



**Meeting: BUDGET PANEL**  
**Date: Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> February 2008**  
**Time: 7.30pm**  
**Venue: Committee Room 4, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Brent Town Hall,  
Forty Lane, Wembley, HA9 9HD**

## **AGENDA**

### **Membership:**

<b>Members</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Alternates</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Alternates</b>
<b>MENDOZA (C) V BROWN (VC)</b>	Detre Corcoran	H M Patel Motley
<b>CUMMINS GUPTA JOHN J MOHER</b>	Bessong Leaman Beswick Coughlin	C J Patel Anwar Jones Crane

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Introductions, if appropriate.

Apologies for absence and clarification of alternate members

1. **Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests (if any)**

Members are invited to declare at this stage of the meeting, any relevant financial or other interest in the items on this agenda.

2. **Deputations (if any)**

3. **Minutes of previous meeting of the Budget Panel on Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> February 2008**

*(To follow)*

4. **Matters Arising**

p.1 5. Report from the Director of Finance and Corporate Resources

**Review of Fees and Charges for 2008/09**

At their previous meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> February 2008, the Budget Panel agreed the need to include fees and charges as a future area of work. Thus, members are provided with the Fees and Charges 2008/09 report which will be considered by the Executive on 11<sup>th</sup> February 2008, along with the Council's 2008/09 Budget. This report sets out the proposed fees and charges for Council services in 2008/09, and the members will be given the opportunity to question the Director of Finance and Corporate Resources on this issue.

6. **Budget Panel Discussion**

This final meeting of the Budget Panel in the current municipal year concludes the scrutiny process for the Council's 2008/09 budget. Therefore, members will be given the opportunity to:

- Complete the Budget Panel's final report in the context of the meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> February 2008 at which the Executive considered the 2008/09 budget;
- Assess the impact of the Budget Panel on the Council's budget process;
- Make recommendations on how the budget scrutiny process could be improved;
- Make recommendations on the work programme for next year.

*An extract from the minutes of the meeting of the Executive on 11<sup>th</sup> February 2008 and a copy of the Budget Panel's second interim report will be circulated prior to the meeting.*



7. **Date of Next Meeting**

The date of the next meeting of the Budget Panel will be agreed at the Annual Meeting of Full Council in May 2008.

8. **Any Other Urgent Business**

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