



# Brent

## **SUMMONS TO ATTEND ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING**

**Wednesday 4 June 2014 at 7.00 pm**

Grand Hall - Brent Civic Centre, Engineers Way,  
Wembley, HA9 0FJ

To the Mayor and Councillors of the London Borough of Brent and to each and every one of them.

I hereby summon you to attend the ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL of this Borough.

CHRISTINE GILBERT  
Chief Executive

Dated: Tuesday 27 May 2014

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# Agenda

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Members are invited to declare at this stage of the meeting, any relevant financial or other interest in the items on this agenda.

**6 Appointment of Leader of the Council and notification of appointments to the Executive**

To appoint the Leader of the Council for the 2014-18 term and to receive notification of appointments to the Cabinet, Highways Committee and the Barham Park Trust Committee.

**7 Changes to the constitution**

To consider changes to the Constitution, including amendments to the executive arrangements, Full Council, the scrutiny arrangements and the terms of reference of some of the Council's committees.

Report to follow.

**Ward Affected:** All Wards      **Contact Officer:** Fiona Ledden,  
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**8 Representation of political groups on committees and political assistants**

This report deals with rules to be applied on the allocation to political groups of seats on committees established by the Council and the position regarding political assistants following the outcome of the elections.

Report to follow.

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**9 Appointments to committees and outside bodies and appointment of chairs/vice chairs**

**10 Members' code of conduct and Licensing and Planning codes of practice**

The Members' Code of Conduct forms part of the Constitution and under the Localism Act 2011 all Councils are required to adopt a Code. An allegation of breach of the Code may result in an investigation into that member's conduct by the Standards Committee. The Licensing and Planning Codes of Practice also form part of the Council's Constitution and set out the processes and Member conduct in relation to these regulatory functions. These Codes are periodically reviewed and this report sets out the recommendations for changes.

Report to follow.

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**11 Calendar of meetings**

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- (a) To agree dates on which the Council shall meet during the ensuing year,
- (b) To settle, as far as is considered advisable and practical, the dates and times at which the Cabinet, committees and other bodies shall meet.

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**12 Urgent business**

At the discretion of the Mayor to consider any urgent business.



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## LONDON BOROUGH OF BRENT

Minutes of the ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL  
held on Monday 3 March 2014 at 7.00 pm

### PRESENT:

**The Worshipful the Mayor**  
Councillor Bobby Thomas

**The Deputy Mayor**  
Councillor Kana Naheerathan

### COUNCILLORS:

Aden	Adeyeye
Al-Ebadi	Allie
Arnold	Mrs Bacchus
Baker	Beck
Brown	Butt
Chohan	S Choudhary
A Choudry	Colwill
Crane	Daly
Denselow	Gladbaum
Harrison	Hashmi
Hector	Hirani
Hopkins	Hossain
Jones	Kabir
Kansagra	Kataria
Long	Lorber
Mashari	Matthews
McLennan	Mitchell Murray
J Moher	R Moher
Ogunro	Oladapo
BM Patel	CJ Patel
HB Patel	HM Patel
RS Patel	Pavey
Powney	Ketan Sheth
Krupa Sheth	Singh
Van Kalwala	

### Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from: Councillors Beswick, Cheese, Cummins, Green, Hunter, Moloney and Ms Shaw

## 1. Minutes of the previous meeting

Councillor J Moher felt that minute number 9.3 on Council Tax benefit did not accurately reflect the debate and he put before the Mayor an amended version to the latter part of the printed minute that he had prepared and he read this to the meeting. Councillor Kansagra argued that the minute was a brief account of the debate and that if Councillor Moher's amendment was to be accepted he would want the list of questions Councillor Colwill put forward in debate also listed. He also referred to the other debates recorded in the minutes and asked why this particular one should be changed in this way. The Mayor explained that the debate on a motion allowed the opportunity for members to express a view either for or against the motion and to move amendments before voting on the motion. It was not customary to record in detail exactly what was said by each councillor and the minute reflected the opposing views on the motion. The Mayor acknowledged the views expressed by Councillor Moher.

RESOLVED:

that subject to noting the views expressed by Councillor J Moher on minute number 9.3 - Council Tax benefit – the minutes of the previous meeting held on 20 January 2014 be approved as an accurate record of the meeting.

## 2. Declarations of personal and prejudicial interests

The following LEA school governor and children centre positions were noted and treated as declared as a non prejudicial interest by those members indicated:

<b>Councillor:</b>	<b>School Governing Body</b>
Arnold	Kilburn Park School Foundation
Bacchus MBE JP	Chalkhill Primary School
Colwill	Brent Education Tutorial Service (BETS)
Chohan	Federation of Lyon Park Infant and Junior Schools
Choudry	Islamia Primary School
Colwill	St Gregory's Catholic Science College
Gladbaum	The Willow Children's Centre
Gladbaum	Curzon and Fawood Children's Centre Partnership
Gladbaum	Harlesden Primary School
Harrison	Preston Park
Hossain	Uxendon Manor
John OBE	Brentfield Primary School
John OBE	Stonebridge Primary School
Jones	St Andrew & St Francis C of E Primary S
Kabir	The Village School
Long	Newfield Primary School
Lorber	Barham Primary School
Mashari	Wykeham Primary
McLennan	Anson Primary School
Mitchell-Murray	Phoenix Arch School
R Moher	Fryent Primary School

R Moher	Wembley High Technology College (Academy)
J Moher	Wembley High Technology College (Academy)
Moloney	St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Willesden
Naheerathan	Roe Green Junior School
BM Patel	Federation of Lyon Park Primary Schools
R Patel	Roe Green Infant School
BM Patel	Federation of Lyon Park Junior and Infants' Schools
HM Patel	Byron Court Primary School
HM Patel	Federation of Lyon Park Junior and Infants' Schools
HB Patel	Preston Park Primary School
Pavey	Wembley Primary School
Ketan Sheth	Federation of St Joseph's Catholic Junior and Infants' School
Ketan Sheth	Woodfield School (Secondary Special)
Ketan Sheth	College Green Nursery School
Krupa Sheth	Braintcroft Primary
Singh	Woodfield School (Secondary Special)
Thomas	Harmony Children's Centre & St Raphael's
Van Kalwala	Mitchell Brook Primary School

The following membership of the Board of Brent Housing Partnership were noted and treated as having declared a non prejudicial interest:

Councillor Colwill	Councillor Jones
Councillor Ogunro	Councillor Long

The following declarations made at the meeting were recorded:

<b>Councillor</b>	<b>Declaration</b>
Chohan	Brent Indian Association
Kabir	Trustee to CVS Brent
Lorber	Director and trustee of Friends of Barham Library
BM Patel	Trustee of the Patidar Centre
HB Patel	Brent Indian Association Shree Sattavis Gam Patidar Samaj (Europe)
HM Patel	Trustee of the Patidar Centre

### 3. **Mayor's announcements (including any petitions received)**

On behalf of the Council the Mayor thanked the following councillors, who were not standing in the forthcoming elections, for all their hard work serving the Council over the years:

Councillors  
Emad Al-Ebadi  
Mary Arnold  
Javaid Ashraf

Joyce Bacchus  
Eddie Baker  
Jack Beck  
Lincoln Beswick  
Helga Gladbaum  
Simon Green  
Sami Hashmi  
Ann Hunter  
Ann John  
Chris Leaman  
Hayley Mathews  
Jim Moher  
Colum Moloney\*  
Benjamin Ogunro  
Chandubhai Patel  
James Powney  
Harbhajan Singh  
Gavin Sneddon

He made a special mention of Councillors Bacchus, Beswick, Gladbaum, John and Moloney\* who had all served for 20 years or more on the Council.  
[\*Councillor Moloney subsequently stood in the 2014 elections)

The Mayor announced that at a recent award ceremony held by Asian Voice the Leader of the Council had picked up an award as councillor of the year and congratulated him on this.

