

LONDON BOROUGH OF WALTHAM FOREST

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF CABINET (SPECIAL MEETING)

Tuesday 31 August 2004

7:30 pm - 7.40 p.m.

PRESENT:

Chair:	Councillor Clyde Loakes	Council Leader
	Councillor Keith Rayner	Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder, Corporate Services
	Councillor Liaquat Ali	Portfolio Holder, Community Engagement and Equalities
	Councillor David Blunt	Portfolio Holder, Environment
	Councillor Loretta Hodges	Portfolio Holder, Housing
	Councillor Chris Robbins	Portfolio Holder, Culture, Learning and Leisure.
	Councillor Barry Smith	Portfolio Holder, Community Safety and Protection
	Councillor Simon Wright	Portfolio Holder, Regeneration

38. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Gray, Portfolio Holder, Strategic Innovation, Performance and Learning.

39. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cabinet was advised by the Leader that Councillor Graham Smith would not be attending the meeting because of an interest in the Olympic Bid.

40. OLYMPIC BID

The report related to certain guarantees being sought from the Council by London 2012, the organisation bidding to bring the Olympic and Paralympic Games to London and the UK in 2012. The legal implications of agreeing to the guarantees being sought had been considered and it was recommended that those guarantees can and should be made but qualified by a side letter to protect the Council's legal position.

REASON FOR DECISION

The guarantees requested were required under the Olympic Charter, and were therefore crucial to the London bid.

CABINET DECISION

To agree:

- a) the Letter of Support (at Appendix 1 of the Report);
- b) the side letter to be attached to the Letter of Support (Appendix 3);
- c) the letter concerning commercial exploitation rights and training venues (Appendix 2)

and that the relevant officers be authorised to sign the letters on behalf of the authority.

(Chair)

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