

London Borough of Brent
Summary of Decisions taken by the Cabinet held in the Conference Hall, Brent Civic Centre on Monday 9
September 2024 at 10am

PRESENT: Councillor Muhammed Butt (Chair), Councillor Mili Patel (Vice-Chair) and Councillors Donnelly-Jackson, Farah, Nerva, Rubin, and Tatler.

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor Lorber (for Item 5)

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1.	Apologies for Absence		Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Krupa Sheth (Cabinet Member for Environment & Enforcement) and Councillor Grahl (Cabinet Member for Children, Young People & Schools) along with Debra Norman (Corporate Director Law & Governance) with Marsha Henry (Deputy Director of Law) attending as her representative, Rachel Crossley (Corporate Director Health & Wellbeing) with Claudia Brown (Director Adult Social Care) attending as her representative and Alice Tatler (Corporate Director Neighbourhoods & Regeneration) with Gerry Ansell (Director Inclusive Regeneration & Employment) attending as her representative. In addition, the Leader advised that Minesh Patel (Corporate Director Finance & Resources) would also be covering for Kim Wright as Chief Executive, whilst she was on leave.
2.	Declarations of Interest		No declarations of interest were made during the meeting.
3.	Minutes of the Previous Meeting		Cabinet RESOLVED that the minutes of the previous meeting held on Monday 15 July 2024 be approved as a correct.
4.	Matters Arising (if any)		None.
5.	Petitions (if any)		Cabinet NOTED the comments made by Councillor Paul Lorber (as

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			<p>lead petitioner) in support of a petition containing 274 signatures requesting that the Council actively consult with and take into account the concerns of local residents and businesses regarding the impact created by any increase permitted in the number of large events at Wembley Stadium on the surrounding area. In introducing the petition, Councillor Lorber highlighted the impact Wembley Stadium had on a large part of Brent. Referring to the planning application due to be considered by Brent’s Planning Committee on 11 September 2024 seeking an permanent increase in the number of permitted events hosted at the Stadium, Councillor Lorber advised that the signatories of the petition felt the Council needed to be well informed on the potential impacts of the proposed increase and seek to consult and engage local residents and businesses beyond the usual planning process and requirements. As an example, reference was made to the public consultation that had been undertaken when Tottenham Hotspur Football Club had submitted their application to temporarily increase event days at the Stadium in order to host premier league fixtures whereas, he pointed out, the current application from Wembley Stadium would mean a permanent increase in the number of events they were able to host.</p> <p>Detailing the impact of event days at Wembley Stadium on residents, Councillor Lorber advised Cabinet that people living in the area felt impeded, with buses diverted and road closures impacting movement throughout the whole day and not only during the period of the event itself, citing the recent example of the Taylor Swift</p>

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			<p>concerts hosted over a period of 6 days at the Stadium. These had involved road closures and bus diversions from midday during each of the 5 event days with residents also experiencing difficulties accessing tube services. In his capacity as ward member for Sudbury, Councillor Lorber also outlined the impact on a family within his ward whose access to carers for their elderly mother had been adversely affected due to travel disruption experienced as a result of an event being hosted at the Stadium.</p> <p>Highlighting the history of event days at the stadium, Councillor Lorber detailed the increase from the 37 large events permitted in the original business case for the new Stadium to the 46 large events now permitted and the current planning application seeking a further increase to 54 large events and similar increase for small events from 51 to 60. Considering this change, he felt that the Council had a responsibility to review the impact the stadium had on the daily lives of Brent residents and hold a public meeting where local residents could have their say and the Council could respond accordingly.</p> <p>In response, Councillor Tatler (as Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Planning and Growth) thanked Councillor Lorber for attending Cabinet in order to ensure the views of those supporting the petition were presented. Due to there being a live planning application on the issue, she advised she would be unable to comment specifically in relation to that application. This was to ensure there was no pre-determination on the matter, with the final</p>

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			<p>decision a matter for the Planning Committee, but took the opportunity to assure Councillor Lorber that the views expressed within petition had been acknowledged. In concluding her response, Councillor Tatler highlighted what she recognised as the need to ensure that the wider economic benefits provided by the Stadium in relation to the borough as a whole were balanced against the impact on and concerns of the local community in terms of considering what was best for Brent, with the views expressed in the petition forming part of that process. In thanking Councillor Tatler for her response, Councillor Muhammed Butt (as Leader) also assured those present that the Planning Committee, in considering the application, would take account of the representations made with the Council also committed to continue working with the Stadium to ensure the significant contribution made to Brent and the UK as a whole was maintained whilst also seeking to protect and support local residents and businesses.</p>
6.	Reference of item considered by Scrutiny Committees (if any)		There were no items referred from either the Community Wellbeing or Resources & Public Realm Scrutiny Committees.
7.	Property Strategy 2024-2027	All Wards	<p>Cabinet RESOLVED to</p> <p>(1) Note the contents of this report, the new vision, strategic objectives, and themes within the Property Strategy.</p> <p>(2) To adopt the Property Strategy as set out in Appendix 1 of the report.</p>