The Mayor wished Councillor Cheese a speedy recovery from his recent operation and hoped to see him back very soon. He also wished former councillor, Irwin Van Colle, a speedy recovery from major heart surgery and wished him well.

The Mayor announced that the previous week celebrated the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Citizenship Ceremonies in the borough with a special ceremony in the Grand Hall.

The Mayor reminded members that he was taking part in the London Marathon on 13 April. He had a money giving page set up and stated that he would appreciate everybody's support to raise as much money as possible for his charity.

The Mayor announced other upcoming events for his charity:

- end of year party on 9 May
- Thanksgiving Service on 1 June at St Catherine's Church
- various events in the process of being organised

The Mayor pointed out that in accordance with Standing Orders a list of current petitions showing progress on dealing with them had been circulated around the chamber.

#### 4. **Procedural motion**

The Chief Whip moved a procedural motion in relation to debating the item on the 2014/15 Budget and Council Tax.



RESOLVED:

- (i) that paragraph (d) of Standing Order 46 be suspended;
- (ii) that the Leader of the Council be permitted to speak for up to 30 minutes in presenting the report on the 2014/15 budget and Council Tax to the meeting, setting out the Executive's proposals for the budget, after which the following arrangements be agreed for the purpose of debating and voting upon the 2014/15 Budget and Council Tax:

the Leader of the Liberal Democrat Group be permitted to speak for up to 30 minutes;

the Leader of the Conservative Group be permitted to speak for up to 30 minutes

the Chair of Budget and Finance Overview and Scrutiny Committee be permitted to speak for up to 10 minutes;

the Deputy Leader of the Council be permitted to speak for up to 10 minutes;

a general debate to follow during which the usual rules for debate will apply as set out in Standing Orders 46 and 47 save as set out in this procedural motion;

the Leader of the Council be permitted to speak for up to 5 minutes to submit his closing remarks

- (iii) that voting on each Group's budget proposals shall be taken *en bloc*.

5. **Appointments to committees and outside bodies and appointment of chairs/vice chairs**

None.

6. **The 2014/15 Budget and Council Tax**

The Council had before it a report seeking approval of the 2014/15 revenue and capital budgets and to the Council Tax to be levied. It set out the process for developing the budget, a breakdown of service area budgets and the overall budget requirement in 2014/15.

The Leader of the Council, Councillor Butt, addressed the meeting in support of the proposed budget. He drew attention to the need for the Council to make £18 million savings next year and £53 million savings in the two years following meaning that by 2017 the Council would have £133 million less to spend on vital services relied on by local people. He stated that the picture beyond these figures was of families struggling to get by as wages were frozen, benefits cut and rising household bills. He submitted that the unprecedented cuts imposed on the Council were a matter of political choice by the coalition Government. However he felt that local councils could still make things better for their residents by protecting the poorest and by working together the aim was to build a fairer and more prosperous borough.

Although the cuts being made were not out of choice, Councillor Butt stated that the Council would not defer from making the difficult decisions it was forced to make whilst also trying to protect frontline services. He outlined initiatives within the budget including a freeze on Council Tax for the fifth year running, supporting the Big London Energy Switch, paying the London Living Wage to all staff and restricting the ability of payday lending firms to advertise in the borough. He added reference to the support provided for keeping open every Sure Start centre in the borough despite a 50% fall in government funding, the achievements of young people in gaining qualifications and seeking further education or employment. The volume of the borough's waste recycled had increased from 21% to 43% and new facilities provided in parks and sports centres helped reduce health inequalities. One priority was to help local businesses grow to create more jobs for local residents, as seen in the Wembley regeneration area and another being to provide new homes such as in Kilburn. Councillor Butt saw an opportunity for the Council to renew the borough's sense of community make it a fairer place with jobs for local people. He commended the budget to the Council.

Councillor Lorber responded by criticising Councillor Butt for blaming somebody else when the past Labour government was responsible for the war in Iraq, bailing out the banks and reducing the number of Police Community Support Officers. Locally the Labour council had stopped parking scratch cards, overseen a reduction in the condition of the local environment and lost the trust of local communities by closing half the borough's libraries. He referred to his tabled amendments to the budget which proposed additional expenditure on libraries, highways, parking, street cleaning and waste management, festivals and events, school crossing patrols and the introduction of a Council Tax discount for special constables resident in Brent. He proposed this would be met by savings from setting a vacancy factor, reducing the number of interim staff and deleting some senior posts, streamlining the Mayor's office and reducing the costs of supporting ward working. There would also be reductions in the transformation reserve and remuneration reserve to fund one-off spending. He so moved his amendments to the budget.

Councillor Kansagra responded by saying he felt he had heard all the Leader of the Council had said before. He agreed with the sentiments expressed about the need to protect the citizens of Brent and with the proposal to freeze the Council Tax. He added that the first freeze came under the Liberal Democrat/Conservative council in 2009/10 and had since been supported by Government policy and funding when in the past under Labour it had increased. He referred to the Leader of the Council regularly referring to the need to save over £100 million but not explaining that the cuts were spread over five years. Councillor Kansagra pointed out that the Government had removed the ring fencing of grant meaning that the Council was free to spend resources on the projects and services it wanted to provide. He referred to the debate at the last Council meeting on Councillor Colwill's motion which had sought to reduce the burden on those on benefit having to pay at least 20% of the Council Tax. Because any change to the Council Tax Support Scheme required further public consultation he would not be proposing a change at present but declared his intention to review the scheme in the future if the opportunity presented itself. Councillor Kansagra continued by referring to additional funding the Council benefited from and moved amendments to the budget which sought to assist the development of voluntary sector libraries, deleting the ward working programme; promoting and furthering the borough's cultural life by restoring support

to community organisations to celebrate cultural and religious events within the borough, introducing one hour free parking on the borough's high streets where conditions permitted in order to support local businesses and to reduce the level of reserves to £6 million. He criticised the lack of information provide on the sale of old Council offices which meant he could not be certain about the level of money available to the Council.

