

**London Borough of Brent  
Summary of Decisions taken by the Cabinet  
on Monday 15 July 2019**

PRESENT: Councillor M Butt (Chair), Councillor McLennan (Vice-Chair) and Councillors Agha, Farah, Hirani, Miller, M Patel, Krupa Sheth, Southwood and Tatler

ALSO PRESENT: Councillors Long

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1.	Apologies for Absence		There were no apologies for absence.
2.	Declarations of Interest		There were no declarations of interest made.
3.	Minutes of the Previous Meeting		RESOLVED:-  that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 17 June 2019 be approved as an accurate record of the meeting.
4.	Matters Arising (if any)		None.
5.	Petitions (if any)		None.
6.	Reference of item considered by Scrutiny Committees (if any)		None.
7.	Resident Ballot in South Kilburn	Kilburn	RESOLVED:  i. That Cabinet agreed that a ballot in South Kilburn take place.  ii. That Cabinet agreed that the voters in the South Kilburn ballot are the circa 1,000 residents from the remaining 17 blocks due for

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			<p>demolition, that also meet the eligibility criteria set by the GLA.</p> <p>iii. That Cabinet agreed the following ballot question, subject to written approval from the Independent Body, Electoral Reform Services;</p> <p><b><i>Are you in favour of the proposal to continue with the regeneration of South Kilburn? - YES / NO</i></b></p> <p>iv. That Cabinet agreed to delegate authority to the Chief Executive in consultation with the Lead Member for Regeneration, Property and Planning and the Lead Member for Housing and Welfare Reform to agree and finalise the question if not approved in writing as set out in paragraph (iii) by the Independent Body, Electoral Reform Services.</p> <p>v. That Cabinet agreed to delegate authority to the Chief Executive in consultation with the Lead Member for Regeneration, Property and Planning and the Lead Member for Housing and Welfare Reform to finalise, circulate and publish to eligible resident voters the Landlord Offer document which will be the subject of the South Kilburn ballot.</p> <p>vi. That Cabinet agreed to delegate authority to the Chief Executive in consultation with the Lead Member for Regeneration, Property and Planning and the Lead Member for Housing and Welfare Reform to agree the dates of the ballot. The intention was for the ballot to take place 3 months following the effective date of Cabinet approval.</p>

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			vii That Cabinet agreed to delegate authority to the Chief Executive in consultation with the Lead Member for Regeneration, Property and Planning and the Lead Member for Housing and Welfare Reform to agree the voting methods for the ballot.
8.	South Kilburn: Gloucester & Durham Block Purchases	Kilburn	<p>RESOLVED:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. That Cabinet agreed to delegate authority to the Strategic Director of Regeneration &amp; Environment in consultation with the Lead Member for Regeneration, Highways, Planning to negotiate and agree the terms and thereafter enter into a contract in respect of the purchase of the leasehold interest in two housing blocks known as Gloucester &amp; Durham from Telford Homes and NHG as set out in Appendix 1.</li> <li>ii. That Cabinet agreed to terminate the existing long leases in respect of the housing blocks known as Gloucester &amp; Durham granted to Telford Homes and NHG upon acquisition and merge the leasehold title into the freehold interest to be retained by the Landlord.</li> <li>iii. That Cabinet approved the acceptance of grant from the Greater London Authority (GLA) as set out in Appendix 1 and delegate authority to the Strategic Director of Community Wellbeing in consultation with the Lead Member for Housing &amp; Welfare Reform to agree the terms on which the GLA will contribute to the purchase of the housing blocks known as Gloucester &amp; Durham.</li> </ul>
9.	Financing the Development, United Colleges Wembley Site	All Wards	RESOLVED:

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. That Cabinet agreed to provide a loan facility of up to £50m to United Colleges on the general terms set out throughout the report.</li> <li>ii. That Cabinet agreed that the loan shall only be provided subject to the conditions set out in the report being discharged.</li> <li>iii. That Cabinet delegated authority to the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Deputy Leader, to determine whether the conditions set out in the report have been discharged.</li> <li>iv. That Cabinet delegated authority to the Director of Finance, in consultation with the Deputy Leader, to set the interest rate and other terms of the loan.</li> <li>v. That Cabinet delegated authority to the Director of Finance, in consultation with the Deputy Leader, to conclude and execute the loan transaction or transactions referred to above, whether acting independently or with other lenders, including to make such minor adjustments to the precise terms as prove necessary.</li> <li>vi. That Cabinet noted and carefully considered the potential benefits of the scheme alongside the inherent risks and how these risks are proposed to be mitigated.</li> </ul>
<b>10.</b>	Voluntary Sector Initiative Fund – Local Grants 2019 - 2020	All Wards	<p>RESOLVED:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. That Cabinet agreed to the continuation of the Voluntary Sector Initiative Fund – Local Grants funding for 2019 – 2020.</li> <li>ii. That Cabinet agreed the approach set out in the Local Grants</li> </ul>

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			<p>Programme which consists of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) aligning the priorities of the Local Grants Programme to the priorities of the Borough Plan for 2019-2023.</li> <li>b) retaining the current geographical priority areas.</li> <li>c) agreeing that the term of grant funding will be one year.</li> <li>d) maintaining the maximum grant available at £25k per year, per project.</li> <li>e) maintaining the grant condition that all staff funded through the Local Grants Programme are paid the London Living Wage.</li> </ul>
11.	July Finance Review	All Wards	<p>RESOLVED:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. That Cabinet agreed the budget setting process for 2020/21, including the approach to consultation and scrutiny, as set out in section seven of this report.</li> <li>ii. That Cabinet confirmed their intention, as previously announced and subject to consultation and any other material changes to circumstances, to increase council tax by 3.99% in 2020/21, on the basis that this means that no new savings proposals need to be developed.</li> <li>iii. That Cabinet noted the Capital budgets and agree the proposed 2018/19 capital budget carry forwards and capital virements set out in section six of the report.</li> <li>iv. That Cabinet noted that on current funding assumptions savings of at least £20m will be required in order to agree balanced budgets for 2021/22 and 2022/23.</li> </ul>

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12.	Financial Outturn Report 2018/19	All Wards	RESOLVED:  i. That Cabinet noted the overall financial outturn as set out in the report.
13.	Quarter 1 Financial Report 2019/20	All Wards	RESOLVED:  i. That Cabinet noted the overall financial position and the actions being taken to manage the issue arising as set out in the report.
14.	London Borough of Culture (LBOC) 2020 – proposal to administer the LBOC 2020 Culture Fund	All Wards	RESOLVED:  i. That Cabinet agreed to delegate authority to the Strategic Director Community Wellbeing, in consultation with the Lead Member for Public Health, Culture & Leisure, to award grants up to a maximum value of £10,000 to organisations and £3,000 to individuals, to deliver approved projects as part of the Brent London Borough of Culture 2020 programme, using funds from the LBOC 2020 Culture Fund to make such grants.
15.	Exclusion of Press and Public		The press and public were not excluded from the meeting.
16.	Any other urgent business		There was no urgent business.