



MINUTES
of the
COUNCIL TAX MEETING
of the
COUNCIL
of the
LONDON BOROUGH OF HARROW
held on
THURSDAY 26 FEBRUARY 2004

Present: **The Worshipful the Mayor (Councillor Mano Dharmarajah)**
 The Deputy Mayor (Councillor Lurline Champagne)

Councillors:

R. Arnold
 Nana Asante-Twumasi
 David Ashton
 Mrs Marilyn Ashton
 Mrs Camilla Bath
 Miss C A Bednell
 F. Billson
 Alan Blann
 H. Bluston
 J. Branch
 K. Burchell
 M. Choudhury
 Mrs Janet Cowan
 John Cowan
 Bob Currie
 Margaret Davine
 Sanjay Dighé
 A.T. Foulds
 Brian Gate
 Mitzi Green
 Ann Groves

C. Harrison
 C. Harriss
 T. Idaikkadar
 M. Ingram
 N. Ismail
 Mary John
 M. Kara
 Mrs E.M. Kinnear
 M. Kinsey
 A.C. Knowles
 Jean Lammiman
 D. Lavingia
 A. Lent
 Miss Paddy Lyne
 Myra Michael
 Jerry J. Miles
 Vina Mithani
 Chris Mote
 Mrs Janet Mote
 J.W. Nickolay

Mrs Joyce Nickolay
 Marie-Louise Nolan
 Phillip O'Dell
 A. Omar
 P. Osborn
 Anjana Patel
 A. Pinkus
 R. Ray
 R.D. Romain
 Anthony Seymour
 Navin Shah
 Mrs Rajeshri Shah
 E. Silver
 Bill Stephenson
 Keekira Thammaiah
 S. Thornton
 Keith Toms
 M. Versallion
 A.E. Whitehead
 G.G.V. Williams

A **OPENING PROCEEDINGS****168.** **PRAYERS:**

The Mayor's Chaplain, Deacon Tony Martin, addressed the Council and then led the Meeting in formal opening prayers.

169. **OPENING ADDRESS FROM THE CHAIR:**

The Mayor made a statement welcoming the public to the Meeting and advising of the manner in which it was intended to conduct the Revenue Budget and Council Tax debate. He also advised that the Council would not be adjourning for a break at 9.00 pm as was customary but sitting in continuous session until the close of the Meeting.

B **PROCEDURAL MATTERS****170.** **COUNCIL MINUTES:**

RESOLVED:

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON 22 JANUARY 2004 AND OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 22 JANUARY 2004, HAVING BEEN CIRCULATED, BE TAKEN AS READ AND SIGNED AS CORRECT RECORDS.

171. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL:**

The Mayor invited appropriate declarations of interest by Members of Council, with particular reference to the Cabinet Recommendation in relation to the Revenue Budget and the setting of the Council Tax 2004/2005.

RESOLVED:

THAT THE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST MADE BY MEMBERS OF COUNCIL IN RESPECT OF THE BUSINESS TO BE TRANSACTED AT THIS MEETING BE DULY RECEIVED AND RECORDED (AS SET OUT AT APPENDIX I).

172. **MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

RESOLVED:

THAT THE COUNCIL RECEIVE AND NOTE THE REPORT OF HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR, AS TABLED, UPON HIS OFFICIAL DUTIES, TOGETHER WITH THE OCCASIONS ON WHICH HE HAD BEEN REPRESENTED BY THE DEPUTY MAYOR, SINCE THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING.

173. **PROCEDURAL MOTION UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 15.2:**

The Leader of the Council, Councillor Foulds, moved and the Leader of the Conservative Group, Councillor C. Mote, seconded a procedural motion for an Urgent Motion relating to the closure of the South Harrow Post Office to be admitted to the business to be transacted at this Council Meeting.

The Council noted that the proposed Urgent Motion had met the requirements of the Council Procedure Rule, having been received prior to the deadline for the receipt of such Motions and having provided reasons for urgency.

The proposal received the general assent of the Council.

