

Cabinet

Monday 9 February 2026 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)	Leader of the Council
M Patel (Vice-Chair)	Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Finance & Resources
Benea	Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Planning & Property
Donnelly-Jackson	Cabinet Member for Housing
Grahl	Cabinet Member for Children's Services, Education & Employment
Knight	Cabinet Member for Customer Experience, Resident Support and Culture
Moeen	Cabinet Member for Community Safety & Cohesion
Nerva	Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care, Public Health and Leisure
Rubin	Cabinet Member for Climate Action and Community Power
Krupa Sheth	Cabinet Member for Public Realm & Enforcement

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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	
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2	Declarations of Interest	
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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	
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To approve the minutes of the previous meeting held on Monday 19 January 2026 as a correct record.	To Follow
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4	Matters Arising (if any)	
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To consider any matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting.

5	Petitions (if any)	
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To receive and consider any petitions for which notice has been provided under 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)	
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To consider any reports referred by either the Community & Wellbeing or Resources & Public Realm Scrutiny Committees.

Finance & Resources reports

7	Budget and Council Tax 2026-27	
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This report sets out the Council's budget proposals for 2026 - 27. It also sets out the overall financial position facing the Council for the medium term and highlights the significant risks, issues and uncertainties as well as details 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 23 February 2026.

Ward Affected:
All Wards

Lead Member: Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Finance & Resources (Councillor Mili Patel)

Contact Officer: Ravinder Jassar, Deputy Director Corporate and Financial Planning
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Neighbourhoods & Regeneration reports

8 Approval for the Disposal of Council-Owned Commercial Properties 287 - 304

This report seeks approval to dispose of three surplus General Fund property interests. The proposed disposals are necessary to reduce financial pressures, mitigate increasing asset liabilities, and support strategic priorities outlined in the Council's Property Strategy 2024–27 and Medium-Term Financial Strategy (MTFS).

Ward Affected:
Kingsbury;
Northwick Park;
Preston

Lead Member: Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Planning & Property (Councillor Teo Benea)

Contact Officer: Denish Patel, Head of Property
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Housing & Residential Services reports

9 Brent Creates - A Cultural Strategy for Inclusion, Wellbeing and Growth: 2026-31 305 - 386

This report presents the Brent Cultural Strategy 2026–31 which sets out a bold and essential roadmap for the next stage of the borough's cultural development following on from the legacy of Brent's year as London Borough of Culture. The Strategy has been co-produced to provide a long terms focus, sustain momentum, respond to community demand and position culture as a driver of inclusion, wellbeing and growth.

Members are asked to note this report also includes an additional background paper, which has been published and circulated as a separate attachment.

Ward Affected:
All Wards

Lead Member: Cabinet Member for Customer Experience, Resident Support & Culture (Councillor Promise Knight)

Contact Officer: Colin Chester, London Borough of Culture Legacy Manager
020 8937 6377
Colin.Chester@brent.gov.uk

10 Approval of proposal for First Wave Housing to offer supported exempt accommodation 387 - 404

The purpose of this report is to seek approval for First Wave Housing to offer supported exempt accommodation to help care experienced young people, residents in supported living arrangements, and residents at risk of or experiencing homelessness. The scheme aims to increase availability and improve the quality of supported accommodation while reducing costs to the Council.

Ward Affected:
All Wards

Lead Member: Cabinet Member for Housing
(Councillor Fleur Donnelly-Jackson)

Contact Officer: Laurence Coaker, Director -
Housing Needs & Support

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Service Reform & Strategy reports

11 ICT Infrastructure Investment Programme 2026 -2028 405 - 418

This report presents an updated Technology Roadmap 2026-2028 for approval setting out a targeted, two-year plan focusing on investment in five core areas: modernising data centres, enhancing cloud infrastructure, upgrading networks, strengthening cybersecurity, and supporting vital business applications which have been identified as key in enabling hybrid working, safeguarding sensitive data, and ensuring the council can deliver responsive, joined-up public services.

Ward Affected:
All Wards

Lead Member: Deputy Leader and Cabinet
Member for Finance & Resources (Councillor
Mili Patel)

Contact Officer: Derrick Boyce, Head of IT
Solutions

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12 Authority to invite tenders for care and support at six supported living sites for adults with Mental Health Difficulties 419 - 452

This report seeks approval to the procurement of care and support for six supported living sites for adults with mental health difficulties.

Ward Affected:
Cricklewood &
Mapesbury;
Kenton;

Lead Member: Cabinet Member for Adult Social
Care, Public Health and Leisure (Councillor Neil
Nerva)

Contact Officer: Edwin Mensah, Acting Head of

Roundwood;
Wembley
Central

Commissioning Contracting and Market
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13 Exclusion of Press and Public

The following item(s) are not for publication as they relate to the category of exempt information set out below, as specified under Part 1, Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972:

Agenda Item 9: Approval for the Disposal of Council-Owned Commercial Properties (Appendix 1 – Valuations)

This appendix has been classified as exempt under Paragraph 3 of Part 1 Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, namely: "Information relating to the financial or business affairs of and particular person (including the authority holding that information).

14 Any other urgent business

Notice of items to be raised under this heading must be given in writing to the Deputy Director Democratic & Corporate Governance Services or their representative before the meeting in accordance with Standing Order 60.

Date of the next meeting: Monday 9 March 2026



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