



LONDON BOROUGH OF ENFIELD

**AGENDA FOR THE COUNCIL MEETING
TO BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 14TH JUNE,
2017 AT 7.00 PM**

MEETINGS THAT HAVE TAKEN PLACE SINCE THE LAST COUNCIL (10 May 2017)

Set out below is a list of meetings that have taken place since the last Council meeting. The contact names for the relevant officers are included.

Name of Meeting	Date	Officer	Contact Telephone
Pension Policy and Investment Committee	22 May 2017	Paul Reddaway	020 8379 4730
Councillor Conduct Committee	22 May 2017	Penelope Williams	020 8379 4098
Planning Committee	24 May 2017	Jane Creer	020 8379 4093
Overview and Scrutiny Committee	25 May 2017	Stacey Gilmour/Elaine Huckell	020 8379 4187/ 020 8379 3530
Conservation Advisory Group	30 May 2017	Andy Higham	020 8379 3848
Overview and Scrutiny Committee	31 May 2017	Stacey Gilmour/Elaine Huckell	020 8379 4187/ 020 8379 3530

**THE WORSHIPFUL THE MAYOR
AND COUNCILLORS OF THE
LONDON BOROUGH OF ENFIELD**

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Date: 06 June 2017

Dear Councillor,

You are summoned to attend the meeting of the Council of the London Borough of Enfield to be held at the Civic Centre, Silver Street, Enfield on Wednesday, 14th June, 2017 at 7.00 pm for the purpose of transacting the business set out below.

Yours sincerely

Armat Hussain

Assistant Director Legal & Corporate Governance

- 1. ELECTION IF REQUIRED OF THE CHAIR/DEPUTY CHAIR OF THE MEETING**
- 2. MAYOR'S CHAPLAIN TO GIVE A BLESSING**
- 3. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE ORDINARY BUSINESS OF THE COUNCIL**
- 4. APOLOGIES**
- 5. MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD ON 10 MAY 2017 (Pages 1 - 20)**
 - 5.1 To approve the minutes of the Extraordinary Council meeting held on 10 May 2017 at 6pm as a correct record.
 - 5.2 To approve the minutes of the Annual Council meeting held on 10 May 2017 at 7pm as a correct record.

6. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Members of the Council are invited to identify any disclosable pecuniary, other pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests relating to items on the agenda.

7. OPPOSITION PRIORITY BUSINESS - KNIFE CRIME IN ENFIELD (Pages 21 - 22)

The Council rules relating to Opposition Priority Business are attached for information.

Due to Parliamentary General Election Purdah restrictions the Opposition Priority Business Paper will be published as a “to follow” paper after the General Election on Friday 9 June 2017.

8. MOTIONS

Motion 8.1: In the name of Councillor Nesimi Erbil

“When visiting the Council’s reception area, I am aware that some residents struggle to communicate, as English is not their first Language.

This motion is asking the Council, as a matter of urgency to hire staff who are multi-lingual and can communicate using sign language on the Civic Centre Reception.”

Motion 8.2: In the name of Councillor Krystle Fonyonga

Due to Parliamentary General Election Purdah restrictions, this motion on police numbers, will be published after the general election on Friday 9 June 2017.

Motion 8.3: In the name of Councillor Doug Taylor

“Enfield Council expresses its sincere condolences to all those who suffered injury or loss in the Manchester terrorist attack and the London Bridge attack.

Attacks on the fabric of our society cannot be tolerated but social cohesion cannot be allowed to be fractured by those who seek to divide us.

Enfield reaffirms its commitment to stronger communities.”

Motion 8.4: In the name of Councillor Ayfer Orhan

“This Council notes the new Government’s manifesto pledges on Education and the impact this will have on schools’ budgets in Enfield.”

Motion 8.5: In the name of Councillor Doug Taylor

“Enfield Council notes the manifesto pledges made by the new Government

in terms of the effect on local government”.

Motion 8.6: In the name of Councillor Ayfer Orhan

“This Council notes the new Government’s manifesto pledges on Free School Meals and the impact it will have on pupils”.

Motion 8.7: In the name of Councillor Joanne Laban

“Enfield Council believes that air quality is an important issue in our borough. However the Mayor of London’s proposal to extend the Ultra-Low Emission Zone to the North Circular is not the solution that Enfield requires. Enfield Council agrees to seek alternative measures that will make a real difference to Enfield residents.”

Motion 8.8: In the name of Councillor Edward Smith

“The Council welcomes the petition by the Enfield Borough Over 50s Forum for Fairer Funding which has now reached its target of 10,000 signatures. The Council resolves to set up a bi-partisan working party to address the unfair nature of the Government’s funding formula as it affects local government in Greater London.”

9. COUNCILLOR QUESTION TIME

9.1 Urgent Questions (Part 4 - Paragraph 9.2.(b) of Constitution – Page 4-9)

With the permission of the Mayor, questions on urgent issues may be tabled with the proviso of a subsequent written response if the issue requires research or is considered by the Mayor to be minor.

Please note that the Mayor will decide whether a question is urgent or not.

The definition of an urgent question is “An issue which could not reasonably have been foreseen or anticipated prior to the deadline for the submission of questions and which needs to be considered before the next meeting of the Council.”

Submission of urgent questions to Council requires the Member when submitting the question to specify why the issue could not have been reasonably foreseen prior to the deadline and why it has to be considered before the next meeting. A supplementary question is not permitted.

9.2 Councillors’ Questions (Part 4 – Paragraph 9.2(a) of Constitution – Page 4 - 8)

The list of questions and their written responses will be published on Tuesday 13 June 2017.

10. COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

To confirm the following change to Committee memberships:

- Enfield Strategic Partnership: Councillor Taylor to replace Councillor Sitkin.

Any other changes received after the agenda has been published will be tabled on the Council update sheet at the meeting.

11. NOMINATIONS TO OUTSIDE BODIES

To confirm any changes notified to the nominations on outside bodies.

No changes have been notified to date. Any changes notified once the agenda is published will be tabled on the Council update sheet at the meeting.

12. INDEPENDENT PERSON - EXTENSION OF TERM OF APPOINTMENT (Pages 23 - 26)

To receive a report from the Director of Finance, Resources and Customer Services recommending a 2 year extension to term of appointment of one of the Council's Independent Person's. **(Report No: 7)**

There is no statutory limit on the length of time an Independent Person can serve and the members of the Councillor Conduct Committee felt this extension would enable the Council to retain the knowledge and experience gained in the role.

Recommendation: Council is therefore asked to approve the extension of the term of appointment for Christine Chamberlain as an Independent Person for a two year period expiring on 30 June 2019.

13. CALLED IN DECISIONS

None received.

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Members are asked to note that the next ordinary meeting of the Council is due to take place on Wednesday 19 July 2017 at 7pm at Enfield Civic Centre.

15. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

To pass a resolution under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 excluding the press and public from the meeting for the item of business moved to the part 2 on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in those paragraphs of Part 1 of

Schedule 12A to the Act (as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006) as listed on the agenda.

There is no part 2 agenda.

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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 10 MAY 2017**

COUNCILLORS**PRESENT**

Bernadette Lappage (Mayor), Christine Hamilton (Deputy Mayor), Abdul Abdullahi, Daniel Anderson, Dinah Barry, Chris Bond, Yasemin Brett, Alev Cazimoglu, Erin Celebi, Lee Chamberlain, Bambos Charalambous, Katherine Chibah, Lee David-Sanders, Dogan Delman, Nick Dines, Guney Dogan, Sarah Doyle, Christiana During, Patricia Ekechi, Nesimi Erbil, Peter Fallart, Achilleas Georgiou, Alessandro Georgiou, Ahmet Hasan, Elaine Hayward, Robert Hayward, Ertan Hurer, Suna Hurman, Jansev Jemal, Doris Jiagge, Eric Jukes, Nneka Keazor, Adeline Kepez, Joanne Laban, Michael Lavender, Dino Lemonides, Derek Levy, Mary Maguire, Donald McGowan, Terence Neville OBE JP, Ayfer Orhan, Ahmet Oykenner, Anne-Marie Pearce, Daniel Pearce, Vicki Pite, Michael Rye OBE, Alan Sitkin, Edward Smith, Andrew Stafford, Jim Steven, Claire Stewart, Haydar Ulus and Glynis Vince

ABSENT

Ali Bakir, Nesil Cazimoglu, Jason Charalambous, Turgut Esendagli, Krystle Fonyonga, Andy Milne, George Savva MBE and Toby Simon

1**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Bakir, J Charalambous, N Cazimoglu, David Sanders, Milne, Savva and Simon and for lateness from Councillors David-Sanders and Fonyonga.

2**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Achilleas Georgiou declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in item 4 Meridian Water: Land Acquisition and left the meeting when the item was discussed and did not vote.

3**BOROUGH CAPITAL PROGRAMME - PUBLIC REALM IMPROVEMENTS, BRIDGES, HIGHWAY STRUCTURES AND FLOOD PREVENTION**

Councillor Lemonides moved and Councillor Anderson seconded the report of the Executive Director of Regeneration and Environment on the Capital Programme – Public Realm Improvements, Bridges and Highway Structures and Flood Prevention. (Report No: 3)

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NOTED

1. The indicative capital programme had been approved as part of the Council budget report in February 2017. Council was now being asked to approve the details of the funding for specific schemes (included in the appendix to the report) and to give financial approval to undertake the works.
2. In previous years this had been dealt with under the annual budget report, but this year, exercising good governance, further detail had been sought to ensure value for money and greater control over the schemes.
3. The concerns of the Opposition who stated that they would not be supporting the proposals:
 - That this year's budget contained £1.97m less money than in previous years and that this was felt to have had nothing to do with Government funding, but had been a decision of this administration alone.
 - That Money had been allocated to other priorities including £100m for Housing Gateway, on external legal advice and £3.5m purchasing Sloemans' Farm which was now felt to be neglected. The £2.7m spent on external legal advice could have been spent on the roads which were in poor condition and deteriorating.
 - That replacing pavements with tarmac, which was not permeable would increase the risk of flooding.
 - That the indicative budget should have been approved in February 2017 as normal.
 - About the current contractor and the backlog of existing works.
4. During the debate, the Mayor reminded Councillor Laban that the Council were in a purdah period and that electioneering should be avoided.
5. The responses of the majority group:
 - That the reductions in spending were a consequence of the huge Government cuts suffered by the Council - £118m since 2010 with a further £56m proposed - which had had significant impact on the capacity of the Council to deliver services.
 - Since 2010 the Council has spent on average £8m on highway improvements anticipated to be a total of £64m by 2018.
 - Investments such as the Housing Gateway Project had provided much needed housing for people in need.

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- This was not the amount that the administration would have liked to have allocated to these schemes, but they were constrained from doing more because of the cuts. It was acknowledged that more investment was needed to maintain the boroughs roads, footways, bridges, trees and street lights.
 - If the Opposition had had concerns, they could have called in the original delegated action report.
6. In summing up Councillor Lemonides said that the administration would like to spend more, but the Council did not have the money. Housing Gateway was making a 20% return, contributing to the Council's revenue stream. Roads did not make money.

