

**MOTION TO AMEND TERMS OF REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE
ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE WATERFRONT DEVELOPMENT PROJECT
INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION**

Signed by the nine Councillors for Staines' wards, proposed by Cllr Sinead Mooney, seconded by Cllr Veena Siva.

Approved by Spelthorne Borough Council 14 October 2021

This motion is in three parts, with the request that each part be subject to a recorded vote:

- a) The Terms of Reference for the independent investigation that formed part of the announcement on 20 August 2021 are not comprehensive enough to guarantee that all possible aspects are fully investigated. The Review Group, comprising Cllrs Nichols, Barnard and Noble are instructed to revise the Terms of Reference to incorporate all the points requested by the Councillors for Staines, Staines South and Riverside and Laleham and detailed in their email dated 24th September 2021. The Council further notes that the Independent Investigator is prepared to accept those additions and requires that the revised Terms of Reference are published without delay.
- b) The Review Group are instructed to ensure that the Chief Executive shall have no involvement in the conduct of the Inquiry or its Terms of Reference, ensure that the Principal Lawyer undertakes the cooperation with all requests for information and cooperation from Council Staff. The Council notes the public concern that is associated with the Chief Executive having any involvement in the Inquiry, other than to give evidence to it, given his central role in the Waterfront Development Project which is the subject of this Waterfront Inquiry.
- c) The person appointed to conduct the independent investigation shall have access to any or all documentation and/or personnel he/she feels would be relevant to his/her investigations without encumbrance.