# LONDON BOROUGH OF BRENT COUNCIL MEETING – 11<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2006

## Items Selected by Non-Executive Members under Standing Order 39

(a) From Councillor Pagnamenta

## **Recycling Plastics**

I call on the Executive to introduce improved opportunities for recycling plastics. In particular, I ask the Executive to consider the full benefits of a doorstep plastics recycling service, because there is evidence that this will improve public perceptions and boost the overall recycling performance.

## (b) From Councillor Crane

#### **Executive Decision-making**

The Council notes the decision of the Deputy Leader of the Council to suspend production of ward-based newsletters apparently without reference to the Executive. This 'decision' was communicated to councillors by e-mail leading to a fear that the new Lib Dem Con administration intends to by-pass the usual decision-making arrangements and may also scrap other popular initiatives in the same way. I urge Executive to ensure that even senior members are made accountable to them.

#### (c) From Councillor Detre

#### National Baseball/Softball Centre – Northwick Park

My residents are well served with sports facilities. Within walking distance is the Vale Farm Sports Ground and the new golf club offers a 6 hole course. Nearby is Sudbury Golf club and two sports and health clubs. Harrow school has floodlit tennis courts.

An application has been submitted for funding by Baseball/Softball UK to build the National Baseball /Softball centre on Northwick Park. This would require 6 large baseball diamonds with 12 foot fences and a stadium for seating.

The Executive should review our strategies and make it clear that we do not want the National Baseball Centre here.