

## **Executive**

### Monday, 15 March 2010 at 7.00 pm

Committee Rooms 1, 2 and 3, Brent Town Hall, Forty Lane, Wembley, HA9 9HD

### Membership:

Lead Member	Portfolio
Councillors:	

Lorber (Chair) Leader of the Council

Blackman (Vice-Chair) Deputy Leader of the Council

Allie Lead Member for Housing and Customer Services
D Brown Lead Member for Highways and Transportation
Colwill Lead Member for Adults, Health and Social Care

Detre Lead Member for Regeneration and Economic

Development

Matthews Lead Member for Crime Prevention and Public Safety Sneddon Lead Member for HR and Diversity and Local

**Democracy and Consultation** 

Van Colle Lead Member for Environment, Planning and Culture

Wharton Lead Member for Children and Families

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### The press and public are welcome to attend this meeting

## **Agenda**

Introductions, if appropriate.

Apologies for absence and clarification of alternate members.

**Item** Page

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.

2 Minutes of the previous meeting

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- 3 Matters arising (if any)
- 4 Deputations (if any)

### **Environment and Culture Reports**

5 Environment and Culture Capital Spend 2010/11: Highways Major 13 - 30 Works programme

This report makes recommendations to members detailing the prioritised programme for major footway upgrade projects, carriageway resurfacing schemes, improvements to grass verge areas and accessibility, renewal of marginal highway land, public realm improvements on primary routes, new street signage, gulley maintenance, concrete roads, carriageway resurfacing – short sections, footway upgrades – short sections, the maintenance of road channels and footway boundaries to facilitate street cleaning, and highway improvements in the Park Royal area. The Executive are asked to approve the expenditure for the 2010/11capital works programme.

(Appendices circulated separately)

Appendices 6, 6a and 7 are available for inspection the Council's website.

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### **Children and Families Reports**

6 Determination of proposals to discontinue Grove Park Special 31 - 52 School and alter Hay Lane Special School

This report seeks the Executive's determination of the statutory proposals (published on 31 December 2009) to discontinue Grove Park Special School and alter Hay Lane Special School (see Appendix A). The representation period ended on 12 February 2010. The net effect of determining these proposals as recommended is to discontinue Grove Park Special School and to expand Hay Lane Special School so that all the children registered at Grove Park Special School can move to Hay Lane Special School. (Appendices circulated separately)

Ward Affected: Lead Member: Councillor Wharton

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7 Authority to tender works contract for a new build Intergenerational 53 - 58 Children's Centre at Kingsbury High School

This report concerns the procurement process for the new build Kingsbury Intergenerational Children's Centre. This report requests approval to continue the procurement process and to invite tenders in respect of the works as required by Contract Standing Orders 88 and 89

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8 Commissioning of the specialist Child and Adolescent Mental Health 59 - 64 Service (CAMHS) in Brent 2010-11

The Children and Families department are seeking exemption from the full tender requirements and seeking approval from the Executive to commission CNWL to deliver this service on a one year contract from 1 April 2010 to 31 March 2011. By recommissioning the existing provider, it is hoped that there will be minimal disruption to delivery for 2010-11.

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9 Building Schools for the Future (BSF) - procurement of a Joint Local Education Partnership (LEP) with Barnet and Enfield Councils

This report asks the Executive to endorse the commitment made by the Chief Executive and Leader to enter into a joint procurement with Enfield and Barnet Councils. It is important to note that the inclusion of the right to withdraw in the MOU protects Brent's interests. Regular reviews will be carried to ensure Brent's position is protected and all requirements are

being fully met.

NB This report is to follow and will be circulated separately in advance of the meeting.

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### **Housing and Community Care Reports**

### 10 Supply and Demand and Temporary Accommodation

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This report seeks Members' approval of the lettings projections for 20010/11, and provides Members with an updated supply and demand analysis for housing, including lettings performance in 2009/10 and progress against Temporary Accommodation reduction targets.

Ward Affected: Lead Member: Councillor Allie

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## 11 Authority to proceed with refurbishment of 8 St Gabriel's Road and 89 - 94 170 Walm Lane NW2

This report asks the Executive for authority to proceed with the refurbishment and modernisation of two Council owned properties at 8 St Gabriel's Road NW2 and 170A Walm Lane NW2. This project is one of the work streams contained in Adult Social Care's Transformation Golden Project.