Following the debate the recommendations in the report were put to the vote and agreed with the following result;

For: 27
Against: 18
Abstentions: 0

AGREED

1. To approve the capital budget for the public realm improvements, bridge and highway structures and flood prevention that was previously noted as indicative by Council on 28th Feb 2017.
2. To note that the Cabinet Members for Finance and Efficiency and Environment had approved the following items as a portfolio decision published on 7 April 2017. This was subject to inclusion of the budget on the approved capital programme, as set out in 2.1 above.
 - a. Items of work and breakdown of funding, as shown in table 2 of this report and explained in paragraphs 4.1 to 4.8.
 - b. Schedules of carriageway schemes contained in Appendix 1 of the report.
 - c. Schedules of footway schemes contained in Appendix 2 of this report. Schedules of structures and watercourses schemes contained in Appendix 3 of the report
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 - e. Placing of orders through any existing relevant term contract, procure alternative term contracts for minor works, or to invite and evaluate tenders/quotations and, where suitable tenders/

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quotations are received, to award contracts for the works as appropriate.

- f. That authority be given to the Executive Director for Regeneration & Environment to amend the programme of works and funding allocations within the approved budgets as necessary for operational reasons.
- g. That authority be given to the Head of Highway Services to adjust the approved estimated costs of individual schemes as a result of progressing the detailed designs, subject to costs being contained within the overall agreed programme allocations and to reporting of revised costs to the Executive Director for Regeneration & Environment on a quarterly basis.

4

MERIDIAN WATER: LAND ACQUISITION

Councillor Sitkin moved and Councillor Lemonides seconded the report of the Executive Director of Regeneration and Environment on a land acquisition in Meridian Water. (Report No: 263A) Council is being asked to approve an addition to the Capital Programme.

NOTED

1. That the proposals had been considered by Cabinet on 9 May 2017. Cabinet had agreed the recommendations in the report with the following amendment to recommendation 2.2:

“To include delegation of the authority to approve the overall viability of the scheme to the Cabinet Member for Economic Regeneration and Business Development and the Cabinet Member for Finance and Efficiency with the addition of the Executive Director of Finance, Resources and Customer Services and the Executive Director of Regeneration and Environment.”
2. This report was considered in conjunction with the report on the part 2 agenda. (Report No: 264A)
3. The report set out the proposals ready to agree the purchase of a site in Meridian Water, subject to further checks on the risks, viability and profitability of the scheme. This was a real opportunity for Enfield but was contingent on further checks to ensure high quality decision making.
4. More detail was set out in the Part 2 report.
5. Thanks were given to the officers who had spent many hours on the project.

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6. Concerns of the Opposition Group, who would not be supporting the recommendations, in relation to:

- The timing and last minute nature of the report and the shortage of time allocated to the discussion of such a major issue.
- That this should have been included as part of the Council's Capital Programme which had only been agreed 10 weeks ago.
- Better and earlier planning should have been in place.
- That there was too much reliance on the meanwhile uses.
- That there was no firm agreement in place and much was subject to the removal of planning restrictions and the agreement of the Area Action Plan which had not yet been signed off. On top of this there was felt to be a need to wait for the outcomes of a GLA review on declassification of industrial land. The sites under consideration were the largest industrial areas in the Local Plan.
- There were too many assumptions and too much that was uncertain.
- It would be preferable to use compulsory purchase powers.
- The strategic designation of the land could have been challenged 4-5 years ago. That it had not been so was, in the opinion of the Opposition, due to gross incompetence on the part of the majority party.
- 12 months after agreeing a development partner, no contract was yet in place.
- The development partner, rather than the Council, should have been asked to take on the risk.

7. The responses of the majority group:

- That there were weaknesses in what had been said by the opposition members. The company in question was not the development partner.
- The Council was only being asked to seek the addition to the capital programme to enable the purchase to take place.

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- The majority of the papers had been made available to all members as part of the Cabinet meeting and the Cabinet decision was subject to call in.
- It would be more helpful if the opposition could have persuaded the Government not to undermine the Council by renegeing on the promise to enable four trains an hour through Meridian Water station.

Following the debate, the Council agreed to note the Cabinet decision.

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EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

AGREED in accordance with Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972 to exclude the press and public from the meeting for consideration of Item 17 listed on Part 2 of the agenda on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 (information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act (as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006).

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9. This report was considered in conjunction with the report on the part 1 agenda. (Report No: 263A)
10. This report is only concerned with agreeing the addition to the capital programme to fund the purchase of the land acquisition in Meridian Water if it goes ahead.

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11. The amount to be borrowed is well within the amount allowed for prudential borrowing.
12. Two sites, which the Council had had the intention to eventually acquire as part of the Meridian Water Project, had unexpectedly come on the market 7 to 10 years earlier than expected.
13. In order to acquire the sites it was necessary to proceed quickly as the current owner had strongly indicated that this was a time limited offer. If not sold to the Council future owners could carry out improvements to the site which would make it more expensive to acquire in the future.
14. The view of the Opposition party that although they supported the Meridian Water project in principle, they would be voting against this proposal because of the following concerns:
 - There were too many unanswered questions and there had not been enough time to read all the 372 pages of the report.
 - That the exit strategy to recoup the outlay, if necessary, was not sufficiently detailed.
 - It would be a significant addition to the capital programme.
 - More financial detail was needed and greater certainty about subsequent rental agreements.
 - It would be better to wait until the Edmonton Area Action Plan had been agreed and the GLA review of industrial land had been completed before committing the council to the purchase.
 - Concern about the lease buy back proposals and VAT accounting.
15. The response from the Majority Group that:
 - This was a time limited offer which would enable the Council to gain control of the sites.
 - The agreed purchase price had been supported by two independent valuations.
 - Several options for disposal of parts of the area were still under consideration. The meanwhile income would more than offset the costs of the purchase.
 - If planning permission were not obtained, the sites could be resold.
 - In ten-years the costs could be twice as much.

