

## **TO MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL**

**Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Council of the London Borough of Bromley is to be held in the Council Chamber at Bromley Civic Centre on Monday 4 July 2011 at 7.30 pm which meeting the Members of the Council are hereby summoned to attend.**

### **Prayers**

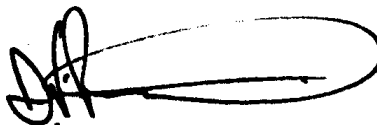
## **A G E N D A**

- 1 Apologies for absence
- 2 To confirm the Minutes of the following meetings of the Council: (Pages 3 - 46)
  - i) Meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> April 2011; and
  - ii) Annual Council Meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2011
- 3 Declarations of Interest
- 4 Petitions (Pages 47 - 48)
- 5 Questions from members of the public where notice has been given.
- 6 Oral questions from Members of the Council where notice has been given.
- 7 Written questions from Members of the Council
- 8 To consider any statements that may be made by the Leader of the Council, Portfolio Holders or Chairmen of Committees.
- 9 Capital Programme 2011/12 - Revision (Pages 49 - 52)
- 10 To consider Motions of which notice has been given.
- 11 The Mayor's announcements and communications.

12 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) (VARIATION) ORDER 2006, AND THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

To consider an item in respect of which resolutions have been passed under the Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation Order 2006) and the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

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Chief Executive

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## LONDON BOROUGH OF BROMLEY

### MINUTES

of the proceedings of the Meeting of the  
Council of the Borough  
held at 7.30 pm on 11 April 2011

#### Present:

**The Worshipful the Mayor  
Councillor George Taylor**

**The Deputy Mayor  
Councillor Ruth Bennett**

#### Councillors

Reg Adams	John Getgood	Ernest Noad
Graham Arthur	Julian Grainger	Tony Owen
Douglas Auld	Ellie Harmer	Tom Papworth
Kathy Bance	Will Harmer	Ian F. Payne
Julian Benington	David Hastings	Sarah Phillips
Eric Bosshard	Brian Humphrys	Neil Reddin
Katy Boughey	William Huntington-	Catherine Rideout
Lydia Buttinger	Thresher	Charles Rideout
John Canvin	Charles Joel	Colin Smith
Stephen Carr	Kate Lymer	Diane Smith
Roger Charsley	Diana MacMull	Tim Stevens
Peter Dean	Mrs Anne Manning	Harry Stranger
Robert Evans	David McBride	Michael Tickner
Roxy Fawthrop	Russell Mellor	Pauline Tunncliffe
Simon Fawthrop	Alexa Michael	Michael Turner
Peter Fookes	Nick Milner	
Peter Fortune	Peter Morgan	

The meeting was opened with prayers

In the Chair  
The Mayor  
Councillor George Taylor

#### 61 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Beckley, Nicholas Bennett JP, Ellis, Samaris Huntington-Thresher, Ince, Jackson, Lynch, Norrie, Scoates and Wells.

**62 MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meetings of the Council held on 28<sup>th</sup> February and 21<sup>st</sup> March 2011 were confirmed.

**63 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Lymer declared an interest as her mother worked for Bromley PCT.

**64 PETITIONS**

There were no Petitions to report to this Council Meeting.

**65 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

There were no questions received from members of the public.

**66 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS**

These are attached at Appendices A and B.

**67 STATEMENTS BY THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL,  
PORTFOLIO HOLDERS OR CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES**

There were no Statements made at the meeting.

**68 STANDARDS COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2010/11**

The Chairman of the Standards Committee, Dr Simon Davey, was in attendance to introduce the report and responded to questions from members.

A Motion to approve the report was proposed, seconded and adopted.

**69 CODE OF CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

A Motion to approve the Code was proposed, seconded and adopted.

**70 POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND SCRUTINY - ANNUAL REPORT  
2010/11**

A Motion to approve this Annual Report was proposed, seconded and adopted.

**71 MINOR COUNCIL CONSTITUTION AMENDMENTS**

A Motion to approve the recommendation proposing some minor amendments to the Constitution was proposed, seconded and adopted.

## 72 MOTIONS

Notice of two Motions had been received as follows:

### i) EU Contributions

The following Motion was proposed by Councillor Colin Smith and seconded by Councillor Mrs Anne Manning:-

“This Council believes that there was no justification for the recent 2.9% rise in this country’s contribution to the still un-audited and wasteful European Union budget, particularly at a time when the Coalition Government is quite rightly trying to narrow the huge financial deficit it inherited from its predecessors.

The EU provides little obvious benefit to the residents of this Borough, and this Council firmly believes that at a time when valued local services are facing acute challenges to meet the new financial realities demanded by the 26% cuts facing Local Government, the EU should be playing its part and reducing spending, rather than increasing it.

Accordingly this Council calls on the Coalition Government to inform the EU of its intention to make significant reductions to our future contributions, commencing next year.

This Council also notes with utter dismay reports that UK taxpayers may be asked to provide additional billions of pounds to bailout overspending Governments within the Euro-Zone and urges the Coalition Government to stand firm in rejecting any such requests”

(Councillor Simon Fawthrop asked for his views to be recorded that he for his part felt the country would be better off out of the European Union. He expressed the comment that what was needed was a system that worked rather than the current bureaucratic arrangements that forced things on people as opposed to being lead by the people. In this regard he considered that Bromley Council was a good example of listening to the people in the way it did business across the Borough.)

**On being put to the vote this motion was CARRIED.**

### ii) NHS

The following Motion was proposed by Councillor Peter Fookes and seconded by Councillor Kathy Bance:-

“This Council calls on the Coalition Government to abandon it's proposed reforms to the NHS and to ensure that under the next proposals that in the interests of patients, costs and accountability that local councils have a major role in the future of health care delivery.”

*Council*  
*11 April 2011*

A Motion was moved by Councillor Arthur and seconded by Councillor Carr that the above Motion on the NHS should more appropriately be referred to the next meeting of the Adult and Community Services PDS Committee for consideration in the light of the latest developments.

Councillors Fookes and Bance indicated acceptance of the proposal by Councillor Arthur.

**On being put to the vote this motion was CARRIED.**

### **73            MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

The Mayor reported on his enjoyable visit to Bromley's twin town of Neuwied. He also announced that on 1<sup>st</sup> May 2011 there would be charity Cycle race at Jubilee Park to which all were welcome.

The Mayor would also be holding an event at El Patio at the end of his term of office and details would be circulated in due course.

Mayor

The Meeting ended at 8.55 pm

**MEETING**

**11<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2011**

**ORAL QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL**

**1. From Councillor Nicholas Bennett JP of the Chairman of the General Purposes and Licensing Committee**

If he will list the number of cases taken to Employment Tribunal in each of the past five years and the number where the Council was found against in each of those years.

(Note: Councillor Bennett submitted apologies for this meeting and therefore a written response was given.)

**Reply:**

The number of all employment tribunal claims including the Single Status equal pay claims against the Council and schools is detailed below.

- 2006 – 4 claims
- 2007 - 7 claims
- 2008 – 26 claims (rise is due to equal pay claims)
- 2009 – 82 claims (rise is due to equal pay claims)
- 2010 to date – 15 claims
- The Council has not lost a case in the last five years.

**2. From Councillor Peter Fookes of the Portfolio Holder for the Environment**

What consultations are taking place with schools over the future of School Crossing Patrols?

**Reply:**

The Portfolio Holder responded that every school in the Borough which currently had a school crossing patrol would have received a letter by the end of April at the very latest.

Following completion of that exercise, further detailed discussions would be held with schools on a case by case basis to determine what measures might prove possible and preferable to them following the withdrawal of the service in April 2012.

**Supplementary Question:**

Councillor Fookes asked whether the Portfolio Holder might reconsider the decision on crossing patrols in the light of the strength of feeling as shown by the number of objectors and the petitions received.

**Reply:**

Councillor Colin Smith said that, similar to several Labour run local authorities that were also taking this approach – the answer was absolutely no.

**3. From Councillor Katherine Bance of the Portfolio Holder for Children and Young People**

How will provision for Special Needs be guaranteed under the "Academisation" of schools?

