Decisions taken by the Annual Council Meeting of the London Borough of Brent held as an online virtual meeting at 2pm on Thursday 29 April 2021

PRESENT (in remote attendance): Councillors Colacicco (Mayor), Aden (Deputy Mayor), Abdi, Afzal, Agha, Ahmed, Akram, M.Butt, S.Butt, Chan, Chappell, Chohan, S.Choudhary, A.Choudry, Colwill, Crane, Daly, Dar, Denselow, Dixon, Donnelly-Jackson, Ethapemi, Ezeajughi Farah, Gbajumo, Georgiou, Hassan, Hector, Hirani, Hylton, Johnson, Kabir, Kansagra, Kelcher, Kennelly, Knight, Lloyd, Lo, Long, Mahmood, Mashari, Maurice, McLeish, McLennan, Mitchell-Murray, Murray, Naheerathan, Nerva, M.Patel, Perrin, Sangani, Shah, Shahzad, Ketan Sheth, Krupa Sheth, Southwood, Stephens, Tatler & Thakkar.

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1	Apologies for Absence	Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Conneely and R.Patel.
2	To elect the Mayor of the Borough for the Municipal Year 2021/2022	Councillor Lia Colacicco was elected to serve as Mayor of the London Borough of Brent for the 2021/22 Municipal Year.
3	To appoint a Councillor of the Borough to be Deputy Mayor	Councillor Abdi Aden was appointed to serve as Deputy Mayor of the London Borough of Brent for the 2021/22 Municipal Year.
4	Vote of thanks to the outgoing Mayor	(1) the vote of thanks to the co-opted and independent members serving on the Council's committees.(2) the vote of thanks and tributes paid to the outgoing Mayor.
5	Declarations of Interest	There were no interests declared by Members.
6	Minutes of the Previous Meeting	AGREED the minutes from the Council meeting held virtually on Monday 22 February 2021 as a correct record.
7	Mayor's Announcements	NOTED the announcements from the Mayor in relation to: • The deaths of former Councillor Pam Jordan and HRH Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, with a minutes silence observed during the meeting.

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8	Statement	AGI	REED
		(1)	To note the current legal position in respect of remote meetings.
		(2)	To note changes to officer and Cabinet Member delegated powers agreed by the Leader of the Council set out in Appendix 1 of the report.
		(3)	To agree the changes to officer delegated powers set out in Appendix 2 of the report.
		(4)	To agree the arrangements for review of the changes to officer delegated powers referred to at (2) and (3) above as set out a paragraph 3.8 of the report.
		(5)	To agree the changes to contract standing orders set out in Appendix 3 of the report.
		(6)	To agree the general changes and updates to the Constitution set out in Appendix 4 of the report.
		(7)	To authorise the Director of Legal, HR, Audit and Investigations to amend the Constitution to remove changes previously made to permit remote attendance at meetings as a result the High Court claim having been unsuccessful.
		(8)	To note that, to the extent that the changes set out in this report relate to executive functions of the Council, they have been approved by the Leader.
		(9)	To authorise the Director of Legal, HR, Audit & Investigations to amend the

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		Constitution accordingly, including making any necessary incidental or consequential changes. (10) To agree the changes to the Pay Policy Statement for 2021-22 set out at paragraph 3.12 of the report.
9	Representation of Political Groups on Committees	 (1) The size of each Committee, as detailed within the report. (2) The allocation of seats on Committees to each of the Council's political groups (where the rules of political balance apply), as set out within the report and to make appointments to those committees, giving effect to the wishes of the political group allocated the seats. (3) to note that the political balance on Council Sub-Committees would be reviewed at the first meeting of the General Purposes Committee and Licensing Committee to be held following the Annual Council Meeting.
10	Appointment to Committees and Outside Bodies & Appointment of Chairs & Vice-Chairs	

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		(3) To approve:(a) The reappointment of the following as Independent Persons with effect from 1 May 2021:
		 William Goh & Kier Hopley for a 4 year term of office (subject to confirmation at the Annual Council each year); Nigel Shock for a 1 year term of office;
		(b) the appointment of the following as independent co-opted members on the Audit & Standards Advisory Committee for a 4 year term of office, with effect from 1 May 2021 (subject to confirmation at the Annual Council each year):
		Javid Ansari & Mark Mills
		(c) the reappointment of David Ewart as independent chair of the Audit & Standards Advisory Committee and Pension Board for a 2 year term of office ending on 31 July 2023.
		(4) To note the appointments:
		(a) of the Cabinet, Cabinet Committees and Joint Executive Committees and their respective Chairs and Vice Chairs for the 2021-2022 Municipal Year, as detailed in Appendix 2 of the report.
		(b) to be confirmed by the General Purposes Committee for the 2021-2022 Municipal Year, as detailed in Appendix 3 of the report.

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		(c) to be confirmed by Licensing Committee for the 2021-2022 Municipal Year, as detailed in Appendix 4 of the report.
11	Calendar of Council Meetings for the 2021/2022 Municipal Year	(1) To approve the dates for Full Council and other meetings to take place during the
		 2021-22 Municipal Year, as detailed in Appendix 1 of the report. (2) That the Head of Executive & Member Services be authorised to make any alterations deemed necessary to the Municipal Calendar during the course of the year having consulted with the Leader of the Council, Leader of the Opposition Group and Chair of the affected meeting.
12	Urgent Business	None.