



Executive

Monday, 19 September 2011 at 7.00 pm

Committee Rooms 1, 2 and 3, Brent Town Hall, Forty Lane, Wembley, HA9 9HD

Membership:

Lead Member Councillors:

Portfolio

John (Chair)	Leader/Lead Member for Corporate Strategy and Policy Co-ordination
Butt (Vice-Chair)	Deputy Leader/Lead Member for Resources
Arnold	Lead Member for Children and Families
Beswick	Lead Member for Crime and Public Safety
Crane	Lead Member for Regeneration and Major Projects
Jones	Lead Member for Customers and Citizens
Long	Lead Member for Housing
J Moher	Lead Member for Highways and Transportation
R Moher	Lead Member for Adults and Health
Powney	Lead Member for Environment and Neighbourhoods

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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 Minutes of the previous meeting	1 - 8
3 Matters arising (if any)	
4 Petitions	9 - 10
Details of petitions received in connection with the school crossings patrol report are attached.	
5 Deputations (if any)	
Regeneration and Major Projects reports	
6 The South Kilburn Regeneration Programme	11 - 32
This report summarises the progress made on the regeneration of South Kilburn, and sets out four main processes for approval by the Executive for continuing the momentum established by the Council over the past two years for the regeneration of the area.	
Ward Affected: Queens Park	Lead Member: Councillor Crane Contact Officer: Dave Carroll, Planning and Development Tel: 020 8937 5202 dave.carroll@brent.gov.uk
7 LDF - Wembley Area Action Plan Public Consultation	33 - 42
Having adopted the Core Strategy of the Local Development Framework (LDF) in July 2010 and the Site Specific Allocation DPD in July 2011, it is now proposed to produce a Wembley Area Action Plan as agreed by the Executive in November 2010. This report explains the process for producing the Plan, sets out a draft vision and objectives for Wembley, and proposes an initial public consultation on the key issues and options for the area.	

Appendices circulated separately

Ward Affected: Barnhill;
Preston;
Stonebridge;
Tokyngton;
Wembley
Central

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8 Brent's response to the HS2 consultation 43 - 56

An explanation of the current proposals for a new High Speed rail link to Birmingham and beyond is provided, with particular reference to the implications for the Borough of the proposed interchange at Old Oak Common. There are likely to be significant impacts, both negative and positive, upon regeneration in the Borough. It is without doubt, though, a major opportunity to enhance regeneration and economic growth in Brent as well as significantly improving access for Brent residents. Executive is asked to endorse the response to the Government consultation on the route submitted in July.

Ward Affected: All Wards

Lead Member: Councillor Crane
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9 Proposed Changes to Articles of Association for Brent Housing Partnership 57 - 76

This report informs Members of changes required to the constitution of Brent Housing Partnership (BHP), the arms-length management organisation who manage the local authority's housing stock, and the reasons for those changes in respect of board membership. It seeks Members' approval to change the Articles of Association in light of those changes.

Ward Affected: All Wards

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Environment and Neighbourhood Services reports

10 Authority to invite tenders for Highways Maintenance Works 77 - 88

This report considers the contractual situation regarding the Council's management of Highways Maintenance. It proposes an effective seven

month extension of the existing arrangements in order to maximise potential benefits from the emerging collaborative contract procurement across London and accordingly requests authority to award framework agreements as required by Contract Standing Order No 88.

Ward Affected:

All Wards

Lead Member: Councillor J Moher

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11 Review of school crossing patrol service

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This report explains that consultation on an early set of proposals took place earlier this year. The results of the consultation are summarised and discussed within the report. The report explains that following consideration of the feedback from the consultation, the proposals, whilst still now involving adoption of a risk evaluation model, are significantly different from those originally proposed.

