

Council Tax Setting Committee

Friday 25 February 2022 at 9.30 am

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

Please note that this meeting will be held as a socially distanced physical meeting with all Committee members required to attend in person.

Guidance on the safe delivery of face-to-face meetings is included at the end of the agenda front sheet.

Due to current limits on the venue capacity, any press and public wishing to attend this meeting are encouraged to do so via the live webcast. The link to attend the meeting will be made available [here](#).

Membership:

Members

Councillors:

M Butt (Chair)

Kansagra
McLennan
Krupa Sheth
Stephens

Substitute Members

Councillors:

Nerva

Councillors:
Colwill and Maurice

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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 or trade union).
- (b) The interests a 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.

Item	Page
1 Apologies for Absence and Clarification of Alternate Members	
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 item(s) on this agenda and to specify the item(s) to which they relate.	
3 Minutes of previous meeting	1 - 4
To confirm the minutes from the last meeting of the Committee held on Tuesday 2 March 2021 as a correct record.	
4 Deputations	
To hear any deputations received from members of the public in accordance with Standing Order 67.	
5 Setting the Council Tax 2022-23	5 - 12
To receive a report seeking to confirm the level of Council Tax for 2022/23, following the setting of the GLA precept.	
Ward Affected: All Wards	Contact Officer: Ravindar Jassar, Deputy Director of Finance Tel: 020 8937 1487 Ravinder.Jassar@brent.gov.uk
6 Exclusion of the Press and Public	
There are currently no items listed on the agenda that will require the exclusion of the press or public.	
7 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	

Guidance on the delivery of safe meetings at The Drum, Brent Civic Centre

- We have revised the capacities and floor plans for event spaces to ensure they are Covid-19 compliant and meet current guidelines.
- Attendees will need to maintain the necessary social distancing at all times.
- Signage and reminders, including floor markers for social distancing and one-way flow systems are present throughout the Civic Centre and need to be followed.
- Please note the Civic Centre visitor lifts will have reduced capacity to help with social distancing.
- The use of face coverings is strongly encouraged with hand sanitiser dispensers located at the main entrance to meeting venue and within each meeting room.
- Those attending meetings are asked to scan the coronavirus NHS QR code for The Drum upon entry. Posters of the QR code are located in front of the main Drum entrance and outside each boardroom.
- Although not required, anyone attending in person is also encouraged to undertake a lateral flow test in advance of the meeting. These are available at the Civic Centre and can be booked via the following link: <https://www.brent.gov.uk/your-community/coronavirus/covid-19-testing/if-you-dont-have-symptoms/>