



LONDON BOROUGH OF ENFIELD

**AGENDA FOR THE COUNCIL MEETING
TO BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 28TH MARCH,
2007**



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

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Date: 20th March 2007

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 28 March 2007 at 7:00pm** for the purpose of transacting the business set out below.

Yours sincerely

Borough Secretary

1. ELECTION (IF REQUIRED) OF THE CHAIRMAN/DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF THE MEETING

2. MAYOR'S CHAPLAIN TO GIVE A BLESSING

The Mayor's Chaplain to give a blessing.

3. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS (15 MINUTES APPROXIMATELY)

4. MINUTES (Pages 1 - 10)

To approve, as a correct record, the minutes of the Council meeting held on 21 February 2007.

5. APOLOGIES

6. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS (Pages 11 - 12)

Members of the Council are invited to identify any personal or prejudicial interests relevant to items on the agenda. Please refer to the guidance note attached to the agenda.

7. OPPOSITION BUSINESS - LEISURE PROVISION (TIME ALLOWED – 45 MINUTES) (Pages 13 - 16)

To receive a report from the Labour Group providing background information on the issue raised for consideration under Opposition Business. The issue relates to leisure provision within the Borough.

An extract from the Council's Constitution has also been attached setting out the procedure for the conduct of Opposition Business at the Council meeting.

8. RELATIONSHIP MANAGER AND DISTRICT AUDITOR'S ANNUAL AUDIT AND INSPECTION LETTER (Pages 17 - 32)

To receive the report of the Chief Executive accompanying the Relationship Manager and District Auditor's Annual Audit and Inspection Letter. The Annual Letter summarises for Members the more important matters arising from the Relationship Manager and District Auditor's audit and inspection programme for 2005/06 and comments on current issues. (Report No.239)

The report and Annual Letter is to be considered by the Cabinet and the Audit Committee at their meetings on 22 March 2007.

9. "ENFIELD'S FUTURE" A SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY STRATEGY FOR ENFIELD 2007-2017 (Pages 33 - 46)

To receive a report from the Director of Performance, Partnership and Policy asking Council to consider the ESP's revised Community Strategy's visions and strategic objectives and endorse the way forward for agreeing Enfield's Community Strategy. (Report No.243A)

The report is also due to be considered by Cabinet at its meeting on 22 March 2007.

10. COMMUNITY COHESION STRATEGY (Pages 47 - 72)

To receive the report of the Director of Performance, Partnership and Policy outlining the Council's first Community Cohesion Strategy. (Report No.230A)

The recommendations in the report were endorsed by Cabinet at its meeting on 28 February 2007.

11. CAPITAL PROGRAMME AND PRUDENTIAL INDICATOR MONITORING THIRD QUARTER 2006/07 (Pages 73 - 94)

To receive the report of the Director of Finance and Corporate Resources informing Members of the current position regarding the Council's 2006 to 2011 capital programme taking into account the latest monitoring information on the progress of schemes. (Report No.228)

The recommendations in the report were endorsed by Cabinet at its meeting on 28 February 2007.

12. COUNCILLORS' QUESTION TIME (TIME ALLOWED - 30 MINUTES)
(Pages 95 - 102)

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." The submission of urgent questions to Council now requires the Member 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.

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

The ten questions are attached to the agenda.

13. MOTIONS

13.1 In the name of Councillor Boast

"Enfield Council calls upon the Government to repeal any laws or regulations stemming from the European Working Time Directive that impede the emergency services in the performance of their duties."

13.2 In the name of Councillor McCannah

"Enfield Leisure Centres Ltd. is currently in liquidation. The liquidators are in the process of completing their inquiries and, in due course, may report to the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) on the conduct of the company and its directors. When this process is completed it is vital that the public of the Borough are able to examine the reasons for the failure of the company and Council resolves to set up a special scrutiny commission, at a date to be decided following the completion of the liquidators' work and the conclusions of the DTI, to examine the reasons for and the consequences of the

insolvency of Enfield Leisure Centres Ltd.”

13.3 In the name of Councillor Giladi

“Enfield Leisure Centres Ltd is currently in liquidation. The liquidators are in the process of completing their inquiries and, in due course, may report to the Department of Trade and Industry on the conduct of the company and its directors. When this process is completed, it is vital that the public of the borough are able to examine the reasons for the insolvency of the company. The Council resolves to set up a special scrutiny commission, with a budget and access to external professional support, at a date to be decided following the completion of the liquidators’ work and the conclusions of the DTI to examine:

1. The relationship between the Council and Enfield Leisure Centres Ltd prior to the insolvency, including how funding and policy decisions by the Council impacted on the viability of the company.
2. The full cost to the Council of the liquidation and how this compares to an alternative strategy of increasing the Council’s subsidy to the company.
3. The reasons for the early closure of Edmonton Leisure Centre and the closure of Bramley Road squash courts.
4. Any other relevant matter that the Commission decides”.

13.4 In the name of Councillor Rodin

“This Council values the contribution made by its black communities as well as others and proposes to erect a monument marking the 200th anniversary of the abolition of the slave trade”.

14. MEMBERSHIPS

To confirm any changes to committee memberships.

15. NOMINATIONS TO OUTSIDE BODIES

To confirm any changes to nominations to outside bodies.

16. CALLED IN DECISIONS

None received.

17. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meetings of the Council will be held on:

- Monday 16 April 2007 at 7.00 p.m. at the Civic Centre (Freedom of the Borough)
- Wednesday 9 May at 7.00 p.m. at the Civic Centre (Annual Meeting)