RESOLVED:

THAT THE PROCEDURAL MOTION UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 15.2 RELATING TO THE ADMISSION OF AN URGENT MOTION BE AGREED, AND THAT THE URGENT MOTION BE CONSIDERED FOLLOWING ITEM 11 ON THE SUMMONS.

(See Resolution 182).

174. PROCEDURAL MOTION UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 26.1:

His Worship the Mayor proposed from the Chair that, in line with the practice in previous years, the rules of debate be varied to reflect the importance of the Revenue Budget as a subject matter. A note reflecting the consensus among the political groups on the procedures which would apply for the purposes of the revenue budget debate had been tabled.

The proposal received the general assent of the Council.

RESOLVED:

THAT THE PARTIAL SUSPENSION OF THE RELEVANT COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULES REGARDING THE MOVING OF A RECOMMENDATION FROM THE EXECUTIVE AND THE RULES OF DEBATE (INCLUDING EXTENDED TIME FOR OPENING AND CLOSING SPEECHES), AS SET OUT IN THE TABLED NOTE, BE APPROVED FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE REVENUE BUDGET DEBATE.

C PUBLIC REPRESENTATIONS**175. PETITIONS:**

(1) The following petitions were submitted by Members of Council:

- (i) Submitted by Councillor Mary John, containing 233 signatures of local residents opposing the application for planning permission to build a block of 8 flats at 14A Thornton Grove, Hatch End.

[Note: The petition stood referred to the Development Control Committee].

- (ii) Submitted by Councillor Marie-Louise Nolan, containing 145 signatures of local residents, parents, staff and governors at Whitefriars School calling upon the Council to implement traffic-calming measures outside the school.

[Note: The petition stood referred to the Traffic Advisory Panel].

- (iii) Submitted by Councillor Janet Mote, containing 99 signatures of local residents requesting that the Council take enforcement action in respect of a breach of planning control at 201-203 Headstone Lane, Harrow.

[Note: The petition stood referred to the Development Control Committee].

(2) A petition was submitted by a member of the public, as follows:

Submitted by Mr S Sheinwald, signed by some 24,000 local residents calling upon the Council to take immediate action to ensure that any increase in Council Tax in 2004/5 be no higher than the rate of inflation, and that the standard of services improve.

[Note: The petition was formally received and taken into account for the purposes of the Revenue Budget and Council Tax decision (see Resolution 177 below)].

176. PUBLIC QUESTIONS:

Further to Item 6 on the Summons, the following six questions were submitted by members of the public, in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 12.3:

<u>QUESTION BY</u>	<u>QUESTION OF</u>	<u>TEXT OF QUESTION</u>
Mr D A Stanley	Planning, Development, Housing and Best Value Portfolio Holder (Councillor Burchell)	"The Residents of Edgware Ward have been writing letters to you and your two associate Councillors for this ward on the deterioration of Edgware and its lack of Council services for the last two years.

An improvement has been noticed in the last three months since the Harrow

		<p>Council Tax Protest Group was formed and put a voice to the residents many complaints.</p> <p>Can we assume that these improvements will continue in the years 2004/5 or will the Council, after introducing the new Council Tax, revert back to its previous uncaring attitude?"</p>
Mr B Daver	The Deputy Leader of the Council (Councillor N Shah)	<p>"Figures just released by the Office for National Statistics show that post-tax real wages are now 1.5% lower than in April 2002. However in the last two years residents have been hit with a rise in excess of 25%.</p> <p>Are you not ashamed of the hardship you have caused and do you not agree that after six consecutive years of rises in excess of inflation that this year any increase should be NO MORE THAN the RATE OF RPI OR 2.5%?"</p>
Mr J Mitchell	The Leader of the Council (Councillor Foulds)	<p>"Will you give an undertaking that, in the event of the Conservatives taking over the Council following tonight's vote on the Budget, the Labour Group will co-operate fully in Committee to deliver all elements of the Budget in the interests of residents?"</p>
Mr S Sheinwald	The Leader of the Council (Councillor Foulds)	<p>"In a Feature in the Harrow Observer regarding Council Tax 2004/5 you said that an inflation-limited council tax budget was undeliverable. Are you now prepared to accept that you were wrong and will you tonight support the 2.21% increase Budget option which not only includes the extra amount that you wished to give to schools but also protects some of the most vulnerable in our community by restricting Home Care charges?"</p>
Mr P Seedher	The Deputy Leader of the Council (Councillor N Shah)	<p>"Tonight there are two Budgets available to the Full Council – one will result in a Council Tax rise of 2.5% and the other 3.8%. Councillors have a duty to place the People of Harrow first and vote in accordance with their desire for a tax rise of inflation or less.</p> <p>Can Councillor Shah confirm that he will lay aside any political scruples and acting in the best interests of the people he will vote for the alternative Budget resulting in the lower tax rise of 2.5% which maintains core services, generates savings, provides additional funds and has been vetted by Council Officers?"</p> <p>[Note: In asking this question, reference was made to the revised figures in the budget amendments].</p>

