

MINUTES of the SPECIAL MEETING of the COUNCIL of the LONDON BOROUGH OF HARROW held on WEDNESDAY 31 MAY 2006

Present: The Worshipful the Mayor (Councillor Janet Cowan) The Deputy Mayor (Councillor Jean Lammiman)

Councillors:

John Anderson Nana Asante David Ashton Mrs Marilyn Ashton Mrs Camilla Bath Miss Christine A. Bednell Robert Benson Don Billson Mrs Lurline Champagnie Mrinal Choudhury Golam Sobham Chowdhury John Cowan **Bob Currie** Margaret Davine Mano Dharmarajah Anthony Ferrari Keith Ferry Archie T. Foulds Brian E. Gate David Gawn Mitzi Green

Susan Hall Graham Henson Thaya Idaikkadar Nizam Ismail Manji. Kara Mrs E.M. Kinnear Ashok Kulkami Dhirajlal Lavingia Barry Macleod-Cullinane Julia Merison Salim Miah Myra Michael Jerry J. Miles Vina Mithani Chris Mote Mrs Janet Mote Narinder Singh Mudhar John Nickolay Mrs Joyce Nickolay Christopher D. Noyce

Phillip O'Dell Asad Omar Paul Osborn Anjana Patel David Perry Raj Ray Richard David Romain Anthony Seymour Navin Shah Mrs Rekha Shah Stanley Sheinwald Eric Silver Dinesh Solanki **Bill Stephenson** Mrs Sasikala Suresh Yogesh Teli Keekira Thammaiah Mark A. Versallion **Thomas Weiss** Jeremy Zeid

PRAYERS

The meeting opened with Prayers offered by the Rabbi Andrew Shaw

20. INDONESIAN EARTHQUAKE:

Following prayers, the Mayor requested Council to remain standing to pay honour to all those who had lost their lives consequent on the earthquake which had occurred in Indonesia on 27 May 2006.

The Council observed a minute's silence as a mark of respect to the many thousands of people who had died or been injured as a result of the disaster.

21. <u>COUNCIL MINUTES:</u>

RESOLVED:

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 25 MAY 2006 BE DEFERRED TO THE NEXT ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING.

22. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

It was noted that there were no declarations of interest on behalf of Members with regard to the business to be transacted at this Special Meeting of Council.

23. <u>PROPOSED CONFERMENT OF THE TITLE OF HONORARY ALDERMAN:</u> <u>SECTION 249 (1), LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972:</u>

At the Council meeting held on 27 April 2006 it had been agreed to hold this Special Council meeting to consider under the provisions of Section 249(1) of the Local Government Act 1972 the proposed conferment of the title of Honorary Alderman.

Further to Item 3 on the Summons for this Special meeting, Members were now invited to consider bestowing the honour of Honorary Alderman on former Councillor Keith Toms.

Upon his retirement from the Council on 8 May 2006, Keith Toms had achieved 32 years' continuous service as a Councillor. He had also served as Deputy Mayor in 1996/97 and had been elected Mayor of the Borough for the Municipal Year 1997/98.

Members unanimously agreed the proposal.

RESOLVED:

THAT THE FOLLOWING FORMAL RESOLUTION BE ADOPTED:

"This Special Meeting of the Council of the LONDON BOROUGH OF HARROW called specially to consider the conferment of the title of Honorary Alderman:

RESOLVES:

THAT THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 249 (1) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972,

- (1) Confer the title of Honorary Alderman of the London Borough of Harrow upon ALBERT KEITH TOMS Dip.Ed, M.Phil in recognition of the eminent and distinguished service he has rendered to the London Borough of Harrow over a continuous period of thirty two years as a Councillor, during which he served with distinction and application throughout as a Member of Council, as Deputy Mayor and Mayor of the Borough;
- (2) Agree that the above resolution be recorded on an illuminated scroll, engrossed on vellum, and the scroll formally be presented to Mr Toms on 13 July 2006 prior to the scheduled Council Meeting;
- (3) Accord the following privileges of rank on Albert Keith Toms, further to the conferment of the honorary title of Alderman;
 - (i) To enjoy the courtesy title of Honorary Alderman and to be so addressed;
 - (ii) to attend as a spectator meetings of the Council and to have a seat reserved for this purpose;
 - (iii) to receive a copy of the Council Summons;

- (iv) to receive invitations to all civic and social events to which Members of the Council are invited;
- (v) to walk in civic processions in a position immediately senior to serving Members."

(CLOSE OF MEETING: All business having been completed, the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 7.46 pm).