

Trading Standards Joint Advisory Board

Wednesday 4 June 2025 at 6.00 pm

To be held as an online virtual meeting

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Membership:

Members Councillors:	Representing	First alternates Councillors:	Second alternates Councillors:
Pritesh Stevenson	Harrow	Blackman	Harrow
Suresh Crabb	Harrow	Greek	Harrow
Kennelly	Brent	Kalu	Harrow
Krupa Sheth	Brent	Farah	Brent
		Miller	Brent
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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 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
1 Election of Chair	
To be appointed from members of the London Borough of Brent for this meeting.	
2 Apologies for Absence and Clarification of Alternate Members	
3 Declarations of Interests	
Members are invited to declare at this stage of the meeting, any relevant personal or disclosable pecuniary interests in the items on this agenda.	
4 Minutes of Previous Meeting	1 - 6
To approve the minutes of the previous meeting held on Wednesday 19 March 2025 as a correct record.	
5 Matters Arising	
6 Deputations (if any)	
7 Trading Standards Annual Report 2024-25	7 - 18
This report presents the Annual Report (produced as a requirement under the Trading Standards Consortium Agreement) for consideration by the Joint Advisory Board which details the work undertaken by the Trading Standards service during 2024-25.	
8 Knife Crime proposals regarding age verification checks	19 - 22
This report provides Members with information regarding proposals to implement age verification checks and to seek control of the doorstep dropping of knives and bladed articles to greater protect young people from knife crime.	
9 Date of Future Meetings	
Members are asked to note the provisional schedule of meetings agreed between Brent & Harrow for the 2025-26 Municipal Year:	

- Wednesday 5 November 2025 at 6pm to be hosted (online) by the London Borough of Harrow
- Thursday 5 March 2026 at 6pm to be hosted (online) by the London Borough of Brent

10 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 (London Borough of Brent) or their representative before the meeting in accordance with the constitutions of both councils.