

The bottom line on office furniture

A SET of stylish royal blue armchairs arrived in council leader Steve Reed's office.

Lambeth's former deputy leader, Tory councillor John Whelan, is not happy.

"Lambeth Labour seem to be swapping agendas and minutes for cups of tea and biscuits," he told the political diary.

"This is a completely unnecessary waste of taxpayers' money. They should be paying for luxuries like this out of their own allowances."

Lambeth Labour has refused to take the criticism sitting down.

You have to laugh. Cllr Reed might have a comfortable new chair but it looks like Cllr Whelan intends to make sure the Labour leader still has a pain in the backside.