PORTFOLIO HOLDER DECISION MEETING

3 MAY 2006

Councillors: * Navin Shah

* Denotes Member present

PART I - RECOMMENDATIONS - NIL

PART II - MINUTES

1. Declarations of Interest:

RESOLVED: To note that no interests were declared in relation to the business to be transacted at this meeting.

2. Minutes:

RESOLVED: To note that there were no minutes to be received from a previous meeting.

3. Petitions:

RESOLVED: To note that no petitions were received under the provisions of Executive Procedure Rule 14 (Part 4D of the Council's Constitution).

4. **Public Questions:**

RESOLVED: To note that no public questions were received under the provisions of Executive Procedure Rule 15 (Part 4D of the Council's Constitution).

5. Matters referred to the Executive Member:

RESOLVED: To note that no matters had been referred to the Executive member for reconsideration in accordance with the provisions contained in Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rule 22 (Part 4F of the Council's Constitution).

6. **Reports from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee or Sub-Committees:**

RESOLVED: To note that no reports had been received.

7. Key Decision - Local Authority Gold Resolution:

The Leader considered the report of the Chief Executive, which related to the Local Authority Gold Resolution, and involved the taking of an urgent key decision.

The report advised of the Association of London Government's (ALG) recommendation that the previous Gold resolution, approved by Cabinet on 17 February 2004, be amended to broaden the powers of the Gold Chief Executive to enable them to deal with events, which are London emergencies (referred to as those emergencies requiring a "level 2" response) even though such emergencies might not be classified as "catastrophic".

RESOLVED: That (1) the revised Local Authority Gold Resolution attached at Appendix C to the report of the Chief Executive be approved;

(2) the Chief Executive be authorised to make any such changes (as agreed by the Association of London Government) that might be considered necessary to protect the Council's position and that of the Chief Executive.

Reason for Decision: The amended resolution broadens the powers of the "Gold" Chief Executive so as to enable him or her to act on behalf of all the London local authorities in responding to an emergency in London, not just an event classified by the Minister as a catastrophic incident.

(Note: The meeting having commenced at 9.00 am, closed at 9.02 am)

(Signed) COUNCILLOR NAVIN SHAH