Mr M Fitzgerald	Social Services Portfolio Holder (Councillor Margaret Davine)	<p>“For the last six years, you have voted in favour of Council Tax increases which have forced pensioners’ to hand over to you even more than they themselves have actually received in increases from private or state schemes.</p> <p>How much of the basic pension increase in April will your vote tonight allow them to keep to pay for necessities?”</p>
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[Note: Oral answers were provided to the above questions and under the provisions of Council Procedure Rule 12.4, and other than in respect of the fifth question, supplementary questions were asked, which were additionally answered].

D RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE EXECUTIVE

177. REVENUE BUDGET 2004 - 2005 AND INITIAL MEDIUM TERM REVENUE BUDGET STRATEGY 2004 - 2005 TO 2006 - 2007 (COUNCIL TAX RESOLUTION):

At Item 7 on the Summons, the Council received Recommendation I of the Cabinet meeting of 17 February 2004 in this matter.

Further to the decision outlined at Resolution 174 above, the Mayor moved Recommendation I for the purposes of opening the debate. (No precedent was intended by this arrangement for this occasion). The Political Groups each tabled an amendment to Recommendation I, and the three amendments were debated jointly.

- (i) Councillor Foulds moved, and Councillor Dighé seconded, a detailed amendment including specific proposals for the Authority’s budget for 2004/05 and a revised model Council Tax resolution on the basis of those proposals, which would result in a Council Tax increase of 3.27%.
- (ii) Councillor D Ashton moved, and Councillor John Cowan seconded, a detailed amendment including specific proposals for the 2004/05 budget and a revised model Council Tax resolution on the basis of those proposals, which would result in a Council Tax increase of 2.21%.
- (iii) Councillor Miss Lyne moved, and Councillor Thornton seconded, a detailed amendment including specific proposals for the Authority’s budget for 2004/05 and a revised model Council Tax resolution on the basis of those proposals, which would result in a Council Tax increase of 2.52%.
- (iv) Following a lengthy debate, each amendment was voted on separately.
- (v) Upon a vote, the amendment outlined at (iii) above was not carried.
- (vi) On the amendment outlined at (ii) above being voted upon, this was also not carried.
- (vii) Upon a further vote, the amendment outlined at (i) above was carried.
- (viii) The Meeting then moved to a vote on the substantive Recommendation, as amended; this was carried and adopted.

RESOLVED:

THAT THE SUBSTANTIVE RECOMMENDATION, AS AMENDED, BE ADOPTED IN THE FOLLOWING FORM:

- (1) That Council consider the budget options and approve a budget to enable the Council Tax for 2004-2005 to be set;
- (2) that the model Council Tax Resolution set out below be approved;

COUNCIL TAX RESOLUTION

- (A) To note that at its meeting on 22 January 2004 the Council calculated the amount of 83,652 as its Council Tax Base for the year 2004-2005 in accordance with Regulation 3 of the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) Regulations 1992 made under Section 33 (5) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.
- (B) That the following amounts be now calculated by the Council for the year 2004-2005, in accordance with Sections 32 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992;