**Reply:**

The Portfolio Holder replied that conversion to Academy status for a mainstream school did not in itself make a significant difference to the provision of special educational needs. Funding for children who had statements would be retained by the Local Authority and provided to schools to meet a child's needs. Where a school with a unit for children with SEN converted to Academy status there would be a commissioning contract between the Local Authority and the school to ensure that this provision was still made for the children under their new arrangements. Legal advice was currently being sought in the preparation of the contracts. Outstanding Special Schools could convert to Academy status after September 2011. The Commercial Transfer Agreement which represented the legal transfer of assets would include protecting the Council's interest with shared facilities including SEN provision.

**Supplementary Question:**

Councillor Bance asked what safeguards could be given to parents of children with special needs who faced an uncertain future as schools become increasingly market driven.

**Reply:**

Councillor Noad did not consider the phrase 'market driven' was appropriate in respect of special educational needs. As he had already explained in response to the original question each school would have to comply with the code of conduct which would be statutory and we as a local authority would be monitoring that very closely. He did not think parents would have anything unduly to worry about.



**4. From Councillor Peter Fookes of the Portfolio Holder for the Environment**

What monitoring of Air Quality takes place in this borough?

**Reply:**

The Portfolio Holder explained that the Borough operated a continuous monitoring site which produced data of the highest quality, supplemented by 29 separate diffusion tubes.

**Supplementary Question:**

Councillor Fookes asked whether the Portfolio Holder was aware that we still faced fines from the EU if the air quality was not good enough.

**Reply:**

Councillor Smith responded that Councillor Fookes was overlooking the facts as the air quality in Bromley was amongst the cleanest in London. No amount of petty EU rules would change that nor measuring and collecting data for no purpose. He had no interest in increasing air quality monitoring in the Borough as already stated it was one of the cleanest and he had no intention of changing that policy.

**5. From Councillor Katherine Bance of the Portfolio Holder for Children and Young People**

How will secondary transfer work having to reconcile school independence over admission policies and parental choice together with rights of appeal?

**Reply:**

The Portfolio Holder advised that admissions arrangements for Academies were approved by the Secretary of State and must comply with admissions legislation and the relevant Codes. Academies were required by their funding agreements to participate in co-ordination schemes for secondary transfers. The local authority was required to coordinate applications for Academies in the same way that applications to Foundation schools were currently coordinated. Academies were their own admission authorities and therefore were responsible for arranging independent panels to consider any parental admissions appeal.

**Supplementary Question:**

Councillor Bance asked if the Portfolio Holder would agree that parents and children would be disadvantaged by the removal of local accountability at this crucial stage of the schooling.

**Reply:**

Councillor Noad could not agree as nothing would be changing. All Secondary Schools at the moment were Foundation Schools and had complete control over their admissions.

**6. From Councillor Peter Fookes of the Portfolio Holder for Children and Young People**

Why are so many schools in this borough opting for Academy status?

**Reply:**

The Portfolio Holder responded that the number of schools seeking academy conversions during Autumn 2010 and Spring 2011 had placed the Borough in a unique position. He considered that there were six main reasons that were driving this agenda:

1. The overall high standards and performance of schools which placed Bromley in the top quartile nationally.
2. The high percentage of schools which were ranked by Ofsted as 'Outstanding' or 'Good with Outstanding features', under the Academy Act (2010) these schools had the automatic right of conversion from the Secretary of State for Education.
3. The School Improvement strategy adopted by Bromley had actively encouraged strong leadership and governance in our schools
4. Historically Bromley had a high percentage of Foundation (formerly Grant Maintained (GM) schools) and for those schools it was a relatively short step to gain academy status.
5. The high number of head teachers in Bromley who were accredited as National Leaders of Education and Local Leaders in Education by the DfE; and
6. Whilst a significant number of primary schools had registered an interest with the DFE, I am informed by those Head Teachers and Governors that they are gathering information; this did not mean that these schools would take this further as they would respond as events developed and their direction became clearer.

**Supplementary Question:**

Councillor Fookes asked if the Portfolio Holder would agree that the lack of investment by this authority in education in the Borough had led to Ofsted never giving us an outstanding status.

**Reply:**

Councillor Noad commented that the Councillor had made an 'own goal' – as the case was that Bromley had the lowest per head DfE allowance across England which had been the situation for the past 13 years. Bromley had to fight very hard to get capital funding for our schools in the last several years and when it did it was very low compared to many other Boroughs. However, we have spent wisely leading to at least 6 secondary schools having major rebuilds. Therefore he totally refuted Councillor Fookes' comments.

**7. From Councillor Katherine Bance of the Portfolio Holder for Children and Young People**

What is your vision of the future of the LEA in Bromley?

**Reply:**

The Portfolio Holder advised that the future shape of education and wider children's services was largely determined by the Government's own reform agenda and legislation framework including the Academies Act (2010) and the Schools' Bill (2011). Ensuring that all children and young people resident or educated in Bromley were provided with opportunity that fulfils their potential would remain the top priority for the Borough. Whilst the local authority would continue to have a statutory responsibility, for example, in pupil place planning, co-ordinated admissions, special educational needs and provision for those children excluded from school, we will continue to work in partnership with schools and support agencies to secure the best outcomes for those children, regardless of that schools' status. This approach has been the basis of the Children and Young People Services Department since it was established and will continue into the future as it addresses any organisational changes needed to meet the financial constraints and increased freedoms and choices of schools. Councillor Noad was also determined to continue to support those who were most vulnerable such as Looked after children and those on the at risk register as well as ensuring our Social Care Teams stay as strong and robust as possible to protect our young people from abuse and exploitation.

**Supplementary Question**

Councillor Bance asked if the Portfolio Holder agreed that this policy would lead to the creation of a number of alternative or mini LEAs lacking the skills, resources and especially local accountability to give parents confidence in school provision across the Borough.

**Reply:**

Councillor Noad said that he was not sure of the outcome of the current agenda. There could be a possibility of clusters around the Borough, but they would have to follow the code of conduct and legislative framework he had already referred to. However, the Portfolio Holder did feel that the local

authority had a major role to continue to play in maintaining the wellbeing of all of the children in the Borough.

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## COUNCIL MEETING

11<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2011

### WRITTEN QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

**1. From Councillor Nicholas Bennett JP of the Portfolio Holder for  
Renewal and Recreation**

If he will give for each library in the borough;

- i. the date the building was constructed, and where a later date, the date the library opened in that building;
- ii) the annual running costs excluding staff and book costs.

**Reply:**

*(See attached schedule)*

**2. From Councillor Nicholas Bennett JP of the Portfolio Holder for  
Resources**

- i. What is the total reduction in government grant for each year from 2009-10 until 2014-15;
- ii. what is the cut in expenditure as a result of reduction in grant funding in each year to date and the forecast reductions for each year 2014-15;
- iii. what is the estimated additional spending in each of these years as a result of increased demand;
- iv. what is the out-turn figure for 2009-10, forecast expenditure for 2010-11 and the initial expenditure figure for the remaining years until 2014-15?

**Reply:**

*(See attached schedule)*

**3. From Councillor Nicholas Bennett JP of the Portfolio Holder for  
Resources**

If he will give the number of staff and the budget for each by department for each performance centre in 2010-11 and 2011-12?

**Reply:**

*(See attached schedule)*

**4. From Councillor Russell Mellor of the Leader of the Council**

Can the Leader inform me as to the number of Members of Staff who, having left the Council, have subsequently been engaged as Consultants, together with details of the contract term and fees of engagement.

**Reply:**

In the last financial year 2010/11 the Council rehired one ex employee as a consultant for one day per week from October 2010 to March 2011 @ approximately £300 per day.

**5. From Councillor Peter Fookes of the Portfolio Holder for Children and Young People**

How many pupils gained their first preference for secondary school this year and what were the corresponding figures for the last five years?

**Reply:**

Preference	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
1 <sup>st</sup>	65%	67.5%	67%	65%	66%
2 <sup>nd</sup>	16%	16.5%	16%	16%	16%
3 <sup>rd</sup>	8%	6%	6%	8%	6%
4 <sup>th</sup>	4%	3%	4%	3%	3%
5 <sup>th</sup>	2%	1.5%	1.5%	1.5%	2%
6 <sup>th</sup>	1%	1%	0.5%	0.5%	2%
No preference (offered nearest appropriate school as no 'preferred' school offered)	4%	4.5%	5%	6%	5%

**6. From Councillor Peter Fookes of the Portfolio Holder for Adult and Community Services**

What progress has been made in getting the former Lodge in Penge Recreation Ground back into use?

