

London Borough of Islington

**Executive - 16 July 2015**

Minutes of the meeting of the Executive held at Committee Room 4, Town Hall, Upper Street, N1 2UD on 16 July 2015 at 7.30 pm.

**Present:**                      **Councillors:**      Watts, Burgess, Caluori, Convery, Hull, Murray, Webbe and Shaikh

**Also Present:**              **Councillors:**      O'Sullivan, Nick Ward and Court were present for items C6 to C9.

**Councillor Richard Watts in the Chair**

**158      APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

None.

**159      DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

**160      MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

**RESOLVED:**

That the Minutes of the meeting on 18 June be confirmed as a correct record and the Chair be authorised to sign them.

**161      COMMUNAL HEATING CONSULTATION RESULTS - JUNE 2015**

**RESOLVED:**

2.1      That the responses received to the consultation be noted.

2.2      That continuation of the current policy to provide communal heating for 36 weeks per year (October to May) be agreed, subject to recommendation 2.3 below

2.3      That provision of heating to the Spa Green and Kings Square estates in June and September (when external temperatures drop below 16 degrees centigrade), at no additional charge, due the poor thermal performance of these blocks, which is significantly below that of other estates, be agreed.

2.4      That the additional charge for overnight heating to Spa Green residents will cease, be agreed and the current residents be refunded the amounts paid for overnight heating from 1 April 2011 (amended from 1 April 2012) be agreed.

Reason for decision – to improve fairness by helping to ensure all residents in communally-heated properties stay warm throughout the year and that all tenants pay the same for their heating service.

Other options considered – none, other than as detailed in the report and related papers.

Conflicts of interest / dispensations granted – none.

**162**      **YOUTH CRIME STRATEGY**

**RESOLVED:**

- 2.1 That the Youth Crime Strategy attached to the report, to deal with the minority of young people that are currently offending or at risk of offending in the future, be agreed.
- 2.2 That there are already significant activities (set out in Appendix A to the strategy) that result in positive outcomes for young people, be noted.
- 2.3 That immediate steps to progress the actions within the strategy be taken and the establishment of an implementation progress group to be chaired by the Leader of the Council, be agreed.

Reason for decision – to enable decisive action in key areas so we see immediate improvements in the short and medium term and, in the long term, make Islington one of the safest boroughs in London.

Other options considered – none, other than as detailed in the report and related papers.

Conflicts of interest / dispensations granted – none.

**163**      **PROPOSED NEW EQUALITY OBJECTIVES**

Councillor Watts noted a correction to the Housing Objective on page 6 of Appendix A to the report; the objective was reduce the number of vulnerable people living in fuel poverty.

**RESOLVED:**

- 2.1 That the progress against previous equality objectives (Appendix A to the report, amended as above) be noted, and that while work will still continue in these areas, they will cease as equality objectives be agreed.
- 2.2 That the focus of the proposed new equality objectives for the council and the associated targets, as set out in section 4 and Appendix B to the report, be agreed.

Reason for decision – to fulfil the statutory duty to regularly review equalities objectives and to enable the council to champion and tackle a new set of equalities challenges.

Other options considered – none, other than as detailed in the report and related papers.

Conflicts of interest / dispensations granted – none.

**164**      **ESTATE SERVICES MANAGEMENT - RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE HOUSING SCRUTINY COMMITTEE REVIEW**

Councillor O’Sullivan, Chair of the Housing Scrutiny Committee, introduced the committee’s recommendations following the completion of the scrutiny into Estate Services Management. Councillor O’Sullivan advised that the committee considered the recommendations on the caretaking service to be crucial to providing a good service to residents and thanked staff for all their work on the scrutiny. Councillor Watts thanked Councillor O’Sullivan and the committee for their hard work and advised that the Executive will respond in due course.

**RESOLVED:**

2.1      That the report of the Housing Scrutiny Committee be received.

Reason for decision – to enable the Executive to consider and respond to the committees’ recommendations.

Other options considered – none, other than as detailed in the report and related papers.

Conflicts of interest / dispensations granted – none.

