consequently, council assembly believes that members should refuse any gifts or perks from developers either for themselves or their partners.
4. To act against climate change and to improve air quality in Southwark, council assembly believes that:
 - a. The council's failure to implement the bike hire scheme across Southwark as extensively as other inner London boroughs was a mistake, and it should be rectified as a matter of priority.
 - b. The decision by Transport for London to drastically cut vital bus services such as the RV1 will increase pollution and reduce public transport use.
 - c. In its plans to extend the Bakerloo Line, Transport for London should commit to building a station at Bricklayers' Arms, rather than putting the area through years of disruption just to build a ventilation shaft that they will not benefit from.
 - d. The council must ensure that infrastructure, such as the new walking and cycling bridge to Canary Wharf, is built alongside new development.
 5. Council assembly recognises that:
 - a. The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) is a core component of development and planning in Southwark.
 - b. The entire purpose of the 25% local CIL budget is that it is allocated to the wards that generated the revenue, to ensure that development is fair and beneficial to the areas that accept development projects.
 - c. The council needs to establish a clear, fair and transparent method for allocating CIL revenue
 6. Council assembly believes that Brexit will leave the country, London, Southwark and our residents poorer and less secure. Therefore, council assembly condemns the Parliamentary Labour Party for whipping its Members of Parliament to vote with the Conservative government in favour of Britain leaving the Single Market and the Customs Union, and applauds the Labour MPs who chose to defy the party whip and voted with others, including Liberal Democrat MPs, to remain in both.
 7. Council assembly calls on cabinet to:
 - a. Introduce a housing policy which delivers genuinely affordable homes onsite
 - b. Ensure green infrastructure projects are progressed urgently
 - c. Develop a proper process for local Community Infrastructure Levy spending
 - d. Cut waste and pet projects; from increased councillor allowances to fresh flowers and spin doctors
 - e. Support a 'democratic deal' with Europe – putting the government's post-2019 agreement with the European Union to a referendum.

ITEM 5.2.1: MEMBERS' MOTIONS - BUSKING ON BANKSIDE (see pages 20-21 of the main agenda)

AMENDMENT B

Proposer: Councillor Barrie Hargrove

Seconder: Councillor Renata Hamvas

Delete 1.b) and **replace** with:

“b) That Bankside was, and remains, an area with a significant residential population, namely residents in Falcon Point, Bankside & Gallery Lofts, the Bankside houses and Clink Street, plus newer developments in Benbow House, 20 New Globe Walk and the Bear Pit.”

Insert 1. c):

“c) The work that the council is already doing to tackle nuisance busking, including the re-organisation of the Regulatory Services team which has brought together the Noise and Nuisance team, SASBU, street wardens and other street enforcement teams which work closely together to reduce the disturbance of busking, the ongoing analysis of busking activity to tackle those causing nuisance, anti social behaviour and difficulties, and ceasing the advertising of busking sites in Southwark to discourage a further increase in busking levels.”

Delete 2. a) and **replace** with:

“a) The efforts of council officers, Bankside residents, and partners from other stakeholders, including Better Bankside, the Tate Modern and Bankside Residents forum, to find a solution to the busking noise related issues.”

Delete 2. c) and **replace** with:

“c) That the impact of this noise nuisance on a daily basis can have a detrimental impact on the residential amenity of those who live and work in Bankside, including possibly for some residents on their physical and mental wellbeing.”

Delete 2. d) and 2. e)

Insert new point 3:

“3. Council supports:

- a) The work of the ‘Bankside Busking Working Group’, which seeks to:
- Reduce the number of nuisance buskers along the riverside
 - Improve and better co-ordinate local authority and police force efforts to manage nuisance busking
 - Co-ordinating use of resources to control nuisance buskers
 - Provide residents and businesses with a voice to lobby for additional resources, and changes to protocols, processes, procedures and legislation controlling busking

- Explore introduction of a scheme to organise and regulate busking in the Bankside area

And looks forward to the group bringing forward options for an effective and proportionate approach to dealing with the issue of nuisance busking.”

Delete current points 3. a) b) c)

Insert new point 4:

“4. Council resolves to call on Cabinet to:

a) To look at the recommendations coming forward from the ‘Bankside Busking Working Group’ and the multi-agency Buskers group, which includes representatives from the council’s noise team, SASBU, EPT, street enforcement teams and the police, with a view to adopting a solution which protects the amenity of local residents and reduces problematic and nuisance busking.”

