ASSEMBLY

Wednesday, 6 July 2005 (7:00 - 7:45 pm)

PRESENT

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

Councillor J L Alexander Councillor Mrs E E Bradley Councillor Mrs J Blake Councillor L A Collins Councillor B Cook Councillor R J Curtis Councillor J R Denyer Councillor M A R Fani Councillor C Geddes Councillor D Hemmett Councillor I S Jamu Councillor S Kallar Councillor M A McCarthy Councillor D S Miles Councillor D O'Brien Councillor R B Parkin Councillor Mrs J E Rawlinson Councillor Miss N E Smith Councillor L R Waker

Councillor Ms M G Baker Councillor G J Bramley Councillor Mrs J E Bruce Councillor Mrs J Conyard Councillor Mrs J E Cooper Councillor W C Dale Councillor C J Fairbrass Councillor Mrs K J Flint Councillor A Gibbs Councillor Mrs D Hunt Councillor F C Jones Councillor R C Little Councillor M E McKenzie Councillor W Northover Councillor Mrs C T Osborn Councillor J W Porter Councillor L A Smith

Councillor Mrs P A Twomey

Councillor P Waker

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor Mrs D Challis Councillor H J Collins Councillor T J Justice Councillor Mrs V M Rush Councillor T G W Wade Councillor A C Clark Councillor A H G Cooper Councillor B M Osborn Councillor A G Thomas

23. Minutes (8 June 2005)

Agreed.

24. Tribute to the late Councillor J P Wainwright

Tributes were paid to the late Councillor Wainwright and a minute's silence was held in his memory.

25. Customer Service Report - Education Arts and Libraries

In the first of a series of regular reports, received a presentation from the Interim Head of Learning and Cultural Services on Customer Care in the Department of Education Arts and Libraries.

26. Motion for Support by the Assembly

Agreed:

That the Assembly supports the residents of Thames Ward in their efforts to get Thames Water to take action to resolve their complaints about the foul smells emanating from the Beckton Sewage Treatment Works and the adverse effects this has had on the residents' quality of life.

27. Appointments

Agreed the following appointments:

- London Housing Unit Committee Councillor T G W Wade
- London Housing Unit Executive Sub Committee Councillor L A Smith

28. Report of the Executive

Risk Management and Insurance

Agreed to formally adopt the Risk Management Policy, attached as Appendix A to the report, in order to assist the process of embedding risk management techniques into all aspects of the working of the Council in a manner that enhances service delivery and protects the assets and resources of the Authority.

29. Leader's Question time

Councillor Liam Smith asked the Leader of the Council if he would support the commissioning of a fitting monument to honour the memory of Sir Alf Ramsey and Sir Bobby Moore in the Borough, especially as next year would be the 40th anniversary of the England football team winning the 1966 World Cup.

In response, the Leader stated he would support a monument in honour of all of the Borough's successful sports men and women, which could inspire further sporting success. Officers have been asked to look into the proposal.

30. Licensing and Regulatory Board Quorum

Agreed:

To decrease the quorum for the Licensing and Regulatory Board from 5 to 3, representing a quarter of the overall membership, in line with all other meetings in the Political Structure.

31. 2012 Olympics / London Youth Games

Councillor Bramley, the Lead Member for Adult Social Services and Lifelong Learning (with responsibility for Sport), praised the successful London bid for the 2012 Olympics. He stated that Barking and Dagenham would make sure that it is involved and benefits from the London Olympics. Councillor Bramley felt that one of the overriding contributors to the successful bid was London's diversity of multiculturalism.

Councillor Bramley also praised the successful Barking and Dagenham team in the London Youth Games, who improved on last year's 23rd place to finish 11th out of 32 Boroughs. The Girls Netball team won their event, with a further 8 teams finishing in the top 5.

32. Hampton Court Palace Flower Show 2005

Councillor Fairbrass congratulated Peter London, Assets and Client Liaison Officer, in the Regeneration and Environment Department for achieving a Bronze Medal at the Hampton Court Palace Flower Show for the garden entitled "Every Generation, Ever Regeneration" – a garden to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the end of World War II.