

# SUMMONS TO ATTEND COUNCIL MEETING

# Monday 8 July 2024 at 6.00 pm

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

Please note that this meeting will be held as a physical meeting with all members of the Council required to attend in person.

To the Mayor and Councillors of the London Borough of Brent and to each and every one of them.

I hereby summon you to attend the MEETING OF THE COUNCIL of this Borough.

KIM WRIGHT
Chief Executive

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Dated: 28 June 2024 (agenda republished on 3 and 5 July 2024)

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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 a Prejudicial Interest (i.e. it affects a financial position or relates to determining of any approval, consent, licence, permission, or registration) then (unless an exception at 14(2) of the Members Code applies), 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 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 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, to a greater extent than the majority of other council tax payers, ratepayers or inhabitants of the electoral ward affected by the decision, 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 employs or has appointed any of these or in whom they have a beneficial interest in a class of securities exceeding the nominal value of £25,000, or any firm in which they are a partner, or any company of which they are a director
- any body of a type described in (a) above

# **Agenda**

# 1 Apologies for Absence

# 2 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

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To confirm as a correct record, the attached minutes of the Annual Council Meeting held on Wednesday 22 May 2024.

### 3 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.

# 4 Mayor's Announcements (including any petitions received)

To receive any announcements from the Mayor.

# 5 Appointments to Committees and Outside Bodies and Appointment of Chairs/Vice Chairs (if any)

To agree any appointments to Committees and Outside Bodies (if any) in accordance with Standing Order 30 (g).

# 6 Deputations (if any)

To hear any deputations requested by members of the public in accordance with Standing Order 32.

Members are asked to note that the following deputations are due to be received at the meeting:

6.1 Provision of parent voice and representation within community schools and school communications (deputation to be made by Save Byron Court Campaign Group)

(Agenda republished to include details of the above deputation on 3 July 2024)

### 7 Questions from Members of the Public & Brent Youth Parliament

15 - 20

7.1 To receive and consider the question(s) submitted by the public for response by the relevant Cabinet Member, in accordance with Standing Order 33.

Members are asked to note that two public questions have been

received, which have been attached to the agenda along with the written responses provided.

7.2 To receive question(s) submitted by the Brent Youth Parliament for response by the relevant Cabinet Member, in accordance with Standing Order 33(c).

Members are asked to note that one question has been received, which has been attached to the agenda along with the written response provided.

#### Petitions (if any) 8

For Members to consider any petitions with more than 200 signatures on which a debate has been requested, in accordance with the Council's petition rules and Standing Order 68.

Members are asked to note there are no petitions due to be received at this meeting of the Council.

Motions 21 - 30

Following the change in procedure for dealing with Motions agreed as part of the changes to the Constitution at the Annual Council Meeting in May 2024, the debate on motions submitted to Full Council, in accordance with Standing Order 30(k) and 41 will now be undertaken at this stage of the meeting.

Members are asked to note:

- The motions submitted for debate have been attached.
- Where a motion concerns an executive function, nothing passed can be actioned until approved by the Executive or an officer with the relevant delegated power.

(Agenda republished to include the motions submitted for debate on 3 July 2024 and a Labour Group amendment to the Conservative Group motion on 5 July 2024))

#### 10 **Reports from the Leader and Cabinet**

31 - 48

To receive a report from the Leader of the Council in accordance with Standing Order 31 providing an update on any key or significant issues arising from any matter within the responsibility of the Cabinet.

#### 11 Questions from the Opposition and other Non-Cabinet Members 49 - 58

For questions to be put to members of the Cabinet by Opposition and

Non-Cabinet Members in accordance with Standing Order 35.

Five advance notice questions have been received under this item, which have been attached along with the written responses provided.

Members are asked to note that this session will also include an opportunity (within the time available) for other Non-Cabinet members and the Opposition to ask questions of Cabinet Members without the need for advance notice.

# 12 Report from Chairs of Scrutiny Committees

To receive reports from the Chairs of the Council's Scrutiny Committees in accordance with Standing Order 36. The reports have been attached as follows:

## 12.1 Community & Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee

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# 12.2 Resources & Public Realm Scrutiny Committee

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Members are asked to note that this session will include an opportunity (within the time available) for Non-Cabinet Members to ask questions of relevant Scrutiny Chair's in relation to the remit of their Committees.

(Agenda republished to include the update report from the Resources & Public Realm Scrutiny Committee on 3 July 2024)

# 13 Annual Report from the Chairs of the Audit & Standards Advisory 78 - 84 and Audit & Standards Committees

To receive the Annual Report jointly produced by the Chair of the Audit and Standards Committee and Audit and Standards Advisory Committee updating on the work of both Committees, in accordance with Standing Order 37.

### 14 Non-Cabinet Members' Debate

85 - 86

To enable Non-Cabinet Members to raise an issue of relevance to Brent for debate on which notice has been provided in accordance with Standing Order 34 and to receive updates from Cabinet members, as required, on any issues previously raised.

Members are asked to note that the subject identified for debate at this meeting is as follows:

# **Declaration of a Housing Emergency**

Please note: The motion submitted as the basis for this debate has been

attached.

# 15 Maternity and Paternity Arrangements for Councillors - Allowances, 87 - 94 Leave and s85 Local Government Act 1972

To receive a report from the Corporate Director Law & Governance seeking approval to changes in the maternity/paternity policy within the Members Allowances Scheme and that in accordance with s.85 of the Local Government Act 1972 absence on approved maternity leave is agreed as a reason for non-attendance at any meeting of the Council, Cabinet, Committee or Sub-Committee from 8th July 2024 onwards.

Ward Affected: Contact Officer: Debra Norman, Corporate

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# 16 Representation of Political Groups on Committees

If required following the outcome of the Queens Park ward by-election on 4 July 2024, to receive a report from the Corporate Director of Law & Governance reviewing (under Section 15 of the Local Government & Housing Act 1989) the allocation of seats on Council Committees and other relevant bodies.

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# 17 Urgent Business

At the discretion of the Mayor to consider any urgent business, in accordance with Standing Order 37(s).

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 The meeting room is accessible by lift and seats will be provided for members of the public. Alternatively, it will be possible to follow proceedings via the live webcast HERE