**Reply:**

An officer of the Council visited the property with the owner on 8<sup>th</sup> April to assess progress. The owner of the premises has been on site for the last five weeks, and the officer states that renovation works have been carried out to a very high standard, sympathetic to the style of the original

structure. Unfortunately the works have been hampered by periodic acts of vandalism by persons using the park, however the owner is confident that works will be completed within 3 months, at which point the property will be occupied permanently by a family member, or sold. The owner intends to install an alarm system shortly.

**7. From Councillor Peter Fookes of the Chairman of the Development Control Committee**

How many times is an applicant allowed to put in further planning applications when enforcement action is being taken against that individual?

**Reply:**

There is not a limit on the number of planning applications which can be submitted on any site provided each is accompanied by the appropriate fee. If a planning appeal has been dismissed, an identical proposal cannot be submitted within 2 years of the date of the appeal decision. However, amended applications which attempt to address the reasons for the appeal being dismissed can be submitted.

**8. From Councillor Katherine Bance of the Portfolio Holder for the Environment**

How many car clubs are there in the borough and what are we doing to promote them?

**Reply:**

One, imminently to become two.

The Borough has made a successful application for car club funding from TfL for the next two years and will be liaising with interested operators to promote further schemes where potential interest might exist.

**9. From Councillor Katherine Bance of the Portfolio Holder for Resources**

What are the implications for this borough as a result of the proposed national changes to Housing Benefit?

**Reply:**

1. There are a number of changes to the Housing Benefit system over the next couple of years. These and the numbers affected are as follows :-

April 2011 new maximum caps on HB per property size.	Only small number of private rented sector households affected who have their HB reduced by up to £3 per week
April 2011 increasing the Non Dependant Deductions – which have been static for 10 years.	Affects social housing as well as private sector tenants. Considerable numbers affected and includes Rent Allowance cases as well. Also includes a reduction in their Council Tax Benefit for each non dependant.
April 2011 cessation of the excess payment – where a household can keep up to the first £15 of the amount they can rent a property for below the LHA caps.	Currently there are 76 households in receipt of the Excess payment. For existing claimants, payment will cease on the anniversary of their claim.
April 2011 reducing the normal HB caps to the 30 <sup>th</sup> percentile of claims (currently at 50 <sup>th</sup> percentile).	There are currently c3,000 households who will receive less HB with reductions being up to c£35pw. For the vast majority the reduction will be up to £12 pw. This change applies immediately for new claimants or when an existing claimant has a change in circumstances. For the other existing claimants the change will come in to effect 9 months after the annual anniversary of their claim.
January 2012 for a single person aged 25 to 34 the HB maximum will be reduced to that of the reduced single room rate (currently only for those under age 25)	There are currently just over 400 claimants in single rooms whose HB will reduce by up to £25 pw. There are a further 210 aged 25-34 in 1 bed accom who will have their HB reduced by up to £140 pw. It is believed that there will be some kind of phased implementation; however details have not yet been released.

2. For households with non dependants there will be a combination of changes where their HB reduces and their non dependent deduction to their amount of HB increases.
3. The Housing Needs service is already seeing an increase in clients due to difficulties finding somewhere to rent and less landlords willing to take a tenant who is in receipt of Housing Benefit. Outward migration from inner London is also a factor due to the gaps between current and previous HB caps and rent levels being much greater.
4. The Council received a grant of £150k to support plans to mitigate the impact on households that may be affected by the proposed Housing Benefit reforms. In Bromley this includes proactive early intervention and prevention of homelessness and unnecessary financial hardship for those most affected by the changes. Work is also taking place with landlords to encourage them to continue to work with the Council and to focus on housing Bromley residents rather than enter in to arrangements with inner London Boroughs to house their households. More detail on the use of the funds is in a report to the December 2010 meeting of the Executive on the HB changes.
5. In terms of those aged 25 to 34 there will be quite a number who are vulnerable singles who might also be clients of Adult & Community Services and other partner agencies. They will have a range of problems including mental health, learning disabilities, drug, alcohol, ex offenders. Whilst any reduction in HB will be difficult for them to manage there are some who will see a significant reduction. These client groups can have a propensity to be less able to cope with such changes and this can trigger repeat episodes of their problems. Work is being done in particular with this group to identify them and work with them and their landlords on how their situation can be addressed and, if necessary, seek to help



them move and to buy time whilst attempts are made to find alternative accommodation for them.

**10. From Councillor Katherine Bance of the Portfolio Holder for Children and Young People**

What efforts did this borough make to promote the take up of free school meals and the pupil clothing and footwear grant over the last financial year?

**Reply:**

To promote the take up of free school meals and the clothing and footwear grant in the last financial year:

- Letters and application forms were sent to all previous academic year claimants.
- a supply of application forms was sent to all Bromley schools.
- Details of eligibility and method of application was given in the Admission to Primary and Secondary school booklets.
- Details and an application form were available to download from the Bromley website – there is also a direct link under free school meals to the Bromley site from the Direct Gov website.
- Many schools write to parents during the summer term and prior to the January census day to remind them to reapply or submit an application if they are in receipt of a qualifying benefit. Many schools also assist parents to complete application forms and provide details in their school prospectus.
- The Citizens Advice Bureau also advises parents of their entitlement and where necessary helps with the completion of forms.
- Information is printed on benefit advice notifications from Department for Work and Pensions and Tax Credits advising claimants to contact their Local Authority re eligibility.

**11. From Councillor Fawthrop of the Chairman of the Development Control Committee (to be asked at each subsequent Council Meeting)**

What pre-application meetings have taken place since the last full Council Meeting between Council Officers and potential planning applicants? Can these be listed as follows:-

The name of the potential applicant, the site address being considered.

**Reply:**

There have been 34 non-major pre-application meetings between 25<sup>th</sup> February and 8<sup>th</sup> April 2011. 13 of these were non-householder and 21 householder enquiries. There have also been 5 Major pre-application meetings between those dates, all were non-householder enquiries.

As you are aware details of individual applicants and sites at present is exempt information and not disclosable in response to a Council Question.

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Reply to Question 1

SITE	CONSTRUCTION DATE (APPROXIMATE)	GAS £	ELECTRICITY £	WATER £	CLEANING £	WINDOW CLEANING £	RATES £	MAINTENANCE £	COMMENTS
	1890	No data	No data	No data	3463.14	402.84	7396.25	5861.15	Library and Business Centre utilities are not separately metered
Anerley	1958	4000	4815	295	5194.71	308.76	19885	7582.71	
Beckenham	2010	No data	No data	3128	No data	No data	No data	No data	New building, no costs available
Biggin Hill	1930	764	789	106	865.78	134.22	4365	1574.66	
Burnt Ash	1938	2893	1955	192	3463.14	201.3	15398.75	3165.07	
Chislehurst	1890	1410	1161	No data	1298.68	201.3	7881.25	4263.55	
Hayes	1960	1778	1641	No data	2597.36	241.56	7760	3923.7	
Mottingham	1959	9191	9232	978	6926.3	268.5	35950.37	10270.52	
Orpington	1970	507	920	315	1731.57	241.6	8123.75	8946.83	
Penge	1960	1598	2354	294	2597.36	241.6	10912.5	3025.68	
Petts Wood	1930	1615	884	197	2597.36	241.6	3540.5	969.23	
Shortlands	1950	1916	1028	169	3463.14	241.6	7517.5	927.79	
Southborough	1960	1426	2023	219	2597.36	201.3	6547.5	2839.23	
St Pauls Cray	1955	1601	2426	184	3463.14	355.52	10427.5	1795.37	
West Wickham									Maintenance and rates costs are for the whole building. It is not possible to separate the library costs
Central	1976	4632	4235	3917	27640	805.44	221887.5	34964.55	

**Question 2 from Councillor Nicholas Bennett JP of the Resources Portfolio Holder**

**A response is provided in the tables below and is based on the latest available information**

**i) What is the total reduction in government grant for each year from 2009/10 to 2014/15**

	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	Total
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Annual Reduction in Grant	-	1,670	12,675	7,660	4,602	8,238	<b>34,845</b>

The above represents the reduction in ongoing revenue grant funding. In 2010/11 there was also a loss of unbudgeted income of £2.9m consisting of 50% reduction in LAA Reward grant of £2.3m (payable in 2010/11 and 2011/12), loss of Local Authority Business Growth Incentive Scheme (LABGI) monies of £0.5m and loss of Planning Delivery Grant (£0.1m). There were further reductions in capital grants which were included in the Capital Programme Monitoring 2nd Quarter 2010/11, report to Executive.

