

COUNCIL MINUTES

(EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING)

MONDAY 19 MARCH 2012



PRESENT

The Mayor Councillor Frances Stainton
Deputy Mayor Councillor Belinda Donovan

Councillors:

Michael Adam	Stephen Cowan	Donald Johnson
Colin Aherne	Oliver Craig	Andrew Jones
Adronie Alford	Tom Crofts	Alex Karmel
Helen Binmore	Ali De-Lisle	Jane Law
Nicholas Botterill	Charlie Dewhirst	Mark Loveday
Victoria Brocklebank-Fowler	Gavin Donovan	PJ Murphy
Daryl Brown	Rachel Ford	Caroline Needham
Joe Carlebach	Peter Graham	Harry Phibbs
Michael Cartwright	Stephen Greenhalgh	Sally Powell
Alex Chalk	Steve Hamilton	Greg Smith
Elaine Chumnerly	Lisa Homan	Matt Thorley
Iain Coleman	Lucy Ivimy	Mercy Umeh
Georgie Cooney	Andrew Johnson	Rory Vaughan

40. MINUTES

Councillor Mark Loveday moved, seconded by Councillor Colin Aherne, an amendment to the minutes of the Budget Council meeting held on 29 February 2012 to include the following at the end of Minute Number 38.1:

“Councillor Aherne sought a ruling from the Mayor that Councillor Brown’s vote should be recorded as “Not Voting”. The Mayor ruled in accordance with Standing Orders that her vote should be recorded as voting “Against”.”

The amendment was put to the meeting which was unanimously agreed.

RESOLVED:

The minutes of the Budget Council Meeting held on 29 February 2012 were confirmed and signed as an accurate record, subject to the amendment to Minute Number 38.1, to include the following paragraph at the end of the item:

Councillor Aherne sought a ruling from the Mayor that Councillor Brown’s vote should be recorded as “Not Voting”. The Mayor ruled in accordance with Standing Orders that her vote should be recorded as voting “Against”.

41. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Jean Campbell, Marcus Ginn, Wesley Harcourt, Robert Iggulden and Peter Tobias.

42. MAYOR'S/CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S ANNOUNCEMENTS (IF ANY)

The Mayor's Announcements were circulated and tabled at the meeting. (Copy attached as **Appendix 1** to these minutes).

The Mayor was pleased to announce that she, the Deputy Leader and Chair of NHS North West London had signed the Army Community Covenant at the reception after the Freedom of the Borough Parade on 11 March 2012. This was a significant moment as Hammersmith and Fulham was one of the first boroughs to sign this covenant.

43. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

In respect of agenda item 5.1 Earls Court and West Kensington Opportunity Area – Supplementary Planning Document (SPD), the following declarations of interest were made:

- Councillor Steve Hamilton declared a prejudicial interest as he had an interest in a property in the area relating to the SPD.
- Councillor Alex Karmel declared a prejudicial interest as his mother had an interest in a property in the area relating to the SPD.
- Councillor Jane Law declared a prejudicial interest as her mother in law had an interest in a property in the area relating to the SPD.

The Councillors left the room during this item and took no part in the discussion or the voting.

44. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/COMMITTEE REPORTS

44.1 Earls Court and West Kensington Opportunity Area - Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)

7.06pm - The report and recommendation were moved for adoption by the Leader of the Council, Councillor Stephen Greenhalgh.

A speech on the report was made by Councillor Stephen Greenhalgh (for the Administration).

Under Council Procedure Rule 13.2 (b), Councillor Michael Cartwright moved, seconded by Councillor Daryl Brown, an amendment to the report as follows:

“insert after “resolve” in the first line:

“to carry out a ballot of tenants and leaseholders on the West Kensington and Gibbs Green estates, organised by the Electoral Reform Society, to ascertain if they are supportive of the adoption of the SPD and if a majority who vote are in favour resolve...”

Speeches on the amendment were made by Councillors Michael Cartwright, Daryl Brown, Iain Coleman, Andrew Jones, Dame Sally Powell, PJ Murphy and Stephen Cowan (for the Opposition) and Councillor Stephen Greenhalgh (for the Administration). The amendment was put to the vote and a roll-call was requested:

FOR	AGAINST	NON VOTING
AHERNE	ADAM	
BROWN	ALFORD	
CARTWRIGHT	BINMORE	
CHUMNERY	BOTTERILL	
COLEMAN	BROCKLEBANK-FOWLER	
COWAN	CARLEBACH	
HOMAN	CHALK	
JONES	COONEY	
MURPHY	CRAIG	
NEEDHAM	CROFTS	
POWELL	DE LISLE	
UMEH	DEWHIRST	
VAUGHAN	DONOVAN (B)	
	DONOVAN (G)	
	FORD	
	GRAHAM	
	GREENHALGH	
	IVIMY	
	JOHNSON (A)	
	JOHNSON (D)	
	LOVEDAY	
	PHIBBS	
	SMITH	
	STANTON	
	THORLEY	
FOR	13	
AGAINST	25	
NON VOTING	0	

The amendment was declared **LOST**.

