

Meeting: PERFORMANCE & FINANCE SELECT COMMITTEE

Date: Tuesday, 22nd January 2008

Time: **7.30 pm**

Venue: Committee Room 4, 2nd Floor, Brent Town Hall, Forty Lane, Wembley, HA9 9HD

AGENDA

Membership:

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Introductions, if appropriate.

Apologies for absence and clarification of alternate members

1. Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests (if any)

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

2. **Deputations (if any)**

p.1 3. Minutes of the Last Meeting Held on 28th November 2007

The minutes are attached.

4. Matters Arising

p.11 5. Report from the Director of Finance and Corporate Resources

Revenue and Benefits Performance

This report provides an update on performance in relation to Council Tax and Business Rate (NNDR) collection as at 31st December 2007. Capita and Brent officer representatives will be available at the meeting to respond to any questions arising.

Both Council tax and NNDR in year collection are positive however Council Tax arrears collection up to 2005/06 remains of concern.

Margaret Read (Head of Revenue and Benefits) will present the report at the meeting and respond to Members' questions.

Representatives from Capita will also be in attendance to respond to Members' questions.



p.19 6. Waste Contract Performance

This report concerns the performance, after 9 months, of the Council's Waste Services Contract with Veolia. The contractor provides the following:

- Household Waste Collection
- Bulky Household Waste Collection
- Household Clinical Waste Collection
- Street Cleansing
- Winter Maintenance
- Bring Bank Recycling Collection
- Kerbside Collection of Dry Recyclables Kerbside Collection of Organic Waste

Officers from Environment and Culture will present at the report at the meeting and respond to Members' questions.

Representatives from the contractor, Veolia, will also be in attendance to respond to Members' questions.

p.31 7. Report from the Directors of Human Resources and Diversity

Staff Survey 2006-7 - Action Plan

This report reviews progress on implementation of the 2006-7 Staff Survey Action Plan highlighting achievements and work in progress. It will be appreciated that for many of the initiatives the full impact and realisation of the benefits will become more evident over time.

Officers from Human Resources and Diversity will present the report at the meeting and respond to Members' questions.

8. **Performance & Finance Select Committee Work Programme**

Members are asked to consider future topics to be included in the Select Committee's Work Programme.

9. Items Requested onto the Overview and Scrutiny Agenda (if any)

There have been none.

10. Recommendations from the Executive for Items to be Considered by the Performance and Finance Select Committee (if any)

There have been none.

11. Date of Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, 11th March 2008 at 7.30 pm.



12. Any Other Urgent Business

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