

## **PRESENT**

### **Members of the Council**

THE MAYOR: COUNCILLOR JAMES HUSBAND

THE DEPUTY MAYOR: COUNCILLOR MAIGHREAD CONDON-SIMMONDS

AHERN, Tim  
ATKINSON, J Robert  
BLAKEMAN, J M  
BORWICK, Victoria  
BUCKMASTER, Christopher  
BUXTON, Fiona  
BUXTON, Terence  
CAMPBELL, Barbara  
CAMPBELL, Mrs Elizabeth  
CAMPION, David, BA (Arch), Dip TP, FRIBA, MBCS, CITP  
CARUANA, Carol  
COATES, Professor Sir Anthony Bt, BSc, MD, FRC Path, FRCP  
COCKELL, Sir Merrick  
COLERIDGE, Timothy  
COLLINSON, Deborah  
DENT COAD, Emma  
DONALDSON, Ian  
FEILDING-MELLEN, Rock  
FOREMAN, Todd  
FREEMAN, Robert J  
GARDNER, Joanna  
HANHAM, Dr Iain, MA, MSc, DIC, FRCP, FRCR  
HARGREAVES, Gerard  
HEALY, Pat  
HOIER, Bridget  
HOLT, Tony  
JONES, Tim  
LIGHTFOOT, Warwick  
LINDSAY, David  
MASON, Pat  
MILLS, Julie  
MINGAY, Robert  
MOYLAN, Daniel  
O'NEILL, Dez  
PAGET-BROWN, Nicholas  
PALMER, Matthew  
PASCALL, Will

READ, Jonathon  
RITCHIE, The Baroness  
ROSSI, Marie-Therese  
RUTHERFORD, Mrs Elizabeth  
WADE, Linda  
WARRICK, Paul  
WEATHERHEAD, Miss Doreen M  
WILL, Emma  
WILLIAMS, Charles

## **1 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13 OCTOBER 2010**

The minutes of the meeting held on 13 October 2010 were confirmed as a correct record and were signed by the Mayor, subject to the addition of Councillor Palmer to the list of Members giving apologies for absence.

## **2 SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE MAYOR**

### **Former Councillor Mrs Margaret Williams**

With sadness the Mayor reported the death, on Tuesday 19 October, of former Councillor Margaret Williams. Mrs Williams was elected to the Council in a by-election in March 1980 and served as a Councillor in the Holland Ward until May 1986. Her interests were in the fields of education and adult social care.

Members stood in silent tribute.

## **3 TOWN CLERK AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

### **(i) Apologies**

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Lamont, Marshall, Neal, Mrs Taylor and Weale. Apologies for lateness were submitted on behalf of The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Condon-Simmonds, who was attending a civic duty.

### **(ii) Declarations of Interest**

None.

## **4 PETITIONS**

### **(i) Kensington Academy**

Councillor Blakeman presented a petition of 118 signatures with the following prayer:

"We, the undersigned parents, carers and guardians of North Kensington children, fully support the Council's proposals to build an Academy and we call upon the Secretary of State to ensure that sufficient funds can be made available to the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea to enable this proposal to go ahead."

(ii) **St Helen's Gardens shopping parade**

Councillor Foreman presented a petition of 192 signatures with the following prayer:

"We the undersigned local residents, customers and friends of the shops in St Helen's Gardens W10 call upon the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea urgently to take all steps possible to ensure the sustainable and ongoing vitality of this valuable local neighbourhood shopping centre, including not granting planning consent to enable landlords to alter shops in such a way as to make them no longer fit for purpose."

Pursuant to Standing Order 18 the petitions were referred to the relevant Cabinet Member for consideration.

**5 ORDER OF BUSINESS**

The Mayor announced that, in accordance with Standing Orders, the order of debate would be as set out in the remainder of the agenda.

**6 REPORTS FROM THE CABINET**

The reception of the reports was moved by Councillor Sir Merrick Cockell and seconded by Councillor Moylan.

(i) **Presentation on the 2012 Census**

Councillor Fiona Buxton introduced a presentation by Mr David Herbert, one of the two Census Area Managers, on the 2012 Census.

The Council noted the presentation.

(ii) **Core Strategy**

RESOLVED -

That the recommendation in paragraph 11 of the report be adopted.

(iii) **Annual Treasury Strategy Mid-Year Review 2010/11**

RESOLVED -

That the recommendation in paragraph 5.1 of the report be adopted.

(iv) **Statement of Licensing Policy**

RESOLVED -

That the recommendations in paragraph 1.6 of the report be adopted.

(v) **Adoption of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 as amended by the Policing and Crime Act 2009 - Sexual entertainment venues**

RESOLVED -

That the recommendations in paragraph 9 of the report be adopted.

**7 MATTERS REFERRED TO THE COUNCIL BY COUNCIL-SIDE COMMITTEES**

(i) **Report of the Administration Committee**

The reception of the report was moved by Councillor Sir Merrick Cockell and seconded by Councillor Moylan.

**Paragraph 1 - Redundancy and redeployment policy**

It was moved by Councillor Blakeman and seconded by Councillor Healy that the recommendation of the Administration Committee be amended as follows:

After the words "That the Council ..." insert: "...defers its agreement to the proposed changes in the Constitution as set out in Appendix C pending the outcome of a formal negotiating meeting with the recognised trades unions."

Debate ensued.

The amendment was put to the vote and was subsequently declared by the Mayor to be lost. Councillors Atkinson, Blakeman, Caruana, Dent Coad, Foreman, Healy, Hoier, Jones, Mason, Mingay, O'Neill and Wade asked that their names be recorded as voting for the amendment.

