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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CABINET
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 11 FEBRUARY 2015

COUNCILLORS

PRESENT

Doug Taylor (Leader of the Council), Achilleas Georgiou (Deputy Leader), Chris Bond (Cabinet Member for Environment and Community Safety), Yasemin Brett (Cabinet Member for Community Organisations), Donald McGowan (Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care), Ayfer Orhan (Cabinet Member for Education, Children’s Services and Protection), Ahmet Oykener (Cabinet Member for Housing and Estate Regeneration), Rohini Simbodyal (Cabinet Member for Culture, Sport, Youth and Public Health), Alan Sitkin (Cabinet Member for Economic Development) and Andrew Stafford (Cabinet Member for Finance)

Associate Cabinet Members (Non-Executive and Non-Voting): Bambos Charalambous, George Savva MBE and Ozzie Uzoanya

OFFICERS:

Rob Leak (Chief Executive), Ian Davis (Director of Regeneration and Environment), Andrew Fraser (Director of Schools and Children’s Services), James Rolfe (Director of Finance, Resources and Customer Services), Asmat Hussain (Assistant Director Legal and Governance), Bindi Nagra (Assistant Director Health, Housing and Adult Social Care Strategy and Resources), Jayne Middleton-Albooye (Head of Legal Services), Keezia Obi (Head of Safeguarding Adults), Tha Han (Public Health Consultant), Andrew Golder (Press and New Media Manager) and Benedict Falegan (Deputy Head of Housing Finance) Jacqui Hurst (Secretary)

Also Attending: Councillors Elaine Hayward, Robert Hayward, Terence Neville, Joanne Laban and Derek Levy.

1  APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

2  DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Councillor Yasemin Brett (Cabinet Member for Community Organisations) declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in Report No.164 – Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan Review (Minute No.13 below refers) as she owned land in one of the conservation areas listed in the report and which
had been subject to a review. Councillor Brett left the meeting for the discussion of this item and took no part in the decision of Cabinet.

3

URGENT ITEMS

NOTED that the reports listed on the agenda had been circulated in accordance with the requirements of the Council’s Constitution and the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information and Meetings) (England) Regulations 2012, with the exception of a number of appendices in relation to Report No.158 – Budget 2015/16 and Medium Term Financial Plan (General Fund), as detailed in Minute No.7 below. These requirements state that agendas and reports should be circulated at least 5 clear working days in advance of meetings.

AGREED that the appendices referred to above be considered as part of the Cabinet’s consideration of Report No.158 – Budget 2015/16 and Medium Term Financial Plan (General Fund).

At this point in the meeting, Councillor Doug Taylor (Leader of the Council) drew Members’ attention to a supplementary part one agenda which had been tabled for Members’ consideration this evening, Minute No.4 below refers.

4

RESPONDING TO THE DCLG REPORT INSPECTION OF ROTHERHAM METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

Members received pursuant to Section 100B(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) a report from the Director of Schools and Children’s Services (No.169) responding to the DCLG report inspection of Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council. Members were asked to consider the report as an urgent item at the meeting given the recent publication of the Rotherham Council report and the key challenges identified as a result.

AGREED that the report be considered at this meeting for the reason of urgency set out above.

Andrew Fraser (Director of Schools and Children’s Services) introduced the report (No.169) reflecting on the recent events in Rotherham, the publication of the most recent report by the Government’s investigation team led by Louise Casey (publication date 4 February 2015) and instructed in compliance with Section 10 of the Local Government Act 1999.

NOTED

1. That it was relevant for other local authorities to learn the lessons from the Rotherham report and to act accordingly, Members’ attention was drawn to the information detailed in appendices A and B of the report.
That the Rotherham report had highlighted the key role that Council Members must play in holding professionals to account in safeguarding vulnerable children and young people.

That the report made recommendations to further strengthen the robust governance and political oversight of safeguarding to vulnerable children and young people.

Members’ attention was drawn to the recommendations detailed in the report and the importance of moving ahead with the proposals set out.

