



**Meeting: BUDGET PANEL**

**Date: Wednesday, 11<sup>th</sup> February 2009**

**Time: 7.30 pm**

**Venue: Committee Rooms 1, 2 and 3, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Brent Town Hall,  
Forty Lane, Wembley HA9 9HD**

## **AGENDA**

### **Membership**

#### **Members**

**MENDOZA (C)  
V BROWN (VC)**

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CUMMINS  
GUPTA  
JOHN**

#### **1<sup>st</sup> Alternates**

Detre  
Corcoran

Coughlin  
Bessong  
Leaman  
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Introductions, if appropriate

Apologies for absence and clarification of alternate members

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. **Deputations**

p 1 3. **Minutes of Previous Meeting of the Budget Panel on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2009**

4. **Matters Arising**

5. Report from the Director of Finance and Corporate Resources

**2009/10 Budget Report**

to follow

The Budget Panel will discuss and make recommendations on the draft budget in the 2009/10 Budget and Council Tax report, tracking proposals made during the first reading debate. The Deputy Leader of the Council will provide a presentation on the draft budget, following which he will respond to members' questions. While the Panel will lead discussion, this meeting is intended to give all non-Executive members the opportunity to participate in the budget scrutiny process, and raise any questions or comments they may have on the draft budget. Members may wish to take particular note of the following chapters within the budget report:

- Executive Summary
- Budget-Making Process
- 2009/10 Revenue Budget Requirement
- The Future – Medium-Term Forecast
- Capital Programme 2009/10 to 2011/12
- Value for Money.

Copies of the draft budget report will be circulated to Budget Panel members prior to the meeting.

6. Report from the Director of Finance and Corporate Resources

**Review of Fees and Charges for 2009/10**

to follow

This report sets out the proposed fees and charges for Council services in 2009/10, and members will be given the opportunity to question the Director of Finance and Corporate Resources.



p 7 7. **Discussion on the Budget Panel's Second Interim Report**

Members will be given the opportunity to finalise their discussions on the content and format of the Budget Panel's second interim report before it is submitted to the meeting of the Executive on Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> February 2009.

A copy of the Budget Panel's first interim report is attached for information.

8. **Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Budget Panel will take place on Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> February 2009.

9. **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 No 64.



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