

## Welsh Harp Joint Consultative Committee

**Monday 24 November 2025 at 6.00 pm**

This will be held as an online virtual meeting

### Membership:

#### Members

Councillors:

Krupa Sheth (Chair)

Rishikesh Chakraborty (Vice-Chair)

Ernest Ambe Esq

Alan Schneiderman

Andrea Bilbow

Parvez Ahmed

Mary Mitchell

Arshad Mahmood

#### Representing

London Borough Brent

London Borough Barnet

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### Membership Continued:

#### Organisations

Brent River Catchment Partnership

Canal and River Trust

Cleaner Earth UK

Cool Oak

Environment Agency

Friends of Welsh Harp

Hendon Rifle Club

London Wildlife Trust

Natural England

Phoenix Canoe Club

Princes Park Youth Football Club

Silkstream Friends

Silver Park Jubilee Residents Association

Thames 21

Thames Water

Training Ship Broadsword

Trustee of WHCG

Welsh Harp Conservation Group

Welsh Harp Sailing Association

West Hendon Allotment Society

West Hendon Residents' Association / Friends of York Park

Baratt London

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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 or 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, 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

Introductions, if appropriate.

Item	Page
<b>1 Apologies for Absence</b>	
<b>2 Declarations of interests</b>	
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.	
<b>3 Deputations (if any)</b>	
By prior arrangement with the Chair, persons who are not members of the Committee may attend to address the Committee on a particular issue or item. Any members of the public wishing to address the committee should submit their request at least 3 days in advance of the meeting to the contact officer named on the agenda. The request will then be passed to the Chair for consideration	
<b>4 Minutes of the previous meeting</b>	1 - 12
To approve the minutes of the previous meeting held on Monday 21 July 2025 as a correct record.	
<b>5 Matters arising</b>	
<b>6 London Borough of Barnet - Welsh Harp Management Plan</b>	13 - 18
To provide an update to the Committee in relation to Council activities during Quarter 2 (Jul-Sept 2025/26) in respect of the Welsh Harp / West Hendon Playing Fields.	
<b>7 London Borough of Brent - Welsh Harp Management Plan</b>	19 - 38
This report presents progress on the Brent Reservoir / Welsh Harp Management Plan since the last meeting of the Committee and during the 2025/26 year to date. The Management Plan is jointly managed by the three main, land-holding organisations: Brent Council, the London Borough of Barnet, and the Canal & River Trust.	
<b>8 Update from the Canal &amp; River Trust</b>	Verbal Update

To receive an update from the Canal & River Trust on the ongoing restoration works within the north marsh of the Welsh Harp.

## 9 Date of Future Meetings

To note the following dates for future meetings of the Joint Consultative Committee, all of which are scheduled to be held online:

- Thursday 19 March 2026 at 6pm

## 10 Any other urgent business

- a) Thames 21: Update on Community Group Activities
- b) Cool Oak and Welsh Harp Conservation Group: Summary of views on the CRT Restoration project and Silk Stream Bridge Proposal

(Agenda republished to include this item on 17 November 2025)

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