

LONDON BOROUGH OF BRENT

Full Council – 27th October 2008

Report from the Executive

1. Items to be reported by the Executive

The Leader has given notice that the Executive will report to Council on the following items:

- (i) Improvement and Efficiency Strategy
- (ii) Local Democracy Week
- (iii) Equality Standard Level Three
- (iv) New Recycling Bins
- (v) Green Zones
- (vi) Successful opening of Wembley Academy

2. Decision taken by the Executive under the Council's urgency provisions

Under the provisions of rule 38 of the Access to Information Rules in the Constitution, the Executive is required to report to the next Full Council for information on any key decisions taken by them but which did not appear in the Forward Plan.

*Exercise of delegated powers – urgency action by the Chief Executive.
Extension of lease of Lothian Close from MHT*

The above item was considered by the Executive on 6th October 2008 when the decision was taken to note the approval by the Chief Executive of an extension of the lease for Lothian Close for up to six months to 2nd April 2009.

Reason why it was impractical to defer the decision until it could be included on the Forward Plan:

The lease to Lothian Close expired on 2nd October 2009. Given that the next Executive would follow the expiry of the lease, inclusion of the lease extension authority request on the Forward Plan would have meant that the extension could not have been entered into until sometime after expiry, leaving both the tenants and the Council without legal certainty that they had the right to continued occupation.

As delegated powers did not provide sufficient authority to enter into the extension, the Chief Executive was asked to approve the lease extension using his "extreme urgency" powers under paragraph 2.3 of Part 4 of the Constitution.