



Brent

Standards Committee

Tuesday 27 March 2018 at 6.00 pm

Board Room 5 - Brent Civic Centre, Engineers Way,
Wembley HA9 0FJ

Membership:

Members

Councillors:

Allie (Chair)
Kabir (Vice-Chair)
Ahmed
Krupa Sheth
Colwill

Substitute Members

Councillors:

Dixon, Hylton, Moher and Nerva

Councillor:

Kansagra

Independent Members:

Sheila Darr
Robert Cawley
Karen McArthur
Margaret Bruce

Independent Persons:

Mandip Johal
Nigel Shock
Keir Hopley

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The press and public are welcome to attend this meeting

Notes for Members - Declarations of Interest:

If a Member is aware they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest* in an item of business, they must declare its existence and nature at the start of the meeting or when it becomes apparent and must leave the room without participating in discussion of the item.

If a Member is aware they have a Personal Interest** in an item of business, they must declare its existence and nature at the start of the meeting or when it becomes apparent.

If the Personal Interest is also a Prejudicial Interest (i.e. it affects a financial position or relates to determining of any approval, consent, licence, permission, or registration) then (unless an exception at 14(2) of the Members Code applies), after disclosing the interest to the meeting the Member must leave the room without participating in discussion of the item, except that they may first make representations, answer questions or give evidence relating to the matter, provided that the public are allowed to attend the meeting for those purposes.

***Disclosable Pecuniary Interests:**

- (a) **Employment, etc.** - Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit gain.
- (b) **Sponsorship** - Any payment or other financial benefit in respect expenses in carrying out duties as a member, or of election; including from a trade union.
- (c) **Contracts** - Any current contract for goods, services or works, between the Councillors or their partner (or a body in which one has a beneficial interest) and the council.
- (d) **Land** - Any beneficial interest in land which is within the council's area.
- (e) **Licences**- Any licence to occupy land in the council's area for a month or longer.
- (f) **Corporate tenancies** - Any tenancy between the council and a body in which the Councillor or their partner have a beneficial interest.
- (g) **Securities** - Any beneficial interest in securities of a body which has a place of business or land in the council's area, if the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body or of any one class of its issued share capital.

****Personal Interests:**

The business relates to or affects:

(a) Anybody of which you are a member or in a position of general control or management, and:

- To which you are appointed by the council;
- which exercises functions of a public nature;
- which is directed is to charitable purposes;
- whose principal purposes include the influence of public opinion or policy (including a political party of trade union).

(b) The interests a of a person from whom you have received gifts or hospitality of at least £50 as a member in the municipal year;

or

A decision in relation to that business might reasonably be regarded as affecting, to a greater extent than the majority of other council tax payers, ratepayers or inhabitants of the electoral ward affected by the decision, the well-being or financial position of:

- You yourself;
- a member of your family or your friend or any person with whom you have a close association or any person or body who employs or has appointed any of these or in whom they have a beneficial interest in a class of securities exceeding the nominal value of £25,000, or any firm in which they are a partner, or any company of which they are a director
- any body of a type described in (a) above

Agenda

Introductions, if appropriate.

Item	Page
1 Election of Chair for the Meeting	
To elect a chair for the duration of the meeting.	
2 Apologies for Absence and Clarification of Alternate Members	
For Members to note any apologies for absence.	
3 Declarations of Interest	
Members are invited to declare at this stage of the meeting, any relevant personal and prejudicial interests and disclosable pecuniary interests in any matter to be considered at this meeting.	
4 Minutes of the Previous Meeting	1 - 4
To approve, as a correct record, the attached minutes of the previous meeting held on Monday 27 November 2017.	
5 Matters Arising (if any)	
To consider any matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting.	
6 Annual Report to the Standards Committee	5 - 20
To receive and consider the Monitoring Officer's Annual Report to the Standards Committee for 2017, which provides Members with an update on Member conduct issues and a summary of the work of the Standards Committee and the Monitoring Officer in 2017.	
In addition Members are being asked to consider and comment on a public stakeholder consultation on local government standards being undertaken by the Committee on Standards in Public Life.	

Ward Affected: All Wards

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7 Any Other Urgent Business

Notice of items to be raised under this heading must be given in writing to the Head of Executive and Member Services or his representative before the meeting in accordance with Standing Order 60.

8 Date of the Next Meeting

To be confirmed once the Council's annual calendar of meetings for 2018/19 has been approved at the Annual Council Meeting in May 2018..



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