That the detailed terms of reference would be considered at the first meeting of the task group once established. In considering its terms of reference, Members felt that the task group should have regard to any further issues raised by the Secretary of State on how to proceed in Rotherham, as set out in the background to the report. Members considered the proposals in the report to be timely. In considering the proposals, the importance of building an effective relationship between the new task group and the existing Safeguarding Children’s Board was highlighted.

Alternative Options Considered: None.

RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL

1. To support Scrutiny’s focus on children’s and young people’s issues and recommend that Overview and Scrutiny Committee (OSC) include a standing item on every OSC agenda regarding children and young people’s issues.

2. The establishment of a specialist dedicated task group with a strong focus on Child Sexual Exploitation and associated risks for children and young people.

3. That the membership be in accordance with the requirements of political proportionality, chaired by Councillor Ayfer Orhan as Cabinet statutory lead member, with the Chair of Overview and Scrutiny also invited to be a member. The detailed terms of reference to be considered at the first meeting of the task group once established.

4. The task group would report on its work to Council on a bi-annual basis along with any recommendation on tackling on Child Sexual Exploitation and the associated risks for children and young people.

Reason: The recommendations above address the following:
- The current climate of national concern in relation to safeguarding children.
- The publication of the report into Child Sexual Exploitation at Rotherham and the effect across the country.
Reflection on lessons learnt from “the Rotherham effect” where the investigation report describes the council as “complacent, with institutionalised political correctness and blatant failures of political and officer leadership”.

Recognition that Enfield cares deeply about its children and young people, and prioritises their wellbeing within its structures for governance, support and challenge.

(Non key)

5
DEPUTATIONS

NOTED that no requests for deputations had been received for presentation to this Cabinet meeting.

6
ITEMS TO BE REFERRED TO THE COUNCIL

AGREED that the following reports be referred to full Council:

1. Report Nos.158 and 166 – Budget 2015/16 and Medium Term Financial Plan 2015/16 to 2018/19 (General Fund)
2. Report No.159 – Housing Revenue Account Rent Estimates 2015/16 and Rent Setting (HRA and Temporary Accommodation)
3. Report No.161 – The Care Act 2014 (for information only)
4. Report No.169 – Responding to the DCLG Report Inspection of Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council

7
BUDGET 2015/16 AND MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL PLAN 2015/16 TO 2018/19 (GENERAL FUND)

Councillor Andrew Stafford (Cabinet Member for Finance) introduced the report of the Director of Finance, Resources and Customer Services (No.158) presenting the Budget 2015/16 and Medium Term Financial Plan 2015/16 to 2018/19 (General Fund) for recommendation to full Council for approval.

NOTED

1. That the attention of Members was drawn to the comments in paragraph 2.11 of the report regarding S106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 which required any Member who was two months or more in arrears on their Council Tax to declare their position and not vote on any issue that could affect the calculation of the budget or Council Tax.

2. That Report No.166 also referred as detailed in Minute No.23 below.
3. That an amendment sheet to the report had been circulated. In the final Government budget settlement for 2015/16 published on 3 February 2015, the reduction in Revenue Support Grant (RSG) had not been as high as forecast. The expected RSG was £58.811m and the final amount confirmed was now £59.325m, a difference of £0.514m. This sum would be placed into contingent items and a decision could be made as to its utilisation as part of the 2015/16 revenue monitoring process. The changes to the tables in the report had been set out for Members and would be reflected in the report to Council. The amendments referred to the tables in the following sections of the report: 5.3, 7.2, 8.3 and 10.3.

4. Councillor Stafford highlighted for Members the progress in setting the budget for 2015/16 and the medium term financial plan; the level of savings which had been achieved from 2010-2014; and, the level of savings predicted from 2015-2019. The report proposed no increase in the level of council tax for 2015-16. The implications of reductions in Government grant funding to the Council was identified.

5. Members’ attention was drawn to the continuing risks and pressures impacting on the Council’s budget as set out in full in the report. Section 11 of the report set out the budget risks, uncertainties and opportunities.