**ii) What is the cut in expenditure as a result of reduction in grant funding each year to date and the forecast reductions for each year 2014/15**

The Council has had to find savings to meet a combination of factors which includes inflation and growth pressures such as Adults with learning difficulties and children's placements, as well as the impact of grant funding reductions covered in (i) above, and shows that total savings are required of:

	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	Total
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Annual savings already reported to Executive	-21,661	-11,089	854	-100	<b>-31,996</b>
Annual further savings required		-3,373	-9,566	-13,739	<b>-26,678</b>
<b>Total savings</b>	<b>-21,661</b>	<b>-14,462</b>	<b>-8,712</b>	<b>-13,839</b>	<b>-58,674</b>

**iii) What is the estimated additional spending in each of these years as a result of increased demand**

The cost pressures mainly due to increase in demand, reported to Executive 14th February 2011 as shown below:

	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	Total
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Adults with learning disabilities and physical disabilities	1,384	234	561	890	<b>3,069</b>
Childrens placements and additional referrals	1,500	500	0	0	<b>2,000</b>
Other demand led services	928	182	32	32	<b>1,174</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,812</b>	<b>916</b>	<b>593</b>	<b>922</b>	<b>6,243</b>

**iv) What is the out-turn figure for 2009/10, forecast expenditure for 2010/11 and the initial expenditure figure for the remaining years until 2014/15**

Council Tax Requirement for 2009/10, projected Council Tax Requirement for 2010/11 and forecast Council Tax Requirement for future years is as follows. This assumes an illustrative increase of 2.5% from 2012/13.

Outturn	Projected				
2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15
£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
129,715	131,670	132,166	135,470	138,857	142,330

**Question 3**

**FULL TIME EQUIVALENT STAFF NUMBERS AND STAFFING BUDGETS BY DEPARTMENT  
2010/11 & 2011/12**

	2010/11		2011/12	
	Full Time Equivalent Staff Nos.	Latest Approved Budget £000s	Full Time Equivalent Staff Nos.	Original Budget £000s
<b>ADULT &amp; COMMUNITY SERVICES</b>				
<i>Care Services</i>				
Assessment & Care Management	142	5,478	134	4,856
Direct Services	330	8,903	268	6,950
Learning Disabilities Care Management	24	954	23	834
Learning Disabilities Day Services	81	2,176	80	2,148
Learning Disabilities Housing & Support	47	1,898	46	1,746
<i>Commissioning &amp; Partnership</i>				
Procurement & Contract Compliance	11	488	11	399
Commissioning & Partnerships	10	425	9	458
Drugs & Alcohol	4	139	4	152
Learning Disabilities	10	383	2	126
Mental Health	3	168	2	96
<i>Housing &amp; Residential Services</i>				
Housing Needs	56	1,840	56	1,805
Housing Strategy & Development	8	342	8	346
Residential Services	19	737	17	606
<i>Strategic Support Services</i>				
Customer Services	25	670	15	470
Performance & Information	21	1,016	20	902
Quality Assurance	5	226	5	228
Transforming Social Care	9	490		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>805</b>	<b>26,333</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>22,122</b>

	2010/11		2011/12	
	Full Time Equivalent Staff Nos.	Latest Approved Budget £000s	Full Time Equivalent Staff Nos.	Original Budget £000s
<b>CORPORATE SERVICES</b>				
<b>Resources Department</b>				
<i>Financial Services &amp; Procurement</i>	110	4,232	110	4,340
<i>Information Systems</i>	30	1,317	24	1,170
<i>Management</i>	1	168	-	-
<i>Customer Services</i>				
Bromley Knowledge	4	143	4	143
Contact Centre	36	850	38	830
<i>Democratic, Electoral and Registrar Services</i>				
Customer Service Development	1	89	1	89
Electoral Services (incl canvassers)	6	287	5	267
Democratic Services	14	564	14	527
Registration of Births, Deaths & Marriages	12	421	12	342
<i>Legal &amp; Facilities</i>				
Legal Services	30	1,426	30	1,348
Facilities & Support	31	885	23	741
Management & Other (LDCS)	1	120	1	124
<b>Sub Total Resources Department</b>	276	10,502	262	9,921
<b>Chief Executive's Department</b>				
<i>Organisational Improvement</i>				
Organisation & Improvement	6	344	5	308
Policy	2	81	1	45
<i>Communications</i>				
	4	153	2	80
<i>Management &amp; Other (C.Exec)</i>				
	5	320	5	336
<i>Internal Audit</i>				
	18	724	12	443
<b>Human Resources</b>				
Health & Safety	5	185	4	152
HR Management	3	303	2	246
HR Strategy / L & D and Graduate Scheme	15	501	14	457
Operational HR	29	966	29	923
<b>Sub Total Chief Executive's Department</b>	87	3,577	74	2,990
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>363</b>	<b>14,079</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>12,911</b>

CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE (EXCLUDING DELEGATED TO SCHOOLS)	2010/11		2011/12	
	Full Time Equivalent Staff Nos.	Latest Approved Budget	Full Time Equivalent Staff Nos.	Original Budget £000s
<b>Strategy &amp; Performance</b>				
Partnership and Planning	4	197	3	160
Research & Statistics	7	323	7	344
Workforce Development	13	359	12	316
Information Systems	5	182	1	58
<b>Learning &amp; Achievement</b>				
Standards & Achievement	85	4,160	-	-
14-19 Strategy	14	799	-	-
Integrated Youth Services	55	1,948	-	-
<b>Access &amp; Inclusion</b>				
Standards & Achievement Services	-	-	36	2,096
Commission & Business Services	-	-	32	1,153
Bromley Youth Support Services	-	-	33	1,204
Access	111	4,199	109	4,150
SEN & Inclusion	166	5,402	160	5,718
Bromley Children & Family Project	98	3,383	79	3,047
<b>Preventative Social Care</b>				
Youth Offending Team	34	1,211	31	1,132
Children in Care Education	5	254	7	279
Referral & Assessment	50	2,011	49	2,062
Safeguarding & Care Planning	49	2,037	51	2,111
Care & Resources	78	3,124	76	2,915
Safeguarding & Quality Assurance	47	1,662	51	1,585
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>821</b>	<b>31,251</b>	<b>737</b>	<b>28,330</b>
<b>TOTAL COUNCIL NON DELEGATED BUDGETS</b>	<b>2,689</b>	<b>97,581</b>	<b>2,420</b>	<b>87,008</b>
<b>DELEGATED TO SCHOOLS</b>				
Teachers	2,780	131,207	2,636	123,926
Non Teachers	1,776	45,753	1,789	45,488
<b>Sub Total Delegated to Schools</b>	<b>4,556</b>	<b>176,960</b>	<b>4,425</b>	<b>169,414</b>
<b>TOTAL COUNCIL BUDGETS INCLUDING DELEGATED TO SCHOOLS</b>	<b>7,245</b>	<b>274,541</b>	<b>6,845</b>	<b>256,422</b>

	2010/11		2011/12	
	Full Time Equivalent Staff Nos.	Latest Approved Budget £000s	Full Time Equivalent Staff Nos.	Original Budget £000s
<b>ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES</b>				
<i>Customer Support Services</i>				
Parking	23	706	22	683
Support Services	33	1,369	33	1,355
<i>Public Protection</i>				
Emergency Planning	2	85	2	85
<i>Street Scene &amp; Green Space</i>				
Area Management & Street Cleansing	25	991	24	897
Parks & Green Spaces	38	1,475	42	1,621
Street Regulation	16	502	15	477
Waster Services	13	482	14	583
<i>Highways and Transport</i>				
Highways	28	1,089	25	1,014
Highways Planning	3	147	3	137
Traffic & Road Safety	35	1,181	35	1,191
Strategy	9	382	6	317
	225	8,409	221	8,360
<i>Public Protection &amp; Safety</i>				
CCTV	2	80	2	80
Public Protection	57	2,298	46	1,970
Community Safety	7	301	11	450
	66	2,679	59	2,500
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>11,088</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>10,860</b>

