

London Borough of Brent

Summary of Decisions taken by the Cabinet meeting held at 10am in the Conference Hall at Brent Civic Centre on Monday 16 August 2021

PRESENT: Councillor M Butt (Chair), Councillor McLennan (Vice-Chair) and Councillors Farah, Knight, Nerva, M Patel, Krupa Sheth, Stephens, Southwood and Tatler.

ALSO IN REMOTE ONLINE ATTENDANCE: Councillors Mashari (for agenda item 6)

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1.	Apologies for Absence		Apologies for absence were received from Peter Gadsdon (Strategic Director Customer & Digital Services), Shazia Hussain (Assistant Chief Executive who was represented by Lorna Hughes) & Phil Porter (Strategic Director, Community & Wellbeing who was represented by Hakeem Osinaike).
2.	Declarations of Interest		None
3.	Minutes of the Previous Meeting		Cabinet RESOLVED that the minutes of the previous meeting held on Monday 19 July 2021 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)		Councillor Mashari, Chair of the Resources & Public Realm Scrutiny Committee, provided an update on the discussions held at the Resources & Public Realm Scrutiny Committee meeting on 16 July 2021 regarding the scenes witnessed around Wembley Stadium in advance of the UEFA 2020 European Championship Final. She

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			<p>advised that as well as focussing on the impact upon local residents, the Committee had also been particularly concerned at reports of injuries along with issues identified relating to public safety and public health and how this may affect arrangements for the hosting of future events at the Stadium. Cabinet were advised that the Committee had taken evidence from relevant officers and stakeholders during their meeting and had welcomed the information provided. As a result of the concerns expressed, however, the Committee had recommended that Cabinet hold a public review into the Council's actions taken before, during and after the Final to establish the lessons learnt.</p> <p>Councillor M Butt, as Leader of the Council, thanked Councillor Mashari for her contribution and in response began by highlighting the need for care to be taken in terms of the accuracy of any statements made relating to the events witnessed, given the current external independent review being led by Baroness Casey and nature of ongoing police prosecutions. The Council were fully cooperating and supporting the independent review and in order to avoid prejudicing the outcome of this and ongoing criminal prosecutions he advised it would not therefore be possible to comment in any more detail at this stage on the issues identified. Councillor M. Butt ended by highlighting the level of support provided by staff from across the Council in the staging of the tournament at Wembley Stadium and thanked all those involved on behalf of the Council for their efforts.</p>

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7.	Redefining Local Services: Final Delivery Model & Integrated Street Cleansing & Waste Contract Procurement Strategy		<p>Cabinet RESOLVED:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) To note the results of statutory consultation on the RLS Delivery Model Options as detailed within section 4 and Appendix 1 of the report. (2) To agree the “Specialist contracts delivery model with low to moderate levels of insourcing” as detailed within section 5 of the report, with a decision on the final level of insourcing deferred until January 2022, to both allow time for the evaluation of the in house highways reactive maintenance trial and in time to inform the scope of the Invitation to Tender for the next Highways Services contract. (3) To approve inviting tenders for the Integrated Street Cleansing & Waste Contract set out in section 6 of the report on the basis of the pre - tender considerations detailed within paragraph 6.7 of the report. (4) To delegate authority to the Strategic Director for Regeneration & Environment in consultation with the Lead Member for Environment to decide the price/quality ratio for the Integrated Street Cleansing & Waste Contract and the evaluation criteria and approve officers evaluating tenders. (5) To approve the allocation from prudential borrowing of £15m to

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			<p>finance both the fleet required to deliver the Integrated Street Cleansing & Waste Contract and, provisionally, the fleet required to deliver the next grounds maintenance, the latter subject to market testing and development of the GM procurement strategy this autumn.</p> <p>(6) To note that the decision on the final format and content of public consultation on future street cleansing & waste collection services would be made in September by the Lead Member for Environment in consultation with the Leader of the Council.</p>
8.	Wembley Housing Zone - Approval of Procurement for Development of Council sites and Associated Matters		<p>Cabinet RESOLVED:</p> <p>(1) To note the progress made to date in the Wembley Housing Zone programme.</p> <p>(2) To approve the preferred delivery option for the regeneration of the sites known as land to the east of Cecil Avenue and Ujima House ('the Sites') as detailed in paragraph 3.5.1 of the report.</p> <p>(3) To note the financial viability of the scheme and approve the budget requirement to deliver the preferred option as detailed in Appendix 5 of the report.</p> <p>(4) To approve the procurement of a delivery partner for the Sites, through inviting tenders using a Competitive Procedure with</p>

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			<p>Negotiation under the Public Contracts Regulations 2015.</p> <p>(5) To delegate to the Strategic Director of Regeneration & Environment, in consultation with the Lead Member for Regeneration, Property & Planning, the decision on alternative development scheme proposals and procurement routes, if procurement of the preferred option was unsuccessful in relation to the Sites.</p> <p>(6) To delegate to the Strategic Director of Regeneration & Environment, in consultation with the Lead Member for Regeneration, Property & Planning, approval of pre-tender considerations set out in Standing Order 89 in respect of the procurement of a delivery partner for the Sites.</p> <p>(7) To delegate authority to the Strategic Director of Regeneration & Environment, in consultation with the Lead Member for Regeneration, Property & Planning, to award the contract to the preferred bidder to progress delivery of the Sites.</p> <p>(8) To note there will be appointment of professional consultants to support delivery of the Sites, using powers delegated under the Constitution.</p> <p>(9) To delegate authority to the Strategic Director of Regeneration & Environment, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Property & Planning to consult with those</p>

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			<p>affected by the appropriation of the Sites and to consider the responses of the consultation and thereafter, and where relevant, to appropriate the Sites for planning purposes in order to facilitate the redevelopment of the site for which Planning Permission has been provided.</p> <p>(10) To delegate authority to the Strategic Director of Regeneration & Environment, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Property & Planning to appropriate the Sites for planning purposes pursuant to section 122 of the Local Government Act 1972 and to override third party rights and interests in the Sites pursuant to section 203 of the Housing and Planning Act 2016; and</p> <p>(11) To agree to apply section 203 of the Housing and Planning Act to override third party rights and to pay affected third parties compensation where required by statute.</p> <p>(12) To delegate authority to the Strategic Director of Regeneration & Environment, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Property & Planning, to make amendments to the Wembley Housing Zone funding contract or enter a new agreement with the Greater London Authority to receive grant to deliver the Sites for the reasons detailed in paragraph 3.3.2 of the report.</p>
9.	Maximising Use of the Housing	All Wards	Cabinet RESOLVED:

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	Stock		<p>(1) To agree the proposed schedule of incentive payments for households currently under-occupying their Council homes, to move to a smaller Council home, as set out in table 4 in paragraph 4.21 of the report.</p> <p>(2) To agree that all households who were under-occupying and transfer to a smaller Council property pursuant to the proposed financial incentive scheme would only pay a social rent or rent not higher than their current property.</p> <p>(3) To agree to alter the proportion of lettings to homeless households from 70% to 60%, as set out in paragraphs 4.35 – 4.46 of the report.</p> <p>(4) To agree that the Council would offer financial support to Council tenants who wished to either rent or buy in the private sector, as set out in paragraphs 4.42 and 4.43 of the report.</p>
10.	Exclusion of Press and Public		There were no items that required the exclusion of the press or public.
11.	Any other urgent business		None.