**165**      **SCAFFOLDING / WORK PLATFORM - RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE HOUSING SCRUTINY COMMITTEE REVIEW**

Councillor O’Sullivan, Chair of the Housing Scrutiny Committee, introduced the committee’s recommendations following the completion of the scrutiny into Scaffolding. Councillor O’Sullivan advised that the committee considered the provision of an in-house service could deliver significant savings and thanked staff for their work on the review. Councillor Watts thanked Councillor O’Sullivan and the committee for their hard work and advised that the Executive will respond in due course.

**RESOLVED:**

2.1      That the report of the Housing Scrutiny Committee be received.

Reason for decision – to enable the Executive to consider and respond to the committees’ recommendations.

Other options considered – none, other than as detailed in the report and related papers.

Conflicts of interest / dispensations granted – none.

**166**      **FUEL POVERTY - RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE ENVIRONMENT AND REGENERATION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE REVIEW**

Councillor Court, Chair of the Environment and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee, introduced the committee’s recommendations following the completion of the scrutiny into Fuel Poverty. Councillor Court advised that the huge pressures on resident’s fuel bills remained, but national funding to address fuel poverty was dwindling. Councillor Court thanked the staff and witnesses who participated in the scrutiny. Councillor Watts thanked Councillor Court and the committee for their hard work and advised that the Executive will respond in due course.

**RESOLVED:**

2.1 That the report of the Environment and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee be received.

Reason for decision – to enable the Executive to consider and respond to the committees' recommendations.

Other options considered – none, other than as detailed in the report and related papers.

Conflicts of interest / dispensations granted – none.

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**IMPACT OF EARLY INTERVENTIONS IN PREVENTING ESCALATION TO STATUTORY SERVICES - RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CHILDREN'S SERVICES SCRUTINY REVIEW COMMITTEE**

Councillor Nick Ward, Vice Chair of the Children's Services Scrutiny Committee, introduced the committee's recommendations following the completion of the scrutiny into Early Intervention. Councillor Nick Ward advised that the scrutiny showed how much the service had improved and that early intervention was very effective. Councillor Watts thanked Councillor Nick Ward and the committee for their hard work and advised that the Executive will respond in due course.

Councillor Watts also noted that Eleanor Schooling, Corporate Director of Children's Services, was leaving to take up a secondment at Ofsted and thanked Eleanor for the enormous improvements to children's services and education delivered under her leadership.

**RESOLVED:**

2.1 That the report of the Children's Services Scrutiny Committee be received.

Reason for decision – to enable the Executive to consider and respond to the committees' recommendations.

Other options considered – none, other than as detailed in the report and related papers.

Conflicts of interest / dispensations granted – none.

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**REVIEW OF LOCAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEME**

**RESOLVED:**

2.1 That the Local Development Scheme 2015 as set out in Appendix 1 to the report be approved and brought into immediate effect.

2.2 That the cancellation of the out-of-date planning documents listed in Appendix 2 of this report be agreed.

Reason for decision – to set out a timescale for a limited review of Islington's Local Plan and for the preparation and review of Supplementary Planning Documents.

Other options considered – none, other than as detailed in the report and related papers.

Conflicts of interest / dispensations granted – none.

**169**      **MORELAND PRIMARY SCHOOL EXPANSION - PUBLIC CONSULTATION**

**RESOLVED:**

- 2.1 That the permanent expansion of Moreland Primary School to a two form entry school from September 2016 be agreed
- 2.2 That the responses to the public consultation in Appendix A to the report be noted.
- 2.3 That the construction of a new two form entry capacity school building is underway at Moreland Primary School and is scheduled for completion in September 2016 be noted.

Reason for decision – to ensure there are enough primary school places in the planning area to meet the increase in demand anticipated in 2017/18.  
Other options considered – none, other than as detailed in the report and related papers.  
Conflicts of interest / dispensations granted – none.

**170**      **ADOPTION OF SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT - PREVENTING WASTED HOUSING SUPPLY**

Councillor Murray advised this new ground-breaking Supplementary Planning Document creates a requirement that newly built residential property is regularly occupied and will penalise developers who leave new properties empty. It has taken a great deal of work to develop and is being keenly watched by other boroughs. Councillor Murray thanked all the officers involved.