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| (i) | Being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 32(2) (a) to (e) of the Act. (Gross expenditure) | £445,112,540 |
| (ii) | Being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 32(3)(a) to (c) of the Act. (Gross income including use of reserves) | £202,579,400 |
| (iii) | Being the amount by which the aggregate at (i) above exceeds the aggregate at (ii) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 32(4) of the Act, as its budget requirement for the year. | £242,533,140 |
| (iv) | Being the aggregate of the sums which the Council estimates will be payable for the year into its General Fund in respect of redistributed non-domestic rates, revenue support grant, reduced by the amount of the sums which the Council estimates will be transferred in the year from its General Fund to its Collection Fund in accordance with Section 97 (4) of the Local Government Finance Act 1988 (Collection Fund Deficit). | £156,045,853 |
| (v) | Being the amount to be raised from Council Taxes calculated at (B) (iii) above less the amount at (B) (iv) above. | £86,487,287 |
| (vi) | Being the amount at (v) divided by the Council Tax Base, calculated by the Council at its meeting on 22 January 2004 in accordance with Section 33(1) of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year. (The average Band D Council Tax) | £1,033.89 |
| (vii) | Valuation Bands | |

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
£	689.26	804.14	919.01	1,033.89	1,263.64	1,493.40	1,723.15	2,067.78

Being the amounts given by multiplying the amount at (vi) above by the number which, in the proportion set out in Section 5(1) of the Act, is applicable to dwellings listed in a particular valuation Band D, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 36(1) of the Act, as the amounts to be taken into account for the year in respect of categories of dwellings listed in different valuation bands.

- (C) That it be noted that for 2004-05 the Greater London Authority stated the following amount in precept issued to the Council, in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, for each of the categories of

dwellings shown below.

Valuation Bands

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
£	160.89	187.70	214.52	241.33	294.96	348.59	402.22	482.66

- (D) That having calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts at (B) (vi) and (C) above, the Council, in accordance with Section 30(2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, hereby sets the following amounts as the amounts of Council Tax for the year 2004-05 for each of the categories of dwellings shown below

Valuation Bands

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
£	850.15	991.84	1,133.53	1,275.22	1,558.60	1,841.99	2,125.37	2,550.44

Scheme of Virement

- (E) That the Council agree that until the review of Financial Regulations is completed there should be no change to the Virement Rules as set out in the Budget and Policy Framework Rules approved by the Council on the 28 May 2002.

(3) that an initial Medium Term Budget Strategy to cover the period 2004-2005 to 2006-2007 based on the approved budget for 2004-2005, as set out in Appendix 1, be approved;

(4) that the Council maintain a minimum level of unallocated General Fund Reserves of £4m at the end of each financial year;

(5) that the optimal level of unallocated General Fund Reserves is £7m;

(6) that the Council aims to achieve the optimal level of reserves over the medium to long term by taking opportunities to increase reserves by sound in-year financial management;

(7) that until the review of Financial Regulations was completed there should be no change to the Virement Rules set out in the Budget and Policy Framework Procedure Rules approved by the Council on 28 May 2002;

(8) that the Council amends the current Scheme for Members' Allowances

- (a) to create two new bands of Allowances for the Mayor and Deputy Mayor and that for the Municipal Years 2003-04 and 2004-05 these allowances be set at £9500 for the Mayor and £2000 for the Deputy Mayor;
- (b) to make these allowances retrospective to the start of the present Municipal Year and be paid to the current incumbents of these posts as well as future incumbents;
- (c) to create a new level of special responsibility allowance of £250 to be paid to the members of the quasi-judicial bodies of the Council being the bodies set out on page 26 of the supporting papers to the Summons;
- (d) to maintain the remainder of the Members' Allowances at their current (2003-04) rates for 2004-05;

and notes that the cost of these changes in 2003-04 can be met from existing budgets and that the cost effect in 2004-05 is neutral".

Reason for Decision: To meet the agreed budget timetable to prepare a 2004-05 budget and set a balanced budget and a Council Tax within the statutory deadline.

