



LONDON BOROUGH OF BRENT

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

Monday 20 May 2019 at 4.30 pm

PRESENT: Councillor M Butt (Chair) and Councillors Agha, Farah, Colwill, Hirani, Krupa Sheth, Tatler and Miller.

1. **Apologies for absence and clarification of alternate members**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor McLennan, with Councillor Miller being present as a substitute.

2. **Declarations of interests**

There were no declarations of interests made by Members.

3. **Deputations (if any)**

There were no deputations received.

4. **Minutes of the previous meeting**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the previous meeting, held on 19 March 2019, be approved as an accurate record.

5. **Matters arising (if any)**

There were no matters arising.

6. **Review of Representation of Political Groups and Appointments**

Councillor Butt, Leader of the Council, stated that at its meeting on 1 May 2019 Full Council reviewed and determined the representation of political groups on its main committees and subsequently agreed appointments in accordance with the wishes of the political groups concerned.

He stated that Committee Members were now required to review and determine the representation of political groups on its Sub-committees as set out in the report and then make appointments giving effect to the wishes of the political groups.

RESOLVED:

- i. The contents of the Review of Representation of Political Groups and Appointments report be noted;

- ii. The size of each Sub-committee to be appointed by the Committee be agreed;
- iii. The allocation of seats to political groups on each of the Sub-committees be agreed in accordance with political balance rules.
- iv. Chairs and Vice-Chairs, Members and Substitutes be appointed to each Sub-committee as outlined in Minute Item 7.

7. **Appointments to Sub-Committees / Outside Bodies**

Councillor M Butt introduced the item which set out the proposed appointments to the General Purposes Sub-committees for the 2019/2020 Municipal Year.

RESOLVED:

- i. That Members agree the following appointments to the General Purposes Sub-Committees for the 2019/2020 Municipal Year:

SENIOR STAFF APPOINTMENTS SUB-COMMITTEE

M BUTT (C)	LABOUR
MCLENNAN (VC)	LABOUR
COLWILL	CONSERVATIVE
HIRANI	LABOUR
KRUPA SHETH	LABOUR

SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS:

LABOUR: AGHA, FARAH, MILLER, M PATEL, SOUTHWOOD, TATLER
CONSERVATIVE: KANSAGRA, MAURICE

SENIOR STAFF APPEALS SUB-COMMITTEE

M BUTT (C)	LABOUR
MCLENNAN (VC)	LABOUR
HIRANI	LABOUR
KANSAGRA	CONSERVATIVE
KRUPA SHETH	LABOUR

SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS:

LABOUR: AGHA, FARAH, M PATEL, SOUTHWOOD
CONSERVATIVE: COLWILL, MAURICE

BRENT PENSION FUND SUB-COMMITTEE

CHOUDHARY (C)	LABOUR
ADEN (VC)	LABOUR
ABDIRAZAK	LABOUR
DALY	LABOUR
MAURICE	CONSERVATIVE
PERRIN	LABOUR
STEPHENS	LABOUR

CO-OPTED NON-VOTING:

ELIZABETH BANKOLE (UNISON)

SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS:

LABOUR: CHOUDRY, KABIR, MCLEISH, NAHEERATHAN

CONSERVATIVE: COLWILL, KANSAGRA

BRENT PENSION BOARD

FULL MEMBERS:

DAVID EWART (C)
CRANE
KABIR

INDEPENDENT CHAIR

LABOUR
LABOUR

CHRIS BALA
BOLA GEORGE
ROBERT WHEELER
SEBASTIAN STEER

PENSIONSCHEME MEMBER
TRADE UNION (UNISON) MEMBER
TRADE UNION (GMB) MEMBER
EMPLOYER MEMBER (NON-BRENT COUNCIL)

SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS:

LABOUR: MARQUIS, R. PATEL

8. Brent Pension Board - Terms of Reference

Councillor M Butt introduced the report and accompanying appendices which set out proposals for the updating of the Brent Pension Board's Terms of Reference (ToR), pursuant of relevant guidance from the Pension Regulator and the Fund actuary. Whilst the main principles of the ToR were not subject to change, it was noted that the proposed revision would seek greater clarity over the purpose, roles, responsibilities and core functions of the board, in order to reflect the substantial increase in knowledge and experience of the Board since the previous terms were agreed in July 2015 following implementation of the Public Service Pensions Act 2013.

RESOLVED:

- i. That the revised Brent Pension Board Terms of Reference be approved as set out in Appendix B of the report.

9. Severance Approval

Councillor M Butt introduced the report which sought the Committee's approval for a severance payment to be made to an officer pursuant of a restructure following their redundancy. Whilst the total amount payable was in excess of £100,000, Members noted that it did not include any additional sums calculated in accordance with the Council's Managing Change Policy and the requirements of the Local Government Pension Scheme.

RESOLVED:

- i. That proposals for a severance payment to be made as set out in Appendix 1 (Part exempt) of the report be approved.

10. Exclusion of Press and Public

There were no exclusions of the Press and Public.

11. Any other urgent business

None.

The meeting closed at 16.35

COUNCILLOR MUHAMMED BUTT
Chair