	2010/11		2011/12	
	Full Time Equivalent Staff Nos.	Latest Approved Budget £000s	Full Time Equivalent Staff Nos.	Original Budget £000s
<b>RENEWAL &amp; RECREATION</b>				
<i>Adult Education Centres</i>				
	59	2,916	57	1,859
<i>Planning</i>				
Building Control	20	940	20	941
Land Charges	5	157	5	160
Planning	54	1,983	54	1,986
Renewal	24	1,122	24	1,124
<i>Recreation</i>				
Culture	50	1,372	14	613
Libraries & Museums	143	3,991	139	3,875
Town Centre Management & Business Support	7	281	7	268
<i>Property</i>				
	47	2,068	47	1,959
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>409</b>	<b>14,830</b>	<b>367</b>	<b>12,785</b>

Large variation due to Future Job Fund ending on 31/03/11, resulting in a large number of posts being deleted., these posts were not in the original budget. Also 9 staff were transferred from Culture to ES.



# LONDON BOROUGH OF BROMLEY

## MINUTES

of the proceedings of the Annual Meeting of the  
Council of the Borough  
held at 6.30 pm on 18 May 2011

Present:

**The Worshipful the Mayor  
Councillor George Taylor**

**The Deputy Mayor  
Councillor Ruth Bennett**

### Councillors

Reg Adams	John Getgood	Gordon Norrie
Graham Arthur	Ellie Harmer	Tony Owen
Douglas Auld	Will Harmer	Tom Papworth
Kathy Bance	David Hastings	Ian F. Payne
Julian Benington	Brian Humphrys	Sarah Phillips
Nicholas Bennett J.P.	Samaris Huntington-	Neil Reddin
Eric Bosshard	Thresher	Catherine Rideout
Katy Boughey	John Ince	Charles Rideout
Lydia Buttinger	Russell Jackson	Richard Scoates
John Canvin	Kate Lymer	Colin Smith
Stephen Carr	Paul Lynch	Diane Smith
Roger Charsley	Diana MacMull	Tim Stevens
Peter Dean	Mrs Anne Manning	Harry Stranger
Judi Ellis	David McBride	Pauline Tunnicliffe
Robert Evans	Russell Mellor	Michael Turner
Roxy Fawthrop	Alexa Michael	Stephen Wells
Simon Fawthrop	Nick Milner	
Peter Fookes	Peter Morgan	
Peter Fortune	Ernest Noad	

The meeting was opened with prayers

In the Chair  
The Mayor  
Councillor George Taylor

### 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Beckley, Grainger, William Huntington-Thresher, Joel and Tickner.

## **2 ELECTION OF MAYOR**

It was moved by Councillor Reg Adams and seconded by Councillor Tom Papworth and

**RESOLVED that Councillor David McBride be elected the Mayor of the Borough.**

Councillor McBride made and subscribed the Declaration of Acceptance of the office of Mayor and thereupon adjourned from the Chamber in company with the retiring Mayor to receive the insignia of Office.

In the Chair the Mayor Councillor David McBride

On his return to the Chamber, the Mayor expressed thanks for the honour conferred upon him, for the generous terms in which the motion had been proposed and seconded and for the manner of its reception. He also advised that during his year of office the charity that he would be supporting was the Biggin Hill Battle of Britain Trust and their work towards providing a Heritage Centre at Biggin Hill.

## **3 RETIRING MAYOR**

On a motion by Councillor Stephen Carr, which was seconded by Councillor Pauline Tunnicliffe it was

**RESOLVED that at the conclusion of the year of office of Councillor George Taylor as Mayor of the London Borough of Bromley, the Council places on record its appreciation of the able manner in which he has presided at meetings of the Council and the distinction with which he has maintained and discharged the high traditions and responsibilities of that office.**

**The Council also recognises the commitment and dedication with which he has carried out his Mayoral duties. It records with pleasure his particular involvement and support of the Borough's voluntary groups, business community, schools and colleges. Additionally, it notes his interest in the welfare and wellbeing of residents from all age groups throughout the Borough.**

**He has carried out the duties of the Mayoralty with dignity and has spread knowledge of its tradition and its modern day relevance to the many schools and organisation which he has visited during his term of office.**

**Councillor Taylor has also shown a keen interest and appreciation in the work of The Prince's Trust within the Borough which he has supported through his Charity Appeal.**

**RESOLVED** that the Corporate Seal be affixed to an engrossment of this resolution for presentation to Councillor George Taylor and a Past Mayor's Badge be presented to him in token of the appreciation hereby expressed.

Thereupon the Mayor, on behalf of the Council, invested Councillor George Taylor with a badge in token of the appreciation of his services as Mayor of the Borough.

Councillor Taylor expressed his thanks for the terms of the resolution and the presentation then made and for the support accorded to him which had contributed so greatly to his year of office as Mayor.

**RESOLVED** that the Council

(1) records its appreciation of the able and courteous services of Councillor Ruth Bennett and her Consort, Councillor Nicholas Bennett JP, when as Deputy Mayor and Deputy Consort for the year 2010/11, they represented the Mayoralty and the Council; and

(2) to provide to them an attested copy of this resolution.

Councillor Ruth Bennett expressed her thanks for the terms of the resolution and for the support accorded to her during her year of office as Deputy Mayor.

Councillor Taylor presented a Resolution to the retiring Mayor's Chaplain.

#### **4 APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR**

The Mayor signified orally and in writing his appointment of Councillor Reg Adams as the Deputy Mayor.

The Deputy Mayor was invested by the Mayor with the insignia of his office and he expressed appreciation for the honour of this appointment as Deputy Mayor.

#### **5 MINUTES**

On a Motion by Councillor Carr, seconded by Councillor Arthur, it was

**RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 11<sup>th</sup> April 2011 be submitted for confirmation at the next ordinary meeting of the Council.

#### **6 APPOINTMENT OF THE DEPUTY LEADER AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE**

In accordance with the Council's constitutional arrangements the Leader of the Council advised of the following appointments:

Councillor Colin Smith – as Deputy Leader of the Council and Environment Portfolio Holder

Councillor Robert Evans - Adult and Community Portfolio Holder

Councillor Peter Morgan - Renewal and Recreation Portfolio Holder

Councillor Ernest Noad - Children and Young People Portfolio Holder

Councillor Tim Stevens - Public Protection and Safety Portfolio Holder

Cllr Graham Arthur - Resources Portfolio Holder and to oversee Public Health issues.

**RESOLVED that the appointments made by the Leader of the Council as set out above be noted.**

## **7 THE LEADER'S ADDRESS TO THE COUNCIL**

In accordance with the agreed constitutional arrangements that the Leader may elect to address the meeting and Councillor Carr made a brief statement.

He added his personal congratulations to Councillor McBride on his appointment as Mayor.

Councillor Carr spoke of the significant problems facing Local Authorities across the country as a result of the local government finance settlement, resulting in much reduced Central Government funding. He reaffirmed the determination of the administration to do everything it could to protect Bromley including further efficiencies. Concerning this he was pleased to report the very significant progress being made with the neighbouring Boroughs of Bexley and Croydon towards sharing certain services resulting in further savings. He highlighted the need for a highly motivated workforce and Bromley's commitment to staff setting out how Members and offices could all work to move forward together. Emphasis would be on working with Managers to develop a culture of effective management and leadership where innovation and new ways of working were promoted as well as developing the potential of all members of staff. Staff, particularly those in the front line, would also be encouraged to feedback their comments and be strongly involved in developing ideas on improving services. Despite the situation Councillor Carr remained optimistic and proud about what had been achieved in Building a Better Bromley.