Speeches on the substantive report and recommendation were then made by Councillors Nicholas Botterill, Tom Crofts, Andrew Johnson and Lucy Ivimy (for the Administration) and Councillor Stephen Cowan (for the Opposition).

Councillor Stephen Greenhalgh (for the Administration) made a speech winding up the debate before the substantive report and recommendation was put to the vote:

FOR	25
AGAINST	13
NON VOTING	0

The report and recommendation were declared **CARRIED**.

8.40pm - **RESOLVED**:

That the Earls Court and West Kensington Opportunity Area Joint Supplementary Planning Document (Appendix 1 of the report) be adopted.

(Councillors Steve Hamilton, Alex Karmel and Jane Law had declared a prejudicial interest in this item and left the room, taking no part in the discussion or the voting).

45. SPECIAL MOTIONS

45.1 Motion to Adjourn Special Motions

8.41pm - Under Standing Order 15(e)(ix), Councillor Mark Loveday moved, seconded by Councillor Victoria Brocklebank-Fowler, that Special Motions 1 and 2 be adjourned until the next Ordinary Council Meeting.

Speeches on the motion were made by Councillor Mark Loveday (for the Administration) and Councillor Stephen Cowan (for the Opposition) before it was put to the vote:

FOR	25
AGAINST	13
ABSTENTIONS	0

The motion was declared **CARRIED**.

8.47 pm - **RESOLVED**:

That Special Motion 1 – Boris/Barclays Bank Bikes and Special Motion 2 – Town Hall Developments be adjourned until the next Ordinary Council Meeting.

46. INFORMATION REPORTS - TO NOTE

There were no information reports to this meeting of the Council.

47. FAREWELL TO MICHAEL COGHER, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR (LEGAL AND DEMOCRATIC SERVICES)

The Council noted that this was the last Council meeting at Hammersmith and Fulham that Michael Cogher, Assistant Director (Legal and Democratic Services), would attend as he was leaving for a position at the City of London. Councillor Dame Sally Powell thanked Michael Cogher for being a loyal officer to the Borough and for always treating the Councillors with equal respect. His sense of humour and performance during the induction sessions in particular went down very well with the Councillors. The Mayor thanked Michael Cogher for his enormous help and noted he was always available with advice whenever needed. Councillor Mark Loveday echoed the comments made and the Council thanked Michael Cogher for all his hard work and help over the years and wished him all the best in his new position.

* * * * * CONCLUSION OF BUSINESS * * * * *

Meeting started: 7.00 pm
Meeting ended: 8.50 pm

Mayor

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY
THE MAYOR

1. On 2nd March, I attended and presented the winning medals and trophies at the HFPSSA Swimming Gala, Fulham Pools, SW6
2. On 2nd March, I was honoured to attend the National Day of the Republic of Bulgaria, Bulgarian Embassy, Queens Gate, SW7
3. On 2nd March, I attended the German Ambassador Reception, 34 Belgrave Square, SW1
4. On 3rd March, I launched the latest Foodbank charity food giving event encouraging shoppers to donate goods with a few words over their PA system, Sainsbury's, Townmead Road, SW6
5. On 5th March, I attended the Thames Diamond Jubilee Pageant Advisory Meeting, Mansion House, EC4
6. On 5th March, I was delighted to receive a cheque for my chosen charity of One Thousand Pounds from George Irvin entertainments, Mayor's Parlour, HTH
7. On 6th March, I attended the High Sheriff of Greater London's Award Ceremony, Supreme Court, Parliament Square, SW1
8. On 7th March, accompanied by the Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Children's Services, I was delighted to attend the official opening of Hammersmith Academy School, by The Lord Mayor of London, Cathnor Road, W12
9. On 7th March, I attended and greeted Boris Johnson, Mayor of London at a reception for People's Question Time, HTH
10. On 7th March, I attended St. Georges charity dinner for Macmillan Palace of Varieties, The Park Lane Hotel, Piccadilly
11. On 8th March, I attended the 'International Women's Day' reception, City Hall, SE1
12. On 9th March, I attended The Royal Yeomanry 'Grand Military Gold Cup' reception, Sandown Park Racecourse, Elmbridge
13. On 10th March, accompanied by my Consort, I attended The Royal Yeomanry Officers Mess Dinner, Cavalry and Guards Club, 127 Piccadilly
14. On 11th March, I was honoured to read a lesson at St. Paul's Church, take the Salute, host a civic reception, and sign the Army Community Covenant at the Freedom of the Borough Parade, HTH. Speaking at the reception in the Assembly Hall on what help Hammersmith & Fulham offers to the Armed Forces service men and women. We are proud to be among the first Boroughs to sign the Covenant.

15. On 12th March, I took part in the 'International Women's Day' reception, HRH The Duchess of Cornwall, was the guest of honour RBKC, Mayor's Parlour, Town Hall, W8