The recommendation as printed in the report was then put to the vote and was subsequently declared by the Mayor to be carried. Councillors Atkinson, Blakeman, Dent Coad, Foreman, Healy, Hoier, Mason, Mingay and O'Neill asked that their names be recorded as voting against the recommendation.

**Paragraph 2 - Changes to procurement rules and contract regulations**

RESOLVED -

That the recommendation in paragraph 2.2 be adopted.

(ii) **Report of the Standards Committee - Code of Conduct on Councillors' use of I.T.**

The reception of the report was moved by Councillor Coleridge and seconded by Councillor Blakeman.

RESOLVED -

That the recommendation in paragraph 5 be adopted.

**8 MATTERS REFERRED TO THE COUNCIL BY SCRUTINY COMMITTEES**

**Family and Children's Services Scrutiny Committee report on finance and priorities and stronger families transformation programme**

The reception of the report was moved by Councillor Professor Sir Anthony Coates and seconded by Councillor Barbara Campbell.

RESOLVED -

That the report be received and noted.

**9 MATTERS RAISED UNDER STANDING ORDER 19**

**Rubbish in Chesterton Road**

Councillor Dent Coad drew the Council's attention to the problem of rubbish in Chesterton Road. She said that the road was one of multi-occupancy with small front gardens. There was a lot of rubbish and no space to put it. Animals would break into rubbish bags and spread the contents around. She asked that the Council take urgent steps to deal with the problem.

The Council noted the matter.

**10 MOTIONS FOR DEBATE**

(i) **Front-line services and pay**

The following motion was moved by Councillor Mason and seconded by Councillor Atkinson:

"In line with the public statements the Council leadership has made, this Council pledges to protect essential front line services in the current year's budget and in the 2011/2012 Council Budget for our most vulnerable residents, including the elderly and infirm, families and children and people with mental health issues and disabilities.

This Council also recognises that it has an important duty to lead by example. It therefore resolves to follow the lead of the Mayor of

London and ensure that all the Council's employees and contractors are paid at least the London Living Wage. It will also require that no employee or contractor will be out of pocket as a result of a transfer from weekly to monthly wage payments."

Debate ensued.

The motion was put to the vote and was subsequently declared by the Mayor to be lost.

Councillors Atkinson, Blakeman, Dent Coad, Foreman, Healy, Hoier, Mason, Mingay, and O'Neill asked that their names be recorded as voting for the motion.

Councillors Jones and Wade asked that their names be recorded as abstaining.

(ii) **Royal Wedding**

The following motion was moved by Councillor Palmer and seconded by Councillor Miss Weatherhead:

"This Council offers its warmest congratulations and best wishes to H.R.H. Prince William of Wales and Miss Catherine Middleton on their engagement.

Since the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government, the Rt. Hon. Eric Pickles, has cut through the red tape and made it easy for communities to hold street parties, we look forward to many local celebrations on their wedding day – Friday, 29th of April 2011. Officers of the Royal Borough will encourage and support street parties in all suitable locations for these expressions of local celebration and happiness on such a special day."

The motion was put to the vote and was subsequently declared by the Mayor to be carried unanimously.

(iii) **London Council's Grants Committee**

The following motion was moved by Councillor Ahern and seconded by Councillor Mills:

"This Council congratulates Conservative and Labour members of the London Councils Grants Committee on agreeing to focus their future grants on true London-wide priorities whilst repatriating the majority of their budget to funding boroughs to use on local or sub-regional priorities."

Debate ensued.

The motion was put to the vote and was subsequently declared by the Mayor to be carried.

Councillors Caruana, Jones and Wade asked that their names be recorded as abstaining.

(iv) **Scrutiny of inspection reports**

The following motion was moved by Councillor Hoier and seconded by Councillor Healy:

"This Council recognises that in the current climate of reducing resources, there is a greater role for the scrutiny process to assist difficult choices on service provision. As a result, it recognises the need to refer all inspection reports to the relevant scrutiny committees. This would prevent the recent occasion when the 1 Star Adequate rating for the Adult In-House Home Care Service was not reported to Committee.

This Council therefore resolves to ensure that all inspection outcomes are automatically referred to Committee, particularly given the greater emphasis on Council self-regulation of the standards of service delivery."

Debate ensued.

The motion was put to the vote and was subsequently declared by the Mayor to be carried.

## **11 APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES AND OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS**

(i) **Resignations from and appointments to Committees etc**

The Council noted the resignation of Councillor Palmer from the Health, Environmental Health and Adult Social Care Scrutiny Committee.

The Council also noted that, pursuant to Standing Order 39.02, action was taken by the Mayor on 6 November 2010 to approve the following appointments:

- Cabinet and Corporate Services Scrutiny Committee - to appoint Councillor Palmer.
- Housing and Property Scrutiny Committee - to appoint Councillor Collinson.

(ii) **Appointments to Outside Organisations**

The following appointments were moved by Councillor Paget-Brown and agreed:

**Chelsea Non-Ecclesiastical Charities** - to appoint Councillor Mrs Rutherford and Councillor Rossi;

**Community and Police Engagement Group** - to appoint Councillor Mrs Rutherford;

**Lancaster West Estate Management Board** - to appoint Councillor Pascall;

**London Councils Greater London Employment Forum** - to appoint Councillor Williams.

## **12. OTHER URGENT MATTERS**

None.

The meeting ended at 9.30pm.

Mayor