

CABINET

**Meeting held on Monday 30 June 2014 at 6.30 p.m. in the
Council Chamber, the Town Hall, Katharine Street, Croydon, CR0 1NX.**

MINUTES - PART A

Present: Councillor Tony Newman, Leader of the Council;
Councillor Alison Butler, Deputy Leader (Statutory);
Councillor Stuart Collins, Deputy Leader;
Councillors Kathy Bee, Alisa Flemming, Timothy Godfrey,
Simon Hall, Toni Letts, Mark Watson and Louisa Woodley.

Other Majority Group Members in attendance: Councillors
Ali, Canning, Chowdhury, Hay-Justice, B. Khan, S. Khan, King,
Lawlor, Mansell, Pelling, Prince, Rendle, P. Ryan and Scott.

Shadow Cabinet Members in attendance:
Councillors Cummings, Gatland, D. Mead, M. Mead, Mohan,
O'Connell, Perry, T. Pollard and Thomas.

Other Minority Group Members:
Councillors Buttinger, Creatura, Hale, Hopley, Neal, Speakman
and Stranack .

Absent: Shadow Cabinet: Councillor Mike Fisher.

Apologies: An apology for absence was received from Councillor Mike Fisher.

Guests: Item 6: Nero Ughwujabo, Chair of North Croydon Streets
Commission
Steve Reed MP, Croydon North
Item 9: Angus Hewlett from Crystal Palace Transition Town
Item 10: Dave Musker, Croydon Police Borough Commander

A28/14 Part A Minutes of the Cabinet Meeting held on 7 April 2014

The Part A minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 7 April 2014
were received.

A29/14 Disclosures of Interest

No disclosures of pecuniary or personal interest were made during
the meeting.

A30/14 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.

A31/14 Exempt Items

RESOLVED that the allocation of business in the agenda be confirmed, as printed.

A32/14 Cleanest and Greenest Borough in London

The Leader of the Council welcomed Nero Ughwujabo, Chair of North Croydon Streets Commission, and Steve Reed MP for Croydon North, who both spoke in support of the proposals.

NOTED: that the Leader of the Council had delegated to the Cabinet the power to make the decisions set out below:

RESOLVED to:

1. Agree the new Clean and Green approach, implementing the 'Don't Mess With Croydon; Take Pride' campaign as detailed in the report.
2. Agree that, subject to the delegation in 1.3, the Cabinet Member 'Clean Green' in consultation with the Executive Director of Development and Environment be delegated authority to approve the implementation of the proposals in this report.
3. Agree that the Cabinet Member for Clean Green Croydon in consultation with the Leader of the Council and the Executive Director of Development and Environment and the Council Solicitor, be delegated authority to approve any contractual variations necessary to implement the proposals in the report.
4. Agree an increase in the Fixed Penalty Notice fee from £75 to £80, which is the maximum allowed.

A33/14 Consultation on proposals to introduce a Private Sector Housing Selective Licensing Scheme in Croydon

NOTED: that the Leader of the Council had delegated to the Cabinet the power to make the decisions set out below:

having considered the evidence relating to the extent and persistence of anti-social behaviour and environmental nuisance detailed in the report, and the requirements to consult on proposals to introduce selective licensing set out in the Housing Act 2004 as well as the requirements of the Council's Public Sector Equalities Duty in relation to the issues detailed in the body of the report,

the Cabinet **RESOLVED**

1. to authorise the Executive Director DASHH to commence the statutory consultation on the proposal to introduce a Selective Licensing scheme in Croydon; and
2. to note that the Executive Director DASHH will provide a further report to Cabinet on the outcome of the consultation in late 2014 or early 2015.

A34/14 Fairness Commission for Croydon

NOTED: that the Leader of the Council had delegated to the Cabinet the power to make the decisions set out below:

RESOLVED to agree the draft proposal to establish a Fairness Commission for Croydon including the funding required to set-up and deliver its work programme.

A35/14 Play Streets

The Leader of the Council welcomed Angus Hewlett from Crystal Palace Transition Town, who spoke in support of the proposals and gave a residents perspective on the benefits of play streets.

