

LONDON BOROUGH OF BRENT

Full Council – 26th January 2009

**Motion selected for debate by Councillor Bob Blackman,
Leader of the Conservative Group**

United London Stands declaration

This Council reiterates our commitment to ensuring the safety and security of all Brent residents and expresses concern about the recent escalation of violent attacks on certain sections of our community.

This Council expresses sympathy to the relatives and friends of victims of the Mumbai massacre and condemns the violent attacks on the multi-cultural community in Mumbai.

This Council condemns the recent rise in anti-Semitic attacks in Brent including the recent arson attack on Brondesbury Park synagogue and reported attacks on schoolchildren travelling to JFS. This Council believes that this is particularly significant as we have recently commemorated Holocaust Memorial Day.

This Council notes that the police are stepping up security patrols and assisting local religious groups to ensure that residents can celebrate their religious beliefs in safety.

This Council calls for extra vigilance around places of religious worship and faith schools where there is a potential for offensive graffiti, arson attacks or physical assaults to take place and endorses the 'United London Stands' declaration as proposed by the London Jewish Forum.