

Proposed amendment to motion on use of BBQ's

After paragraph four which reads:

London's Fire Commissioner Andy Roe has said "Despite our grass fire warnings, we've still seen some people behaving carelessly and recklessly. On Saturday (23rd July) firefighters prevented a serious blaze at Wanstead Flats caused using a disposable barbecue. We need urgent action now to see a national ban on the sale of disposable barbecues. They can be bought for as little as five pounds and can cause untold damage, especially when the grass is as dry as it has been over the last few weeks".

Remove all remaining text and replace with:

This council recognises the particular threat that disposable barbecues pose and supports the comments made by Andy Roe. It believes that the banning of retail sales of disposable barbecues is the easiest and most effective way to prevent them being used on council land.

It therefore calls on the Government to introduce a national ban on the sale of disposable barbecues as soon as possible and resolves to write to the relevant government departments and our local MPs expressing this view.

Proposer: Councillor Julian Saunders

Seconder: Councillor Tim Gibson