

Budget Panel

Wednesday 2 December 2009 at 7.30 pm Committee Room 4, Brent Town Hall, Forty Lane, Wembley HA9 9HD

Membership:

Members

Councillors: Mendoza (Chair) V Brown (Vice-Chair) Butt Cummins Gupta Van Kalwala

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Agenda

Introductions, if appropriate.

Apologies for absence and clarification of alternate members

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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

3 Minutes of the previous meeting

4 Matters arising

5 Environment & culture budget issues

The Director of Environment and Culture will attend the meeting to provide a presentation for members on current budget issues facing this service area.

6 Structure & Staffing Review Implementation

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7 Strategic Procurement Review

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8 Date of next meeting

The next meeting of the Budget Panel is scheduled to take place on 13 January 2010.

9 Any other urgent business

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