

LONDON BOROUGH OF BRENT
COUNCIL MEETING – 21st JANUARY 2008

Items Selected by Non-Executive Members under Standing Order 39

(a) From Councillor Corcoran

Monks Park Clinic

Many residents in my ward feel that the new PCT clinic in Monks Park is virtually closed for business. I have on several occasions seen it short-staffed, with residents directed to other facilities. People wonder why the new, larger facility offers virtually no services when the old clinic was "excellent."

Can the Executive please press our Health partners for a range of services to be provided that at least meet a majority of everyday community health needs?

A large new clinic like Monks Park should provide basic health services for all residents, not be increasingly turning them away.

(b) From Councillor Mistry

Immigration

The Labour Government's tough talk on immigration and asylum is not being matched by effective action. Its 'open door' approach has failed to consider the impact of excess immigration on public services, housing and community cohesion. While we welcome controlled migration and its economic advantages, official figures must reflect the true number of people in Brent so that we receive the right amount of money from the government to provide quality services. I ask the executive to monitor immigration levels and make representations to the government on grant requirements so that we remain able to provide adequate services to all.

(c) From Councillor Kansagra

Event Day Parking

The event day parking scheme currently operating in Wembley continues to cause confusion for local residents and those who work nearby. I understand there are schemes currently existing in Islington around the Emirates Stadium, in Hammersmith and Fulham and Kensington and Chelsea around Stamford Bridge and are now being proposed for Haringey around White Hart Lane, a key feature of which is that they are for variable days to suit match times. Could the Executive provide an update on the ongoing situation in Wembley and investigate why schemes that have been successfully implemented elsewhere have not been adopted in Brent.