[Notes: (1) the budget summary (referred to in the above Recommendation as Appendix 1) is enclosed as Appendix II at the end of the Minutes for this Meeting;

(2) the schedule of specific proposals for growth and budget reductions required to restrict the Council Tax to a 3.27% increase, submitted as part of the amendment outlined at (i) above, together with the summary MTBS, are attached as Appendix III to these Minutes;

(3) further to the Meeting being in continuous session, at 9.47 pm, during discussion of the above item, the Mayor stood down from the chair temporarily and the Deputy Mayor took the chair, the Mayor then resuming the chair at 9.54 pm;

(4) Councillors Arnold, D Ashton, Mrs Ashton, Mrs Bath, Miss Bednell, Billson, Mrs Champagnie, John Cowan, Janet Cowan, Harriss, Mary John, Kara, Mrs Kinnear, Knowles, Jean Lammiman, Myra Michael, Vina Mithani, C Mote, Janet Mote, John Nickolay, Joyce Nickolay, Osborn, Anjana Patel, Pinkus, Romain, Seymour, Silver and Versallion wished to be recorded as having voted against the Recommendation above].

178. MEDIUM TERM CAPITAL BUDGET STRATEGY AND CAPITAL INVESTMENT PLAN:

Further to Item 8 on the Summons, the Council received Recommendation II from the Cabinet meeting of 17 February 2004 in this matter.

The Recommendation was adopted as printed.

RESOLVED:

THAT THE 'PRUDENTIAL BORROWING' INDICATORS SET OUT IN APPENDIX 1 TO THE REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS OF URBAN LIVING AND BUSINESS CONNECTIONS BE APPROVED.

Reason for Decision: To improve the management and delivery of the Capital Programme whilst operating under the new 'Prudential Borrowing' Indicators.

E OTHER REPORTS FROM THE EXECUTIVE

179. SPECIAL URGENCY DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE EXECUTIVE:

In accordance with the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules set out in Part 4 of the Constitution, Council received a report of the Borough Solicitor which set out details of decisions taken as a matter of urgency on behalf of the Executive (that is as individually authorised by Portfolio Holders).

RESOLVED:

THAT THE URGENT DECISIONS TAKEN BY PORTFOLIO HOLDERS NOW REPORTED BE NOTED.

F QUESTIONS UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 13

180. QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE (COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 13):

Further to Item 10 on the Summons, the following questions had been submitted by a Member of the Council, notice of which had been duly given under the provisions of Council Procedure Rule 13.2.

<u>QUESTION BY</u>	<u>QUESTION OF</u>	<u>TEXT OF QUESTION</u>
Councillor Knowles	Education and Lifelong Learning Portfolio Holder (Councillor Stephenson)	"Would the Portfolio Holder please comment on the quality of post-11 education in Harrow".
Councillor Knowles	Environment and Transport Portfolio Holder (Councillor O'Dell)	"Are our parking attendants and charges, both on Sundays, used merely to raise revenue for the Council?"

Councillor Knowles Leader of the Council "How many calls has the "free"
(Councillor Foulds) Council Tax 2004/05 hotline
received and what has been the
cost of this "phonenumber"?"

[Notes: (1) In moving the first of the above questions, Councillor Knowles sought leave of the Council to correct the remit of the question from that shown on the Summons, which was consented to by the Council, and that correction is reflected in the above text;

(2) oral answers were provided to the above questions and, under the provisions of Council Procedure Rule 13.5, supplementary questions to each of the above questions were asked and were additionally answered].

G MOTIONS UNDER COMMITTEE PROCEDURE RULE 15

181. MOTION AT ITEM 11 OF THE SUMMONS:

- (i) Councillor Knowles moved and Councillor C. Mote seconded the following Motion appearing at Item 11 of the Summons:

"This Council notes the chaos that ensued from the awarding of contracts to install double-glazing and doors on the Eastcote Lane Estate, as was evidenced at the Tenants' and Leaseholders' Consultative Forum meeting held on Wednesday 21 January 2004.

This Council also notes the lack of consultation with affected Tenants and Leaseholders.

This Council further notes the lack of on-site monitoring of the contractors and the work carried out.

