

MOTIONS

8.1 MOTION FROM COUNCILLOR SIMMONDS

Council notes that once again, every Hillingdon child of primary school age was able to have a proper school place at the start of term in September, and congratulates the staff of the Council involved in this achievement, in what is the largest school building programme in London.

Council further notes that the current and continuing challenge to deliver a good educational start in life for children across Hillingdon from North to South remains a fundamental commitment of this Council not just as a statutory duty but as a basic right for local children. As the Labour Group were unable to identify any alternative sites for the new school under construction at Lake Farm, Council reaffirms that it will deliver the agreed schools building programme, putting our younger residents first.

8.2 MOTION FROM COUNCILLOR D.MILLS

Council welcomes the fact that despite the reduction in leisure and resident facilities provided by other local authorities, in Hillingdon, due to the delivery of sound financial management we have made exceptional achievements in the provision of high class leisure centres, youth clubs, libraries and parks and open spaces throughout the whole Borough.

Council acknowledges the resultant satisfaction and appreciation shown by its residents as evidenced by increased usage and survey data and reconfirms its ongoing commitment to invest in improving and delivering further facilities for the enjoyment, health and wellbeing of our residents.

8.3 MOTION FROM COUNCILLOR CORTHORNE

Council notes that its agreed target for housing in the Local Development Plan for the year to 31st March 2013 amounted to 425 housing units of which 149 were to be affordable housing.

Council further notes that both the total housing and affordable housing targets were exceeded with 615 new units built in total of which 188 were affordable housing units.

Council reaffirms that its approach to housing land usage as set out in the Local Development Plan and the specific sites consultation just published, remains appropriate for this Borough and confirms that it will not contemplate a return to the policy of the last Labour administration of proposing to build houses, and other inappropriate developments on green space across the borough.