

LONDON BOROUGH OF BRENT

MINUTES OF THE CABINET Monday 21 May 2018 at 4.00 pm

PRESENT: Councillor M Butt (Chair), Councillor McLennan (Vice-Chair) and Councillors Farah, M Patel, Krupa Sheth, Southwood and Tatler

Also present: Councillors S Choudhary and Kennelly

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Agha and Hirani.

2. Declarations of Interest

Councillor Harbi Farah, Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care, declared a personal interest in respect of item 8 as a Director of the Help Somalia Foundation.

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

RESOLVED:-

that the minutes of the previous meeting, held on 9 April 2018, be approved as an accurate record of the meeting.

4. Matters Arising (if any)

There were no matters arising.

5. **Petitions (if any)**

There were no petitions submitted to be considered by Cabinet.

6. Appointments to Committees and Other Bodies

RESOLVED:-

Members received details of the Executive appointments to be made to Cabinet Committees, Joint Committees and Outside Bodies along with the appointment of any Chairs and Vice-Chairs where necessary.

7. Reference of item considered by Scrutiny Committees (if any)

None.

8. National Non Domestic Rates – Applications for Discretionary Rate Relief

Councillor Margaret McLennan, Deputy Leader of the Council, introduced the report informing Members that the Council has the discretion to award rate relief to charities or non-profit making bodies.

Councillor McLennan stated also that the Council also has the discretion to remit an individual National Non-Domestic Rate (NNDR) liability in whole or in part on the grounds of hardship. The award of discretionary rate relief is based on policy and criteria agreed by Cabinet on 15 November 2016.

RESOLVED:

- 8.1 That the applications for discretionary rate relief detailed in Appendix 2 to this report be approved.
- 8.2 That 100% rate relief be awarded to Meanwhile Space in respect of any empty rates they become liable for at Ujima House, 388 High Road, Wembley HA9 6AR whilst they are leaseholders of the property, the relief being awarded in accordance with section 49 of the Local Government Finance Act 1988. As detailed in sections 3.7 3.10 of the report
- 8.3 That 50% discretionary rate relief be awarded to Hackspace for 12 months commencing from their date of occupation in respect of business rates due at Ujima House, 388 High Road, Wembley HA9 6AR as detailed in sections 3.7 3.10 of the report.

9. Flexible Car Clubs

Councillor Krupa Sheth, Cabinet Member for Environment, introduced the report setting out how the introduction of a flexible car club could be beneficial for Brent with regards to providing an alternative to the private car, reducing private car ownership and congestion, and bringing about a change in travel behaviour.

Councillor Ellie Southwood, Cabinet Member for Housing, indicated her support for the initiative saying that it will be important to boost usage of Car Clubs.

RESOLVED:

- 9.1 That Cabinet notes the content of the report and agrees the recommendation to implement a flexible car club in the borough.
- 9.2 That Cabinet approves entering into a quarterly 3 year contract with DriveNow UK Limited for a three year duration on such terms as the Strategic Director of Regeneration & Environment in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Environment consider appropriate
- 9.3 That Cabinet approves an exemption from the usual tendering requirements of Contract Standing Orders in respect of the direct award of the contract(s) as detailed above for the good financial and/or operational reasons set out in the report.

10. Re-examine the funding decision for Olympic Way Improvements following the announcements of the possible sale of Wembley Stadium to a private individual/company

Councillor Shama Tatler, Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Highways and Planning, introduced the report informing Cabinet Members that in July 2017 Cabinet gave approval for allocating funds of up to £17.8 million to accelerate the delivery of the public realm for two of the three zones on Olympic Way.

Councillor Tatler stated that one zone is between Wembley Park underground station and the northern edge of Fulton Road (Zone B). The other zone is the area comprising the Wembley National Stadium 'pedway' with improvements being the replacement of the pedway with steps and public realm works from the foot of the pedway to the stadium (Zone C) to ensure delivery prior to Euro2020. The third zone is from Fulton Road to the foot of the pedway (Zone A) and public realm works for this Zone A have been entirely funded by Quintain.

Councillor Tatler stated that a "Statement of Common Ground" dating back to 2010 exists between the council and Quintain that allows for the application of CIL funds by London Borough of Brent (LBB) for the delivery of strategic infrastructure as identified in policy and the Infrastructure and Investment Framework (IIF). The above projects are within the IIF.