This Council deplores the Portfolio Holder's lack of courtesy in not attending the TLCF (Special) meeting on Wednesday 21 January 2004, his lack of apology for not attending the meeting and for his gross rudeness to both the Tenants and Leaseholders and to the Council in not sending a reserve in his place.

Accordingly, this Council resolves to express its lack of confidence in the Portfolio Holder for Planning, Development and Housing and demands his resignation from this Portfolio forthwith."

- (ii) Upon a vote, the Motion was not carried.

RESOLVED:

THAT THE MOTION, AS SET OUT AT (i) ABOVE, BE NOT ADOPTED.

[Note: At 11.15 pm, during the course of the debate on the above Motion, Councillor Toms moved under the provisions of Council Procedure Rule 17.10 (d) "that the question now be put". This received the general assent of the Council and the Meeting moved to a vote on the Motion].

182. URGENT MOTION:

- (i) Further to the decision outlined at Resolution 173 above, Councillor Foulds moved and Councillor C. Mote seconded the following Motion:

"This Council is seriously concerned about the current proposal to sell the premises of the South Harrow Crown Post Office to a company which plans to convert the premises to a card and gift shop and significantly reduce the space available for the provision of PO services.

The Council deplores the fact that:

- There has been no genuine consultation about the principle of the sale and conversion
- No information is available about the accommodation to be retained for PO

- services
- All the informal meetings have been scheduled for day time, only 2 hours on each day, 4 hours in total, thereby excluding many interested residents
 - The employment of long-serving, experienced staff in the branch will be terminated
 - There is no long-term guarantee of the continuation of all services at present provided.

The loss of Crown PO means residents would be forced to travel unacceptable distances to access one at either Harrow, Pinner, Eastcote or Northolt.

Harrow deplors the total lack of any meaningful consultation. The Council believes the proposal will be prejudicial to the viability of South Harrow and the convenience of local residents and determines to convey its concern to the PO, K.P. Retail Ltd. and the local MP".

- (ii) The Motion was agreed unanimously.

RESOLVED:

THAT THE MOTION, AS SET OUT AT (i) ABOVE, BE ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY.

[Note: At 11.21 pm, during the course of the debate on the above Motion, Councillor Gate moved under the provisions of Council Procedure Rule 17.10 (d) "that the question now be put". This received the general assent of the Council and the Meeting moved to a determination on the Motion as recorded above].

H MISCELLANEOUS

183. PROCEDURE FOR THE TERMINATION OF THE MEETING:

At various times during the course of the Meeting the Council considered the requirement to extend the proceedings beyond the formal guillotine time of 10.30 pm under the provisions of Council Procedure Rule 10.2(ii) as follows:

- at 10.28 pm, during consideration of the Revenue Budget 2004-2005 and Initial Medium Term Revenue Budget Strategy 2004-2005 to 2006-2007, the Mayor proposed an extension of 30 minutes, which was agreed by general consent;
- at 10.57 pm, during the Questions with Notice at Item 10, the Mayor proposed an extension of 15 minutes, which was agreed by general consent;
- at 11.14 pm, during the Motion at Item 11, the Mayor proposed a further extension of 15 minutes, which was also agreed by general consent.

RESOLVED:

THAT, UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 10.2(ii), THE MEETING BE EXTENDED TO 11.00 PM, 11.15 PM AND 11.30 PM RESPECTIVELY.

(CLOSE OF MEETING: All business having been completed, the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 11.22 pm).