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- Purchase would increase the assets of the council and would with time gain in value.
- The proposals could result in the creation of 1,500 to 2,000 new jobs.
- These proposals had been studied in detail and this was thought to be a very good deal for the people of Enfield.

Following the debate, the recommendations were put to the vote and approved with the following result:

For: 34

Against: 20

Abstentions: 0

AGREED following recommendation from Cabinet (9 May 2017)

1. That the existing Capital funding allocation for the Meridian Water Programme is re-profiled to accommodate the immediate requirement and an additional capital fund is made available to the 2017/18 Capital Programme to support the acquisition.
2. To note the recommendations agreed by Cabinet at their meeting on 9 May 2017.

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ABSENT

Ali Bakir, Jason Charalambous, Turgut Esendagli, Andy Milne and Toby Simon

1

MAYOR'S CHAPLAIN TO GIVE A BLESSING

The Reverend Martin Legg gave the blessing.

2

APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Alik Bakir, Jason Charalambous, Turgut Esendagli, and Andy Milne.

3

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

No interests were declared by members at the meeting.

4

ELECTION OF MAYOR

Councillor Taylor moved and Councillor Laban seconded the nomination of Councillor Christine Hamilton as Mayor of the London Borough of Enfield for the 2017/18 Municipal Year.

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Councillor Taylor, in nominating Councillor Hamilton, said that he thought that she must be the first Mayor of Enfield to support Wigan Football Club and that as she lived in the same road as a previous Mayor he thought they might have to change the name of the street to Mayor Street. He was sure that she would be a fantastic mayor, a good ambassador both inside and outside the borough, who would deal with all members fairly and equally. He had no reservation in nominating her.

Councillor Laban, on behalf of the Conservative Group, endorsed the comments of Councillor Taylor and said that she had great respect for Councillor Hamilton. She had worked with her when Councillor Hamilton was Cabinet Member for Community Safety and Public Health and had joined her in supporting White Ribbon and International Women's days. She felt she was an excellent candidate, wished her the best of luck and hoped that she had a fantastic year as Mayor.

AGREED that Councillor Christine Hamilton be elected as Mayor of the London Borough of Enfield for the 2017/18 Municipal Year.

The motion was agreed unanimously (without a vote). Councillor Hamilton then made and signed a Declaration of Acceptance of Office and was invested with the badge of office by the retiring Mayor, Councillor Lappage.

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MAYOR'S ACCEPTANCE SPEECH

The Mayor gave her acceptance speech.

1. Welcome and Thanks

The Mayor began by welcoming her distinguished guests, family, friends, colleagues and fellow councillors to the Civic Centre and thanking them for being there that evening.

The Mayor said that she was proud and honoured to stand as elected Mayor of Enfield and first citizen of the borough. She pledged to represent with great pride, conviction and dedication the great, vibrant and diverse borough of Enfield. She felt that her fellow councillors had bestowed a great privilege and responsibility upon her and she expressed her sincere thanks and appreciation to everyone for placing their trust in her.

The Mayor said that she took the responsibility and trust shown in her very seriously. She was committed to serving the people of the borough of Enfield to the best of her abilities with enthusiasm, compassion and devotion to the community. She thanked everyone individually and collectively for enabling her to take the Mayoral Office for a year.

The Mayor thanked her entire family, her good/kind husband Ian, her children David and Joanne and her grandchildren who were there on the night, Isla, Tom and John. She sent good wishes to her grandson Laurie who was sitting

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his first GCSE on the following day at the age of 15 and congratulated him for achieving a black belt in Karate a few weeks ago. If he ever should decide to enter public life, these nimble skills, with their focus on self-defence, would undoubtedly be of great use to him.

The Mayor thanked her other friends and family members for their tireless support and understanding over the last 7 years, in her political role as a councillor, a cabinet member for 3 years and as deputy mayor last year. She thanked her close friend Joan Ryan and her number two son Adrian who had been most helpful. She was also delighted to welcome daughter number two, Zoe, and her mother Helen.

The Mayor said that she had appointed her hard working husband Ian as her consort, together with her lovely daughter Jo, who worked for Capel Manor and was the mother of three in Enfield.

The Mayor thanked Asmat Hussain, Assistant Director of Legal and Governance Services, and wished her every success in her new role in Tower Hamlets. She said that she would miss her and wished her good luck in her future role. She welcomed and thanked Jayne Middleton-Albooye and the officers Kathy Constantinou, Koulla Panaretou and Nicola Lowther, in the Mayor's Office, and Democratic Services for their invaluable help and support during her year as deputy mayor and said a big thank you also to Shaun Rogan (Head of Strategy, Partnerships, Engagement and Consultation) for his help on Enfield Cares.

2. History

The Mayor said that as a young girl born in Wigan, she had been a rugby league fan and had regularly attended games in the stadium, in the middle of the town with famous players. The team had won cups every year with stars like Billy Boston. In 1966 she became a football fan because England won the World Cup. She said that she remembered every game, up to the magic final.

The Mayor still supported her local football club Wigan Athletic (who won the FA cup in 2013, then fell out of the premiership). But her number one football team was now Enfield Town who did so well this season only to be pipped in the play-offs by Dulwich Hamlet. She loved live football and was impressed with Enfield having the first club in England owned and run by fans and supporters. The saving of the club by supporters was led by an old Unison friend of hers, David Bryant who was still a board member.