NOTED: that the Leader of the Council had delegated to the Cabinet the power to make the decisions set out below:

RESOLVED: to agree

1. the scheme detailed in this report to support the setting up of play streets in Croydon and that the scheme be reviewed in March 2015;
2. the Director of Environment be authorised to issue the necessary public notices and, subject to receiving no material objections, proceed to make the necessary traffic management orders to implement play streets; and
3. any formal material objections received be considered through the Traffic Management Cabinet Advisory Committee

A36/14 Community Safety Strategy for Croydon 2014-17

The Leader of the Council welcomed Dave Musker, Croydon Police Borough Commander who attended the meeting for this agenda item.

NOTED: that the Leader of the Council had delegated to the Cabinet the power to make the decisions set out below:

RESOLVED: (1) to recommend the Council that it agrees the Community Safety Strategy for Croydon 2014-17; and

(2) to record Council Members thanks to the outgoing Borough Commander, Dave Musker, for his work at Croydon since 2011.

A37/14 Proposals for the establishment of a Mutual Trading Company for School Support Services

NOTED: that the Leader of the Council had delegated to the Cabinet the power to make the decisions set out below:

Having considered the confidential information in the report and appendix contained in agenda item B1,

the Cabinet **RESOLVED** to:

- 1) approve the proposals in the reports and the business plan relating to the establishment of a mutual trading company for the purposes of delivering the school support services described in section 2 of the report;
- 2) agree the establishment of the mutual trading company, which will result in the transfer of related staff, assets and contracts from the Council into the mutual trading company;
- 3) approve the legal form and governance model, described in sections 7 and 8 of the report, for the mutual trading company;
- 4) agree that the mutual trading company shall be able to purchase services from the Council;
- 5) agree the award of a contract to the mutual trading company to be established in accordance with the above recommendations for the delivery to the Council of the delegable statutory services described in section 12 of the report for a period of three years with options to extend for up to a further three years at a cost of £900k per annum subject to review in line with budgets available and service requirements;
- 6) delegate authority to the Cabinet Member for Children, Families and Learning in consultation with the Executive Director of Children, Families and Learning, the Director of Finance and Assets and the Director of Legal and Democratic Services to do all things necessary for the purpose of giving effect to the above recommendations and to agree the final terms of/for the:
 - memorandum and Articles of Association and Members' Agreement;
 - set-up of the mutual trading company's shadow board and the appointment/secondment to key senior management roles (ie, shadow management team) prior to the launch of the mutual trading company on 1 April 2015;
 - transfer of related staff, assets and contracts to the mutual trading company;
 - contract for delivery of services by the mutual trading company to the Council;
 - contract for purchase of support services by the mutual trading company from the Council;
 - pensions agreement (as per section 16 of this report);
 - working capital loan agreement (as per section 16 of the report)

- appointment of Council nominees to the Board of Directors of the mutual trading company (in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member)

A38/14 Contracts to be Awarded Over £500,000

NOTED: that the Leader of the Council had delegated to the Cabinet the power to make the decisions set out below:

RESOLVED: to note

1. the contracts over £500,000 anticipated to be awarded under delegated authority from the Leader by the nominated Cabinet Member, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Finance and Treasury, where the nominated Cabinet Member is the Cabinet Member for Finance and Treasury, in consultation with the Leader, before the next meeting of Cabinet;
2. that any recommendations for contract award with a lifetime value (including extensions) over £5m will be made to the Cabinet for approval;
3. that in respect of acquisitions and disposals of assets that Councillor Simon Hall, the Cabinet Member for Finance and Treasury in consultation with the Leader of the Council, be delegated authority to approve such transactions above £500,000 to £5M. Any transactions in excess of £5M will be presented to cabinet for decision.

A39/14 Camera Resolution

RESOLVED that, under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information falling within those paragraphs indicated in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended.

A40/14 Proposals for the establishment of a Mutual Trading Company for School Support Services (in camera- report exempt under paragraph 3)

The Cabinet had considered the content of the report and appendix in Agenda item B1 before making the decision in Part A of the meeting under agenda item 11, as referred to in Minute A37/14 above.

PART B MINUTES – none

The meeting ended at 8.38 p.m.