Councillor Hopkins, Chair of Budget and Finance Overview and Scrutiny Committee, thanked members of the committee and supporting officers for their work over the past year. She reminded members of the role of overview and scrutiny and the importance of its work in protecting the interests of the borough's residents. She pointed out a key recommendation from the committee that the Council should not assume restoration of any funding from a successive government. Councillor Hopkins highlighted other recommendations from the committee, including the importance of the One Council programme and what it saw as high risk areas such as the public realm contract and the parking contract. She reported that the committee had expressed concern over the top slicing the New Homes Bonus and felt the Community Infrastructure Levy had to be optimised with provision of transparent information to Members. The committee had also felt that the civic centre was not generating the income that had been part of its cost justification and that innovative thinking was needed to improve this. She expressed the committee's concern over the Council's use of interim and consultant staff and the procurement process behind this which often did not represent best practice. The committee had recommended more transparent processes for this. Finally, she felt the Council needed to engage more closely with residents and hear their views.

Councillor R Moher, Lead Member for Resources, stated that every effort had been made to identify efficiency savings and develop new and better ways of working. She outlined the level of efficiencies made as well as the savings achieved through the One Council programme. This included adopting new procurement techniques, agreeing a new public realm contract and the savings created by moving to the Civic Centre. Councillor Moher referred to the impact of the welfare reforms and the efforts made by the Council to mitigate these by for instance moving to a position of exempting residents on higher and lower incapacity benefit from paying Council Tax. She referred to the work of the 'Navigators' who had helped people some of the most socially excluded get back into work. She criticised opposition members for not being concerned about the plight of individuals and instead being more concerned about inconveniences such as parking and potholes. She commended the budget as one that sought to protect the most vulnerable and help everyone get on in tough times.

A general debate followed with members commenting on the proposed budget and the amendments put forward. It was submitted that some members seemed to think that the Council was only responsible for parking and libraries, ignoring the long list of support services the Council provided for families and young people. The view was put that tough decisions had been taken on the budget in order to protect valuable services. Some members referred to the need for the Council to find £53M savings in the next two years and yet proposals had been put forward requiring additional funding. A view was expressed that the libraries issue was being used as a political weapon because discussions were taking place with community groups on the issue but this was being ignored. The public realm

contract was referred to as an example of the excellent work being done by the Council and how this had been recognised by it being shortlisted for the Excellence in Public Procurement awards. The Council was taking aggressive action against fly tippers in the borough and improving sports facilities. However, it was also submitted that Government support had enable the Council to freeze the level of Council Tax. A view was expressed that the Government was successfully reducing the public deficit and that this work needed to continue. In referring to the discussion on parking it was confirmed that parking scratch cards would be withdrawn later in the year because the existing system was not working effectively and the new electronic system delivered an improved service. In addition visitor household parking permits, a trusted visitor pass and health emergency badge for medical professionals making home visits were all being introduced. Some of the key aspects of the budget were referred to such as providing homes, creating school places, regenerating the borough, increasing the pupil premium and protecting the elderly. It was submitted that the past actions of the Labour administration had reduced funding for local health services. It was suggested that removing people from the housing list denied them the chance of being housed. A view was expressed that the future of Bridge Park needed to be resolved and it was felt that a school should be built there to provide much needed places in that area of the borough. Further contributions referred to the wide provision of adult care services and health services provided by the Council and the lack of any contributions from opposing members that addressed the funding and need for these services. Reference was made to the provision of housing and the introduction of a licensing scheme for the private rented sector to improve conditions.

The Leader thanked everyone for their contributions and Councillor Hopkins for her committee's report. He referred to some of the contributions made by members which he felt failed to address the financial situation facing the Council.

The amendments proposed by Councillor Lorber were put to the vote en bloc and declared LOST. In accordance with The Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2014, voting was recorded as follows:

FOR: Councillors Beck, Brown, Hashmi, Hopkins, Kataria, Lorber, Matthews and CJ Patel (8)

AGAINST: Councillors Aden, Adeyeye, Al-Ebadi, Allie, Arnold, Bacchus, Butt, Chohan, S Choudhary, A Choudry, Crane, Daly, Denselow, Gladbaum, Harrison, Hector, Hirani, Hossain, Jones, Kabir, Long, Mashari, McLennan, Mitchell Murray, J Moher, R Moher, Naheerathan, Ogunro, Oladapo RS Patel, Pavey, Powney, Ketan Sheth, Krupa Sheth, Singh, Thomas and Van Kalwala (37)

ABSTAINED: Councillors Baker, Colwill, Kansagra, BM Patel, HB Patel and HM Patel (6)

The amendments proposed by Councillor Kansagra were put to the vote en bloc and declared LOST. In accordance with The Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2014, voting was recorded as follows:

FOR Councillors Baker, Colwill, Kansagra, BM Patel, HB Patel and HM Patel (6)

AGAINST: Councillors Aden, Adeyeye, Al-Ebadi, Allie, Arnold, Bacchus, Butt, Chohan, S Choudhary, A Choudry, Crane, Daly, Denselow, Gladbaum, Harrison, Hector, Hirani, Hossain, Jones, Kabir, Long, Mashari, McLennan, Mitchell Murray, J Moher, R Moher, Naheerathan, Ogunro, Oladapo RS Patel, Pavey, Powney, Ketan Sheth, Krupa Sheth, Singh, Thomas and Van Kalwala (37)

ABSTAINED: Councillors Beck, Brown, Hashmi, Hopkins, Kataria, Lorber, Matthews and CJ Patel (8)

The recommendations in the report submitted were put to the vote en bloc and declared CARRIED. In accordance with The Local Authorities (Standing Orders) England) (Amendment) Regulations 2014, voting was recorded as follows:

FOR: Councillors Aden, Adeyeye, Al-Ebadi, Allie, Arnold, Bacchus, Butt, Chohan, S Choudhary, A Choudry, Crane, Daly, Denselow, Gladbaum, Harrison, Hector, Hirani, Hossain, Jones, Kabir, Long, Mashari, McLennan, Mitchell Murray, J Moher, R Moher, Naheerathan, Ogunro, Oladapo RS Patel, Pavey, Powney, Ketan Sheth, Krupa Sheth, Singh, Thomas and Van Kalwala (38)

AGAINST: Councillors Baker, Beck, Brown, Colwill, Hopkins, Kataria, Lorber, Kansagra, Matthews and BM Patel, CJ Patel and HM Patel (12)

ABSTAINED: Councillors Hashmi and HB Patel (2)

RESOLVED:

- (i) that the General Fund revenue budget for 2014/15, as summarised in Appendix A of the report, be agreed;
- (ii) that the Service Area budgets including the cost pressures and savings detailed in Appendices B and C of the report be agreed;
- (iii) that the report of the Budget and Finance Overview and Scrutiny Committee attached as Appendix D to the report be noted;
- (iv) that Appendix E of the report be noted and the budgets for central items and other budgets be agreed;
- (v) that the report from the Chief Finance Officer in Appendix C(iii) of the report in respect of his statutory duty under Section 25 of 2003 Local Government Act be received;
- (vi) that there be no increase in the Council's element of Council Tax for 2014/15;