Councillor Tatler stated that Quintain has undertaken considerable design development for Zone C and are ready to instruct their design team to undertake detailed design for the steps and Zone C generally so that an order for the steps can be placed in September 2018.

Councillor Tatler informed Cabinet that the purpose of this report is to reexamine the funding decision for Olympic Way Improvements following the announcements of the possible sale of Wembley Stadium to a private individual/company. She stated that this report also updates Members on the progress made in implementing the improvement works.

Councillor Muhammed Butt, Leader of the Council, indicated that a set of revised recommendations had been tabled.

RESOLVED:

Cabinet RESOLVED that, if Wembley Stadium is sold to a private entity:

- 10.1 Cabinet re-examines the funding decision for Olympic Way improvements in the light of the possible change in ownership of Wembley Stadium and confirm that funding from Quintain and the Stadium owners forms a three way funding stream for Zone C.
- 10.2 Cabinet confirms or otherwise the contribution of up to £12.1 million towards Zone C improvements, such contribution being contingent on Quintain:
 - Not pursuing development of site NW04 adjacent to the Civic Centre to the extent currently permitted in the parameters plans associated with outline planning permission 10/3032

- b) Working with the Council to deliver a development that better complements the role and setting of the Civic Centre, in particular creating a significant new square outside the Civic Centre Library
- c) Agreeing a business plan and agreement, between Quintain and the council, for the future sharing and reinvestment of the net income generated through assets on Olympic Way in Zones A, B and C.
- d) Securing up to one third funding contribution from Wembley Stadium owners.
- 10.3 Cabinet notes that if confirmed the total contribution for Olympic Way improvements will be up to £17.8 million.
- 10.4 Cabinet, subject to the level of funding contribution from Wembley Stadium owners for Zone C improvements as detailed in recommendation (d) above, delegate to the Strategic Director Regeneration and Environment in consultation with the Cabinet Member of Regeneration, Highways & Planning authority to agree the adequacy of such contribution secured.
- 11. Authority to Award Contracts for Targeted Mental Health Services in Schools (TaMHS) and Emotional Health Services for Children with Disabilities, Children in Care and Care Leavers

Councillor Mili Patel, Cabinet Member for Children's Safeguarding, Early Help and Social Care, indicated that this report makes recommendations regarding the procurement of contracts for the provision of Emotional Health and Wellbeing services.

This report seeks approval to directly award a contract to Central and North West London NHS Trust for 12 months for Targeted Mental Health Services in schools (TaMHS) funded by DSG.

Councillor Patel stated that this report also seeks approval to directly award a contract to Central and North West London NHS Trust for Emotional Health and Wellbeing services for children with disabilities, Looked After Children and Care Leavers for 12 months.

She stated that there are opportunities to develop jointly commissioned emotional health and wellbeing services with Brent Clinical Commissioning Group. These direct contract awards will enable service alignment and continuity whilst further work is done to develop a joint commissioning strategy with Brent CCG.

RESOLVED:

- 11.1 That Cabinet approves an exemption pursuant to Contract Standing Order 84(a) of the requirement to tender a 12 month contract for Targeted Mental Health Services in schools for the operational reasons set out in paragraph 3.2 of the report.
- 11.2 That Cabinet approves the award of a 12 month contract for Targeted Mental Health Services in schools from 1st August 2018 to 31st July 2019 to Central and North West London NHS Foundation Trust for the value of £237,000.

- 11.3 That Cabinet approves an exemption pursuant to Contract Standing Order 84(a) of the requirement to tender a 12 month contract for Emotional Health and Wellbeing services for children with disabilities aged 0-18, Looked after Children and Care Leavers for the operational reasons set out in the report.
- 11.4 That Cabinet approves the award of a 12 month contract for Emotional Health and Wellbeing services for children with disabilities aged 0-18, Looked After Children and Care Leavers from 1st September 2018 to 31st August 2019 to Central and North West London NHS Foundation Trust for the value of £235,000.

12. Exclusion of Press and Public

None.

13. Any Other Urgent Business

None.

The meeting ended at 4.20 pm

COUNCILLOR MUHAMMED BUTT Chair