

**London Borough of Brent
Summary of Decisions taken by the Executive
on Monday 12 March 2012**

PRESENT: Councillor John (Chair), Councillor Butt (Vice-Chair) and Councillors Arnold, Beswick, Crane, Jones, Long, J Moher, R Moher and Powney

ALSO PRESENT: Councillors Al-Ebadi, Gladbaum, Harrison, Hashmi, Hunter, Lorber, McLennan and CJ Patel

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5.	Safeguarding and Looked After Children Inspection - outcome and action plan	All Wards	(i) that the outcome of the Safeguarding and Looked After Children inspection report for Brent be noted; (ii) that Members approval be given to the revised Action Plan contained in Appendix B which addresses the recommendations identified in the inspection report and articulates the department's ambitions to make significant and far reaching improvements to the service; (iii) that authority to be delegated to the Director of Children and Families to make amendments to the Action Plan as required, to ensure this continues to drive improvement.
6.	Education Standards in Brent 2011	All Wards	that the following be noted: a) Continuing improvements in education standards in Brent schools b) The contribution made by Services to Schools to these outcomes c) Priorities identified at each Key Stage in order to accelerate further improvements in educational standards.
7.	Authority for exemption to tender contract for SEN Independent Special School provision	All Wards	(i) that approval be given for an exemption from the usual requirement of Contract Standing Orders in accordance with paragraph 84(a) of Contract Standing Orders for the good operational reasons set out in section 3.1 – 3.2.9 of the report, to allow the award of a three-year contract

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			<p>to TCES from 1 September 2012 to 31 August 2015 at the rates outlined in this report and agreed in principle with TCES;</p> <p>(ii) that the cost reduction in current 'spot' purchase rates for Brent young people already placed at NWLIS for the interim period March 2012 to August 2012 from when the 3 year contract will proceed be noted;</p> <p>(iii) that authority be delegated to the Director of Children and Families to conclude negotiations with TCES and award the proposed 3 year block contract.</p>
8.	Barham Park Improvements	Sudbury	<p>(i) that the Trustees approve a £30,000 budget to develop an option appraisal, project management plan and feasibility study for the future uses of the Barham Park buildings and options for improving the open space. This will be funded from the Barham Park Trust income from the sale of 776 and 778 Harrow Road;</p> <p>(ii) that following approval of recommendation (i) by the Trustees, officers will obtain the necessary approvals from the Charity Commission to spend the Trust funds;</p> <p>(iii) that the Trustees ask officers to advertise (at the appropriate time) the proposed letting of public open space (as set out in paragraph 5.5 below) under Section 123 of the Local Government Act 1972 and if in the opinion of the Assistant Director - Property and Asset Management, there are significant objections to report back to the Trustees for it to consider.</p>
9.	Temporary expansion of Brent schools: 2012-13	All Wards	<p>(i) that the current and future demand for primary school places as set out in Section 3 of the report from the Directors of Regeneration and Major Projects and Children and Families be noted;</p> <p>(ii) that approval be given to the allocation of £1.35m from the Council's Main Capital Programme for providing additional primary 'bulge' classes places across Brent schools from September 2012;</p> <p>(iii) that approval be given to the list of school and non-school based</p>