- (vii) that the advice of the Director of Legal and Procurement as set out in Appendix M of the report be noted;
- (viii) that the instalment dates for Council Tax and NNDR for 2014/15, and the recovery policy for Council Tax as set out in Appendix F(ii) of the report be agreed;
- (ix) that decisions on individual applications for reducing Council Tax payable in accordance with section 13A(1)(c) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 be delegated to the Chief Finance Officer;
- (x) that the Medium Term Financial Outlook in Section 5 of the report be noted;
- (xi) that the School's Budget set out in Appendix H of the report be agreed;
- (xii) that the Housing Revenue Account budget set out in Appendix I(ii) of the report be agreed;
- (xiii) that the 2014/15 to 2016/17 capital programme as set out in Appendix J of the report be agreed;
- (xiv) that the levels of unsupported borrowing forecast for 2014/15, based on the borrowing levels agreed by the Council on 28 February 2013 be noted;
- (xv) that the Treasury Management Strategy and the Annual Investment Strategy for 2014/15 set out in Appendix K be agreed;
- (xvi) that the Prudential Indicators set out in section 7 of the report and Appendix L of the report for affordability, capital spending, external debt and treasury management be agreed;
- (xvii) that in relation to the Council Tax for 2014/15:-

the following amounts be now calculated by the Council for the year 2014/15 in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 as amended:

- (a) £1,059,811,000 being the aggregate of the amount that the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(2) of the Act,
- (b) £975,937,657 being the aggregate of the amounts that the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(3) of the Act,
- (c) £83,873,343 being the amount by which the aggregate at (a) above exceeds the aggregate at (b) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 31A(4) of the Act, as its Council Tax requirement for the year,
- (d) £1,058.94 being the amount at (c) above, divided by the amount for the taxbase specified above calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 31B of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year, and
- (e) Valuation Bands

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
705.96	823.62	941.28	1,058.94	1,294.26	1,529.58	1,764.90	2,117.88

being the amounts given by multiplying the amount at (d) above by the number which, in the proportion set out in Section 5(1) of the Act, is applicable to dwellings listed in a particular valuation band divided by the number which in that proportion is applicable to dwellings listed in valuation band D, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 36(1) of the Act, as the amounts to be taken into account for the year in respect of categories of dwellings listed in different valuation bands;

- (xviii) that it be noted that for the year 2014/15 the proposed Greater London Authority precepts issued to the Council, in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, in respect of the Greater London Authority, for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:

Valuation Bands

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
199.33	232.56	265.78	299.00	365.44	431.89	498.33	598.00

- (xix) that, having calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts at (e) above and the precepting authority referred to in xviii above, the Council, in accordance with Section 30(2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, hereby sets the following amounts as the amounts of Council Tax for the year 2014/15 for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:

Valuation Bands

<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>H</b>
<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
905.29	1,056.18	1,207.06	1,357.94	1,656.70	1,961.47	2,263.23	2,715.88

- (xx) that it be noted that the Chief Finance Officer has determined that the Council's basic amount of Council Tax for 2014/15 is not excessive in accordance with the principles approved under Section 52ZB of the Local Government Act 1992;

- (xxi) that the Chief Finance Officer be and is hereby authorised:-

- (a) to give due notice of the said Council Tax in the manner provided by Section 38(2) of the Local Government Act 1992,
- (b) when necessary to apply for a summons against any Council Tax payer or non-domestic ratepayer on whom an account for the said tax or rate and any arrears has been duly served and who has failed to

- pay the amounts due to take all subsequent necessary action to recover them promptly, and
- (c) to collect revenues and distribute monies from the Collection Fund and is authorised to borrow or to lend money in accordance with the regulations to the maximum benefit of each fund.

## **7. Potential impact of HS2 on regeneration proposals in Brent**

Councillor Crane introduced the report before Members on taking action if considered expedient to oppose the High Speed Rail (London – West Midlands) Bill and if deemed expedient to deposit a petition against the Bill in either or both Houses of Parliament. He stressed that the Council was not being asked to accept or reject the HS2 project but to take action to protect the Council's interests. He proposed a further resolution committing the Council to engage and consult with local residents in respect of emerging proposals for HS2.

Members commented that the proposed new interchange at Old Oak Common presented the potential for the biggest change to take place in the borough for many years. The proposed vent shaft on the Queens Park car park site was opposed by local residents who had not been consulted and there did not appear to be any clear explanation for why this land needed to be acquired. The Council was urged to keep residents informed of developments. Reference was made to the expense of petitioning a Bill and the benefit of supporting Transport for London to share the costs. Councillor Kansagra felt that in due course a further report should be submitted to General Purposes Committee in order to keep members informed.

RESOLVED:

that in considering the potential impacts of the current proposals for HS2 in Brent:

- (i) in pursuance of section 239 of the Local Government Act 1972, it is expedient for the Council to oppose the High Speed Rail (London-West Midlands) Bill introduced into the House of Commons on 25 November 2013;
- (ii) that the Strategic Director of Regeneration and Growth, in consultation with the Lead Member for Regeneration and Major Projects, be authorised to take all such steps as may be necessary or expedient to action the above, including taking all steps required for the Council to deposit a petition against the Bill and thereafter to maintain and, if considered appropriate, withdraw its opposition to the Bill;
- (iii) that the Common Seal of the Council may be affixed to any documents required to be sealed in connection with the submission of any such petition and the subsequent opposition to the Bill and that the Council's Parliamentary Agents be authorised to sign and deposit the petition on behalf of the Council;
- (iv) that the Council continues to engage and consult with local people in the area in respect of emerging proposals for HS2.

## **8. Localism Act 2011 - Pay Policy Statement**



RESOLVED:

that the draft Pay Policy Statement attached to the report submitted be approved as an accurate and factual representation of the Council's pay arrangements for 2014/15.

**9. Joining a collective investment vehicle for London pension funds and commitments for capital**

Members considered the report before them on the Council becoming a shareholder in a private company to be the Authorised Contractual Scheme Operator of a Collective Investment Vehicle and to agree to join the London boroughs' Pensions CIV Joint Committee.

Councillor Brown expressed concern that it was proposed to delegate to the Chair of the Pension Fund Sub-Committee authority to act for the Council and sought to amend the recommendation to delegate this role to the Chief Finance Officer. Officers explained that the proposal for an elected member to be authorised to act on behalf of the Council followed normal arrangements whereby they would be acting on the advice of officers. It was stressed that decisions on whether to invest in the ACS would remain with the Council.

RESOLVED:

(i) that the Council:

become a shareholder in a private company limited by shares which will be incorporated to be the Authorised Contractual Scheme Operator (the ACS Operator") of the Collective Investment Vehicle;

contribute £1 to the ACS Operator as initial capital;

(ii) that the Chair of the Pension Fund Sub-Committee be delegated authority to act for the Council in exercising its rights as a shareholder of the ACS Operator, and to authorise the Vice Chair of the Pension Fund Sub-Committee to act in their absence;

(iii) that the Council joins the London boroughs "Pensions CIV Joint Committee", to be formed under section 102 of the Local Government Act 1972 and to delegate to the Joint Committee those functions necessary for the proper functioning of the ACS Operator, including the effective oversight of the ACS Operator and the appointment of Directors.

