### **MINUTE EXTRACT**



# Minutes of the Meeting of the ENVIRONMENT AND CULTURE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

## Held: WEDNESDAY, 6 SEPTEMBER 2006 at 5.30pm

# <u>PRESENT:</u>

<u>Councillor Connelly - Chair</u> <u>Councillor Henry – Focus Team Spokesperson</u> <u>Councillor Mrs. Maw – Conservative Spokesperson</u>

Councillor Hall

Councillor Karim Councillor Shelton

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### 13. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were asked to declare any interests they may have in the business on the agenda and/or indicate that Section 106 applied to them.

Councillor Henry declared a non-prejudicial interest in item 6 on the agenda, "Revised Conditions of Fitness for Hackney Carriages", as she was Chair of the Licensing Committee.

### 17. FESTIVALS AND EVENTS PROGRAMME 2007/8 to 2008/9

The Corporate Director, Regeneration and Culture, submitted a report on the festivals and events programme for the three years 2006/07 to 2008/09.

Members asked when the Belgrave Mela was taking place. They also asked if negotiations had taken place with the police regarding the high cost of charges to organisations. It was explained that the Belgrave Mela were organising an Asian Arts Event and market in the City Centre on 17 September. It was also explained that all events were required to follow guidance with regard to health and safety and it was acknowledged that the increase in such costs was a problem for some organisations.

Discussion took place regarding the Christmas tableau in the Town Hall Square and Members expressed the opinion that there should be two tableaux, as in previous years, as they were very popular, and that each should be relevant to a different age group. A particular preference for the Noddy tableau was expressed for 2006, as it was felt that this would be more recognisable for young children.

### **RESOLVED**:

That the Committee recommend to Cabinet that they consider reintroducing two tableaux in the Town Hall Square and that they choose the Noddy tableau for 2006.