



CITY OF WESTMINSTER

# MINUTES

## GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE – WEDNESDAY 7 JULY 2010

### MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of a meeting of the **General Purposes Committee** held on Wednesday 7 July 2010 at Westminster City Hall, 64 Victoria Street, London, SW1E 6QP

**Members Present:** Councillors Melvyn Caplan (Chairman), Heather Acton, David Boothroyd, Tony Devenish and Rachael Robathan

**Apologies for Absence:** Councillors Ian Adams, Robert Davis, Alastair Moss and Tim Mitchell.

#### 1. MEMBERSHIP

1.1 The Committee noted that Councillors Heather Acton and Rachael Robathan had replaced Councillors Robert Davis and Tim Mitchell.

#### 2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

2.1 There were no declarations of interests.

#### 3. MINUTES

**Resolved:** That the minutes of the meeting held on 10 February 2010 be approved for signature by the Chairman as a true and correct record of the proceedings.

#### 4. REVIEW OF DELEGATIONS AND LOCAL CHOICE FUNCTIONS (see report of the Head of Legal Services)

**Resolved:**

- (i) That full Council approve the re-drafted Scheme of Delegation, attached as Appendix 1 to the report;
- (ii) That the full Council be recommended to confirm, in relation to each of the “local choice” functions listed in Appendix 2 to the report, the designation of those functions as either executive or non-executive as indicated in Column 2 of Appendix 2, the Committee or Cabinet Member responsible for the function and the Chief Officer empowered to exercise that function (where applicable), and that Appendix 2 to the report be added to Appendix 6 to the Council’s Constitution with the

second column of Appendix 6 to the Council's Constitution amended to read simply "Executive/Non-Executive".

- (iii) That in relation to the London Local Authorities Act 2007 the entries in Appendix 2 to this report be substituted for the entries pertaining to that Act in the existing Appendix 6 to the Council's Constitution.
- (iv) That authority be delegated to the Chief Executive (acting in consultation with the Leader of the Council) to decide in the future whether local choice functions should be allocated to the Executive either to the Cabinet or a specific Cabinet Member or if treated as non executive to the Council, the Committee and/or Sub-Committee responsible for the function (and the Chief Officer responsible for the function if that is applicable).

**5. EXEMPT REPORTS UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972**

**Resolved:** That under Section 100 (A) (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business because it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information on the grounds shown below:

<b>Item No:</b>	<b>Grounds</b>	<b>Para of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act</b>
6	Information relating to an individual	1

**6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT OMBUDSMAN: LOCAL SETTLEMENT PROPOSAL**

**(see report of the Chief Executive of CityWest Homes Ltd)**

**Resolved:** That the Chief Executive of CityWest Homes be authorised to pay compensation of £2,750 as set out in the report.

**7. TERMINATION OF MEETING**

The meeting ended at 6.41pm

**CHAIRMAN** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE** \_\_\_\_\_