ASSEMBLY

Wednesday, 5 October 2005 (7:00 - 8:12 pm)

PRESENT

Councillor J Davis (Chair) Councillor W F L Barns (Deputy Chair)

Councillor A Agrawal Councillor Mrs E E Bradley Councillor Mrs J Blake Councillor Mrs D Challis Councillor L A Collins Councillor R J Curtis Councillor J R Denver Councillor M A R Fani Councillor C Geddes Councillor D Hemmett Councillor I S Jamu Councillor S Kallar Councillor M E McKenzie Councillor D O'Brien Councillor Mrs C T Osborn Councillor J W Porter Councillor Mrs V M Rush Councillor A G Thomas Councillor T G W Wade

Councillor J L Alexander Councillor G J Bramley Councillor Mrs J E Bruce Councillor H J Collins Councillor B Cook Councillor W C Dale Councillor C J Fairbrass Councillor Mrs K J Flint Councillor A Gibbs Councillor Mrs D Hunt Councillor T J Justice Councillor R C Little Councillor W Northover Councillor B M Osborn Councillor R B Parkin Councillor Mrs J E Rawlinson Councillor L A Smith Councillor Mrs P A Twomey Councillor P Waker

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor Ms M G Baker Councillor Mrs J Conyard Councillor Mrs J E Cooper Councillor Miss N E Smith Councillor Mrs M M West Councillor A C Clark Councillor A H G Cooper Councillor F C Jones Councillor L R Waker

52. Minutes - To confirm as correct the minutes of the meeting held on 7 September 2005

Agreed.

53. Local Issue - Castle Green

Received a presentation by Roger Luxton, Director of Education, Arts and Libraries and Andy Buck, Head Teacher at Jo Richardson Community School on the Castle Green development.

54. Appointments

Agreed the following appointments:

Committee Appointments

• Licensing and Regulatory Board – Councillor B Osborn to become a full member following the resignation of Councillor Wade, there remains 2 substitute vacancies.

Appointments to Outside Bodies

- Barking and Dagenham Citizens Advice Bureau Councillor Fani
- Barking and Dagenham Racial Equality Council Councillor Agrawal
- Barking and Dagenham Sports Council Councillors Fani, Denyer and H Collins
- Barking and Dagenham User / Carer Forum Councillor Alexander and Bramley
- Barking College Corporation Councillor McCarthy
- Employee Joint Safety Committee Councillor H Collins
- Reserve Forces and Cadets Association of Greater London Councillor West
- Sector Police (Dagenham) Working Party Councillors P Waker and Jamu
- Sector Police (Barking) Working Party Councillor M Baker

55. Customer Services Report

Received a presentation by Jim Ripley, Head of Landlord Services, Housing and Health on Customer Care in the Landlord Services Division.

56. Final Report of the Anti-Social Behaviour Scrutiny Panel

Agreed the recommendations made in the report.

Councillor Mrs Hunt, Lead Member, presented the final report of the Panel, its recommendations and action plan. She also thanked the Members and officers who had contributed to the Panel's work.

57. Report of the Director of Corporate Strategy - The Licensing and Regulatory Board - Related Constitutional Issues

Received a report seeking approval for changes to the Constitution to address certain issues and, in particular, to provide clarity in respect of the Licensing and Regulatory Board.

Agreed the changes to the Constitution as set out in Appendix A to the report in order to ensure the Board's practices are clear and robust.

58. * Response to Articles in the Local Press

The Leader of the Council, Councillor Fairbrass responded to two articles which appeared in the Barking and Dagenham Post dated 5 October 2005.

* Item considered as a matter of urgency with the consent of the Chair under Section 100B (4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972.