



Brent

Cabinet

Monday 5 February 2024 at 10.00 am

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

Please note this will be held as a physical meeting which all Cabinet members will be 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)
Tatler (Vice-Chair)

Leader of the Council
Deputy Leader, Cabinet Member for Finance, Resources & Reform and Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Planning & Growth

Donnelly-Jackson
Farah

Cabinet Member for Customers, Communities & Culture
Cabinet Member for Safer Communities & Public Protection

Grahl
Knight

Cabinet Member for Children, Young People & Schools
Cabinet Member for Housing, Homelessness & Renters Security

Nerva
Krupa Sheth

Cabinet Member for Public Health & Adult Social Care
Cabinet Member for Environment, Infrastructure and Climate Action

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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

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 1 - 6

To approve the minutes of the previous meeting held on Monday 15 January 2024 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 consider any petitions for which notice has been provided, in accordance with Standing Order 66.

Members are asked to note that there are currently no petition(s) due to be presented at the meeting.

6 Reference of item considered by Scrutiny Committees (if any)

To consider any reports referred by either the Community & Wellbeing or Resources & Public Realm Scrutiny Committees.

Finance & Resources reports

7 Budget & Council Tax 2024-25 7 - 382

This report sets out the Council's budget proposals for 2024 - 25. It also sets out the results of the consultation, scrutiny and equalities processes. Subject to approval by Cabinet, these will form the basis of the budget to be considered at the Full Council meeting on 29 February 2024.

The report also sets out the overall financial position facing the Council for the medium term and highlights the significant risks, issues and uncertainties.

Ward Affected: All Wards
Lead Member: Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Finance, Resources and Reform (Councillor Shama Tatler)
Contact Officer: Ravinder Jassar, Deputy Director of Finance
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Resident Services reports

8 Future of the RSF and new model of support 383 - 444

This report outlines proposals for introducing a new model of support for Brent residents from April 2024, which has been developed through the piloting of Cost-of-Living Outcome Based Review (OBR) projects and guided by a series of Design Principles. The report proposes a single, joined-up model including development of a Community Wellbeing Programme aligned with a refreshed Resident Support Fund (RSF), designed to support residents to be more resilient in the longer term and align more closely with strategic priorities and related projects.

Ward Affected: All Wards
Lead Member: Cabinet Member for Customers, Communities and Culture (Councillor Fleur Donnelly-Jackson)
Contact Officer: Jon Cartwright, Head of Change and Customer Insight
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9 Highways Footway Maintenance 2023-2026 Report 445 - 456

This report sets out recommendations for Brent's 2023 - 26 footway Maintenance programme through prioritised programmes of footway reconstruction and follows additional discussions with ward councillors on priorities within their area.

(Agenda initially republished to include Appendix 1 of the report on 30 January 2024 with a further amendment published on 2 February 2024)

Ward Affected: All Wards
Lead Member: Cabinet Member for Environment, Infrastructure & Climate Action (Councillor Krupa Sheth)
Contact Officer: Tony Kennedy, Head of Highways Management
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10 Council Tax - Empty and Second Homes Premium 457 - 468

This report sets out for approval changes affecting both Council Tax and Business Rates from 1 April 2024.

Ward Affected: All Wards
Lead Member: Cabinet Member for Customers, Communities and Culture (Councillor Fleur Donnelly-Jackson)
Contact Officer: Peter Cosgrove, Head of Revenues and Debt
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Children and Young People reports

11 Admission Arrangements for Community Schools 2025/26 469 - 490

This report sets out the outcome of the consultation on proposed amendments to the Admission Arrangements for Brent Community Schools for 2025/26 and seeks Cabinet's approval to determine the arrangements, as proposed within Appendix 1 of the report, in February 2024.

Ward Affected: All Wards
Lead Member: Cabinet Member for Children, Young People & Schools (Councillor Gwen Grahl)
Contact Officer: Shirley Parks, Director - Safeguarding, Partnerships and Strategy
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12 Outcome of informal consultation on school organisation proposals for Leopold Primary School in Primary Planning Area 4 491 - 530

This report provides Cabinet with a summary of the informal consultation undertaken between November 2023 and December 2023 on the proposal to implement a phased closure of the Gwenneth Rickus site of Leopold Primary School. As a result, the report recommends a move to formal consultation, through publication of a statutory notice, on a phased closure of the provision on the Leopold Primary School Gwenneth Rickus site and a variation to the Published Admission Number of Leopold Primary School from 120 to 60 to take effect from the 2025/26 academic year.

Ward Affected: Roundwood; Stonebridge
Lead Member: Cabinet Member for Children, Young People & Schools (Councillor Gwen Grahl)
Contact Officer: Shirley Parks, Director - Safeguarding, Partnerships and Strategy
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Care Health & Wellbeing reports

13 Adult Social Care Charging Policy Consultation Findings

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The purpose of this report is to present the outcome of the Adult Social Care Charging Policy consultation, which ran from November to December 2023, following the decision taken by Cabinet in October 2023. to undertake a public consultation on proposed changes to the policy. The report summarises how the consultation was carried out, the number of responses received, a summary of those responses and the recommended changes to the policy following the public consultation process.

Ward Affected:

All Wards

Lead Member: Cabinet Member for Public Health & Adult Social Care (Councillor Neil Nerva)

Contact Officer: Andrew Davies, Head of Commissioning, Contract and Market Management

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Communities & Regeneration reports

14 Safer Brent Community Safety Strategy 2024 - 26

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This report seeks approval to the Safer Brent Community Safety Strategy and accompanying Action Plan for 2024 – 2026.

Ward Affected:

All Wards

Lead Member: Cabinet Member for Safer Communities & Public Protection (Councillor Harbi Farah)

Contact Officer: Kibibi Octave, Director of Communities

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15 Exclusion of Press and Public

No items have been identified in advance of the meeting that will require the exclusion of the press or public.

16 Any other urgent business

Notice of items to be raised under this heading must be given in writing to the Head of Chief Executive and Member Services or their representative before the meeting in accordance with Standing Order 60.

Date of the next meeting: Monday 11 March 2024



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