The Mayor said that she had come a long way since first coming to London from Wigan in 1968. She had met her lovely husband and married him in 1970. Moved to Edmonton in 1975 where their children attended local primary schools. They were both at Churchbury Primary School then Joanne went to Edmonton County and David to Chase Boys. This was a spring board from which they both, following time at university, achieved successful careers. David at Reading and Joanne at Liverpool.

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Following her further education at Enfield and Barnet Colleges, she started from the mid 1980's, her career in the NHS working at North Middlesex Hospital running the Enfield/Haringey Nurse Bank before moving on to Enfield and Haringey Public Health Authority, where she was lead officer. She then moved into the Barnet, Enfield and Haringey Strategic Health Authority where she was manager and support at Board level. At the start of her NHS career, she became a NALGO/Unison trade union representative, followed later by branch secretary. She thanked Pete Sutton, there on the evening, for his help and support in the Union. Towards the end of her career, she worked as a full time Unison negotiating officer with the NHS during a time of re-organisation. She represented members through a long time of change and hoped that she had helped them in those transitional years. She said that she was still passionate about and cared about the NHS and would visit Enfield hospitals and health centres as part of her new role.

In 2007 she became a magistrate in North East London and a Childline counsellor.

Experiencing these issues led to her in 2010 to becoming a councillor in Enfield where she still enjoyed talking and listening, representing and supporting Enfield people, especially in the Highway ward which she represented. She said that it was so rewarding being able to represent local people and make some contribution to making their lives easier. She hoped that this would carry forward into her year as the borough's Mayor.

3. Enfield Cares – The Mayor's Charity

The Mayor said that coming from a background that was strongly linked to delivering public services, supporting community wellbeing, including the NHS and trade unions, she had decided that her theme for the new civic year would be "Enfield Cares". She believed that her term as Mayor presented a great opportunity to raise the profile of and celebrate the role of care and caring in the Enfield community in all its forms. It would also allow members to make it clear to all residents that they were not alone: that whether caring or being in receipt of support that they were valued and that Enfield was a place that cares for and about them.

She hoped that over the course of the next 12 months that they could ensure that through Enfield Cares they could increase the level of local understanding on a range of issues that could often go unsung or that people were unaware of. She said that it was her intention to make Enfield Cares a broad and inclusive approach that would include a diverse range of topics and activities and that these could include:

- Recognising and celebrating the contribution made by carers in Enfield both old and young.
- Looking at the role of community based support schemes to those facing the challenge of handling mental illness.

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- Highlighting the work of local groups which helped people to live independently or assist those who could no longer do so.
- Raising awareness of the outreach and assistance available to young people who face bullying, to those dealing with domestic violence or living in the shadow of hate crime.
- Working with community groups in all their diversity to encourage even higher levels of volunteering in caring activities.

The Mayor hoped that as well as raising awareness and celebrating the achievement of those who had made her proud to live in Enfield that they could raise funds during the year that could be passed back into the community. This would give some support to activities and services that are vital to many residents and she hoped that she could contribute to making them sustainable into the future.

The Mayor believed that the issues that underpinned Enfield Cares as a theme were real and pressing. To give an example, this week was mental health awareness week. The mental health foundation had said that 10% of children and young people had mental health problems and that mental health problems were the leading cause of sickness and absence in the UK. This often invisible problem was one that the Mayor believed the Council had a duty to help highlight and to try and find a positive contribution to solving.

It was widely acknowledged that the challenge to society of helping those with mental illness was one of the great issues of our times. She hoped that Enfield Cares could play a role in helping people find a voice in that debate and that barriers could be broken down, however small to ensure that Enfield was a place that had great empathy with those facing challenge in their lives.

She believed that a successful year of diverse activities and awareness raising in the borough could show that Enfield Cares and that we all had a stake in trying to ensure that everyone had the best possible quality of life in the borough. She believed that when most vulnerable people were supported, understood and given help and care by the community everybody wins.

As well as the wonderful array of local community groups, she would also be seeking to work with a range of local and national charities to help get the message across to a wider audience. She believed that by working with those who were on the front line in giving support to individuals and families it would be possible to make the next 12 months a year of positive change. She was sure that it would be possible to make people proud to care, inspire them to help others and ensure that much needed recognition could be given to those in Enfield who gave so much to their families and to their local communities and in doing so made Enfield such a terrific place to live.

The Mayor asked members to please watch this space as the programme for the year was developed and to think what they might be able to do to make it a success. She wanted to hear from them.

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Finally, the Mayor vowed to serve the London Borough of Enfield as its Mayor to the best of her ability and promised to support and encourage all the agencies and voluntary sector organisations that worked tirelessly to provide excellent services to those who needed it most in our fine borough. She thanked everyone again for their valued support, said please enjoy the evening ahead and toasted them all with huge thanks and immense gratitude.

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APPOINTMENTS

5.1 Appointment of Mayor's Consorts

The Mayor announced the appointment of Ian and Joanne Hamilton as her Consorts for the 2017/18 Municipal Year. She then invested them with the badge of office.

5.2 Appointment of Deputy Mayor

The Mayor confirmed the appointment of Councillor Doris Jiagge as Deputy Mayor for the 2017/18 Municipal Year. The Deputy Mayor then made and signed a Declaration of Acceptance of Office and was invested by the Mayor with her badge of office.

Councillor Jiagge thanked the Mayor for her appointment. She congratulated Christine Hamilton on being the new Mayor and said that she was honoured and privileged to be appointed to the Office of Deputy Mayor of the beautiful and diverse borough of Enfield which she accepted whole heartedly and said that she was really humbled to accept.