6. Councillor Stafford highlighted section 10.6 of the report setting out the views of the Local Government Association; and those of the National Audit Office as reported in section 10.10 of the report.


8. The detailed capital programme as set out in the report, section 9 and Appendix 9 of the report referred. The impact of the recommended capital programme was reflected in the current borrowing requirements set out as Prudential Indicators, detailed in appendix 4 of the report.

9. The contingencies and general balances as set out in section 12 of the report. The levels proposed were appropriate and prudent. The level of borrowing would continue to be closely monitored. The proposed budget was robust, as detailed in the report.

10. The consultation that had taken place on the budget and the comments that had been received. These comments had been taken into account when setting out the proposed budget for 2015/16.

11. In conclusion, Councillor Stafford noted that a balanced budget was proposed with a 0% increase in the level of council tax and an extensive capital programme.

12. Councillor Ahmet Oykener highlighted the increasing pressures on housing provision, particularly in light of the Government’s recent
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announcement to cut the discretionary housing payment by 40%. The demand for housing in the Borough was continuing to rise. Councillor Oykener detailed the pressures faced in the provision of temporary accommodation and the increasing costs being faced.

13. Councillor Taylor noted that Westminster Council had bought a number of properties in outer London boroughs for the provision of temporary accommodation as property prices were cheaper than in Westminster. This however, impacted negatively on the outer London Boroughs seeking to provide housing provision in their Borough. Councillor Oykener would continue to lobby appropriate Government Ministers with regard to the difficulties faced in providing adequate housing provision to meet growing demands.

14. Councillor Chris Bond stated that the budget proposals in the report did not include any proposed changes in the collection of waste or the provision of street lighting in the Borough.

Alternative Options Considered: The Council had an extensive budget planning and consultation process during which a wide range of options were considered in detail before recommendations were made. Issues raised and discussed had greatly contributed to this report including information from the Budget consultation set out in the report. As part of its planning for both 2015/16 and future years the Council had considered future levels of Council Tax. Savings had been identified to enable a Council Tax Freeze to be delivered in 2015/16.

RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL

1. With regard to the revenue budget for 2015/16
   
   (a) To set the Council Tax requirement for Enfield at £100.917m in 2015/16.
   (b) Subject to final pupil count data, approve expenditure of £307.837m in 2015/16 for the schools’ budget, funded from the Dedicated Schools’ Grant.
   (c) Set the Council Tax at Band D for Enfield’s services for 2015/16 at £1,100.34 (as detailed in paragraph 8.1 of the report), there being no increase over the 2014/15 Council Tax.
   (d) Approve the statutory calculations and resolutions set out in Appendix 10 of the report.

2. With regard to the Prudential Code and the Capital Programme
   
   (a) Note the information regarding the requirements of the Prudential Code (as set out in section 9 of the report)
   (b) Agree the Approved Capital Programme for 2015/16 to 2018/19 as set out in Table 9 (appendix 9 of the report). Also to note the Indicative Capital Programme and agree that these indicative programmes be reviewed in the light of circumstances at the time.
(c) Agree the Prudential Indicators, the Treasury Management Strategy, the Minimum Revenue Provision statement and the criteria for investments set out in section 9 and appendices 4 and 5 of the report.

3. With regard to the Medium Term Financial plan to note the forecast for the medium term as set out in section 10 of the report and adopt the key principles set out in paragraph 10.13 of the report.

4. With regard to the robustness of the 2015/16 budget and the adequacy of the Council's earmarked reserves and balances:
   
   (a) Note the risks and uncertainties inherent in the 2015/16 budget and the Medium Term Financial Plan (sections 10 and 11 of the report) and agree the actions in hand to mitigate them.
   (b) Note the advice of the Director of Finance, Resources and Customer Services regarding the recommended levels of contingencies, balances and earmarked reserves (section 12 of the report) and have regard to the Director's statement (section 13 of the report) when making final decisions on the 2015/16 budget.
   (c) Agree the recommended levels of central contingency and general balances (section 12 of the report referred).