APPENDIX I**COUNCIL (COUNCIL TAX) MEETING – 26 FEBRUARY 2004****DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS OF COUNCIL**

MEMBER	<u>INTEREST</u>
Councillor Ray Arnold	<u>Personal Interest</u> Harrow Citizens' Advice Bureau (Management Committee)
Councillor Nana Asante-Twumasi	No interests declared.
Councillor David Ashton	<u>Personal Interests</u> Harrow East and West Conservative Associations
Councillor Marilyn Ashton	<u>Personal Interests</u> Governor of Elmgrove School and Bentley Wood High School
Councillor Camilla Bath	<u>Personal Interests</u> Governor of Whitchurch First and Nursery School and Harrow High School Council appointee to the Management Committee of Bentley Priory Nature Reserve Council appointee to the Sir John Wolstenholme Charity
Councillor Christine Bednell	<u>Personal Interests</u> Related to a person in receipt of domiciliary care Patron of HYM Governor of Whitmore High School and Vaughan First and Middle School Governor of Stanmore College Director Area Properties Member of the Conservative Party Member of the Association of Conservative Councillors
Councillor Don Billson	No interests declared.
Councillor Alan Blann	<u>Personal Interests</u> Spouse is an employee of LBH Appointed representative to: West London Waste Authority, Bentley Priory Nature Reserve and Harrow Nature Conservation Forum Individual member of H.I.E. Secretary of Organisation which has concessionary letting of LBH premises
Councillor Howard Bluston	<u>Personal Interests</u> Daughter is a Learning Support Assistant in a Harrow school Director of Harrow in Business Member of Harrow Sports Council Prospective Director ALMO Governor, Moriah Jewish Day School

MEMBER	<u>INTEREST</u>
Councillor John Branch	No interests declared.
Councillor Keith Burchell	<u>Personal Interests</u> Spouse employed in Local Authority maintained school Tenant of London Borough of Harrow allotment plot LEA appointed Governor of Cedars First and Middle Schools Member of Harrow East Labour Party Director of West House and Heath Robinson Trust (appointed by the Council) Director of Prince Edward Playing Field Trust (appointed by the Council)
Councillor L Champagne	<u>Personal Interests</u> Governor of Hatch End High School Council appointee to the Deputy Lord Lieutenant's Committee Member of the Pinner Association Member of the Hatch End Association Member of the Conservative Party European Union of Women Royal College of Nursing
Councillor Mrinal Choudhury	<u>Personal Interests</u> Council Representative to HAVS Governor for Elmgrove Middle School
Councillor Janet Cowan	<u>Personal Interests</u> LEA rep Belmont First and Middle Schools LEA rep North London Collegiate School Member of Friends of Canons Park Steering Group Member of the Executive of Harrow in Europe Volunteer with Victim Support Holder of Freedom Pass Member of Conservative Party
Councillor John Cowan	<u>Personal Interests</u> LEA rep Aylward Schools Member of the Executive of Harrow in Europe Director, Secretary/Trustee Surplus Lands (Canons) Limited Holder of Freedom Pass Member of Conservative Party
Councillor Bob Currie	<u>Personal Interests</u> Two sons have an agreement for tenancy of Council garages One son working for L.B. Harrow (in the Print Unit) Pensions from L.B.H. Life Member Unison Member British Legion Member H.A.D. Member Eastcote Lane Tenants and Residents Association Rayners Lane Steering Group Harrow Federation of Tenants & Leaseholders 51 Kings Road (Residence) Labour Party Member
Councillor Margaret Davine	<u>Personal Interest</u> The Women's Centre

MEMBER	<u>INTEREST</u>
Councillor Mano Dharmarajah	No interests declared.
Councillor Sanjay Dighé	<u>Personal Interests</u> Father of children at Harrow schools Father of child attending 9 th Kenton Scout Group Non-Executive Director of CNWL Mental Health NHS Trust Member of Labour Party
Councillor Archie Foulds	<u>Personal Interest</u> Employee SC Further Education College
Councillor B Gate	<u>Personal Interests</u> RAF Northolt Community Consultative Committee Member St Dominic's 6th Form College Governing Body Local Authority representative CAB
Councillor Mitzi Green	<u>Personal Interests</u> Governor of Vaughan First and Middle School
Councillor Ann Groves	<u>Personal Interests</u> Council Representative on HAD, Age Concern and Relate LEA appointed Governor of Marlborough School President of Harrow/Hillingdon Alzheimers Association (Social Services funded) Trustee of Harrow Anti-Racist Alliance Member of HCRE
Councillor Cyril Harrison	<u>Personal Interests</u> Harrow & Wealdstone Swimming Club Harrow Youth Football League Harrow East Labour Party Harrow Society of Football Referees Institute of Advanced Motorists Institute of Barristers Clerks Wealdstone Labour Hall Ltd
Councillor Clive Harriss	No interests declared.
Councillor Thaya Idaikkadar	<u>Personal Interests</u> Parents living in Harrow Council sheltered accommodation Parents in possession of a taxicard Parents in receipt of home help Governor of Earlsmead First and Middle Schools and of Welldon Park Middle School Member of ALG Reserve Member of RAF Liaison Committee