**RESOLVED:**

- 2.1 That the results of the public consultations that took place on the draft Preventing Wasted Housing Supply SPD from 8 December 2014 to 30 January 2015 and from 15 May to 15 June 2015 (both of which are summarised in the Consultation Statement attached at Appendix 2 to the report) be noted
- 2.2 That the final Preventing Wasted Housing Supply Supplementary Planning Document, attached at Appendix 1 to the report be adopted.

Reason for decision – to provide greater certainty to both the local community and interested parties about the nature of housing development that is likely to be acceptable.  
Other options considered – none, other than as detailed in the report and related papers.  
Conflicts of interest / dispensations granted – none.

**171**      **APPROVAL OF DRAFT NORTH LONDON WASTE PLAN FOR CONSULTATION AND REVISED MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

Councillor Watts noted the Executive's sorrow at the recent passing of Councillor George Meehan of the London Borough of Haringey, who served on the North London Waste Authority.

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### RESOLVED:

- 2.1 That the draft North London Waste Plan (NLWP) be approved for public consultation, subject to the Corporate Director of Environment and Regeneration making further minor changes in conjunction with the partner boroughs.
- 2.2 That authority be delegated to the Corporate Director of Environment and Regeneration to enter into the updated MoU with the North London partner boroughs involved in the preparation of the NLWP (Barnet, Camden, Enfield, Hackney, Haringey and Waltham Forest) be agreed; and that authority be delegated to the Corporate Director of Environment and Regeneration to agree to any subsequent changes to the MoU be agreed.
- 2.3 That authority be delegated to the Corporate Director of Environment and Regeneration to enter into the LLDC MoU with the London Legacy Development Corporation be agreed; and that authority be delegated to the Corporate Director of Environment and Regeneration to agree to any subsequent changes to the MoU be agreed.
- 2.4 That authority be delegated to the Corporate Director of Environment and Regeneration to approve and enter into MoU's with other planning authorities as they are drawn up as part of discharging the duty to cooperate throughout the remainder of plan preparation be agreed.

Reason for decision – to ensure that the council meets its duties and agree a draft North London Waste Plan for public consultation.

Other options considered – none, other than as detailed in the report and related papers.

Conflicts of interest / dispensations granted – none.

## 172 CARE ACT ELIGIBILITY POLICY

### RESOLVED:

- 2.1 That the National Minimum Eligibility Criteria will be London Borough of Islington Eligibility Policy (appendix 1 to the report) for adults with care and support needs be agreed and that the national minimum eligibility criteria for carers be adopted from April 2015 be agreed.

Reason for decision – to ensure compliance with the Care Act 2014 and to direct resources to those most in need.

Other options considered – none, other than as detailed in the report and related papers.

Conflicts of interest / dispensations granted – none.

## 173 HEALTH VISITING AND FAMILY NURSE PARTNERSHIP SERVICE

### RESOLVED:

- 2.1 That a waiver of procurement rules in order to award a 12 month contract extension for Health Visiting and Family Nurse Partnership Services, to Whittington Health NHS Trust, to the value of £4,184,000 be agreed.

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- 2.2 That the reasons for the waiver, namely to allow the service to settle post transition, allow time to review the service delivery model in order to support the delivery of key local priorities and align procurement timescales with the School Nursing Service as part of our Procurement Strategy for Universal Child Health Services 0-19, be noted.

Reason for decision – to allow time to review current performance and the service delivery model required to support key local priorities.

Other options considered – none, other than as detailed in the report and related papers.

Conflicts of interest / dispensations granted – none.

### **174 PROCUREMENT STRATEGY - SUBSTANCE MISUSE RESIDENTIAL DETOX AND REHABILITATION SERVICES**

#### **RESOLVED:**

- 2.1 That the procurement strategy for a Residential Detox and Rehabilitation framework as outlined in the report be agreed.
- 2.2 That authority to award the contracts to the successful tenderers be delegated to the Corporate Director of Public Health, in consultation with the Executive Member Health and Wellbeing, be agreed.

Reason for decision – to ensure continuity of service as the existing residential detox and rehabilitation contracts ends on 31 March 2016.

Other options considered – none, other than as detailed in the report and related papers.

Conflicts of interest / dispensations granted – none.