5. That the Cabinet Members for Education, Children's Services and Protection and Finance take the decision on the schools budget for 2015/16 taking into account the comments of the Schools Forum on 4 March 2015 and any relevant decisions which the Forum make under the DfE regulations in Section 5.9 of the report.

6. Agree the Fees and Charges for Environmental Services for 2015/16 (Section 10.16 and Appendix 12 of the report referred).

7. Agree the Fees and Charges for Adult Social Care Services for 2015/16 (Section 10.17 and Appendix 11 of the report referred), subject to consultation.

8. That the New Homes Bonus be allocated to maintain regeneration and homelessness services (paragraph 5.7 of the report referred).

9. To approve the continuation of the existing policy for the calculation of Minimum Revenue Provision (section 9.16 of the report referred).

**Reason:** To set the Council's Budget Requirement and level of Council Tax for 2015/16 within the timescales set out in legislation. To agree the Treasury Management Prudential Indicators and the Capital Programme for 2015/16.

*Key decision – reference number 3957*

8

**HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT ESTIMATES 2015/16 AND RENT SETTING (HRA AND TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATION)**
Councillor Ahmet Oykener (Cabinet Member for Housing and Estate Regeneration) introduced the report of the Director of Health, Housing and Adult Social Care and Director of Finance, Resources and Customer Services (No.159) setting out the proposed detailed budget for the Housing Revenue Account for 2015/16.

NOTED

1. That the average rent increase for Enfield tenants would be 2.2% (an average price increase of £2.21 per week), this was in line with Government guidance and Enfield Council Rent Policy. Members noted how Enfield compared with other Boroughs, as set out in the report.

2. The level of proposed service charges for 2015/16 as detailed in the report.

3. The proposed heating charges as set out in the report. There would be an overall 10% decrease in communal heating charges for both gas and electricity costs in 2015/16 (appendix 3 of the report referred).

4. The current position with regard to the HRA 30 year business plan as addressed in detail in the report. The business plan remained balanced. A key issue for the HRA business plan was the increase in the number of right to buys. There were estimated to be 200 in 2014/15 and a similar number were projected for 2015/16. Section 11 of the report set out the implications for Members’ consideration, as highlighted by Councillor Oykener at the meeting.

Alternative Options Considered: NOTED that two alternatives had been considered; these were not increasing rents in line with the Government guidance and increasing rents above this guidance. These two options had both been discounted. Neither of these options was in line with the Council’s rent policy either which follows government guidelines. If rents were not increased this would mean significant loss of income and would undermine the business plan in future years.

RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL that

1. The detailed revenue estimates of the Housing Revenue Account for 2015/16 be approved.

2. The rents be increased in line with Government guidance and Enfield Council Rent Policy. This would result in an average increase of 2.2% for Enfield tenants.

3. The level of service charges as set out in Paragraph 6.1 of the report for those properties receiving the services be agreed for 2015/16.
4. The proposals for increases in other income as detailed in Appendix 2 of the report be agreed for 2015/16.

5. That the Temporary Accommodation rents as set out in Appendix 6 of the report be agreed for 2015/16 and that the authority to review in the event of any changes be delegated to the Cabinet Member for Housing and Estate Regeneration and the Director of Health, Housing and Adult Social Care and the Cabinet Member for Finance and Director of Finance, Resources and Customer Services.

6. That the total HRA capital programme of £52.7m be agreed for 2015/16 and a further four years.

7. That authority should be delegated to the Cabinet Member for Housing and Estate Regeneration and the Director of Health, Housing and Adult Social Care for approve tenders for Decent Homes and General Works.

Reason: In view of the implications of the alternatives mentioned in paragraph 20 of the report and detailed above, it was recommended to increase rents in line with the Council’s rent policy and Government guidance.