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# 12 Disposal of HRA freehold blocks/buildings (where leasehold interest 95 - 104 of all the individual dwellings have been sold)

This report addresses those freehold buildings owned by the Council where the long-leasehold interest for individual dwellings that comprise the freehold has been sold, in the main through Right to Buy. The Council's managing agent, Brent Housing Partnership (BHP) has concerns that the risks to the Council and the net costs of managing these properties far outweigh the benefits of ownership through the ground rent. BHP is recommending to the Council that they should

#### consider freehold disposals

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# 13 Authority to exempt from tendering a contract to provide a 105 - supported housing service at Livingstone House, 105 Melville Road 110

This report asks the Executive to agree that a proposed contract for supported housing services at Livingstone House 105 Melville Road NW10 8UB be exempted from the tendering requirements ordinarily required by the Council's Contract Standing Orders, for good operational and financial reasons as set out in the report.

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### 14 Local authorities new building programme

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Brent Council has received a funding allocation of £2.047 million to develop 21 new affordable homes on the St. Raphael's Estate under the Homes and Communities Agency Local Authority New Build programme. This report advises Members of steps being taken to progress the programme and specifically requests the Executive to grant delegated authority to the Director of Housing and Community Care to sign a Grant Agreement with the Homes and Community Agency and to grant delegated authority to the Director of Finance and Corporate Resources to prudentially borrow £1.689 million to be serviced by the rental income from the properties.

Appendix also referred to below

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# 15 Housing and social care non HRA PFI authority to award phase 2 of 121 - contract 136

The Housing and Social Care PFI was developed to provide social housing and replacement residential facilities for people with learning

disabilities with the aid of a government grant. Approval is now sought for the next phase of the contract.

Appendix also referred to below

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# 16 Housing and Community Care Social Care: partnership 137 - arrangements with NHA organisations under S75 Health Act 2010/11 140

This report recommends an extension to the Council's existing partnership agreement with Central and North West London Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust for up to 9 months from 1 April 2010.

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### **Central Reports**

### 17 Pupil safety on the journey to and from school

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This report sets out the findings and recommendations of the Children and Families Overview and Scrutiny task group investigation into how to improve pupil safety as they travel to and from school. This work will contribute to the administration's priority to improve services for youth in the borough.

Ward Affected: Lead Member

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### 18 Climate change task group

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This report sets out the findings and recommendations of the Overview and Scrutiny task group investigation into climate change in Brent, focussing on a review of the council's Carbon Management Strategy and Implementation Plan (CMS&IP).

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All Wards Contact Officer: Phil Newby, Director of Policy

and Regeneration

#### 19 Performance and Finance Review Quarter 3

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This report summarises Brent Council's spending, activity and performance in Quarter 3, 2009/10 and highlights key issues and solutions to them. It takes a corporate overview of financial and service performance and provides an analysis of high risk areas. The report is accompanied by appendices providing budget, activity and performance data for each service area, the Local Area Agreement, ring fenced budgets and the capital programme. Vital Signs trend data and graphs are also provided along with the council's overall budget summary. (Appendices circulated separately)

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## 20 Authority to tender contract for insurance of leaseholder 'right to 209 - buy' properties 216

This report seeks authority under Contract Standing Orders 88 and 89 to invite tenders for a single provider framework agreement for the provision of building insurance for private dwellings sold by the Council to tenants under the Right to Buy scheme. The framework agreement will commence on 1 August 2010 and will be for a period of 3 years.

Ward Affected: Lead Member: Councillor Blackman

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### 21 Disposal of 79a and 79b Tubbs Road

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This report seeks Executive's consent to the disposal of the above property on the terms detailed in this report.

Appendix also referred to below

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#### 22 Authority to agree a extension to the Council's existing contracts for 225 office supplies

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This report requests authority to agree a further three month extension to the Council's existing contracts with Office Depot (UK) Ltd and The Paper Company for the provision of office supplies. This report details briefly the procedure followed the London Contracts and Supply Group in procuring a framework agreement for the provision of office supplies and explains why a three month extension of existing arrangements is sought.

Appendix also referred to below

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#### 23 Reference of item considered by Forward Plan Select Committee (if 229 any)

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Forward Plan Select Committee – 9 February 2010

- Willesden Junction Station Councillor Call for Action request

### 24 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.

#### 25 **Exclusion of Press and Public**

The following items (circulated separately) are not for publication as they relate to the following category of exempt information as specified in the Local Government Act 1972 namely:

"Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)" and "Information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings."

### **Appendices** to reports referred to above:

- Local authorities new building programme
- Housing and social care non HRA PFI authority to award phase 2 of contract
- Disposal of 79a and 79b Tubbs Road
- Authority to agree a extension to the Council's existing contracts for office supplies

**Report from the Director of Housing and Community Care:** 

Termination of Middlesex House and Lancelot Road non HRA PFI authority to award phase 2 of contract

Date of the next meeting: Monday, 12 April 2010



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