

Full Council – 12 July 2010

Report from the Executive

1. Brent Local Development Framework – adoption of the core strategy

The Executive at its meeting on 23 June 2010 considered the above report, now attached for Council, and agreed the recommendation contained within it

Council is now recommended to adopt the Core Strategy, as submitted to the Secretary of State and incorporating the changes recommended by the Inspector, as set out in appendix 1 to the report.

2. Enforcement of moving traffic and parking contraventions by means of CCTV cameras

The Executive at its meeting on 23 June 2010 considered the above report, now attached for Council, and agreed the recommendations contained within it.

Council is now recommended to approve the transfer of powers to the Council from the Metropolitan Police to enforce moving traffic contraventions, as required by the London Local Authorities and Transport for London Act 2003 and that the borough take on these powers from 1 January 2011.

3. Items to be reported by the Executive

The Leader has given notice that the Executive will report to Council on the following items:

- (i) Building Schools for the Future
- (ii) Voluntary sector grants
- (iii) Impact of the Chancellor's budget

4. Decisions taken by the Executive under the Council's urgency provisions

Under the provisions of rule 38 of the Access to Information Rules in the Constitution, the Executive is required to report to the next Full Council for information on any key decisions taken by them but which did not appear in the Forward Plan.

(i) Amendment to Housing and Social Care Non HRA PFI Project – Authority to Award Phase 2 of Contract Report

The above item was considered by the Executive on 23 June 2010 when the decision was taken to revise the total of 169 units at Phase 2 of the PFI scheme – taking the total number of units for Phase 1 and Phase to 384 units.

Reason why it was impractical to defer the decision until it could be included on the Forward Plan:

On 15 March 2010, the Executive agreed to a revised total of 165 units at phase 2 of the PFI scheme following consideration of the report regarding the Housing and Social Care Non HRA PFI Project – Authority to Award Phase 2 of the Contract Report. The correct figure for the revised total number of units is in fact 169 units and not 165 as set out in the Minutes of the Executive meeting of 15 March 2010. This discrepancy has not been amended or rectified and therefore, it is necessary for the Executive to authorise the correct number of units. The financial close for the variation to the contract, as approved by the Executive on 15 March 2010, is the end of June 2010 and therefore, the decision must be made by the Executive before the end of June at its meeting on 23 June 2010. Thus, the matter cannot wait until the July 2010 Executive meeting. It is important that the correct figure of units is stated on the report to the Executive so that the Council is properly authorised to enter into Phase 2 of the PFI scheme and that there is no risk that the variation of the PFI contract agreeing to a revised total of 169 units can be challenged on grounds that it is ultra vires.

(ii) Authority to award a contract for office supplies

The above item was considered by the Executive on 23 June 2010 when the decision was taken to award the contract for office supplies to Office Depot (UK) Ltd for a term of 3 years 9 months commencing 1 July 2010.

Reason why it was impractical to defer the decision until it could be included on the Forward Plan:

Contract needed to be awarded for 1 July 2010 to ensure continuity for stationery supplies to services in the Council.