## **8 APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES, AND THEIR CHAIRMEN AND VICE-CHAIRMEN**

Councillor Samaris Huntington-Thresher moved and Councillor Nicholas Bennett seconded a Motion that the appointment of Councillors to Committees and the election of Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of Committees be approved as out in the schedule which had been circulated.

**RESOLVED that the appointments indicated in the Appendix to these Minutes be agreed.**

**9 SCHEME OF DELEGATIONS OF EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONS  
AGREED BY THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL AND  
CONFIRMATION OF THE SCHEME OF DELEGATION OF NON  
EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONS**

The Scheme of Delegation to Officers sets out formal delegation of various powers to the Council's chief officers and their staff. The Scheme was normally updated for approval at the Council's annual meeting in May each year, although under the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 any executive powers delegated to officers had to be delegated not by the Council, but by the Leader of the Council, and it was open to the Leader to table changes to the executive scheme.

An updated Scheme was circulated taking into account changes during the past year but no new delegations were proposed.

Councillor Owen moved and Councillors Wells seconded a Motion to confirm the Scheme of Delegation of non executive functions.

The Motion was duly adopted.

**10 REPORT OF COUNCILLOR ATTENDANCE 2010/11**

In accordance with the procedure adopted last year by Council a report was submitted setting out details of members' attendance at Council, Committees and Sub-Committees and Executive/Portfolio Holder meetings during the Council year 2010/11. A revised schedule was circulated at the meeting.

A motion to note the report was adopted.

**11 THE MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

The Mayor announced that his Chaplain for the year would be Reverend Andy Coyne from the Temple URC Church, St Mary Cray.

The following dates for Member's diaries were also reported; -

The Mayor's Civic Service would take place on Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup> June 2011; and The Civic Reception for Voluntary Workers would take place on Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2011. Invitations to both events would be issued shortly.

Mayor

The Meeting ended at 8.00 pm

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## COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS 2011/12

**Appointments to any outstanding vacancies are to be notified to the Chief Executive by the Group Leaders and ratified at the next meeting of the Council.**

### 1. **APPOINTMENT OF POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEES**

#### (a) **Proportionality and Size Of Committees**

	<b>Size</b>	<b>Conservative</b>	<b>Liberal, Democrat</b>	<b>Labour</b>
Executive and Resources	15	13	1	1
** Adult and Community	9	7	1	1
** Children and Young People	9	7	1	1
Environment	11	9	1	1
** Public Protection and Safety	9	7	1	1
Renewal and Recreation	11	9	1	1

**RESOLVED that the Committee sizes and proportionality indicated above, including an increase in the size of the Renewal and Recreation PDS Committee be agreed.**

**\*\* Co-opted members to be appointed at the first meeting of the PDS Committee**

**(b) Appointment of Members to Policy Development and Scrutiny Committees**

**RESOLVED that the following Schedule of Members to serve on Policy Development and Scrutiny Committees for the Municipal Year 2011/2012 be agreed.**

**(i) EXECUTIVE AND RESOURCES PDS (To include the Chairmen of other PDS Committees)**

	<u>Councillors</u>
1	Douglas Auld
2	Eric Bosshard
3	Nicholas Bennett
4	Ruth Bennett
5	Julian Benington
6	Judi Ellis
7	Will Harmer
8	William Huntington-Thresher
9	Russell Jackson
10	Russell Mellor
11	Nicholas Milner
12	Sarah Phillips
13	Stephen Wells
14	Peter Fookes (LAB)
15	Tom Papworth (LIB/DEM)

**(ii) ADULT AND COMMUNITY PDS**

	<u>Councillors</u>
1	Ruth Bennett
2	Roger Charsley
3	Judi Ellis
4	Julian Grainger
5	William Huntington-Thresher
6	Catherine Rideout
7	Charles Rideout
8	Peter Fookes (LAB)
9	Tom Papworth (LIB/DEM)
**	7 Co-opted members

\*\* Plus 8 Co-opted Members representing, Health, Housing, Physical Disability, Older People, Learning Disabilities; Carers Bromley and Mental Health.



(iii) CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE PDS

	<u>Councillors</u>
1	Judi Ellis
2	Diana MacMull
3	Anne Manning
4	Alexa Michael
5	Ian Payne
6	Neil Reddin
7	Stephen Wells
8	John Getgood (LAB)
9	Tom Papworth (LIB/DEM)
**	11 Co-opted members

\*\* Representing Young People, Parent Governor, Churches, Teachers and Bromley Primary Care Trust

(iv) ENVIRONMENT

	<u>Councillors</u>
1	Julian Grainger
2	Ellie Harmer
3	David Hastings
4	Samaris Huntington- Thresher
5	William Huntington- Thresher
6	Nicholas Milner
7	Ian Payne
8	George Taylor
9	Stephen Wells
10	Kathy Bance (LAB)
11	Reg Adams (LIB/DEM)

(v) PUBLIC PROTECTION AND SAFETY PDS

	<u>Councillors</u>
1	Douglas Auld
2	Jane Beckley
3	Peter Fortune
4	Kate Lymer
5	Gordon Norrie
6	Richard Scoates
7	Harry Stanger
8	Kathy Bance (LAB)
9	John Canvin (LIB/DEM)
**	6 Co-opted members

\*\* Representing Bromley Neighbourhood Watch, Bromley Community Engagement Forum, Bromley Victim Support, Bromley Federation of Residents Associations and 2 Youth Council reps.

(vi) RENEWAL AND RECREATION PDS

	<u>Councillors</u>
1	Julian Benington
2	John Ince
3	Paul Lynch
4	Alexa Michael
5	Ian Payne
6	Sarah Phillips
7	Neil Reddin
8	Michael Tickner
9	Pauline Tunnicliffe
10	John Getgood (LAB)
11	Reg Adams (LIB/DEM)

(c) **Appointment of Chairman and Vice-Chairman**

**RESOLVED** that the following Councillors be appointed as Chairman and Vice-Chairman of Policy Development and Scrutiny Committees.

	<u>Chairman</u>	<u>Vice-Chairman</u>
Executive and Resources	Eric Bosshard	Russell Jackson
Adult and Community Services	Judi Ellis	Roger Charsley
Children and Young People	Stephen Wells	Diana MacMull
Environment	William Huntington-Thresher	Ellie Harmer
Public Protection and Safety	Doug Auld	Kate Lymer
Renewal and Recreation	Sarah Phillips	Pauline Tunnicliffe

**2 APPOINTMENT OF GENERAL PURPOSES AND LICENSING COMMITTEE**

(a) **Proportionality, Size of Committee and Terms of Reference**

	<u>Size</u>	<u>Conservative</u>	<u>Liberal Democrat</u>	<u>Labour</u>
General Purposes and Licensing Committee	15	13	1	1

**RESOLVED** that the Committee size and proportionately indicated above be agreed.

(b) **Membership of the General Purposes and Licensing Committee**

**RESOLVED** that the following Schedule of Members to serve on the General Purposes and Licensing Committee be agreed.

(i) GENERAL PURPOSES AND LICENSING COMMITTEE

	<u>Councillors</u>
1	Nicholas Bennett
2	Roger Charsley
3	Roxhannah Fawthrop
4	William Harmer
5	Russell Mellor
6	Gordon Norrie
7	Tony Owen
8	Ian Payne
9	Charles Rideout
10	Diane Smith
11	Tim Stevens
12	Harry Stranger
13	Stephen Wells
14	John Getgood (LAB)
15.	John Canvin (LIB/DEM)

(c) **Appointment of Chairmen and Vice-Chairman**

**RESOLVED** that the following Councillors be appointed as Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the General Purposes and Licensing Committee.