**10. West London Waste Plan**

Members had before them a report presenting a revised draft of the proposed submission version of the Joint West London Waste Plan which had been agreed by the Executive in January 2014 for statutory public consultation across west London in March/April.

RESOLVED:

- (i) that the Proposed Submission Draft Joint West London Waste Plan, be submitted for Examination, subject to representations made;
- (ii) that the Strategic Director of Regeneration and Growth be delegated authority to make minor editing and textual changes to the Proposed Submission Draft of the West London Waste Plan after consultation with the other 5 London Boroughs involved.

## 11. **Motions**

Councillor S Choudhary moved a suspension of standing orders to allow the late submission of a motion.

Councillor Lorber spoke against suspending standing orders and stated that if this was done he would no longer take part in any cross party co-operation on reviewing the constitution.

Councillor Kansagra stated that by passing the suspension of standing orders it showed a lack of respect for the constitution. He stated that the motion had been submitted late and should therefore not be taken.

RESOLVED:

that standing orders 34(e) relating to motions being taken at the Council Tax setting meeting and 45(c) relating to the prior circulation of motions to be debated be suspended to allow the following item to be debated.

### 11.1 **Youth unemployment**

Councillor Arnold moved the motion circulated in her name which read:

“With a million young people unemployed throughout the UK – 50,000 more than at the 2010 elections – and numbers rising, Brent Council recognises the scale of the challenge faced by young people in our borough. In the wake of the Coalition Government’s failed economic policies and gross mismanagement of the Work Programme and £1 billion Youth Contract, it is all the more important that councils do everything in their power to promote youth employment.

Following David Cameron’s disastrous decisions – nodded through by the Liberal Democrats – to cancel the Education Maintenance Allowance, double university tuition fees and terminate the Future Jobs Fund, it is hardly surprising that young people feel that this Government is letting them down. Labour local authorities across the country including Brent are delivering innovative solutions to support young people to find work.

Brent Council is proud that:

Brent schools students’ educational achievement is above national average and our young people have attained one of the highest rates of university entry of any UK local authority area. 15% of Brent pupils gain admission to Russell Group universities compared to 9% nationally.

The Brent 14–19 Partnership and Connexions outreach work has achieved the second lowest NEETS rate for 16- 18s in the country.

The Brent Youth Parliament provides a strong voice for our borough's young people, particularly through their campaign for better careers guidance and a skills-for-life curriculum to improve preparation for work.

The Council has committed to recruit 100 new apprentices over three years.

The Council Employment and Enterprise Team is recruiting young people into work through employer partnership schemes such as Wembley Works; and is providing digital tools and training for young entrepreneurs through the Brent Business Hub.

This Council is committed to promote new programmes to tackle youth unemployment. By strengthening strategic employer partnerships, we will deliver the radical action necessary to get young people into work. This agenda builds on the Council's good work in directly recruiting young people into job opportunities at the new London Designer Outlet as well as local construction companies in South Kilburn and Wembley; developing the new Roundwood Centre skills and enterprise training hub; and increasing the supply of quality apprenticeships within the borough through including local labour clauses within council contracts.

We cannot afford to wait to reverse the rise in youth unemployment for 18-25s and we must prevent further damage to communities and families in Brent in keeping with the Council's commitment to early intervention and prevention".

RESOLVED:

that the motion submitted be adopted.

## 12. **Absence from meetings**

Members considered a late report concerning attendance at meetings by Councillor Beswick. The law expressly provided that where a council member fails throughout a period of 6 consecutive months from the date of their last attendance to attend any meeting of the authority then, subject to certain exceptions, they cease to be a member of the authority unless failure was due to some reason approved before the expiry of that period.

Councillor Beswick had last attended a Council meeting on 18 November 2013 and would cease to be a councillor on 19 May 2014 if he was unable to attend a meeting before then.

RESOLVED:


- (i) that Councillor Beswick's absence from meetings of the Council since 18 November 2013 be approved on the basis of his ill-health and should this prevent him from attending any future meetings up to the date of his natural retirement as a councillor such absence be authorised by the Council;
- (iii) that the Council's wishes for a speedy return to good health be passed on to Councillor Beswick.

13. **Urgent business**

None.

The meeting closed at 10.10 pm

COUNCILLOR BOBBY THOMAS  
Mayor

 <p><b>Brent</b></p>	<p><b>Annual Council</b> 4 June 2014</p> <p><b>Report from the Director of Legal and Procurement</b></p>
For Action	Wards Affected: All
<b>Municipal Calendar of Meetings 2014/2015</b>	

## 1. Summary

- 1.1 This report presents a calendar of meetings for the 2014/2015 Municipal Year (Appendix 1). It reflects the structure proposed in the earlier report on the Council's constitution.

## 2. Recommendations

- 2.1 That Members agree in principle the dates for Full Council and other meetings to take place during the municipal year 2014/2015, as attached in Appendix 1.
- 2.2 That the Democratic Services Manager be authorised to make any subsequent alterations deemed necessary to the calendar during the course of the municipal year, subject to the usual consultation

## 3. Detail

- 3.1 Members are asked to agree the dates in the calendar of meetings for the 2014/2015 municipal year, on which the council, and its committee/sub-committee meetings, meetings of the Executive and other bodies should be held.
- 3.2 In general, meetings of Full Council and the Executive take place on Mondays whilst most other meetings take place on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. With the exception of the Fostering Panel, Fridays are avoided entirely and Thursdays where possible.
- 3.3 As a basis for putting together the calendar, an attempt has been made to avoid clashes of appointments for Members on the basis of memberships

of committees in 2013/2014. However, if any memberships change it may be necessary to review the frequency of any clashes.

- 3.4 Religious holidays have been included on the calendar and meetings have not been arranged on evenings where it has been deemed inappropriate to hold meetings because of the importance associated with any particular religious holiday.
- 3.5 For information purposes the calendar will also list some events organised by other bodies such as the Brent Housing Partnership Board.
- 3.6 The dates of the meetings proposed for Full Council are as follows:  
  
8 September 2014  
17 November 2014  
19 January 2015  
2 March 2015 (Council Tax and Budget Setting)  
20 May 2015 (Annual meeting of Council and Mayor Making)
- 3.7 Meetings of the Executive and the Highways Committee are aligned with publication of the Forward Plan and call in dates to give a coherent pattern.
- 3.8 Meetings of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee have been provisionally scheduled to take place in between Executive meetings to ensure that any key decisions of the Executive that are called in may be considered
- 3.9 Dates for the Health and Wellbeing Board have been included in the calendar and will meet quarterly.
- 3.10 In general, there are no planned meetings in August, except for meetings of the Adoption Panel, the Fostering Panel and one meeting of the Executive that has been scheduled for 26 August 2014, the Planning Committee on 20 August 2014 and the Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 6 August.
- 3.11. The Audit Committee and the Standards Committee have been merged and are referred to as the Audit and Standards Committee.
- 3.12 The Employees' Joint Consultative Committee and the Teachers' Joint Consultative Committee are not calendared as they will meet on an ad hoc basis when required.
- 3.13 Meetings of the Corporate Parenting Group will appear in the calendar once the dates have been confirmed.
- 3.14 Tentative provision has been made for Member Learning and Development sessions throughout the municipal year. Issues seminar sessions have also been calendared on a weekly basis in June and July 2014.