She thanked everyone who had seen the potential in her and believed that she spoke for both herself and the Mayor when she said that they would work together in a supportive and cohesive way to reflect the attributes of Enfieldians.

5.3 Appointment of Deputy Mayor's Consorts

The Deputy Mayor announced the appointment of Jeramiah Jiagge-Takyi and Jessica Jiagge-Takyi as her Consort for the 2017/18 Municipal Year, and invested them with the badges of office.

5.4 Appointment of Deputy Leader and Cabinet

Councillor Taylor confirmed the appointments as set out below and detailed on the yellow list tabled under agenda item 12.1:

Deputy Leader – Councillor Achilleas Georgiou

Cabinet Member for Health & Social Care - Councillor Alev Cazimoglu

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Cabinet Member for Economic Regeneration & Business Development –
Councillor Alan Sitkin

Cabinet Member for Education, Children’s Services and Protection –
Councillor Ayfer Orhan

Cabinet Member for Community Arts and Culture – Councillor Yasemin Brett

Cabinet Member for Community Safety and Public Health – Councillor Krystle Fonyonga

Cabinet Member for Environment – Councillor Daniel Anderson

Cabinet Member for Finance and Efficiency – Councillor Dino Lemonides

Cabinet Member for Housing & Housing Regeneration – Councillor Ahmet Oykener.

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PRESENTATION OF THE PAST MAYOR AND PAST MAYOR'S CONSORT BADGES

The Mayor presented past Mayor’s and Mayors Consort badges and certificates recording the Council’s appreciation to the retiring Mayor, Councillor Bernadette Lappage and her Consorts Edward and Andrew Lappage.

The Mayor, on behalf of the Council, thanked them for the work they had undertaken during the 2016/17 Municipal Year.

The Leaders of both Groups were also presented with a token of appreciation for their support over the year and the past mayor with a bouquet of flowers.

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MAYORS ANNOUNCEMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE ORDINARY COUNCIL BUSINESS

The Mayor made an announcement about the Enfield Night Hike which was being held on Friday 12 May 2017, starting at the Civic Centre. Further details were available from the Mayor’s Office.

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TRIBUTES TO ROB LEAK, RETIRING CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Councillor Taylor payed tribute to Rob Leak, retiring Chief Executive, as one of the longest serving chief executives in London, outliving three prime ministers.

Councillor Taylor said that Rob had the highest levels of integrity, commitment and sense of fairness, a can do attitude. Councillor Taylor thanked him for the

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work he had done at Enfield working with both Labour and Conservative administrations. Being Chief Executive was difficult, a cross between a permanent secretary in the civil service, a commercial managing director and a social worker. Each role was needed and it was a measure of Rob's success that he had managed all of them well.

He had bought valuable experience from Lambeth Council and before that from the private sector, being both entrepreneurial and caring.

He had spent over 300 hours in Council meetings, for which Councillor Taylor thought that he deserved a special medal. For the future he had a series of projects in mind, planned for the rest of the year and then he might look back with nostalgia on his years at Enfield.

Councillor Taylor thanked Rob Leak personally for his major contribution to the borough, for dealing well with the difficult issues he had had to grapple with. A Leader of the Council needed to be able to trust his chief executive and it was the highest testimony that he could give, that he trusted Rob.

Councillor Rye endorsed everything that Councillor Taylor had said. He felt that Rob Leak had been an exemplary chief executive, acting as a father to other chief executives across London. He was held in high regard. He was proactive, committed and driven, focussed on the residents and outcomes. He was accountable for the work he had done and for the work of the officers, impartial, open handed.

When Councillor Rye had been leader, he had had a regular meeting on a Friday evening, between 4-7. It had been a dangerous slot for officers, but they had had fun as well. Rob was also dangerous company when driving, but a committed family man, father and grandfather.

Public service was losing a great servant. Rob Leak had done a great job which was much appreciated.

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MINUTES**

AGREED that the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 6 April 2017 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

**11
MEMBERS ALLOWANCES SCHEME**

Councillor Taylor moved and Councillor Laban seconded a proposal on Members Allowances.

NOTED

1. The Members Allowances Scheme forms Part 6 of the Constitution. Paragraph 6.3 (c) states that "Annual Increases in Allowances will be

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linked to average earnings, for the period ending the previous March of each year. New rates will be effective from the new municipal year.”

2. When considering the Scheme for the 2015/16 financial year, Council resolved “That the current Members Allowances Scheme is reapproved and that the automatic increase in allowances by the average earnings as at March not be implemented for the 2015/16 municipal year.”
3. Council were asked to consider the level of allowances payable under the scheme for 2017/18.

AGREED to confirm that the automatic increase in allowances by the average earnings as at March is again not implemented and to re-approve the current Members Allowances Scheme for the 2017/18 financial year, as set out in Part 6 of the Constitution on that basis.

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APPOINTMENT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Councillor Taylor moved and Councillor Laban seconded a report of the Assistant Director Human Resources on the appointment of a new chief executive for the Council. (Report No: 2)

NOTED

1. Councillor Taylor thanked all members of the appointment panel for their collective work during the appropriately long approach to the appointment, though the various processes and stages, before agreement on the new appointment.
2. He was certain that this would be a good appointment and that Ian Davis would perform his role brilliantly. He looked forward to a long relationship. Ian knew the authority well and also the issues in the short to medium term that will have to be faced: including the difficulties around funding but also the new opportunities. He was confident that Ian would be a “can do” chief executive and would deliver the Council’s objectives.
3. On behalf of all the Council, Councillor Taylor, recommended the appointment for all to endorse and wished Ian good luck.
4. Councillor Laban endorsed all that Councillor Taylor had said. The appointment process had been thorough and she knew that Ian Davis was the best candidate. She had known his work for a number of years and trusted him.