### **175 PROCUREMENT STRATEGY - SINGLE ADVOCACY SERVICE (ADULTS)**

#### **RESOLVED:**

- 2.1 That the procurement strategy for the Single Advocacy Service as outlined in the amended report be agreed.
- 2.2 That the Executive will be asked to approve the award of the contract at the conclusion of the procurement process be noted.
- 2.3 That the uncertainty around the levels of demand for elements of this service as outlined in section 3 of the amended report be noted.

Reason for decision – to ensure the Council can meet the statutory duties around the provision of independent advocacy services.

Other options considered – none, other than as detailed in the reports and related papers.

Conflicts of interest / dispensations granted – none.

**176**      **CONTRACT AWARD - CONSTRUCTION OF 70 NEW HOMES AND ASSOCIATED IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE DOVER COURT ESTATE N1 3HN**

**RESOLVED:**

- 2.1      That the award of a contract to Lovell Partnerships for the construction of 70 new homes, a community centre and associated improvements for the Dover Court Estate be approved.

Reason for decision – awarding the contract to Lovell Partnership was the recommended course of action after following the procurement process outlined in the report.

Other options considered – none, other than as detailed in the report and related papers.

Conflicts of interest / dispensations granted – none.

**177**      **CONTRACT AWARD - CONSTRUCTION OF 20 NEW HOMES ON CAMDEN ESTATE LAND AND 1-8 ROWSTOCK GARDENS & GARAGES OPPOSITE 77-84 ROWSTOCK GARDENS, LONDON N7 0BG**

**RESOLVED:**

- 2.1      That the award of a contract to Osborne for the construction of 20 new homes, and associated environmental improvements at Camden Estate be agreed.

Reason for decision – awarding the contract to Osborne was the recommended course of action after following the procurement process outlined in the report.

Other options considered – none, other than as detailed in the report and related papers.

Conflicts of interest / dispensations granted – none.

**178**      **CONTRACT AWARD APPROVAL FOR 'CCTV SUPPLY, INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE' CONTRACT**

**RESOLVED:**

- 2.1      That the endorsement of the decision by the Cabinet of Ealing Council on 13.7.15 to approve the award of the collaborative framework 'CCTV Supply, Maintenance and Installation contract' to Tyco Integrated Systems (TYCO) as primary contractor and Quadrant Security Group (QSG) as secondary contractor, be agreed.

- 2.2      That the Council will use this new framework contract with effect from 1.9.15 be agreed.

Reason for decision – to ensure continuity of service provision, that the current infrastructure is adequately maintained and future requirement can be sourced effectively.

Other options considered – none, other than as detailed in the report and related papers.

Conflicts of interest / dispensations granted – none.



**179**      **CONTRACT AWARD - ORAL HEALTH**

**RESOLVED:**

2.1 That the award of the contract for oral health promotion service to the Whittington Health Trust commencing on 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2015 for a period of up to five years be agreed.

2.2 That the contents of Exempt Appendix A to this report be noted.

Reason for decision – to improve oral health and address health inequalities.

Other options considered – none, other than as detailed in the report and related papers.

Conflicts of interest / dispensations granted – none.

**180**      **CONTRACT AWARD - CONSTRUCTION OF 70 NEW HOMES AND ASSOCIATED IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE DOVER COURT ESTATE N1 3HN - EXEMPT APPENDIX**

**RESOLVED:**

That the information in the exempt appendix to agenda item E19 be noted (see Minute 176 for decision).

**181**      **CONTRACT AWARD - CONSTRUCTION OF 20 NEW HOMES ON CAMDEN ESTATE LAND AND 1-8 ROWSTOCK GARDENS & GARAGES OPPOSITE 77-84 ROWSTOCK GARDENS, LONDON N7 0BG EXEMPT APPENDIX**

**RESOLVED:**

That the information in the exempt appendix to agenda item E20 be noted (see Minute 177 for decision).

**182**      **CONTRACT AWARD - ORAL HEALTH EXEMPT APPENDIX**

**RESOLVED:**

That the information in the exempt appendix to agenda item E22 be noted (see Minute 179 for decision).

MEETING CLOSED AT 8.22 pm

CHAIR