- 3.15 Meetings of the Welsh Harp Joint Consultative Committee will be held in Barnet in 2014/15. The dates for these meetings also have to be agreed by Barnet Council.
- 3.16 The Trading Standards Joint Advisory Board have been provisionally calendared with three meetings scheduled for the year. The meetings will be alternatively hosted by Brent Council and Harrow Council with the first meeting of the 2014/2015 year scheduled to take place in Brent. The date for the meeting taking place in Harrow has yet to be confirmed.
- 3.17 The dates of the five Brent Connects Forums are included and each Forum will meet four times during the year.
- 3.18 The dates of the Brent Housing Partnership Talkback Forum for 2014/2015 are awaiting confirmation.

#### **4. Financial Implications**

- 4.1 There are none specific to this report.

#### **5. Legal Implications**

- 5.1 There are none specific to this report.

#### **6. Diversity Implications**

- 6.1 As set out in paragraph 3.4 above.

#### **7. Background Information**

- 7.1 London Borough of Brent Municipal Calendar 2013/2014  
Municipal Calendar of Meetings 15 May 2013 report  
BBC Calendar of Religious Festivals  
Time and date website  
When is website

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# APPENDIX 1

## LONDON BOROUGH OF BRENT DRAFT CALENDAR OF MEETINGS 2014/2015

<b>MAY 2014</b>			
THUR	1		
FRI	2		
SAT	3		
SUN	4		
MON	5	Early May Bank Holiday	
TUES	6		
WED	7		
THUR	8		
FRI	9		
SAT	10		
SUN	11		
MON	12		
TUES	13		
WED	14		
THUR	15		
FRI	16		
SAT	17		
SUN	18		
MON	19		
TUES	20		
WED	21		
THUR	22	<b>Local Government and European Parliamentary Elections and Local Government Election count</b>	
FRI	23	<i>Liberal Democrats Group meeting (provisional)</i>	
SAT	24		
SUN	25	<b>European Parliamentary Elections count</b>	
MON	26	Spring Bank Holiday	
TUES	27	<b>Brent Community Champions Awards 2014</b>	
WED	28	<i>Liberal Democrats Group meeting</i>	
THUR	29		
FRI	30		
SAT	31	<b>Brent Youth Parliament</b> <i>Labour Group AGM Part 1</i>	

## JUNE 2014

SUN	1		
MON	2	<i>Labour Group AGM Part 2</i>	
TUES	3	Eve of Shavuot	
WED	4	Shavuot <b>Mayor's Briefing</b> <b>ANNUAL COUNCIL (Mayor Making)</b>	
THUR	5	Shavuot	
FRI	6		
SAT	7		
SUN	8		
MON	9	<b>Adoption Panel</b> <b>General Purposes Committee</b>	
TUES	10	<b>Alcohol and Entertainment Licensing Committee</b>	
WED	11	<b>Executive and Corporate Management Team meeting</b> <b>Member Development Programme</b>	
THUR	12		
FRI	13	<b>Fostering Panel</b>	
SAT	14	<b>Planning Committee site visit</b>	
SUN	15		
MON	16	<b>Executive</b>	
TUES	17	<b>Planning Committee</b>	
WED	18	<b>Member Development Programme - Issues Seminar</b>	
THUR	19		
FRI	20		
SAT	21		
SUN	22		
MON	23	<b>Brent Pension Fund Sub-Committee</b>	
TUES	24		
WED	25	<b>Member Development Programme - Issues Seminar</b>	
THUR	26	<b>North West London Joint Health and Overview</b> <b>Scrutiny Committee</b> <b>Audit and Standards Committee</b>	
FRI	27		
SAT	28	Ramadan begins <b>Brent Youth Parliament</b>	
SUN	29		
MON	30	<i>Liberal Democrats Group meeting</i>	

## JULY 2014

TUES	1	<b>Brent Connects Kilburn and Kensal</b> <b>Planning Committee**</b>	
WED	2	<b>Brent Connects Wembley</b> <b>Member Development Programme – Issues Seminar</b>	
THUR	3		

FRI	4		
SAT	5		
SUN	6		
MON	7	<b>Overview and Scrutiny Committee#</b>	
TUES	8	<b>Brent Connects Harlesden</b>	
WED	9	<b>Member Development Programme – Issues Seminar</b>	
THUR	10		
FRI	11		
SAT	12	<b>Planning Committee site visit</b>	
SUN	13		
MON	14	<b>Adoption Panel</b>	
TUES	15		
WED	16	<b>Brent Connects Kingsbury and Kenton Member Development Programme - Issues Seminar Planning Committee Welsh Harp Joint Consultative Committee (Barnet)</b>	
THUR	17	<b>Highways Committee</b>	
FRI	18	<b>Fostering Panel</b>	
SAT	19		
SUN	20		
MON	21	<b>Executive</b>	
TUES	22	<b>Trading Standards Joint Advisory Board</b>	
WED	23	<b>Brent Connects Willesden Health and Wellbeing Board Member Development Programme - Issues Seminar</b>	
THUR	24	End of summer term for most of Brent schools	
FRI	25		
SAT	26	<b>Brent Youth Parliament</b>	
SUN	27	Ramadan ends	
MON	28	Eid Ul Fitr	
TUES	29		
WED	30	<b>Member Development Programme - Issues Seminar</b>	
THUR	31		

## AUGUST 2014

FRI	1		
SAT	2		
SUN	3		
MON	4		
TUES	5		
WED	6	<b>Overview and Scrutiny Committee</b>	
THUR	7		
FRI	8		
SAT	9		
SUN	10		
MON	11	<b>Adoption Panel</b>	

TUES	12		
WED	13		
THUR	14		
FRI	15	<b>Fostering Panel</b>	
SAT	16	<b>Planning Committee site visit</b>	
SUN	17	Janmashtami	
MON	18		
TUES	19		
WED	20	<b>Planning Committee</b>	
THUR	21		
FRI	22		
SAT	23		
SUN	24		
MON	25	August Bank Holiday	
TUES	26	<b>Executive</b>	
WED	27		
THURS	28		
FRI	29		
SAT	30	<b>Brent Youth Parliament</b>	
SUN	31		

## SEPTEMBER 2014

MON	1	Start of autumn term for most Brent schools	
TUES	2		
WED	3	<b>Member Development Programme</b>	
THUR	4		
FRI	5		
SAT	6		
SUN	7		
MON	8	<b>Adoption Panel Mayor's Briefing COUNCIL</b>	
TUES	9		
WED	10	<b>Member Development Programme</b>	
THUR	11	<b>Planning Committee**</b>	
FRI	12	<b>Fostering Panel</b>	
SAT	13	<b>Planning Committee site visit</b>	
SUN	14		
MON	15	<b>Executive</b>	
TUES	16		
WED	17	<b>Planning Committee</b>	
THUR	18		
FRI	19		
SAT	20		
SUN	21	Labour Party Conference	
MON	22	Labour Party Conference	
TUES	23	Labour Party Conference	

