



Brent

Cabinet

Monday 8 March 2021 at 10.00 am

This will be held as an online virtual meeting.

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Membership:

Lead Member Councillors:

Portfolio

M Butt (Chair)	Leader of the Council
McLennan (Vice-Chair)	Deputy Leader of the Council and Lead Member for Resources
Farah	Lead Member for Adult Social Care
Knight	Lead Member for Community Safety and Engagement
Nerva	Lead Member for Public Health, Culture & Leisure
M Patel	Lead Member for Children's Safeguarding, Early Help and Social Care
Krupa Sheth	Lead Member for Environment
Stephens	Lead Member for Schools, Employment and Skills
Southwood	Lead Member for Housing & Welfare Reform
Tatler	Lead Member for Regeneration, Property & Planning

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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 significant enough to affect your judgement of a public interest and either it affects a financial position or relates to a regulatory matter then 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 of 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 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 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 is the subject of a registrable personal interest.

Agenda

Introductions, if appropriate.

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1 Apologies for Absence	
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2 Declarations of Interest	
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Members are invited to declare at this stage of the meeting, the nature and existence of any relevant disclosable pecuniary or personal interests in the items on this agenda and to specify the item(s) to which they relate.

3 Minutes of the Previous Meeting	1 - 10
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To approve the minutes of the previous meeting held on Monday 8 February 2021 as a correct record.

4 Matters Arising (if any)	
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To consider any matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting.

5 Petitions (if any)	
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To discuss any petitions from members of the public, in accordance with Standing Order 66.

6 Reference of item considered by Scrutiny Committees (if any)	
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There are no items to be considered at this meeting.

Digital and Customer Services reports

7 Resident Support Fund	11 - 20
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Since April 2013, Brent has operated a Local Welfare Assistance Scheme (LWA) to support residents experiencing short-term emergency financial hardship or unexpected expenditure. This fund was complemented in August 2020 by the Resident Support Fund, the initial funding for which was provided to support residents specifically affected by the Covid virus outbreak and subsequent lockdowns.

This report outlines a proposal to bring the current LWA scheme to a close, and merge and integrate those parts of the LWA that are not currently offered within the Resident Support Fund.

Ward Affected:
All Wards

Lead Member: Lead Member for Housing and Welfare Reform (Councillor Eleanor Southwood)
Contact Officer: Asha Vyas, Head of Customer Access, Management (Customer Services)
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Regeneration and Environment Reports

8 **Special Needs Transport Managed Service - Contract Renewal** 21 - 24

This report presents the outcome and cost options from a commissioning exercise undertaken on behalf of Brent by Harrow Council. These outcomes relate to a re-procurement of the managed personnel contract that provides drivers and assistants for the shared Special Needs Transport (SNT) service. The report seeks a specific decision in relation to the payment of London Living Wage (LLW) to staff employed through the contract.

Ward Affected:
All Wards

Lead Member: Lead Member for Environment (Councillor Krupa Sheth)
Contact Officer: Chris Whyte, Operational Director, Environmental and Employment Services
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9 **Purchase of 83 Wembley Park Drive for rough sleepers accommodation** 25 - 34

This report sets out the details of the freehold purchase of 83 Wembley Park Drive from the market through the Housing General Fund to increase the supply of supported housing for people who have been sleeping rough and to help reduce the use and cost of temporary accommodation.

Ward Affected:
Preston

Lead Member: Lead Member for Regeneration, Property & Planning (Councillor Shama Tatler) & Lead member for Housing and Welfare Reform (Councillor Eleanor Southwood).
Contact Officer: Denish Patel, Property and Projects
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10 **Exclusion of Press and Public**

The following item is not for publication as it relates to the following category of exempt information as specified under paragraph 3, Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, namely: "Information

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

Item 9: Purchase of 83 Wembley Park Drive for rough sleeper accommodation - Appendix 1 (Valuation)

11 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. Any decisions taken urgently under this heading must comply with the provisions outlined in paragraphs 12 and 39 of the Council's Access to Information Rules (Part 2 of the Constitution).

Date of the next meeting: Tuesday 6 April 2021