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			<p>schemes listed in Appendix 1 of the report for providing temporary primary provision, subject to due diligence completed by the Council and agreement with the school;</p> <p>(iv) that agreement be given to the prioritised use of properties listed under Table 9 in Appendix 1 for the purpose of providing temporary primary provision.</p> <p>(v) that authority be delegated to the Director of Regeneration and Major Projects and Director of Children and Families in conjunction with the Lead Member of Regeneration and Major Projects to substitute a scheme with another if any of the proposed schemes in Appendix 1 are not feasible, subject to due diligence completed by the Council and agreement with the school.</p> <p>(vi) that authority be delegated to the Director of Regeneration and Major Projects to appoint one or more works contractors using existing construction frameworks, for the recommended temporary school expansion schemes referred to in paragraph (iii) above.</p>
10.	Former Charteris Sports Centre, 24-30 Charteris Road, NW6 7ET	Kilburn	that the Director of Regeneration and Major Projects Executive be authorised to agree a sale of the property in accordance with the confidential appendix to the Director’s report and to accept the highest bid.
11.	Brent Town Hall Planning Brief	Barnhill; Tokyngton; Welsh Harp	<p>(i) that the contents of the development brief (Appendix One to the report from the Director of Regeneration and Major Projects) be noted and approval given to its adoption as a “Supplementary Planning Document”;</p> <p>(ii) that the results of the consultation exercise be noted and agreement given to the Council’s response as set out in Appendix Two to the report;</p> <p>(iii) that the Director, Regeneration and Major Projects be authorised to make further editorial changes to the document in relation to advice from the council’s consultant’s advising on the historic building implications and</p>

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			managing the disposal process.
12.	186 Church Road London NW10 9NP - disposal of a shop and upper parts	Dudden Hill	(i) that the arrangement for the disposal of 186 Church Road London NW10 9NP be noted; (ii) that agreement be given to the sale of the property by auction or such other means as considered appropriate to secure the best consideration; (iii) that authority to be delegated to the Assistant Director, Property and Asset Management, in consultation with the Borough Solicitor to agree matters as required in order to bring the disposal to a satisfactory and completion.
13.	Approval for arrangements to procure Supporting People services for existing contracts terminating in 2012 to 2014	All Wards	(i) that the update on the progress of the West London framework procurement project be noted; (ii) that agreement be given to an exemption from the usual tendering requirements of Contract Standing Orders to award interim contracts for Supporting People funded services to existing providers on the basis of good operational and financial reasons as set out in paragraph 3.3 to 3.4 of the report from the Director of Adult Social Services and the Director of Regeneration and Major Projects; (iii) that approval be given to the award of interim contracts for Supporting People funded services as set out in Table 1 of section 3.3 of the report for a period of up to 5 months; (iv) that approval be given to a one year contract extension to the Single Homeless Hostels contracts detailed in section 3.3 of the Directors' report. (v) that approval be given to the pre-tender considerations and the criteria to be used to evaluate tenders as set out in paragraph 3.5 of the report. (vi) that approval be given to officers inviting expressions of interest,

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			agreeing shortlists, inviting tenders for the Supporting People Housing Related Support Services Framework and their evaluation in accordance with the evaluation criteria referred to in (v) above; (vii) that the Supporting People budget and saving update be noted.
14.	London 2012	All Wards	(i) that the progress being made on delivery of a successful Olympics in the Borough be noted; (ii) that agreement be given to Brent providing mutual aid as appropriate to other boroughs once position is clarified; (iii) that services work closely with Police and health professionals to deliver safe events within the borough; (iv) that it be noted that it has been agreed to allow staff affected by the 2012/13 leave restrictions, the ability to sell 10 days annual leave back to the council during 2012/13.
15.	Khat Task Group - final report	All Wards	(i) that the recommendations set out in the report be agreed; (ii) that the members of the task group be thanked for their work.
16.	Appointments to a Framework for Electronic Legal Resources	All Wards	(i) that the progress of the bidding process for a multi-provider framework for on-line legal resources as set out in section 4 of the report from the Director of Legal and Procurement be noted; (ii) that authority be delegated to the Director of Legal and Procurement to make appointments to the framework once the evaluation is completed.
17.	Performance and Finance review 2010/11 Quarter 3	All Wards	(i) that the finance and performance information contained in this report be noted and agreement given to remedial actions as necessary; (ii) that the current and future strategic risks associated with the information provided be noted and agreement given to remedial actions as appropriate;

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			(iii) that it be noted that it be noted that progress will be challenged with responsible officers as necessary.