

# **Cabinet**

# Monday 7 March 2022 at 10.00 am

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Conference Hall - Brent Civic Centre, Engineers Way, Wembley, HA9 0FJ

Please note that this meeting will be held as an in person physical meeting with all Cabinet members required to attend in person.

The meeting will be open for the press and public to attend or alternatively can be followed via the live webcast. The link to follow proceedings via the live webcast is available here

# Membership:

Lead Member Councillors:	Portfolio
M Butt (Chair)	Leader of the Council
McLennan (Vice-Chair)	Deputy Leader, Lead Member for Resources and Children's Safeguarding, Early Help and Social Care
Farah	Lead Member for Adult Social Care
Knight	Lead Member for Community Safety and Engagement
Nerva	Lead Member for Public Health, Culture & Leisure
Krupa Sheth	Lead Member for Environment
Stephens	Lead Member for Education, 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;

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A decision in relation to that business might reasonably be regarded as affecting the well-being or financial position of:

- You vourself:
- 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

#### 2 Declarations of Interest

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

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To approve the minutes of the previous meeting held on Monday 7 February 2022 as a correct record.

# 4 Matters Arising (if any)

To consider any matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting.

# 5 Petitions (if any)

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)

To consider any reference reports from the Council's two Scrutiny Committees.

#### **Children and Young People reports**

#### 7 Approval to Establish a New Special School at Secondary Level

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The 2019-23 School Place Planning Strategy (November 2021 refresh), approved by Cabinet in November 2021, and the Capital Investment Programme for School Place Sufficiency for Children and Young People with SEND approved by Cabinet on 17 January 2022 identified the need for an additional Special School in the borough at secondary level that would offer a curriculum for pupils whose special educational needs cannot be met within mainstream schools. This report details the process to establish the school and seeks Cabinet approval to proceed.

Ward Affected: Lead Member: Lead Member for Children's

All Wards

Safeguarding, Early Help and Social Care (Councillor Margaret McLennan) & Lead Member for Education, Employment & Skills

(Councillor Thomas Stephens)

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# **Chief Executive's reports**

#### 8 i4B Business Plan 2022-23

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This report provides Cabinet with a final draft of the i4B Holdings Ltd (i4B) 2022/23 Business Plan for approval on behalf of the Shareholder.

Ward Affected: Lead Member: Deputy Leader (Councillor

All Wards Margaret McLennan)

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# 9 First Wave Housing Business Plan 2022-23

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This report provides Cabinet with a final draft of the First Wave Housing Ltd (FWH) 2022/23 Business Plan for approval on behalf of the Guarantor.

Ward Affected: Lead Member: Deputy Leader (Councillor

All Wards Margaret McLennan)

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### 10 Annual Complaints Report 2020-21

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This Annual Report sets out complaints performance in Brent Council for the period 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2021 and focuses on the nature of complaints and the learning they provide to inform Brent's future approach to service improvement. The report also includes details on complaints relating to Adult Social Care and Children's Social Care, which are governed by separate statutory complaint procedures.

Ward Affected: Lead Member: Deputy Leader (Councillor

All Wards Margaret McLennan)

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# **Digital and Customer Services reports**

# 11 Brent Cyber Security Strategy 2022-2026

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This report seeks approval to the draft Brent Cyber Security Strategy 2022-2026.

Ward Affected: Lead Member: Deputy Leader (Councillor

All Wards Margaret McLennan)

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### 12 Energy Rebate - Non-Discretionary and Discretionary Scheme

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The government announcement of 3 February 2022 regarding Energy Bills Rebate included provision for most properties in council tax bands A to D to receive a £150 rebate payment. The announcement also made provision for local authorities to create a discretionary scheme to support some properties in bands E to H. A required amendment to disregard Energy Rebate income in the Council's Council Tax Reduction scheme was approved by Full Council at its meeting on 24 February 2022.

Following additional guidance received from the Government, this report provides information on the operation of the non-discretionary scheme and also seeks approval to a discretionary scheme.

Ward Affected: Lead Member: Lead Member for Housing and Welfare Reform (Councillor Eleanor Southwood)

Welfare Reform (Councillor Eleanor Southwood)
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#### 13 Covid Additional Restrictions Fund 2022 – Rate Relief Scheme

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This report seeks approval for a discretionary scheme for Covid Additional Restrictions Fund 2022 – Rate Relief Scheme, which will last until the end of September 2022, coming into force once approved.

Ward Affected: Lead Member: Deputy Leader (Councillor

All Wards Margaret McLennan)

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# Regeneration and Environment reports

Authority to enter into a Partnership and Funding Agreement to 221 - 288 expand the Brent Electric Vehicle Charging Point (EVCP) Network and to appointment a Charging Point Operator to install and maintain the EVCPs on behalf of Brent

This report provides an update on the work to expand electric vehicle charging provision in Brent and seeks approval to the Council entering into a partnership and funding agreement to further expand the charge point network in the borough as well as to the procurement process in respect of supplying, fitting and maintaining vehicle electric charge points.

Ward Affected: **Lead Member:** Lead Member for Environment

All Wards (Councillor Krupa Sheth)

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# **Community Well-being reports**

15 Purchase of Site known as 381-397 Edgware Road, Colindale, NW9 289 - 298

This report seeks permission to purchase the freehold of the site known as 381-397 Edgware Road, Colindale, NW9.

(Agenda republished to include the report originally marked as "To Follow" on 1 March 2022)

**Ward Affected:** 

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Lead Member: Lead Member for Housing and Welfare Reform (Councillor Eleanor Southwood) Contact Officer: Hakeem Osinaike & Nick Ljustina, Operational Director Housing & Director of Property & Assets

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#### 16 **Exclusion of Press and Public**

The following items are not for publication as they relate to the category of exempt information set out below, as specified under Part 1, Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972:

i4B Business Plan 2022-23- Appendix 1 (Business Agenda Item 8:

Plan) Financial Appendices

These appendices are classified as exempt under Paragraph 3 of Part 1 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)"

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FWH Business Plan 2022-23 – Appendix 1 (Business Plan) Financial Appendices

These appendices are classified as exempt under Paragraph 3 of Part 1 Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, namely: "Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular (including the authority holding person that information)"

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Authority to enter into a Partnership and Funding Agreement with Uber to expand the Brent Electric Vehicle Charging Point (EVCP) Network and to appointment a Charging Point Operator to install and maintain the EVCPs on behalf of Brent - Appendix A: **Draft Infrastructure Funding Agreement** 

Appendix A is classified as exempt under Paragraph 3 of Part 1 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)"

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Purchase of Site known as 381-397 Edgware Road, Colindale, NW9 – Appendix 1: Financial Implications

Appendix 1 is classified as exempt under Paragraph 3 of Part 1 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)"

#### 17 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 her representative before the meeting in accordance with Standing Order 60. 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 – Constitution)

#### Monday 11 April 2022 Date of the next meeting:

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