	<u>Chairman</u>	<u>Vice-Chairman</u>
GENERAL PURPOSES AND LICENSING COMMITTEE	Tony Owen	Russell Mellor

### 3 APPOINTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE

#### (a) Proportionality and size of Committee

	<u>Size</u>	<u>Conservative</u>	<u>Liberal Democrat</u>	<u>Labour</u>
Development Control Committee	17	15	1	1

**RESOLVED:** That the Committee size and proportionately indicated above be agreed.

#### (b) Membership of Development Control Committee

##### (i) DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE

	<u>Councillors</u>
1	Douglas Auld
2	Katy Boughey
3	Eric Bosshard
4	Lydia Buttinger
5	Peter Dean
6	Simon Fawthrop
7	John Ince
8	Charles Joel
9	Russell Jackson
10	Kate Lymer
11	Anne Manning
12	Russell Mellor
13	Alexa Michael
14	Richard Scoates
15	Pauline Tunnicliffe
16	John Canvin (LIB/DEM)
17	Peter Fookes (LAB)

**RESOLVED** that the above Schedule of Members to serve on Development Control Committee be agreed.

(c) **Appointment of Chairman and Vice-Chairman**

**RESOLVED:** that the following Councillors be appointed as Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Development Control Committee.

	<u>Chairman</u>	<u>Vice-Chairman</u>
DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE	Peter Dean	Charles Joel

**4 STANDARDS COMMITTEE (5 Councillors and 5 Independent Members)**

**(a) Appointment Of Members**

**RESOLVED** that Councillors Reg Adams (LIB/DEM), Peter Dean, Peter Fookes (LAB), Alexa Michael and Gordon Norrie be appointed to serve on the Standards Committee for the 2011/2012 Municipal Year.

**5 STANDING ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**Appointment of Members (7 Members) (Proportionality is 7:0:0)**

**RESOLVED** that Councillors Steven Carr, Roger Charsley, Bob Evans, Mrs Anne Manning and Gordon Norrie **(2 vacancies – 1 Con and 1 LIB/DEM)** be appointed to serve on SACRE for the 2011/2012 Municipal Year.

*(Subsequently notified Cllr Adams as the Lib/Dem appointment)*

**6 APPOINTMENT OF APPOINTMENT PANELS**

**(a) Proportionality and size of Appointment Panels (as and when required)**

	<u>Size</u>	<u>Conservative</u>	<u>Liberal Democrat</u>	<u>Labour</u>
	7	6	1	0

**RESOLVED** that the Panel sizes and proportionately indicated above be agreed.

**(b) Membership of Appointment Panels**

**RESOLVED:**

that Appointment Panels to fill vacancies for Chief and Deputy Chief Officer posts should compose 7 Members as follows; the Leader of the Council, a majority Party Member of the Executive, a majority Party PDS Chairman, one Liberal Democrat Member, and 3 Members from the following 4 choices:

Either the Chairman of the General Purposes and Licensing Committee, the Vice-Chairman of the General Purposes and Licensing Committee, a second Majority Party Member of the Executive or a second Majority Party Member PDS Chairman.

**7 APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF OFFICER DISCIPLINARY PANEL**

**(a) Proportionality And Size of Appointment Panel**

<u>Size</u>	<u>Conservative</u>	<u>Lib/Dem</u>	<u>Labour</u>
7	6	1	0

**(b) Appointment of Members and Alternates**

**RESOLVED:** that Chief Officer Disciplinary Panels for Chief and Deputy Chief Officer posts should compose 7 Members as follows; the Leader of the Council, a majority Party Member of the Executive, a majority Party PDS Chairman, one Liberal Democrat Member, and 3 Members from the following 4 choices:

Either the Chairman of the General Purposes and Licensing Committee, the Vice-Chairman of the General Purposes and Licensing Committee, a second Majority Party Member of the Executive or a second Majority Party Member PDS Chairman.

**8 APPOINTMENT OF URGENCY COMMITTEE**

To appoint 5 Councillors (comprising the Mayor, the Chairman of the General Purposes and Licensing Committee and the Leaders of the three largest party groups) to deal with urgent non-executive decisions that are not of a sensitive nature.

**RESOLVED:** that the Urgency Committee be composed of the Mayor, the Chairman of the General Purposes and Licensing Committee and the Leaders of the three largest party groups.

**9 SAFER BROMLEY PARTNERSHIP STRATEGIC GROUP**

To appoint 3 Councillors (one to be the Portfolio Holder for Public Protection and Safety) 2 from the majority party and 1 from a minority party (not to be members of the respective PDS Committee).

**RESOLVED** that Councillors Reg Adams, Tim Stevens and **(1 Vacancy - Con)** be appointed to the Safer Bromley Partnership Strategic Group.



## GENERAL PURPOSES AND LICENSING COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

### 1. PROPORTIONALITY OF SUB-COMMITTEES

Audit Sub-Committee	7	6	1	0
Pensions Investment Sub-Committee	7	7	0	0
Local Joint Committee	9	9	0	0
Industrial Relations	7	6	0	0
Rights of Way	7	7	0	0

**RESOLVED** that the above proportionality be agreed

### 2. MEMBERSHIP OF SUB-COMMITTEES

#### (i) AUDIT SUB-COMMITTEE

	<u>Councillors</u>
1	Nicholas Bennett
2	Ruth Bennett
3	William Harmer
4	Simon Fawthrop
5	Neil Reddin
6	Stephen Wells
7	Reg Adams (LIB/DEM)

#### (ii) PENSIONS INVESTMENT SUB-COMMITTEE

	<u>Councillors</u>
1	Eric Bosshard
2	Julian Grainger
3	Russell Jackson
4	Paul Lynch
5	Russell Mellor
6	Neil Reddin
7	Richard Scoates

(iii) LOCAL JOINT COMMITTEE (to include Leader or named Deputy, Chairman of Executive & Resources, Policy Development and Scrutiny Committee or named Deputy and Chairman of the General Purposes and Licensing Committee or named Deputy)

	<u>Councillors</u>
1	Nicholas Bennett
2	Eric Bosshard
3	Stephen Carr
4	Russell Mellor
5	Tony Owen
6	Ian Payne
7	Colin Smith
8	Diane Smith
9	Michael Turner

(iv) INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS SUB-COMMITTEE (to include Leader, Deputy Leader, Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the General Purposes and Licensing Committee)

	<u>Councillors</u>
1	Eric Bosshard
2	Stephen Carr
3	Russell Mellor
4	Tony Owen
5	Colin Smith
6	Michael Tickner
7	Michael Turner

(vi) RIGHTS OF WAY SUB-COMMITTEE

	<u>Councillors</u>
1	Julian Grainger
2	Ellie Harmer
3	Gordon Norrie
4	Richard Scoates
5	Harry Stranger
6	Michael Tickner
7	Stephen Wells

**RESOLVED** that the above Schedule of Members to serve on the Sub-Committees of the General Purposes and Licensing Committee be agreed.

### **3 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMEN AND VICE-CHAIRMEN**

**RESOLVED** that the following Councillors be appointed as Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Sub-Committees of the General Purposes and Licensing Committee.

AUDIT SUB-COMMITTEE	Neil Reddin	Simon Fawthrop
PENSIONS INVESTMENT SUB-COMMITTEE	Paul Lynch	Richard Scoates
LOCAL JOINT COMMITTEE	To be appointed at the first meeting of the Committee	To be nominated by Staff Side
INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS SUB-COMMITTEE	To be appointed at the first meeting of the Committee	To be appointed at the first meeting of the Committee
RIGHTS OF WAY SUB-COMMITTEE	To be appointed at the first meeting of the Committee	To be appointed at the first meeting of the Committee

### **4. APPOINTMENT OF APPEALS SUB-COMMITTEE**

**RESOLVED:**

**(1) that all Members of the Council, except Executive Members, be eligible for appointment to the Appeals Panel.**

**(2) three Members be drawn as required, to constitute an Appeals Panel.**

### **5. APPOINTMENT OF LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE**

**RESOLVED:**

**(1) that all Members of the General Purposes and Licensing Committee be eligible for appointment to the Licensing Appeals Sub-Committee;**

**(2) three Members be drawn as required, to constitute a Licensing Sub-Committee.**

## DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

### 1. PROPORTIONALITY OF SUB-COMMITTEES OF DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE

Plans Sub No. 1	9	7	1	1
Plans Sub No. 2	9	7	1	1
Plans Sub No. 3	9	7	1	1
Plans Sub No. 4	9	7	1	1

**RESOLVED** that the above proportionality be agreed

### 2. MEMBERSHIP OF SUB-COMMITTEES

#### (i) PLANS SUB-COMMITTEE NO. 1

	<u>Councillors</u>
1	Doug Auld
2	Katy Boughey
3	Lydia Buttinger
4	Samaris Huntington-Thresher
5	John Ince
6	Anne Manning
7	George Taylor
8	Tom Papworth (LIB/DEM)
9	Kathy Bance (LAB)

