



Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Tuesday 13 October 2009 at 7.30 pm
Council Chamber, Brent Town Hall, Forty Lane,
Wembley, HA9 9HD

Membership

Members

Councillors:

Jones (Chair)
Castle (Vice-Chair)
Clues
Leaman
Mistry
R Moher
HB Patel
Thomas

First alternates

Councillors:

Beswick
Dunn
Bessong
Motley
Kansagra
Arnold
Joseph
John

Second alternates

Councillors:

Crane
Green
Hirani
Anwar
Mrs Fernandes
Long
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Agenda

Introductions, if appropriate

Apologies for absence and clarification of alternate members

Item		Page
1	Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests	
	Members are invited to declare any relevant financial or other interest in the items on this agenda.	
2	Deputations (if any)	
3	Minutes of the Previous Meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on Thursday, 9th July 2009	1 - 8
	The minutes are attached.	
4	Matters Arising (if any)	
5	Appointments to Sub-Committees (if any)	

6 Leader's Update on the Council's Priorities

Councillor Lorber, Leader of the Council, will attend the Committee and has been asked to give a presentation on the following issues:

- The provision of school places in the borough
- The impact of the recession on local people and on the council.
- Efforts to recruit social care staff, especially in children's services.
- Shared services opportunities. The original request was to focus on adult social care, but the committee would like a general update on the progress made in this area.

The Committee received a presentation from the Deputy Leader at their meeting in July where a number of these issues were addressed. At that meeting the Committee agreed to invite the Leader to attend in October 2009 to follow up on developments.

7 Transforming Adult Social Care: Modernising Day Opportunities for People with Learning Disabilities - Update on Progress

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This report provides an update on progress in respect of an aspect of the Adult Social Care Transformation programme – the modernising of day care opportunities. This include an update on the assessment programme for users and carers within Brent Learning Disabilities Service and the move toward implementing the Self Directed Support model to promote independence and choice and meet the needs of people attending Brent Learning Disabilities Day Centres.

The report outlines the next steps in order to deliver self directed support and outcome focused support plans for service users as directed by the Personalisation agenda in full collaboration with service users and carers of day care services within the overall context of meeting assessed needs. The report also provides information about the progress to date in finding a suitable site for the re-provision of Albert Road day centre supporting people with complex needs.

8 Local Strategic Partnership Annual Report

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The report is attached.

9 Local Strategic Partnership Self Evaluation

The Local Strategic Partnership has recently undergone a self evaluation process against a best practice governance model, considering the partnership focus and structure for effective delivery of the Local Area Agreement and priority partnership projects. Joanna McCormick, Partnerships Coordinator will attend the meeting to provide an overview of the self evaluation findings and highlight the implications for Overview and Scrutiny of the resultant changes agreed by the Local Strategic Partnership.

10 Tubbs Road Councillor Call for Action Request

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The Overview and Scrutiny Committee has received a councillor call for action request from Councillor Powney relating to the volume of traffic using Tubbs Road. Councillor Powney believes that the road is being used as a cut through by people seeking to avoid High Street Harlesden and Station Road to get to Old Oak Lane. As a result the street is congested, polluted and residents are concerned about road safety. Councillor Powney would like the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to consider this issue and recommend a solution to the problems at Tubbs Road.

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee will need to decide whether or not to take the Tubbs Road issue forward and could use the criteria set out in the protocol to help to make the decision.

11 Recycling in Flats Task Group

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Attached is the final report of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee Task Group on Increasing Participation in Recycling in Flats.

12 Overview and Scrutiny Committee Work Programme

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This document, for the Committee's information, sets out the Overview and Scrutiny Committee Work Programme.

13 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, 8th December 2009 at 7.30 pm.

14 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 No 64.



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