



## Forward Plan Select Committee

**Wednesday, 2 December 2009 at 7.30 pm**  
Committee Room 4, Brent Town Hall, Forty Lane,  
Wembley, HA9 9HD

### Membership:

#### Members

Councillors:

Long (Chair)  
Castle (Vice-Chair)  
V Brown  
Coughlin  
Mistry  
HB Patel  
Powney  
Tancred

#### first alternates

Councillors:

Farrell  
Leaman  
Bessong  
Butt  
HM Patel  
Kansagra  
J Moher  
Motley

#### second alternates

Councillors:

Dunn  
Hirani  
Fox  
Steel  
Joseph  
John  
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# Agenda

Introductions, if appropriate.

Apologies for absence and clarification of alternate members

Item	Page
<b>1 Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial interests</b>	
Members are invited to declare, at this stage of the meeting, any relevant financial or other interest in the items on this agenda.	
<b>2 Deputations (if any)</b>	
<b>3 Minutes of the Previous Meeting held on Tuesday, 3rd November 2009</b>	1 - 10
The minutes are attached.	
<b>4 Matters Arising (if any)</b>	
<b>5 Call-in of Executive Decisions from the Meeting of the Executive on Monday, 16th November 2009</b>	11 - 32

Decisions made by the Executive on the 16<sup>th</sup> November 2009 in respect of the report below were called-in for consideration by the Forward Plan Select Committee in accordance with Standing Order 18.

### ***Authority to Award the Residential and Respite Care Contract for People with Learning Difficulties***

The decisions made at the Executive meeting in respect of this item were:-

- (i) that approval be given to the award of the contract for the provision of residential and respite care services for people with learning disabilities for a period of 3 years commencing on 1 February 2010 with an option to extend the contract for a further two-year period to The Camden Society subject to resolution of pensions arrangements and to subsequent endorsement of arrangements by the General Purposes Committee;
- (ii) that the Director of Housing and Community Care be authorised, in consultation with the Director of Finance and Corporate Resources and the Borough Solicitor to resolve pensions arrangements;
- (iii) that approval be given to the grant of short term rent free leases in respect of Melrose House, the three properties at Tudor Gardens and the property at Willesden Lane to The Camden Society in

accordance upon the terms of the Contract for the reason set out in paragraph 7.10 of the report from the Director of Housing and Community Care.

The reasons for the call-in are:

- (i) Concern about the security of staff on TUPE transfer;
- (ii) The implications of the new contract on the terms of the Local Government Pension Scheme;
- (iii) The security of current residents in the new establishments given that the preferred provider is anticipating a proportion of them being in a semi self supporting regime;
- (iv) The lack of consideration of proposals put forward by our own employees.

The Executive report is attached. The Lead Member and Lead Officer are invited to attend the meeting to respond to Members' questions.

**6 The Executive List of Decisions for the Meeting that took place on Monday, 16th November 2009** 33 - 36

The List of Decisions from the meeting of the Executive that took place on Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> November 2009 is attached.

**7 Briefing Notes/Information Updates requested by the Select Committee following consideration of Issue 7 (2009/10) of the Forward Plan** 37 - 38

***Termination of Middlesex House and Lancelot Housing Scheme***

The Select Committee requested a briefing note on this item providing the background details to the decision due to be considered.

The Executive report is also attached.

**8 Briefing Notes/Information Updates requested by the Select Committee from earlier versions of the Forward Plan**

**a) Cultural Strategy for Brent 2010-2015** 39 - 40

The Select Committee requested a briefing note on this item providing details of who out of the 400 local organisations contacted responded to the consultation, what involvement was there with voluntary sector organisations and schools and were there any changes made to the proposals following the responses to the consultation.

b) Petition for Changes to the Consultation Process

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The Select Committee requested a briefing note providing information as to whether the decision by the Executive on 16<sup>th</sup> October that consultation documents make it clear that consultations are open to all residents within a single household represents a change in policy of consultation undertaken by the Transportation Unit and whether the consultation documents returned must be originals or whether a photocopy is acceptable.

The Executive report is also attached.

**9 The Forward Plan - Issue 8**

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Issue 8 (07.12.09 to 04.04.10) of the Forward Plan is attached.

**10 Items considered by the Executive that were not included in the Forward Plan (if any)**

None.

**11 Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Forward Plan Select Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> January 2009 at 7.30 pm.

**12 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 64.



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