#### (ii) PLANS SUB-COMMITTEE NO. 2

	<u>Councillors</u>
1	Peter Dean
2	Simon Fawthrop
3	Russell Jackson
4	Alexa Michael
5	Russell Mellor
6	Gordon Norrie
7	Michael Turner
8	Peter Fookes (LAB)
9	Reg Adams (LIB/DEM)

(iii) PLANS SUB-COMMITTEE NO. 3

	<u>Councillors</u>
1	Doug Auld
2	Katy Boughey
3	Roxhannah Fawthrop
4	Julian Grainger
5	John Ince
6	Paul Lynch
7	Anne Manning
8	Kathy Bance (LAB)
9	Tom Papworth (LIB/DEM)

(iv) PLANS SUB-COMMITTEE NO. 4

	<u>Councillors</u>
1	Peter Dean
2	Simon Fawthrop
3	Russell Jackson
4	Kate Lymer
5	Alexa Michael
6	Richard Scoates
7	Harry Stranger
8	John Canvin (LIB/DEM)
9	Peter Fookes (LAB)

**RESOLVED** that the above Schedule of Members to serve on the Sub-Committees of the Development Control Committee be agreed.

**3. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMEN AND VICE CHAIRMEN**

**RESOLVED:** that the following Councillors be appointed as Chairmen and Vice Chairmen of the Sub-Committees of the Development Control Committee.

PLANS SUB-COMMITTEE NO. 1	Anne Manning	John Ince
PLANS SUB-COMMITTEE NO. 2	Russell Jackson	Simon Fawthrop
PLANS SUB-COMMITTEE NO. 3	Katy Boughey	Doug Auld
PLANS SUB-COMMITTEE NO. 4	Alexa Michael	Simon Fawthrop

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## 4. PETITIONS

A petition regarding the future provision of Bromley's library service was submitted to the Council on 11 March 2011. The head of petition was as follows:

Save our services

Stop Bromley Council closing and selling off your libraries

We the undersigned call on Bromley Council to drop their plans to close 8 out of the 15 libraries, to cut the number of staff and then privatise the service.

In line with the Council's Petition Scheme, Councillor Julian Benington, the Executive Member for Renewal and Recreation, responded to the petitioners on 14 March 2011 – a copy is attached at item 4 of the agenda. This response was sent to the head petitioner and also published on the Council website.

As the petitioners have declared themselves dissatisfied with the response they received, and have exceeded the threshold required, they have requested that the petition is referred to full Council for consideration. The head petitioner or their nominee has five minutes to put their case to councillors.

Once the Council has considered what is brought before them, they can choose to make recommendations for action. If there are any recommendations requiring action by councillors or officers then a report back to the next scheduled meeting of Council is required, which should set out what has been done in response, or if nothing, then the reasons for this.

## Agenda Item 4

**From:** Benington, Julian  
**Sent:** 14 March 2011 16:01  
**To:** Kelly, Glenn  
**Subject:** Bromley Library Service

Dear Mr Kelly

I am sending this email to formally confirm receipt of your petition dated 11<sup>th</sup> March 2011.

The report of the member Working Party on the borough's library service was considered at the Renewal and Recreation Policy, Development and Scrutiny Committee on 15 February 2011.

At this point in time, the Working Party, acknowledging the value of libraries, have recommended that further work be undertaken on the partnership model, particularly through working with the London Borough of Bexley to provide one library service covering both boroughs. Officers will continue to develop this model with a view to bringing back a detailed report for Members' consideration to a further Committee on 12 April 2011. Officers will continue to look at the location of individual libraries and what options exist for taking the service forward in the future. I should stress that no decisions regarding closure of any libraries have been taken at this point in time.

The Council fully appreciates your concern with regard to the library service and I hope that you will acknowledge that the Council is not seeking to rush into a decision about the future of the service but is taking time to fully consider all the issues and complexities involved.

Furthermore, this Council has, over the last few years, invested significant sums firstly in the new Biggin Hill Library and more latterly the new Orpington Library which is due to open in April of this year. All of which further reinforces the Council's commitment to the library services.

Given that your petition exceeds the threshold of 500 valid signatures required under the Council's Petition Scheme, should the petitioners be dissatisfied with the response above they are able to request that the petition be put to the next meeting of the Full Council.

I hope this response is of help to you and if you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Cllr Julian Benington  
Portfolio Holder for Renewal and Recreation  
London Borough of Bromley



# Agenda Item 9

Report No.  
RES11054

London Borough of Bromley

PART 1 - PUBLIC

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**Decision Maker:** Council

**Date:** 4<sup>th</sup> July 2011

**Decision Type:** Non-Urgent Executive Key

**Title:** CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2011/12 - REVISION

**Contact Officer:** Lynn Hill, Democratic Services Officer  
Tel: 020 8461 7700 Tel No E-mail: lynn.hill@bromley.gov.uk

**Chief Officer:** Mark Bowen, Director of Resources

**Ward:** N/A

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1. Reason for report

The Executive at its meeting on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2011 received a report on the results of tenders received for the procurement of a replacement road bridge at Chislehurst Road. In view of the costs involved it is necessary to seek the approval of Council for formal inclusion of the scheme in the current Capital Programme.

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2. **RECOMMENDATION**

**Council is recommended to approve the inclusion of the Scheme for the replacement Chislehurst Road Bridge at an estimated cost of £4,114,000 in the Capital Programme 2011/12.**

### Corporate Policy

1. Policy Status: Existing policy.
  2. BBB Priority: Quality Environment.
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### Financial

1. Cost of proposal: Estimated cost £4.114
  2. Ongoing costs: Non-recurring cost.
  3. Budget head/performance centre: Approved Capital Programme
  4. Total current budget for this head: £2.190
  5. Source of funding: TfL funding
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### Staff

1. Number of staff (current and additional): 3 fte
  2. If from existing staff resources, number of staff hours: 3 fte
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### Legal

1. Legal Requirement: Statutory requirement.
  2. Call-in: Call-in is not applicable.
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### Customer Impact

1. Estimated number of users/beneficiaries (current and projected): Affects a main North/South route and will impact on significant numbers of local residents, business and visitors.
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### Ward Councillor Views

1. Have Ward Councillors been asked for comments? Yes.
2. Summary of Ward Councillors comments: Covered in previous report to Executive

### 3. COMMENTARY

Chislehurst Road Bridge is a weak bridge and has been weight restricted since March 2009. The Executive at its meeting on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2010 approved the replacement of the bridge, on the grounds of safety to the travelling public and the disruption caused by the current diversion arrangements, subject to the costs being fully funded by Transport for London (TfL). Network rail is a key stakeholder and their approval to the scheme has also been obtained.

The report to the Executive meeting on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2011 sets out the process for obtaining tenders for the work, the type of contract and the evaluations and assessments undertaken which lead to the Executive awarding the contract to the successful company. However, as the value of the contract exceeds £1m it is necessary to seek formal Council approval for the scheme to be included in the current Capital Programme.

When the report to the recent Executive meeting was issued confirmation was awaited from TfL that the full costs would be funded via capital grant. The Head of Finance has since received confirmation that full funding will be made available to cover the costs of this scheme.

### 4. POLICY IMPLICATIONS

The Borough's highway assets including bridge structures have a high profile and are used by most residents and businesses on a daily basis. Helping to protect the integrity of Chislehurst Road Bridge and making the structure available for use will contribute to the Council's vision of providing a place where people choose to live and do business and links well with policy priorities of a Quality Environment – Improving the Street Scene and Improving Transportation.

### 5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The total estimated cost of the Scheme to replace Chislehurst Road Bridge is £4.114m which will be fully funded by TfL, including £100,000 each year from LIP formula funding in 2011/12 and 12/13.

In view of the significant cost of this scheme it is necessary to seek the formal approval of the Council to amend the agreed Capital Programme for 2011/12.

<b>Non-Applicable Sections:</b>	Personnel and Legal
Background Documents: (Access via Contact Officer)	Report to Executive meeting 29 <sup>th</sup> September 2010

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