

EXECUTIVE

Minutes of the meeting held on 22 July 2014 starting at 7.09 pm

Present

Councillor Stephen Carr (Chairman)
Councillors Graham Arthur, Robert Evans, Peter Morgan,
Colin Smith, Tim Stevens and Stephen Wells

Also Present

Councillor Julian Benington, Councillor Eric Bosshard,
Councillor Peter Dean, Councillor William Huntington-
Thresher, Councillor Charles Joel, Councillor Ian F. Payne,
Councillor Pauline Tunncliffe and Councillor Angela
Wilkins

48 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies.

49 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations.

50 ANERLEY TOWN HALL - LIBRARY PROVISION

Report DRR14/069

A locally run, community managed library offer was proposed for Anerley Town Hall following closure of the current local authority service pending relocation to the new Penge Library. Approval was sought for the Council to enter into a legal agreement with the Crystal Palace Community Development Trust to manage the community library. The report also requested capital funding of £40,800 to purchase and install technology at the library.

The Portfolio Holder for Renewal and Recreation introduced the report. The new Penge Library was due to open on 26th August 2014 and a library service would continue at Anerley. The new service would move to the reception area at the front of the town hall – the town hall being proposed as a community building. The service would have Radio Frequency Identification Data (RFID) technology and other equipment to dispense library material. People's Network terminals would also be provided. The service would help test whether a community library offer might be viable elsewhere in the future.

The Portfolio Holder for Care Services sought clarification on the capital funding request given that a decision had already been taken to merge Penge and Anerley libraries into the new Penge library. The Portfolio Holder for

Renewal and Recreation referred to comments received on the distance from Anerley to Penge and requests for continued provision at Anerley. The Portfolio Holder for Resources supported the recommendations, suggesting that regular reports be provided to PDS. Councillor Angela Wilkins (Crystal Palace) asked that underpinning work at Anerley Town Hall proceed quickly. She supported comments by the Portfolio Holder for Renewal and Recreation on the distance between Anerley and Penge.

RESOLVED that:

(1) the Council enter into a legal agreement with the Crystal Palace Community Development Trust to manage a 'community library offer' in Anerley Town Hall; and

(2) the sum of £40,800 be included in the Capital programme to purchase and install library hardware at Anerley Town Hall, funded from capital receipts.

51 CRYSTAL PALACE PARK IMPROVEMENTS

Report DRR14/069

The Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) application for the regeneration of Crystal Palace Park was unsuccessful and the Crystal Palace Park Executive Board was pursuing interim improvement projects at the Park. Agreement was sought to commit £400k to the improvement works, the GLA having already verbally recommitted £2m to the project.

Welcoming the report and supporting investment in the Park, Councillor Angela Wilkins (Crystal Palace) highlighted a need for sufficient parking provision, particularly in view of proposals for the Sports Centre. Supporting this view, the Deputy Leader referred to existing parking difficulties for residents in local side streets.

RESOLVED that:

(1) a contribution of £160k capital receipts be made towards the Crystal Palace Park improvement project;

(2) a sum of £240k be set aside from revenue in an earmarked reserve for the Community Projects Fund as detailed at paragraph 5.5 of Report DRR14/069;

(3) decisions to spend the £240k Community Projects Fund be delegated to the Leader of the Council in consultation with the Crystal Palace Executive Board; and

(4) Full Council be recommended to add the Crystal Palace Improvement project to the capital programme with a total estimate of £2.16m.

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

53 BROMLEY MUSEUM AT THE PRIORY ORPINGTON

Report DRR14/070

Further to the report considered by Executive in October 2013, Report DRR14/070 outlined the current position related to the Priory building and museum service along with possible options and recommended action.

54 ADULT SOCIAL CARE INVESTMENT PROPOSAL

Report CS14049

Report CS14049 provided recommendations related to the delivery of adult social care services and demand management.

Chairman

The Meeting ended at 7.58 pm