(Key decision – reference number 3958)

9 REVENUE MONITORING REPORT 2014/15: DECEMBER 2014

Councillor Andrew Stafford (Cabinet Member for Finance) introduced the report of the Director of Finance, Resources and Customer Services (No.160) setting out the Council’s revenue budget monitoring position based on information to the end of December 2014.

NOTED

1. That the report forecast an outturn position of £2.88m overspend for 2014/15 subject to action plans to contain budget pressures.

2. The budget pressures facing Schools and Children’s Services as set out in section 5.5 of the report and outlined by Andrew Fraser (Director of Schools and Children’s Services) at the meeting. Recommendation 2.3 of the report, set out in decision 3 below, proposed the use of contingency and contingent items to fund the SEN transport pressure within Schools and Children’s Services in 2014/15 of £507k. Members noted the work that was being undertaken to review and meet demands particularly in relation to intervention and prevention measures.

3. The effect of demand led pressures on the revenue budget. Levels of demand would continue to be closely monitored.

Alternative Options Considered: Not applicable to this report.
DECISION: The Cabinet agreed

1. To note the £2.88m overspend revenue outturn position.

2. That departments reporting pressures should continue to formulate and implement action plans to ensure that they remain within budget in 2014/15.

3. The use of contingency and contingent items to fund the SEN Transport pressure within Schools and Children’s Services in 2014/15 of £570k (section 5.5 of the report referred).

4. To a review of the current revenue monitoring process and to note that a further report would be submitted recommending improvements for 2015/16 in line with Enfield 2017 principles and practices.

Reason: To ensure that Members were aware of the projected budgetary position for the Authority for the current and future years including all major budget pressures and underspends which had contributed to the present monthly position and that were likely to affect the Council’s finances over the period of the Medium Term Financial Plan.

(Key decision – reference number 3952)

10
THE CARE ACT 2014

Councillor Don McGowan (Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care) introduced the report of the Director of Health, Housing and Adult Social Care (No.161) summarising the progress on the local implementation of the Care Act 2014 categorised by key requirements and workstream areas.

NOTED

1. The progress which had been made by the Council in the local implementation of the Care Act 2014 and the first set of reforms which came into force in April 2015.

2. That this major change was taking place within Enfield 2017, this had provided a positive framework for implementation with consistency and clear operating principles.

3. The effect of the Care Act 2014 on individuals and local authorities, as detailed in the report.

4. The financial implications of the implementation of the Care Act and the uncertainties which still existed with regard to future levels of Government funding, as set out in detail in the report.

5. The implications for individual care budgets and the examples highlighted by Councillor Savva.
6. Members’ request that the report be referred to full Council for information and noting.

**Alternative Options Considered:** It was a statutory requirement to implement the Care Act, so no alternative options had been considered in the drafting of this report.

**DECISION:** The Cabinet agreed to note:

1. The progress made to implement the Care Act in Enfield and the key risks associated with implementation and the mitigating actions.

2. That the financial modelling to understand the impact of the Care Act continued at both local, regional and national level including through ADASS and London Councils, as advised at July Cabinet and October Council meetings. This would include ensuring a robust response to the government consultation on the funding reforms due in February. As previously reported, when the Government introduced the Care Bill it advised that any new burdens on local government would be funded. Until clear funding allocations were made available, there was a risk that this cost was not fully funded, but, at present it was not possible to form an opinion.

3. This major change was taking place within Enfield 2017 and this had provided a positive framework for Care Act implementation, in particular changes to the Gateway Services and assessment hub.

**RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL** that the report be received for information and noting.

**Reason:** It was a statutory duty for local authorities to implement the Care Act. It was essential that Cabinet was aware of the reforms and the implications for the Council.  
*(Key decision – reference number 3995)*

**11 ANNUAL PUBLIC HEALTH REPORT 2014**

Councillor Rohini Simbodyal (Cabinet Member for Culture, Sport, Youth and Public Health) introduced the report of the Director of Public Health (No.162) presenting the Annual Public Health report.