WED	24	Eve of Jewish New Year (Rosh Hashanah) Labour Party Conference	
THUR	25	Jewish New Year (Rosh Hashanah) Navaratri begins	
FRI	26	Jewish New Year (Rosh Hashanah)	
SAT	27	<b>Brent Youth Parliament</b>	
SUN	28	Conservative Party Conference	
MON	29	Conservative Party Conference	
TUES	30	Conservative Party Conference <b>Brent Pension Fund Sub-Committee</b>	

## OCTOBER 2014

WED	1	Conservative Party Conference <b>Audit Committee</b> <b>Overview and Scrutiny Committee</b>	
THUR	2		
FRI	3	Eve of Yom Kippur Navaratri ends	
SAT	4	Eid Ul Adha Yom Kippur Liberal Democrat Party Conference	
SUN	5	Liberal Democrat Party Conference	
MON	6	Liberal Democrat Party Conference	
TUES	7	Liberal Democrat Party Conference <b>Brent Connects Kilburn and Kensal</b>	
WED	8	Eve of Tabernacles Liberal Democrat Party Conference <b>Member Development Programme</b>	
THUR	9	1 <sup>st</sup> Day of Tabernacles	
FRI	10	2 <sup>nd</sup> Day of Tabernacles	
SAT	11	<b>Planning Committee site visit</b>	
SUN	12		
MON	13	<b>Adoption Panel</b> <b>Executive</b>	
TUES	14	Eve of 7 <sup>th</sup> Day of Tabernacles <b>Highways Committee</b> <b>Brent Connects Wembley</b>	
WED	15	7 <sup>th</sup> Day of Tabernacles Muslim New Year <b>Barham Park Trust Committee</b> <b>Planning Committee</b>	
THUR	16	8 <sup>th</sup> Day of Tabernacles	
FRI	17	<b>Fostering Panel</b>	
SAT	18		
SUN	19		
MON	20		
TUES	21	<b>Brent Connects Harlesden</b>	
WED	22	<b>Member Development Programme</b>	

THUR	23	Diwali	
FRI	24	Hindu New Year	
SAT	25	<b>Brent Youth Parliament</b>	
SUN	26		
MON	27	Autumn half term school holiday starts	
TUES	28	<b>Member Development Programme</b>	
WED	29	<b>Brent Connects Willesden Health and Wellbeing Board</b>	
THUR	30		
FRI	31	Autumn half term school holiday ends	

## NOVEMBER 2014

SAT	1		
SUN	2		
MON	3	<b>Overview and Scrutiny Committee</b>	
TUES	4	<b>Brent Connects Kingsbury and Kenton</b>	
WED	5	<b>Member Development Programme</b>	
THUR	6	Birthday of Guru Nanek	
FRI	7		
SAT	8	<b>Planning Committee site visit</b>	
SUN	9	Remembrance Sunday	
MON	10	<b>Adoption Panel Executive</b>	
TUES	11		
WED	12	<b>Planning Committee</b>	
THUR	13		
FRI	14	<b>Fostering Panel</b>	
SAT	15		
SUN	16		
MON	17	<b>Mayor's Briefing COUNCIL</b>	
TUES	18	<b>Brent Pension Fund Sub-Committee</b>	
WED	19	<b>Welsh Harp Joint Consultative Committee (Barnet)</b>	
THURS	20		
FRI	21		
SAT	22		
SUN	23		
MON	24		
TUES	25		
WED	26	<b>Overview and Scrutiny Committee</b>	
THURS	27		
FRI	28		
SAT	29	<b>Brent Youth Parliament</b>	
SUN	30	St Andrew's Day	

## DECEMBER 2014

MON	1		
TUES	2		
WED	3	<b>Member Development Programme</b>	
THUR	4		
FRI	5		
SAT	6	<b>Planning Committee site visit</b>	
SUN	7		
MON	8	<b>Adoption Panel</b>	
TUES	9		
WED	10	<b>Planning Committee</b>	
THUR	11		
FRI	12	<b>Fostering Panel</b>	
SAT	13		
SUN	14		
MON	15	<b>Executive</b>	
TUES	16	Eve of 1 <sup>st</sup> Day of Hanukkah	
WED	17	1st Day of Hanukkah	
THUR	18		
FRI	19	End of autumn term for most Brent schools	
SAT	20		
SUN	21		
MON	22		
TUES	23		
WED	24	Christmas Eve Hanukkah ends	
THUR	25	Christmas Day	
FRI	26	Boxing Day	
SAT	27	<b>Brent Youth Parliament</b>	
SUN	28		
MON	29		
TUES	30		
WED	31	New Year's Eve	

## JANUARY 2015

THUR	1	New Year's Day	
FRI	2		
SAT	3	Birthday of Mohammed (Sunni)	
SUN	4		
MON	5	Start of spring term for most Brent schools	
TUES	6	<b>Overview and Scrutiny Committee</b>	
WED	7	<b>Audit and Standards Committee</b>	
THUR	8	Birthday of Mohammed (Shia)	
FRI	9		
SAT	10	<b>Planning Committee site visit</b>	

SUN	11		
MON	12	Adoption Panel	
TUES	13	Planning Committee	
WED	14	Member Development Programme	
THUR	15		
FRI	16	Fostering Panel	
SAT	17		
SUN	18		
MON	19	Mayor's Briefing COUNCIL	
TUES	20	Brent Connects Wembley General Purposes Committee	
WED	21	Brent Connects Kilburn and Kensal Health and Wellbeing Board	
THUR	22	Highways Committee	
FRI	23		
SAT	24		
SUN	25		
MON	26	Executive	
TUES	27	Holocaust Memorial Day Brent Connects Willesden	
WED	28	Brent Connects Harlesden	
THUR	29		
FRI	30		
SAT	31	Brent Youth Parliament	

## FEBRUARY 2015

SUN	1		
MON	2		
TUES	3	Brent Connects Kingsbury and Kenton	
WED	4	Member Development Programme	
THUR	5		
FRI	6		
SAT	7	Planning Committee site visit	
SUN	8		
MON	9	Adoption Panel	
TUES	10		
WED	11	Overview and Scrutiny Committee Planning Committee	
THUR	12		
FRI	13	Fostering Panel	
SAT	14		
SUN	15		
MON	16	Spring half term school holiday starts	
TUES	17		
WED	18	Planning Committee**	
THUR	19		



FRI	20	Spring half term school holiday ends	
SAT	21		
SUN	22		
MON	23	<b>Executive</b>	
TUES	24	<b>Brent Pension Fund Sub-Committee</b>	
WED	25		
THUR	26		
FRI	27		
SAT	28	<b>Brent Youth Parliament</b>	