Ward Affected:

All Wards

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Central Reports

12 A review of Fairer Contributions Policy for Adult Social Services

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Local authorities have discretionary powers to charge adult recipients of non-residential services. The decision as to whether or not to charge and how to charge are matters for local choice subject to public law principles and must comply with the Department of Health's 'Fairer Charging' guidance, issued in 2003. Following consultation with service users, this report recommends that Members agree to adopt a revised policy, namely the Brent Council's Fairer Contributions Policy [the 'policy'] which will ensure that practice in Brent is in line with Department of Health's Guidance.

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Ward Affected:

All Wards

Lead Member: Councillor R Moher

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13 Outcomes of the consultation into the closure of Knowles House Site

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Following on from a consultation exercise, this report recommends the closure of the Knowles house site, and the re-provision of care for both

Knowles House Residents and Westbrook Day service attendees to be undertaken by agreed and appropriate approved independent and voluntary sector providers, as near to family and friends as is possible

Ward Affected:
All Wards

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14 Authority to agree changes to the Taxicard scheme in Brent from October 2011 139 - 162

This paper provides: an overview of the Taxicard scheme, a summary of the changes implemented in Brent in January 2010 to reduce a forecast overspend in 2010/11; the funding changes implemented by London Councils to make the funding arrangements for the Taxicard scheme sustainable in the medium term; a summary of the consultation on options for the scheme in Brent, and the options Brent Council could implement now that the consultation has been completed.

Ward Affected:
All Wards

Lead Member: Councillor R Moher
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15 Authority to renew grant funding for the Brent Citizens Advice Bureau and Brent Community Law Centre 163 - 170

This report seeks authority to renew grant funding for a period of six months for Brent Citizens Advice Bureau (BCAB) and the Brent Community Law Centre Limited (BCLC). The renewal of grant funding for a six month period will allow for the convergence of funding streams from the Council to BCAB and the convergence of timelines between the funding bodies.

Ward Affected:
All Wards

Lead Member: Councillors R Moher and Long
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16 Preventing youth offending - overview and scrutiny task group 171 - 194

This report sets out the findings and recommendations of the Preventing Youth Offending Task Group, which are being presented to the Executive for its approval. The Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee endorsed these at its meeting of 12th July 2011.

Appendices circulated separately

Ward Affected: All Wards
Lead Member: Councillors Arnold and Beswick
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17 Joint Procurement of Knowledge Management Software (Legal Services) 195 - 200

This report concerns purchase of on-line legal resources for use by Legal Services. It describes a proposal to procure a framework or frameworks for use by an association of London Boroughs known as the London Boroughs Legal Alliance (LBLA). It is proposed that Brent take the lead in the procurement. The report then requests approval for an exemption from the usual Brent tendering requirements for the reasons set out in the report.

Ward Affected: All Wards
Lead Member: Councillor Butt
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18 Private Hire Framework - WLA 201 - 212

This report requests approval to invite tenders for the framework, as required by Standing Orders 88 and 89. The Framework will operate for a period of four years and will commence in April 2012. The Participating Boroughs have given their agreement that this requirement should be tendered by Brent as Lead Borough for this Procurement.

Ward Affected: All Wards
Lead Member: Councillor Butt
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19 Request authority to tender the Insurance Contracts 213 - 226

This report concerns the future provision of the Council's Insurance Services contracts. This report requests approval to invite tenders in respect of the proposed Insurance Services contracts to start 1 April 2012, as required by Contract Standing orders 88 and 89

Ward Affected: All Wards
Lead Member: Councillor Butt
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20 Performance and Finance review - quarter 1 227 - 246

The purpose of this report is to provide Members with a corporate overview of Finance and Performance information to support informed decision-making and manage performance effectively.

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Ward Affected:

All Wards

Lead Member: Councillor John

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Children and Families reports - none

21 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 64.

22 Reference of item considered by Call in Overview and Scrutiny Committee (if any)

23 Exclusion of Press and Public

The following item(s) is/are not for publication as it/they relate to the following category of exempt information as specified in the Local Government Act 1972 namely:

‘information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings’.

APPENDIX: Request authority to tender for insurance contracts

Date of the next meeting: Monday, 17 October 2011



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