

MINUTES OF THE FORWARD PLAN SELECT COMMITTEE
Wednesday, 28th November 2007 at 7.30 pm

PRESENT: Councillor Leaman (Vice Chair in the Chair) and Councillors V Brown, Castle, J Long, Malik and Powney.

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Coughlin and Detre.

1. Declarations of personal and prejudicial interests

Councillor Leaman declared a personal interest in the item relating to the Willesden Sports Centre as member of the Centre.

2. Minutes of previous meeting

RESOLVED:

that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 24th October 2007 be approved as an accurate record subject to the deletion of 'voucher scratch card system' and the substitution therefore of 'mobile payment system' in Clause 10 – 'Items considered by the Executive that were not included in the Forward Plan', para 2, line 14.

3. Call-In of Executive Decisions from the Meeting of the Executive on 12th November 2007 (if any)

It was noted that no items had been called in for scrutiny.

4. The Executive List of Decisions - 12th November 2007

The list of decisions was noted.

5. Briefing notes / information updates requested by the Select Committee following consideration of Version 7 (2007/08) of the Forward Plan

RESOLVED:

- (i) that the briefing notes/reports on the following be noted:
 - (a) The Transfer of Primary Care Trust led Children's Centre Staff and Buildings to the Local Authority
 - (b) Proposed Community Primary and Nursery Schools Admissions Arrangements for September 2009
 - (c) Willesden Sports Centre Private Finance Initiative – Change of Control
 - (d) Contract Award – CCTV Framework Agreement
 - (e) to update the Council's Allocation Scheme
 - (f) Meals Service Contract
 - (g) Northwick Park Golf Course, Watford Road (full report to be circulated)
 - (h) Voluntary Organisations Update
 - (i) Brent Council Travel Plan

- (ii) that further information be submitted on the Meals Service Contract report including the expected number of tenderers and timetable for the decision;
- (iii) that a discussion take place at the next meeting on the Committee's future working including the value of, ways of improving and possible alternatives to briefing notes.

6. **The Forward Plan – Issue 7 2007/08**

Issue 7 of the Forward Plan (3rd December 2007 – 4th April 2008) was before members for consideration. The Select Committee made the following requests:-

(i) *Waste Policy and Compulsory Recycling*

The Select Committee requested a briefing note on this item as they wished to consider the policy issues. The relevant Lead Member and lead officer were requested to attend and answer members' questions.

(ii) *Festivals Strategy*

The Select Committee requested a briefing note on this item as they also wished to raise the suggestion of celebrating St George's Day and also Shakespeare Day.

(iii) *Melrose re-provision of residential and respite care authority to tender*

The Select Committee requested a briefing note on this item at Councillor Long's suggestion. The relevant Lead Member and lead officer were requested to attend and answer members' questions.

(iv) *Temporary Accommodation Update*

Councillor Malik suggested and the Committee agreed to request a briefing note on this report.

(v) *The Future of Customer Contact Progress*

The Select Committee requested a briefing note on this item at Councillor Malik's suggestion.

(vi) *Day Services Modernisation Learning Disabilities*

The Select Committee requested a briefing note on this item at Councillor Long's suggestion. The relevant Lead Member and lead officer were requested to attend and answer members' questions.

- (vii) *Delegation of Anti-Social Behaviour Order functions to Brent Housing Partnership*

Councillor Castle suggested and the Committee agreed to request a briefing note on this item.

- (viii) *Barham Park Estate redevelopment options*

Committee agreed to Councillor Powney's suggestion for a briefing note on this item.

- (ix) *Authority to tender reports:*
- *housing support services for people with mental health needs*
 - *floating housing support for older people*
 - *tender housing support services for ex-offenders, drug and alcohol users and young people*

The Select Committee agreed to request a briefing note on these items as suggested by Councillor Long. The relevant Lead Member and lead officer were requested to attend and answer members' questions.

7. Items considered by the Executive that were not on the Forward Plan

None.

The meeting ended at 7.50 pm

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in the Chair