**NOTED**

1. The publication and findings of the Annual Public Health report. It was a statutory duty for the Director of Public Health to produce an Annual Public Health report. The Council had a statutory responsibility to publish the report.
2. That this year’s report was called “Mind the Gap” and focused on reducing the gap in life expectancy in Enfield, which also linked to the Council’s priorities.

3. That the report was evidence based and focused on short-term, medium-term and long-term aims and interventions. Councillor Simbodyal provided Members with detailed examples of the work that was being undertaken in the Borough and the aims for the future. Such measures would address behaviour change such as smoking cessation and looking at long term issues including poverty, housing and crime levels. Members recognised the challenges faced and in the light of historical underfunding for public health in the Borough.

4. That Members commended the report and noted the need to target effective initiatives and interventions in specific wards identified and to continue to try to engage with hard to reach groups in the community.

5. Councillor Simbodyal highlighted the cost savings that could be achieved in effective preventative measures. For example, the launch of a free exercise programme in parks could result in cost savings for the NHS as the health of participating residents in the Borough improved.

Alternative Options Considered: No alternative options had been considered as it was a statutory requirement to produce an Annual Public Health report.

DECISION: Cabinet agreed to note the publication and findings of the Annual Public Health Report 2014.

Reason: To inform Members of the Cabinet about the progress in reducing life expectancy gap, challenges ahead and ways to tackle the challenges. (Non key)

12
TIME BANDED COLLECTIONS IN ENFIELD TOWN

Councillor Chris Bond (Cabinet Member for Environment and Community Safety) introduced the report of the Director of Regeneration and Environment (No.163) setting out proposals to introduce time-banded collections of waste and recycling on a trial basis within Enfield town centre.

NOTED

1. That the approach set out in the report required adoption of new regulations to enable appropriate enforcement where necessary to ensure compliance. The scheme would be monitored for 12 months before options for expansion or continuation were considered.

2. That Members’ welcomed the proposals detailed in the report.
Alternative Options Considered: To continue with the existing arrangements, this would provide no relief to residents and retailers and others who rely upon the Town Centres for trade or leisure activities. This would also fail to improve the quality of the street scene due to problems identified at section 3 of the report.

DECISION: The Cabinet agreed to


2. Approve the implementation of the time-banded collections as detailed in sections 3.7 to 3.14 of the report and to enforce as set out in sections 3.15 to 3.16.4 of the report.

3. Delegate authority to review and extend the scheme for further periods or to other areas to the Cabinet Member for Environment and Community Safety.

Reason: To improve the street scene through reducing bags and bins left out for collection during the day in core business hours. To improve traffic flows as collections take place outside peak travel periods. To provide better pedestrian access as stored waste would not block footpaths and pavements. To enable enforcement action to ensure that private waste contractors service their customers. To remove the hazards associated with waste left on the street, particularly for the partially sighted or persons who were infirm. To remove a potential fire hazard from the street. To allow use of litter bins and street furniture where waste currently prevents access.

(Key decision – reference number 4060)

13 CONSERVATION AREA APPRAISAL AND MANAGEMENT PLAN REVIEW

Councillor Yasemin Brett (Cabinet Member for Community Organisations) left the meeting for the discussion of this item and took no part in the decision (Minute No.2 above refers).

Councillor Alan Sitkin (Cabinet Member for Economic Development) introduced the report of the Director of Regeneration and Environment (No.164) presenting for approval the revised Conservation Area Appraisals and Management Proposals for the conservation areas listed in the report.

NOTED

1. That thirteen of the borough’s twenty-two conservation areas had recently been reviewed and updated (Phase 1 of the review) and had been subject to extensive consultation, as detailed in the report.
2. That the Conservation Area Appraisals and Conservation Area Management Proposals for the Borough’s twenty-two conservation areas had reached the end of their five year lifespan and were therefore being reviewed and updated.

3. That the appraisals supported the Council’s commitment in its Local Plan and the management proposal documents would, in due course, form part of the Enfield Design Guide, a Supplementary Planning document to the Local Plan, as detailed in the report.