AGREED that

1. Ian Davis be appointed as the Council’s Chief Executive and Head of Paid Service (CE) with effect from 1 June 2017.

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2. The appointment be made under the terms and conditions agreed by the Joint Negotiating Committee for Chief Executives of Local Authorities, as supplemented by the Council's own terms. The salary on appointment would be £185,000 per year.

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MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES AND PANELS

Councillor Stewart moved and Councillor Vince seconded the report of the Executive Director of Finance, Resources & Customer Services (No.1) seeking Council approval to determine the constitution and political balance of the committees, joint committees and panels that had been set up for discharge of the Council's functions.

AGREED

1. That the seats allocated to each political party on the committees and boards to which Section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 apply, be approved as set out in Appendix A of the report.
2. That in accordance with paragraph 3.3 of the report, the Council resolves (without dissent) that the rules of political proportionality should not apply to those bodies marked with an * in Appendix A of the report.

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APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL BODIES FOR 2017/18

1.1 Appointment of Council Bodies 2017/18: Committee Membership list

Councillor Stewart moved and Councillor Vince seconded the list of Council bodies to be established and membership appointments for the 2017/18 Municipal Year.

AGREED to the establishment of the Council bodies for the 2017/18 Municipal Year and appointment of their memberships, as set out on the yellow list tabled at the meeting.

1.2 Appointment of Council Bodies 2017/18: Terms of Reference

AGREED to confirm the terms of reference of those bodies as set out in Part 2 of the Council's Constitution.

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REPRESENTATIONS ON OTHER BODIES AND ORGANISATIONS FOR 2017/8

Councillor Stewart moved and Councillor Vince seconded the list of nominations for appointments to outside bodies for the 2017/18 Municipal Year.

AGREED the Council's representation on outside bodies, as detailed on the green list tabled at the meeting.

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COUNCIL SCHEME OF DELEGATION

Councillor Stewart moved and Councillor Vince seconded the authority's scheme of delegation.

AGREED the authority's Scheme of Delegation, as set out in Part 3 (pages 3-2 to 3-13) of the Constitution.

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COUNCILLOR'S QUESTION TIME

1.1 Urgent Questions

None received.

1.2 Questions by Councillors

None received.

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MOTIONS

None received.

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CALENDAR OF MEETINGS

NOTED the calendar of meetings included indicative dates for future meetings of the Council up until May 2018.

AGREED

1. The calendar of meetings of the Council, including the next Council meeting, which had been scheduled for Wednesday 14 June 2017.
2. That approval of any further amendments to the calendar be delegated to the Executive Director of Finance, Resources and Customer Services, in consultation with both party groups.

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CALLED IN DECISIONS

None received

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DATE OF NEXT MEETING

NOTED that the next meeting of the Council would be held at 7pm on Wednesday 14 June 2017 at the Civic Centre.

15. OPPOSITION BUSINESS

- 15.1 The Council will, at four meetings a year, give time on its agenda to issues raised by the Official Opposition Party (second largest party). This will be at the first normal business meeting (in May /June), and then the third (September), fifth (January) and seventh (March) meetings (unless otherwise agreed between the political parties). A minimum of 45 minutes will be set aside at each of the four meetings.
- 15.2 All Council meetings will also provide opportunities for all parties and individual councillors to raise issues either through Question Time, motions or through policy and other debates.
- 15.3 The procedure for the submission and processing of such business is as follows:
- (a) The second largest party shall submit to the Monitoring Officer a topic for discussion no later than 21 calendar days prior to the Council meeting. This is to enable the topic to be fed into the Council agenda planning process and included in the public notice placed in the local press, Council publications, plus other outlets such as the Council's web site.
 - (b) The Monitoring Officer will notify the Mayor, Leader of the Council, the Chief Executive and the relevant Corporate Management Board member(s) of the selected topic(s).
 - (c) Opposition business must relate to the business of the Council, or be in the interests of the local community generally.
 - (d) If requested, briefings on the specific topic(s) identified will be available to the second largest party from the relevant Corporate Management Board member(s) before the Council meeting.
 - (e) No later than 9 calendar days (deadline time 9.00 am) prior to the meeting, the second largest party must provide the Monitoring Officer with an issues paper for inclusion within the Council agenda. This paper should set out the purpose of the business and any recommendations for consideration by Council. The order in which the business will be placed on the agenda will be in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 2.2 relating to the order of business at Council meetings.
 - (f) That Party Leaders meet before each Council meeting at which Opposition Business was to be discussed, to agree how that debate will be managed at the Council meeting.
 - (g) The discussion will be subject to the usual rules of debate for Council meetings, except as set out below. The Opposition Business will be conducted as follows:

- (i) The debate will be opened by the Leader of the Opposition (or nominated representative) who may speak for no more than 10 minutes.
- (ii) A nominated councillor of the Majority Group will be given the opportunity to respond, again taking no more than 10 minutes.
- (iii) The Mayor will then open the discussion to the remainder of the Council. Each councillor may speak for no more than 5 minutes but, with the agreement of the Mayor, may do so more than once in the debate.
- (iv) At the discretion of the Mayor the debate may take different forms including presentations by councillors, officers or speakers at the invitation of the second largest party.
- (v) Where officers are required to make a presentation this shall be confined to background, factual or professional information. All such requests for officer involvement should be made through the Chief Executive or the relevant Director.
- (vi) The issue paper should contain details of any specific actions or recommendations being put forward for consideration as an outcome of the debate on Opposition Business.
- (vii) Amendments to the recommendations within the Opposition Business paper may be proposed by the Opposition Group. They must be seconded. The Opposition will state whether the amendment(s) is/are to replace the recommendations within the paper or be an addition to them.
- (viii) Before the Majority party concludes the debate, the Leader of the Opposition will be allowed no more than 5 minutes to sum up the discussion.
- (ix) The Majority Group will then be given the opportunity to say if, and how, the matter will be progressed.
- (x) If requested by the Leader of the Opposition or a nominated representative, a vote will be taken on whether to approve the Majority Group's response.