## MARCH 2015

SUN	1	St David's Day <b>Planning Committee site visit</b>	
MON	2	<b>Mayor's Briefing COUNCIL</b>	
TUES	3		
WED	4	<b>Planning Committee</b>	
THUR	5		
FRI	6		
SAT	7		
SUN	8		
MON	9	<b>Adoption Panel</b>	
TUES	10		
WED	11	<b>Overview and Scrutiny Committee</b>	
THUR	12	<b>Highways Committee</b>	
FRI	13	<b>Fostering Panel</b>	
SAT	14		
SUN	15		
MON	16	<b>Executive</b>	
TUES	17	St Patrick's Day	
WED	18	<b>Member Development Programme Welsh Harp Joint Consultative Committee (Barnet)</b>	
THUR	19		
FRI	20		
SAT	21		
SUN	22		
MON	23		
TUES	24	<b>Audit and Standards Committee</b>	
WED	25		
THUR	26	<b>Trading Standards Joint Advisory Board</b>	
FRI	27	End of spring term for most Brent schools	
SAT	28	<b>Brent Youth Parliament Planning Committee site visit</b>	
SUN	29		
MON	30		
TUES	31		

## APRIL 2015

WED	1	<b>Overview and Scrutiny Committee Planning Committee</b>	
THUR	2		
FRI	3	Eve of 1 <sup>st</sup> Day of Passover Good Friday	
SAT	4	1 <sup>st</sup> Day of Passover	
SUN	5	2 <sup>nd</sup> Day of Passover Easter Sunday	
MON	6	Easter Bank Holiday	
TUES	7	<b>Brent Connects Kilburn and Kensal</b>	
WED	8	<b>Brent Connects Wembley Member Development Programme</b>	
THUR	9	Eve of 1 <sup>st</sup> Day of Passover	
FRI	10	7 <sup>th</sup> Day of Passover	
SAT	11	8 <sup>th</sup> Day of Passover	
SUN	12		
MON	13	Baisakhi Start of summer term for most Brent schools <b>Adoption Panel</b>	
TUES	14	<b>Brent Connects Willesden Executive</b>	
WED	15	<b>Brent Connects Harlesden Health and Wellbeing Board</b>	
THUR	16		
FRI	17	<b>Fostering Panel</b>	
SAT	18	<b>Planning Committee site visit</b>	
SUN	19		
MON	20		
TUES	21	<b>Planning Committee</b>	
WED	22	<b>Brent Connects Kingsbury and Kenton</b>	
THUR	23	St George's Day	
FRI	24		
SAT	25	<b>Brent Youth Parliament</b>	
SUN	26		
MON	27		
TUES	28		
WED	29		
THUR	30		

## MAY 2015

FRI	1		
SAT	2		
SUN	3		
MON	4	Early May Bank Holiday	

<b>TUES</b>	5		
<b>WED</b>	6		
<b>THUR</b>	7	<b>UK Parliamentary General Election</b>	
<b>FRI</b>	8		
<b>SAT</b>	9		
<b>SUN</b>	10		
<b>MON</b>	11	<b>Adoption Panel Overview and Scrutiny Committee</b>	
<b>TUES</b>	12		
<b>WED</b>	13	<b>Member Development Programme</b>	
<b>THUR</b>	14		
<b>FRI</b>	15	<b>Fostering Panel</b>	
<b>SAT</b>	16		
<b>SUN</b>	17		
<b>MON</b>	18		
<b>TUES</b>	19		
<b>WED</b>	20	<b>Mayor's Briefing ANNUAL COUNCIL (Mayor Making)</b>	
<b>THUR</b>	21		
<b>FRI</b>	22		
<b>SAT</b>	23	Eve of Shavuot	
<b>SUN</b>	24	Shavuot	
<b>MON</b>	25	Shavuot Spring Bank Holiday Summer half term school holiday starts	
<b>TUES</b>	26		
<b>WED</b>	27		
<b>THUR</b>	28		
<b>FRI</b>	29	Summer half term school holiday ends	
<b>SAT</b>	30	<b>Brent Youth Parliament Planning Committee site visit*</b>	
<b>SUN</b>	31		

## JUNE 2015

<b>MON</b>	1	<b>Executive*</b>	
<b>TUES</b>	2		
<b>WED</b>	3	<b>Planning Committee*</b>	
<b>THUR</b>	4	<b>Overview and Scrutiny Committee*</b>	
<b>FRI</b>	5		
<b>SAT</b>	6		
<b>SUN</b>	7		
<b>MON</b>	8	<b>Adoption Panel*</b>	
<b>TUES</b>	9		
<b>WED</b>	10	<b>Member Development Programme*</b>	
<b>THUR</b>	11		
<b>FRI</b>	12	<b>Fostering Panel*</b>	

<b>SAT</b>	13		
<b>SUN</b>	14		
<b>MON</b>	15		
<b>TUES</b>	16		
<b>WED</b>	17	<b>Member Development Programme</b>	
<b>THUR</b>	18	Ramadan begins	
<b>FRI</b>	19		
<b>SAT</b>	20	<b>Planning Committee site visit*</b>	
<b>SUN</b>	21		
<b>MON</b>	22		
<b>TUES</b>	23		
<b>WED</b>	24	<b>Planning Committee*</b>	
<b>THUR</b>	25		
<b>FRI</b>	26		
<b>SAT</b>	27	<b>Brent Youth Parliament</b>	
<b>SUN</b>	28		
<b>MON</b>	29	<b>Executive*</b>	
<b>TUES</b>	30		

## JULY 2015

<b>WED</b>	1	<b>Member Development Programme*</b>	
<b>THUR</b>	2		
<b>FRI</b>	3		
<b>SAT</b>	4		
<b>SUN</b>	5		
<b>MON</b>	6		
<b>TUES</b>	7		
<b>WED</b>	8	<b>Overview and Scrutiny Committee*</b>	
<b>THUR</b>	9		
<b>FRI</b>	10		
<b>SAT</b>	11		
<b>SUN</b>	12		
<b>MON</b>	13	<b>Adoption Panel*</b>	
<b>TUES</b>	14		
<b>WED</b>	15	<b>Member Development Programme*</b>	
<b>THUR</b>	16	Ramadan ends	
<b>FRI</b>	17	Eid Ul Fitr <b>Fostering Panel*</b>	
<b>SAT</b>	18	<b>Planning Committee site visit*</b>	
<b>SUN</b>	19		
<b>MON</b>	20	End of summer term for most Brent schools <b>Mayor's Briefing COUNCIL*</b>	
<b>TUES</b>	21		
<b>WED</b>	22	<b>Planning Committee*</b>	
<b>THUR</b>	23		

<b>FRI</b>	24		
<b>SAT</b>	25	<b>Brent Youth Parliament</b>	
<b>SUN</b>	26		
<b>MON</b>	27	<b>Executive*</b>	
<b>TUES</b>	28		
<b>WED</b>	29		
<b>THUR</b>	30		
<b>FRI</b>	31		

**Footnote**

- \* **Provisional** All dates after 20 May 2015 are provisional.
- \*\* **Planning Committee** meetings marked with asterisks will not consider any planning or other applications

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