

Meeting: GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

Date: Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2007

Time: 8.00 pm

Venue: Committee Room 4, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Brent Town Hall,

Forty Lane, Wembley, HA9 9HD

## **AGENDA**

## Membership:

Members	1 <sup>st</sup> Alternates	2 <sup>nd</sup> Alternates
JOHN (C)	Powney	Singh
BLACKMAN (VC)	Kansagra	Mendoza
BESSONG	V Brown	
BESWICK	R Moher	Moloney
D BROWN	Tancred	·
CASTLE	CJ Patel	
COLWILL	Baker	Dunwell
D LONG	Thomas	Ahmed
LORBER	Dunn	
J MOHER	Arnold	Bacchus
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Introductions, if appropriate.

Apologies for absence and clarification of alternate members

#### 1. Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests

Members are invited to declare, at this stage of the meeting, any relevant financial or other interest in the items on this agenda.

### p.1 2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting – 16<sup>th</sup> January 2007

#### 3. Matters Arising

#### 4. Deputations

#### p.7 5. Report from the Director of Finance and Corporate Resources

# Pension scheme access for the Avigdor Hirsch Torah Temimah Primary School

The Local Government Pension Scheme Regulations (LGPS) require that non teaching employees of certain voluntary aided schools may only become members of the scheme if the Local Education Authority, with the school's consent, pass a "statutory resolution" allowing a particular employee or class of employees such membership.

On the 16<sup>th</sup> January 2007, the General Purposes Committee considered a report regarding a request from Avigdor Hirsch Torah Temimah Primary School (TTPS) that the Council allow a member of its staff to become a member of the pension scheme. The Committee decided to defer the decision pending further information. This report requests members to decide whether a resolution will be passed following receipt of further information from the school.

Appendix also below.

#### p.13 6. Report from the Director of Human Resources and Diversity

#### **Smoke-Free Policy**

Regulations made under the Health Act 2006 to make smoke-free all workplaces, work or public vehicles and public premises, which are enclosed or substantially enclosed, will take effect on July 1<sup>st</sup> 2007. This report asks that members note the effect of the new duty to enforce the smoke-free regulations in respect of the work place, work or public vehicles and public premises. Additionally, this Committee is asked to approve the new Smoke-Free Policy attached to this report insofar as it relates to employment matters.



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#### 7. Sub-Committee Membership Changes

#### p.27 8. Report from the Democratic Services Manager

#### **Appointments to Outside Bodies**

This report from the Democratic Services Manager requests:

- (i) that members nominate a representative to serve on the Members' Council of the Central and North West London NHS Mental Health Trust;
- (ii) that members nominate a representative to serve on the Board of Directors of the Chalkhill Community Centre;
- (iii) that members consider the request from the trustees of the Kingsbury Charity to remove the Council's nomination rights to the organisation.

Members appointed to outside bodies are reminded that they must include details of their appointment in their notification of financial and other interests.

#### 9. Date of Next Meeting

The date of next meeting of the General Purposes Committee will be confirmed following the Annual General Meeting in May 2007.

#### 10. Any Other Urgent Business

Notice of items to be raised under this heading must be given in writing to the Democratic Services Manager or his representative before the meeting in accordance with Standing Order No 65.

#### 11. Exclusion of the Press and Public

Please note that Appendix 1 of this report is not for publication as it contains the following category of exempt information as specified in Paragraph 1, Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, namely: Information relating to any individual.

#### p.41 12. **APPENDIX:**

Pension scheme access for the Avigdor Hirsch Torah Temimah Primary School (see report above)



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