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			<p>(3) To approve a capital budget allocation of £8.2 million over the next three fiscal years to fund necessary asset maintenance and building improvement projects regarding FM operational estate buildings, as set out in paragraphs 3.2.18 to 3.2.20 of the report.</p> <p>Eligible for call-in: Yes</p> <p>Deadline for submission of call-in: 6pm on Monday 16 September 2024</p>
8.	Treasury Management Outturn 2023-24	All Wards	<p>Cabinet RESOLVED to</p> <p>(1) To note the Council’s overall Treasury Management financial performance for 2023-24, as set out within the report.</p> <p>(2) To approve referral of the report to Full Council for approval, in accordance with the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy's Treasury Management in the Public Services: Code of Practice.</p> <p>Eligible for call-in: No (report referred to Council for final approval)</p>
9.	Brent Youth Justice Plan 2024-25	All Wards	<p>Cabinet RESOLVED to approve the Brent Youth Justice Plan 2024-25 for formal sign off and adoption by Full Council on 19 September</p>

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			<p>2024.</p> <p>Eligible for call-in: No (report referred to Council for final approval)</p>
10.	Parking Enforcement on Housing Estates: Programme Update	All Wards	<p>Cabinet RESOLVED</p> <p>(1) To note the contents of the report in relation to the successful delivery of Phase 1 (pilot) and Phase 2 of the project and the introduction of effective parking controls and enforcement on the pilot estates and an additional fifteen housing estates from January 2023 to May 2023, with the estates detailed within Appendix 1 of the report.</p> <p>(2) To approve the future roll out of Off Street Controlled Parking (OSCP) on:</p> <p>(a) A further nine Brent estates where residents previously did not support parking controls, but there was now evidence of parking pressure and support, following a re-consultation between November 2023 and February 2024. This would be Phase 3, with the estates detailed in Appendix 2 of the report.</p> <p>(b) Nine Brent estates that were previously excluded due to regeneration plans, subject to the outcome of consultation with residents, with the estates detailed within Appendix 3 of the report. This would be a potential Phase 4. Cabinet noted that</p>

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			<p>the list for Phase 4 could change depending on progress with regeneration plans and funding availability.</p> <p>(3) To delegate authority to the Corporate Director of Neighbourhoods and Regeneration in consultation with the Corporate Director of Partnerships, Housing and Resident Services to carry out public consultation and statutory consultation for Phase 3 and subsequent phases, to approve the implementation of Traffic Management Orders necessary to introduce parking controls on land owned by the Council within its Housing Revenue Account, subject to funding availability.</p> <p>(4) To approve the use of income generated from sale of permits to fund maintenance on OSCP estates, and for the future introduction of OSCP on estates where there is evidence of support by residents.</p> <p>Eligible for call-in: Yes</p> <p>Deadline for submission of call-in: 6pm on Monday 16 September 2024</p>
11.	Community Space at Roy Smith House	Stonebridge	<p>Cabinet RESOLVED:</p> <p>(1) To approve the use of £624,000 of Strategic Community Infrastructure Levy for works to fit out the commercial unit at</p>

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			<p>Roy Smith House.</p> <p>(2) To approve inviting tenders for a contract for works to fit out the commercial unit at Roy Smith House on the basis of the pre-tender considerations set out in paragraphs 3.2.14 of the report.</p> <p>(3) To approve officers evaluating the tenders referred to in (2) above on the basis of the evaluation criteria set out in paragraphs 3.2.14 of the report.</p> <p>(4) To delegate authority to the Corporate Director of Partnerships Housing and Resident Services in consultation with the Leader and Cabinet Member for Housing to award the contract for works to fit out the commercial unit at Roy Smith House.</p> <p>Eligible for call-in: Yes</p> <p>Deadline for submission of call-in: 6pm on Monday 16 September 2024</p>
12.	Exclusion of Press and Public		There were no items that required the exclusion of the press or public.
13.	Any other urgent business		There were no items of urgent business.