



Executive

Monday, 14 December 2009 at 7.00 pm

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

Membership:

Lead Member Councillors:

Portfolio

Lorber (Chair)	Leader of the Council
Blackman (Vice-Chair)	Deputy Leader of the Council
Allie	Lead Member for Housing and Customer Services
D Brown	Lead Member for Highways and Transportation
Colwill	Lead Member for Adults, Health and Social Care
Detre	Lead Member for Regeneration and Economic Development
Matthews	Lead Member for Crime Prevention and Public Safety
Sneddon	Lead Member for HR & Diversity and Local Democracy & Consultation
Van Colle	Lead Member for Environment, Planning and Culture
Wharton	Lead Member for Children and Families

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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 Deputations (if any)

Children & Families Reports

5 Future acquisition strategy for Brent Transport Fleet and authority to tender for provision of a leased maintained vehicle fleet 9 - 36

Brent Council has an ageing fleet of 143 Brent Transport Services (BTS) vehicles, almost two-thirds of which must be replaced within the next four years. This report seeks Executive approval for the acquisition and maintenance strategy for new vehicles – namely outsourced leasing with maintenance – and requests approval to invite tenders accordingly. Approval is also being sought for an outsourcing of maintenance arrangements for existing vehicles. In both cases the proposal is to set up a framework agreement that can be used by other members of the West London Alliance.

Ward Affected:
All Wards

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Housing & Community Care Reports

6 Authority to tender a contract for Supporting People funded services for women fleeing domestic violence accommodated in refuges and to extend associated Supported People contracts 37 - 50

This report seeks authority to invite suitable providers to tender for a contract as required by Contract Standing Orders 88 and 89. The award of a contract will be for the provision of a Supporting People funded

refuges service for women at risk of domestic violence with a range of support needs. The report additionally seeks authority to extend the current contracts for Supporting People Family (Families, Refugees and BME) up to 31 March 2011.

Ward Affected:

All Wards

Lead Member: Councillor Colwill

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7 Authority to award contracts for the procurement and management of temporary accommodation 51 - 60

This report requests authority to award contracts as required by Contract Standing Order No 88. This report summarises the process undertaken in tendering contracts for the Procurement and Management of Temporary Accommodation and, following the completion of the evaluation of the tenders, recommends to whom the contracts should be awarded.

Appendix also below.

Ward Affected:

All Wards

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Environment & Culture Reports

8 Brent's Sport and Physical Activity Strategy 2010 - 2015 61 - 70

This report provides Members with an overview of Brent's Sport and Physical Activity Strategy 2010 - 2015. This Strategy feeds down from the Cultural strategy. It aims to give strategic focus to everyone who has a role in providing, delivering, enabling and directing the provision of sport and physical activity in Brent.

(Appendix circulated separately and is also available on the Council's website).

Ward Affected:

All Wards

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9 Brent Cultural Strategy 2010 - 2015

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This report provides a background and overview of the new Brent Cultural Strategy 2010 - 2015. This is a joint strategy produced by the partners on the Brent Culture, Sport and Learning Forum and, as such, it is designed to influence all providers of cultural services in Brent to help deliver a shared vision for culture in the borough.

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10 Disposal of properties at 776 and 778 Harrow Road

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Barham Park is managed under a charitable trust of which the Council is the Trustee. This report details how two properties located on the western edge of the park are surplus to Parks Service need and how capital secured from the sale of the two properties could be used to improve infrastructure and facilities within the park.

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Central Reports

11 Alperton Growth Area - a vision for change

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This report outlines a vision for how Alperton could be developed over the coming years. The intention is for this vision to form the basis for the Masterplan SPD.

Ward Affected: Alperton;
Stonebridge;
Wembley
Central
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12 The future of Brent in2 Work and employment provision within the Borough

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This report sets out the proposed future role of the Council in the delivery of employment services in the light of reduced funding opportunities. It presents a number of options to explore that could offer the council a new delivery model to support the borough's long term unemployed into work.

(Appendix also below)

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13 Increasing participation in recycling in flats task group report 149 -
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This report brings before the Executive the work, findings and recommendations of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee's task group investigation into increasing participation in recycling in flats. The task group was set up to identify how participation rates could be increased on estates in Brent to help the council reach its LAA target of 40% recycling of waste by 2011. This target is unlikely to be reached without finding a solution for flats.

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14 National Non-Domestic Rate Relief and Hardship Relief 177 -
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The Council has the discretion to award rate relief to charities or non-profit making bodies. It also has the discretion to remit an individual National Non-Domestic Rate (NNDR) liability in whole or in part on the grounds of hardship. This report includes applications received since the Executive Committee in July 2009.

(Appendix also below)

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15 Collection Fund Surplus/Deficit at 31 March 2010 185 -
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As part of the Council Tax setting process for 2010/2011 the council is required to estimate the amount of any surplus or deficit on the Collection Fund as at 31 March 2010. This must be done by the 15 January 2010 and this report asks Members to approve the balance projected.

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16 Performance and Finance Review Quarter 2, 2009/10

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This report summarises Brent Council's spending, activity and performance in Quarter 2, 2009/10 and highlights key issues and solutions to them. It takes a corporate overview of financial and service performance and provides an analysis of high risk areas. The report is accompanied by appendices providing budget, activity and performance data for each service area, the Local Area Agreement, ring fenced budgets and the capital programme. Vital Signs trend data and graphs are also provided along with the council's overall budget summary.

Appendices to this report have been circulated separately and are also available on the Council's website.

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**17 Reference of item considered by Forward Plan Select Committee - 2
November 2009**

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***Authority to Award the Residential and Respite Care Contract for
People with Learning Difficulties***

The decisions of the Forward Plan Select Committee in relation to this item considered at the November meeting of the Executive are attached. An extract from the minutes of the Select Committee will be circulated.

18 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.

19 Exclusion of Press and Public

The following items (circulated separately) are not for publication as they relate to the following category of exempt information as specified in the Local Government Act 1972 namely:

"Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)."

Appendices:

- Authority to award contracts for the procurement and management of temporary accommodation
- The future of Brent in2 Work
- National Non-domestic rate relief and hardship relief

Reports above refer.

Date of the next meeting: Monday, 18 January 2010



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