**Alternative Options Considered:** To not update the Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Appraisal documents. The documents approved in 2006 and 2009 were now out of date in terms of national planning policy and the recasting of the local planning policy through the Local Plan, English Heritage guidance and changes in the physical fabric of the area over the last five years from development. These documents do not provide an up-to-date policy background to support Development Management decisions, including appeals.

**DECISION:** The Cabinet agreed to

1. Approve the revised Appraisals and Management Proposals for the following conservation areas (Appendix 2 of the report) subject to further changes in relation to comments received from English Heritage:
   - Bush Hill Park
   - Clay Hill
   - Enfield Lock
   - Enfield Town
   - Forty Hill
   - Hadley Wood
   - Highlands
   - Ponders End Flour Mills
   - Southgate Green
   - Trent Park
   - Turkey Street
   - Winchmore Hill
   - Vicars Moor Lane

2. Delegate authority to the Director of Regeneration and Environment to agree further minor changes to the Conservation Area Appraisals and Management Proposals to reflect comments received from English Heritage.

**Reason:** The documents had been through consultation with local conservation area study groups, Conservation Advisory Group and the general public via the website and a public meeting held on 14 January 2015. English Heritage made minor comments on the details of the text. Public
consultation via the website resulted in one additional letter of comment. The results of the consultation and the changes made were shown in Appendix 1 of the report. The documents were therefore recommended for approval subject to minor amendments pursuant to consultation responses received from English Heritage.

(Key decision – reference number 4013)

14
ISSUES ARISING FROM THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

NOTED that no other items apart from those comments referred to under Report No.158 – Budget 2015/16 and Medium Term Financial Plan 2015/16 to 2018/19 (General Fund) (as detailed in Minute No.7 above), had been received for consideration at this meeting.

15
CABINET AGENDA PLANNING - FUTURE ITEMS

NOTED, for information, the provisional list of items scheduled for future Cabinet meetings.

16
MINUTES

AGREED, that the minutes of the previous meeting of the Cabinet held on 16 December 2014 be confirmed and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

17
MINUTES OF ENFIELD RESIDENTS’ PRIORITY FUND CABINET SUB-COMMITTEE - 26 NOVEMBER 2014 AND 7 JANUARY 2015

NOTED, for information, the minutes of meetings of the Enfield Residents’ Priority Fund Cabinet Sub-Committee held on 26 November 2014 and 7 January 2015.

18
MINUTES OF LOCAL PLAN CABINET SUB-COMMITTEE - 15 JANUARY 2015

NOTED, for information, the minutes of a meeting of the Local Plan Cabinet Sub-Committee held on 15 January 2015.

19
MINUTES OF LONDON BOROUGH OF ENFIELD/ENFIELD RACIAL EQUALITY COUNCIL (LBE/EREC) - 2 DECEMBER 2014

NOTED, for information, the minutes of a meeting of LBE/EREC held on 2 December 2014.
ENFIELD STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP UPDATE

NOTED that there were no written updates to be received at this meeting.

21 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

NOTED that the next meeting of the Cabinet was scheduled to take place on Wednesday 11 March 2015 at 8.15pm.

22 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 to exclude the press and public from the meeting for the item listed on part 2 of the agenda on the grounds that it involved 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).

23 BUDGET 2015/16 AND MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL PLAN (GENERAL FUND)

Councillor Andrew Stafford (Cabinet Member for Finance) introduced the report of the Director of Finance, Resources and Customer Services (No.166).

NOTED

1. That Report No.158 also referred as detailed in Minute No.7 above.

2. The 2015-16 Environment proposed fees and charges as set out in the report.

Alternative Options Considered: As detailed in Report No.158, Minute No.7 above refers.

RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL that the Pest Control, Commercial Waste, planning pre-application service, Sports Pitches, golf special offers, events, Passenger Transport Services and Schools Health and Safety fees and charges for Environmental Services be agreed as set out in section 3.1 and appendix 12b of the report.

Reason: As detailed in Report No.158, Minute No. 7 above refers.
(Key decision – reference number 3957)