**ITEM 5.2.2: MEMBERS' MOTIONS - IMPROVING MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING
IN SOUTHWARK** (see pages 21-22 of the main agenda)

AMENDMENT C

Proposer: Councillor Ben Johnson

Seconder: Councillor Eliza Mann

Insert new line at the end of paragraph 4:

- The new strategy has strong cross-party support.

Insert new paragraph 7:

7. Council assembly calls on the council to:
 - Guarantee that funding for mental health in Southwark is proportionate to funding for physical health.
 - Map existing community mental health provision in Southwark, to be published on the council's website, including services provided by SLAM, Lambeth and Southwark MIND, Southwark CCG, the Southwark Wellbeing Hub, Blackfriars Settlement, OASIS Outreach and Support, and other providers within the borough.
 - Consider piloting a dedicated mental health service for children based on the Australian 'headspace' model.
 - Set annual targets to reduce out-of-area placements and invest in local voluntary and community-based organisations, so that more people admitted to hospital for mental ill-health can be treated close to home.
 - Support the wellbeing of the council's staff by discouraging late-working at council offices, encouraging flexible and part-time working, and offering staff the option to take unpaid leave.
 - Expand and improve training for frontline staff (in housing, homelessness, youth services, the police, schools, and other local services) in mental health awareness.

ITEM 6.1: CHANGES TO COMMUNITY COUNCIL BOUNDARIES (see pages 23 - 29 of the main agenda)

Proposer: Councillor James Barber

Seconded: Councillor Adele Morris

Under **RECOMMENDATIONS**, paragraph 1:

- **Delete** 'five community councils' and replace with 'eight community councils'
- **Delete** 'wards as set out in paragraph 12 and Appendix 1' and replace with:

'The new wards split across eight community council areas, as follows:

 1. Borough and Bankside, St Georges and Chaucer
 2. North Walworth, Faraday and Newington
 3. London Bridge and West Bermondsey, North Bermondsey and South Bermondsey
 4. Rotherhithe and Surrey Docks
 5. Old Kent Road and Peckham
 6. Camberwell Green, St Giles and Champion Hill
 7. Rye Lane, Nunhead & Queens Road and Peckham Rye
 8. Goose Green, Dulwich Village, Dulwich Hill and Dulwich Wood'
- **Insert** new paragraphs 3-7:
 3. The number of community councils should be restored to eight.
 4. Community council boundaries should fall along the lines of the eight historic neighbourhoods, adjusting for new ward boundaries.
 5. Devolve more decision-making powers, including planning, to community councils.
 6. Devolve administrative powers too. Give community councils the freedom to set their own meetings, choose the venues, decide how to advertise, commission support from officers, and so on.
 7. New decision-making powers could cover: traffic, planning, CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy), CGS (Cleaner Greener Safer), neighbourhood funding, highway renewals, licensing, festivals and events, street cleaning, and other areas.

Under **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**, paragraph 3, **delete**:

- 'Council assembly has agreed that there are five community council areas'

and **replace** with:

- 'Council assembly has in recent years chosen to have just five community council areas, but has grown weary of central control and is now opting to decentralise power once more to eight areas'.

Under **KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION**, paragraph 9, **delete**:

- 'the existing boundaries'

and **replace** with:

- 'the pre-2010 community council boundaries'.
- **Delete** 'retain the five community council areas'

and **replace** with:

- 'restore the historic eight community council areas, adjusted for the new ward boundaries'.
- **Delete** 'keep boundaries as close to current boundaries as possible'

and **replace** with:

- 'keep the eight new community council areas as close to the former eight areas as possible'.
- **Delete** paragraph 11 and **replace** with:

the eight community council areas listed in the amendment to paragraph 1 above."

- **Delete** paragraph 12.

Under **APPENDICES**:

- **Delete** 'Appendix 1, Proposed new community council boundaries' and replace with a new map showing eight community councils composed of the new electoral wards, as listed above.

ITEM 6.3: COUNCIL ASSEMBLY DATES AND CALENDAR OF MEETINGS 2018-19
(see pages 54 - 70 of the main agenda)

At its February meeting, members of the tri-borough IT committee (“Joint Committee of the London Boroughs of Brent, Lewisham and Southwark”) unanimously resolved that an additional other meeting should be held in June or July 2018.

This additional meeting is now scheduled to take place on Wednesday 4 July 2018.

The new date has been added to the council’s calendar for 2018-19 and the updated version of the council calendar 2018-19 and council calendar 2018-19 in table format are attached.