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Council –14 June 2017

REPORT OF:

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Agenda - Part: 1	Item: 12
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Subject: Independent Person –
Extension of Term of Appointment

Wards: All

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 The Localism Act 2011 (the Act) requires a relevant authority to appoint at least one Independent Person(s) (IP). At Enfield it was agreed that two IP should be appointed.
- 1.2 The role of the independent person is set out in Section 28 of the Act and their views must be sought, and taken into account, by the Monitoring Officer when considering an allegation in respect of a breach of the Code of Conduct.
- 1.3 Christine Chamberlain was first appointed to the position of Independent Person on 30 January 2013. This appointment was until 30 June 2015. She was re-appointed for a further two years in 2015 to 30 June 2017.
- 1.4 This report outlines a proposal to extend the Christine Chamberlain's term of appointment, as Independent Person, for a further two years to 30 June 2019.
- 1.5 The members of the Councillor Conduct Committee have expressed their support for extending Christine Chamberlain's term.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

Council is asked to agree:

- 2.1 To extend the term of appointment of Christine Chamberlain as Independent Person by 2 years to 30 June 2019.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The Act changed the way in which local authorities promote and maintain high standards of conduct among its councillors and co-opted members. These changes included the introduction of IP(s) to

advise and support the Council in relation to the conduct of its members.

- 3.2 Section 28(7) & (8) (c) of the Act provides that a relevant authority must appoint at least one IP. The recruitment of Christine Chamberlain as Independent Person complies with the legislation and was originally approved by Full Council in January 2013. This was later extended for a further two years to 30 June 2015.
- 3.3 On 8 August 2012 the CCC agreed that IP(s) should be recruited for a two year appointment. It is noted at the time Members felt it would be helpful for the term of office to overlap the term of the Council's administration.
- 3.4 There is no statutory limit on the length of appointment, this time period can be extended by a majority agreement of members.
- 3.5 The role of the Independent Person includes:
 - Assisting in the promoting of high standards of conduct by elected and co-opted members of the Council.
 - Being consulted before decisions are taken on councillor complaints and investigations.
 - Being involved in the resolutions of disputes where appropriate.
 - Attending meetings of the CCC to provide an independent view.
 - Being available for consultation by any member who is subject to a complaint.
 - Participation in training events.
 - Acting as an advocate and ambassador in promoting ethical behaviour.
- 3.6 The Independent Person is an essential post and it is important that the Council are able to retain the experience and expertise which Christine Chamberlain's has developed in the role.
- 3.7 The members of the Councillor Conduct Committee have expressed their support for continuing the appointment for a further two years.
- 3.8 Christine Chamberlain has confirmed that she would be happy to continue and would welcome the extension of the post.

4. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 4.1 Undertake a recruitment exercise to find someone else to take on the role, but this would result in additional expenditure and use of officer time.

5. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 5.1 It is recommended that Christine Chamberlain's appointment be extended to ensure continuity, and so that her considerable expertise and experience can be retained by the Council.

6. COMMENTS OF THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE, RESOURCES AND CUSTOMER SERVICES AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS

6.1 Financial Implications

The annual cost of post is £500. This will be found from existing departmental budgets.

6.2 Legal Implications

Section 28(7) of the Act requires a relevant authority to appoint at least one IP whose views must be sought, and taken into account, by the authority before it makes its decision on an allegation that it has decided to investigate.

6.3 Property Implications

None.

7. KEY RISKS

- 7.1 Our Code goes beyond the requirement of the Act to appoint a minimum of one independent person. Appendix A, Procedure for Handling Complaints against Councillors and Co-opted Members, paragraph 1.2 states that:

“The Council has agreed to appoint two Independent Persons who will be recruited through public advertisement and a competitive interview process.”

- 7.2 If the recommended extension of post, or the alternative recruitment exercise does not take place this will result in a breach of the Code. The requirements of the Code, being that 2 IPs should be recruited goes beyond that of the Act.

- 7.3 The Act does not limit what may be included in the Code, but nothing in the Code prejudices the operation of the Act. The Code must at a minimum reflect the requirements of the Act.

- 7.4 The recruitment exercise may not provide a successful candidate with the level of experience and expertise as Christine Chamberlain.

8. IMPACT ON COUNCIL PRIORITIES

8.1 Fairness for All/Growth and Sustainability/Strong Communities

A strong ethical approach by the Council and the promotion of good conduct on the part of members will have a positive effect on their representational role and a consequential impact on communities.

The arrangements, which require a local authority to seek the views of an IP before taking a decision on, assists in providing reassurance that complaints are being properly processed and dealt with.

9. EQUALITIES IMPACT IMPLICATIONS

The proposals within this report will help to ensure fair, equal and consistent treatment of complaints against councillors for all parties concerned.

An equality impact assessment is not required for this report.

10. PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

11. HEALTH AND SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

12. HUMAN RESOURCES IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

13. PUBLIC HEALTH IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

Background Papers

None.