




Report to:	Council	Date:	2 November 2015
Report title:	Requisition Report		
Report from:	Jessica Crowe, Monitoring Officer		
Ward/Areas affected:	Borough wide		
Chair of Committee/Lead Member:	The Mayor, Cllr Muhammad Sadiq		
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Corporate Plan Priorities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An Open Council • A Fair Council 		
Open/Exempt:	Open		
Signed:		Date:	21 October 2015

1. Summary

- 1.1 In accordance with committee procedure rule 23.4 Requisitions, Full Council is asked to consider a requisition relating to a decisions made by the Strategy and Resources Committee held on 29 September 2015.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 To consider the requisition request relating to Item 14, The Lodge - Heads of Terms for Transfer to EcoLocal considered by the Strategy and Resources Committee held on 29 September 2015.

3. Background

- 3.1 The text of the requisition is set out below:

“We wish to requisition the sale of the Lodge to EcoLocal as discussed at S&R due to serious concerns about the sale of the property at market value. This is to be done at Full Council.”

- 3.2 The requisition request was made by Councillors: Jane Pascoe, Tony Shields, Neil Garratt, David Hicks and Tim Crowley. As required by the procedure rules members were asked to clarify the outcome sought through the requisition process. Cllr Crowley provided these as follows:

“We are seeking to obtain a better financial result for the council in these financially straitened times where we are closing down many other buildings and services.



The report states in 6.1 the council are "seeking the transfer of the building at lower than market value with the difference made up by an evaluation of community benefits"
 We do not believe that the community benefit case has been sufficiently made to allow the transfer of this asset at such a below market value. The opposition are looking for a more robust argument as to why Ecolocal should be the beneficiaries of such a large amount of taxpayers' money."

4. Issues

4.1 The process for considering requisitions is for the relevant chair to move the adoption of the minute of the decisions that have been requisitioned, which all members thus have an opportunity to debate and vote upon.

5. Options Considered

5.1 Full Council can agree the resolutions made by the Strategy and Resources Committee or take the action requested by the Councillors requisitioning the decision.

6. Impacts and Implications

Financial

6.1 The financial implications of this decision are set out in the original report which is attached at appendix A.

Legal

6.2 The legal implications of this decision are set out in the original report which is attached at appendix A.

7. Appendices and Background Documents

Appendix letter	Title
A	Strategy and Resources Committee resolution relating to Item 14, The Lodge - Heads of Terms for Transfer to EcoLocal
B	Report Item 14, The Lodge - Heads of Terms for Transfer to EcoLocal Considered by the Strategy and Resources Committee 28/09/15 (Circulated to members separately and available online at https://moderngov.sutton.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=146&MId=3993&Ver=4)

Background documents
None

Audit Trail		
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Consultation with other officers		
Finance	No	
Legal	No	

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