

**London Borough of Brent**  
**Summary of the decisions taken by the Cabinet held in the Conference Hall, Brent Civic Centre at 10am on**  
**Monday 7 March 2022**

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

Agenda Item No	Item	Ward(s)	Decision
1.	Apologies for Absence		None received.
2.	Declarations of Interest		Peter Gadsdon and Gail Tolley declared personal interests in relation to Agenda Item 8 (i4B Business Plan 2022-23) and Agenda Item 9 (First Wave Housing Business Plan 2022-23) as Council appointed Directors on the Boards of i4B & FWH Ltd.  There were no other declarations of interest made at the meeting.
3.	Minutes of the Previous Meeting		Cabinet RESOLVED that the minutes of the previous meeting held on Monday 7 February 2022 be approved as an accurate record of the meeting
4.	Matters Arising (if any)		None.
5.	Petitions (if any)		There were no petitions submitted for consideration at the meeting.
6.	Reference of item considered by Scrutiny Committees (if any)		There were no references from Scrutiny submitted for consideration at the meeting.
7.	Approval to Establish a New Special School at Secondary Level	All Wards	Cabinet RESOLVED:  (1) To approve the establishment of a Special School at secondary level on the site known as London Road.

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			<p>(2) To approve use of the DfE (Free School) Presumption process to establish the school, as set out in paragraph 3.7 of the report, noting that the final decision on the selected provider will be taken by the Secretary of State for Education.</p> <p>(3) To delegate authority to the Strategic Director for Children and Young People, in consultation with the Statutory Lead Member for Children's Safeguarding, Early Help and Social Care and the Cabinet Member for Education, Employment and Skills to ratify the full business case and to identify and thereafter recommend to the Secretary of State for Education the Local Authority's preferred provider.</p>
8.	i4B Business Plan 2022-23	All Wards	<p>Having noted the introductory comments from Martin Smith (as Chair of the i4B Ltd Board) relating to the current performance, strategic priorities and Development Strategy of i4B, Cabinet RESOLVED:</p> <p>(1) To approve the i4B 2022/23 Business Plan.</p> <p>(2) To approve the content and proposed strategic priorities of the i4B 2022/23 Business Plan.</p> <p>(3) To approve the updated financial model contained within the 2022/23 Business Plan.</p> <p>(4) To approve the Housing Companies' Development Strategy.</p>

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9.	First Wave Housing Business Plan 2022-23	All Wards	<p>Having noted the introductory comments from Martin Smith (as Chair of the First Wave Housing (FWH) Ltd Board) relating to the current performance, strategic priorities and Development Strategy of FWH, Cabinet RESOLVED:</p> <p>(1) To approve the FWH 2022/23 Business Plan.</p> <p>(2) To approve the content and proposed strategic priorities of the FWH 2022/23 Business Plan.</p> <p>(3) To approve the updated financial model contained within the 2022/23 Business Plan.</p> <p>(4) To approve the Housing Companies' Development Strategy.</p>
10.	Annual Complaints Report 2020-21	All Wards	Cabinet NOTED Brent's performance in managing and resolving complaints as set out in the 2020-21 Complaints Annual Report.
11.	Brent Cyber Security Strategy 2022-2026		Cabinet RESOLVED to approve the Brent Cyber Security Strategy 2022-2026 as set out in Appendix 1 of the report.
12.	Energy Rebate - Non-Discretionary and Discretionary Scheme	All Wards	<p>Cabinet RESOLVED:</p> <p>(1) To approve the Energy Rebate Discretionary Scheme as set out in paragraphs 3.17 to 3.20 of the report, which includes the arrangements for residents who live in a dwelling in Council Tax bands E, F, G and H in the borough of Brent.</p>

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			<p>(2) To note that the Energy Rebate non-discretionary scheme would be administered in accordance with government guidance issued in February 2022.</p> <p>(3) To note the restrictions of the Energy Rebate Discretionary Scheme regarding payments and unspent funding as set out in paragraph 3.21 of the report.</p> <p>(4) To delegate authority to the Strategic Director of Customer and Digital Services, in consultation with the Lead Member for Housing and Welfare Reform, to make changes that may be required to the discretionary scheme, following a review of the discretionary scheme scheduled to immediately follow phase 2 of the said scheme, as described in paragraph 3.16 (ii) of the report.</p>
13.	Covid Additional Restrictions Fund 2022 – Rate Relief Scheme	All Wards	<p>Cabinet RESOLVED:</p> <p>(1) To approve the Covid Additional Restrictions Fund – Rate Relief Scheme as outlined in paragraphs 3.7 to 3.16 and Appendix 1 of the report pursuant to the Council’s powers under section 47 of the Local Government Finance Act 1988 as amended.</p> <p>(2) To delegate authority to the Director of Finance and Strategic Director of Customer and Digital Services to implement the scheme as detailed in Appendix 1 and in accordance with the government’s guidance in Appendix 2 of the report.</p>

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14.	Authority to enter into a Partnership and Funding Agreement 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	All Wards	<p>Cabinet RESOLVED:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) To approve Brent Council entering into an Infrastructure Funding Agreement (IFA) with Uber to receive grant funding for the procurement, installation, operation and maintenance of additional on-street electric vehicle charging points in various locations within Brent.</li> <li>(2) To approve inviting tenders for the supply, installation, operation and maintenance of charge points on the basis of the pre-tender considerations set out in paragraph 8.2 of the report and as required by Contract Standing Orders 88 and 89.</li> <li>(3) To delegate authority to the Strategic Director Regeneration and Environment, in consultation with the Lead Member for Environment and the Lead Member for Regeneration, Property and Planning, to award a contract(s) to the successful bidder(s) of the project to provide on-street electric vehicle charge points in residential locations for the term of ten years, as specified in the IFA.</li> </ol>
15.	Purchase of Site known as 381-397 Edgware Road, Colindale, NW9	Fryent	<p>Cabinet RESOLVED:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) To note the contents of the report;</li> <li>(2) To approve the proposed acquisition of the freehold interest of the site for purchase price set out in the (exempt) appendix of the report, subject to contract and subject to a) clean and</li> </ol>

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			<p>marketable title b) financial and legal due diligence and c) vacant possession, with a target exchange of contract in June 2022.</p> <p>(3) To delegate authority to the Strategic Director of Regeneration &amp; Environment in consultation with the Lead Member for Regeneration, Property and Planning to negotiate and agree the terms and thereafter enter into a contract with the seller for the purchase of the site.</p> <p>(4) To approve the engagement of section 203 of the Housing and Planning Act 2016 (2016 Act) in order to override third party rights and to delegate authority to the Strategic Director of Regeneration &amp; Environment to consult and enter into agreements and if required to pay compensation to third parties whose rights may be affected by the engagement of the 2016 Act</p>
16.	Exclusion of Press and Public		There were no items that required the exclusion of the press or public.
17.	Any other urgent business		None.