

# SUMMONS TO ATTEND COUNCIL MEETING

### Monday 22 January 2018 at 7.00 pm

Conference Hall - Brent Civic Centre, Engineers Way, Wembley, HA9 0FJ

To the Mayor and Councillors of the London Borough of Brent and to each and every one of them.

I hereby summon you to attend the MEETING OF THE COUNCIL of this Borough.

CAROLYN DOWNS Chief Executive

Dated: Friday 12 January 2018

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#### **Notes for Members - Declarations of Interest:**

If a Member is aware they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest\* in an item of business, they must declare its existence and nature at the start of the meeting or when it becomes apparent and must leave the room without participating in discussion of the item.

If a Member is aware they have a Personal Interest\*\* in an item of business, they must declare its existence and nature at the start of the meeting or when it becomes apparent.

If the Personal Interest is also a Prejudicial Interest (i.e. it affects a financial position or relates to determining of any approval, consent, licence, permission, or registration) then (unless an exception at 14(2) of the Members Code applies), after disclosing the interest to the meeting the Member must leave the room without participating in discussion of the item, except that they may first make representations, answer questions or give evidence relating to the matter, provided that the public are allowed to attend the meeting for those purposes.

#### \*Disclosable Pecuniary Interests:

- (a) **Employment, etc. -** Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit gain.
- (b) **Sponsorship** Any payment or other financial benefit in respect expenses in carrying out duties as a member, or of election; including from a trade union.
- (c) **Contracts** Any current contract for goods, services or works, between the Councillors or their partner (or a body in which one has a beneficial interest) and the council.
- (d) **Land -** Any beneficial interest in land which is within the council's area.
- (e) **Licences-** Any licence to occupy land in the council's area for a month or longer.
- (f) **Corporate tenancies** Any tenancy between the council and a body in which the Councillor or their partner have a beneficial interest.
- (g) **Securities** Any beneficial interest in securities of a body which has a place of business or land in the council's area, if the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body or of any one class of its issued share capital.

#### \*\*Personal Interests:

The business relates to or affects:

- (a) Anybody of which you are a member or in a position of general control or management, and:
  - To which you are appointed by the council;
  - which exercises functions of a public nature;
  - which is directed is to charitable purposes;
  - whose principal purposes include the influence of public opinion or policy (including a political party of trade union).
- (b) The interests a of a person from whom you have received gifts or hospitality of at least £50 as a member in the municipal year:

or

A decision in relation to that business might reasonably be regarded as affecting, to a greater extent than the majority of other council tax payers, ratepayers or inhabitants of the electoral ward affected by the decision, the well-being or financial position of:

- You yourself;
- a member of your family or your friend or any person with whom you have a close association or any person or body who employs or has appointed any of these or in whom they have a beneficial interest in a class of securities exceeding the nominal value of £25,000, or any firm in which they are a partner, or any company of which they are a director
- any body of a type described in (a) above

## **Agenda**

#### 1 Apologies for Absence

To receive any apologies for absence from Members.

#### 2 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

To confirm as a correct record, the attached minutes from the following meetings of Council held on:

(a) Monday 18 September 2017; and

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(b) Monday 6 November 2017 (Extraordinary Council meeting)

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#### 3 Declarations of Interest

Members are invited to declare at this stage of the meeting, the nature and existence of any relevant disclosable pecuniary, personal or prejudicial interests in the items on this agenda and to specify the item(s) to which they relate.

#### 4 Mayor's Announcements (including any petitions received)

To receive any announcements from the Mayor.

# 5 Appointments to Committees and Outside Bodies and Appointment of Chairs/Vice Chairs (if any)

To agree any appointments to Committees and Outside Bodies in accordance with Standing Order 30(g).

#### 6 Reports from the Leader and Cabinet

To receive reports from the Leader and Cabinet Members in accordance with Standing Order 31.

#### 7 Deputations (if any)

To hear any deputations received from members of the public in accordance with Standing Order 32.

#### **8** Questions from Members of the Public

31 - 34

To receive questions from members of the public to Cabinet Members, in

accordance with Standing Order 33.

Two questions have been received from members of the public, which have been attached along with the written responses provided.

#### 9 Petitions (if any)

For Councillors to refer to petitions received and debate any with more than 200 signatures, where notice has been provided in accordance with the Council's petition rules and Standing Order 66.

#### 10 Non Cabinet Members' Debate

To enable non Cabinet Members to debate an issue of relevance to Brent for which notice has been provided in accordance with Standing Order 34 and to receive reports from Cabinet members on any issues previously raised.

#### 11 Questions from the Opposition and other Non-Cabinet Members

35 - 42

For questions to be put to members of the Cabinet in accordance with Standing Order 35.

Details of the seven questions received have been attached along with the written responses provided.

#### 12 Report from Chairs of Scrutiny Committees

43 - 82

To receive reports from the Chairs of the Council's Scrutiny Committees in accordance with Standing Order 36.

#### 13 Report from the Vice-Chair of the Audit Advisory Committee

83 - 88

To receive a report from the Vice-Chair of the Audit Advisory Committee in accordance with Standing Order 37.

#### 14 Emergency Preparedness: Task Group Report

89 - 158

Following the tragic fire at Grenfell Tower, a joint Task Group was formed between members of the Audit Advisory Committee and each of the Scrutiny Committees, to assess Brent's emergency preparedness.

The attached report sets out the Task Group's findings and recommendations and has been referred to Council, following consideration by the Audit Advisory Committee on 10 January 2018.

#### 15 Changes to the Constitution

159 - 192

Full Council is asked to agree the changes to the Constitution as set out within the attached report.

#### 16 2017/18 Mid - Year Treasury Report

193 - 204

This report provides Members with a mid-year update on Treasury Management activity for 2017/18.

The report has been reviewed by Audit Committee and is also due to be considered by Cabinet on 15 January 2018. Council is being asked to consider the report in accordance with the Treasury Management Strategy and Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy's (CIPFA) Code of Practice on Treasury Management.

**17 Motions** 205 - 208

To debate the motions submitted in accordance with Standing Order 41.

#### 18 Urgent Business

At the discretion of the Mayor to consider any urgent business, in accordance with Standing Order 30(r).



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