MEMBER	<u>INTEREST</u>
Councillor Mark Ingram	<p><u>Personal Interests</u> Leasehold of 306 Alexandra Avenue, freehold owned by LBH Freehold of 134 Pinner View, in LBH Child at Local Authority school Child in receipt of Nursery School Grant Membership of Rayners Lane Estate Committee LEA appointed Governor of Rooks Heath High School and Newton Farm First and Middle School Director and Shareholder: FME Training Co. Secretary: Icebox Films Ltd Member: Harrow Fabian Society Member: Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament</p>
Councillor Nizam Ismail	<p><u>Personal Interests</u> LEA appointed Governor of Whitchurch Middle School Member of the Executive Committee of HCRE Secretary of the Overseas Sri Lankan Muslim Educational Trust (OSMET) Member of the Labour Party</p>
Councillor Mary John	<p><u>Personal Interests</u> Representative for Harrow Council in Management of:- - Harrow Association of Voluntary Service - League of Friends, Northwick Park Hospital - Harrow Association of Disabled People Volunteer in Management of:- - Princess Royal Trust Harrow Centre for Carers Governor of Woodlands School Member: Conservative Political Party Member of Harrow West Conservative Association Member of Harrow East Conservative Association Harrow in Europe</p>
Councillor Manji Kara	No interests declared.
Councillor Eileen Kinnear	<p><u>Personal Interests</u> Council appointee to Harrow on the Hill Forum Council appointee to the RAF Northolt Community Consultative Group School Governor of Roxeth First and Middle School</p>
Councillor Mike Kinsey	No interests declared.
Councillor Adrian Knowles	<p><u>Personal Interests</u> (Reserve) Member Refugees into Jobs (NW London Forum) (appointed by Council) Member, Harrow West Conservative Association</p>
Councillor Jean Lammiman	<p><u>Personal Interests</u> Council appointee to:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relate Central Middlesex (Board of Trustees) • Harrow School for Young Musicians (Managing Body) • Harrow in Europe Committee • Harrow Strategic Partnership Board • Multi-Agency Forum on Racial Harassment • LEA Governor, Nower Hill High School

MEMBER	<u>INTEREST</u>
Councillor Dhirajlal Lavingia	No interests declared.
Councillor Adam Lent	<u>Personal Interest</u> Director and Shareholder: Think Enterprise Limited
Councillor Paddy Lyne	<u>Personal Interests</u> Governor, Cedars First and Middle School Harrow Weald Common Conservators Princess Royal Trust Carers Citizens Advice Bureau Blue Badge Holder Harrow Young Musicians Shadow Board of ALMO
Councillor Myra Michael	No interests declared.
Councillor Jerry Miles	<u>Personal Interests</u> Father receives meals-on-wheels service LEA Governor at a High School (Rooks Heath)
Councillor Vina Mithani	<u>Personal Interests</u> Councillor Governor at Glebe First and Middle School ALMO Shadow Board Member Member of Conservative Party Member of Harrow East Conservative Association
Councillor Chris Mote	<u>Personal Interests</u> Member of Harrow West Conservatives Harrow and Wealdstone Swimming Club (Vice President) Chair of SSAFA (Soldiers', Sailors' and Airmen's Families' Association) LB Harrow representative on the Sports Council
Councillor Janet Mote	<u>Personal Interests</u> Council representative on the Harrow Heritage Trust Executive Committee Governor of St John Fisher First and Middle School
Councillor John Nickolay	<u>Personal Interests</u> Joint ownership of 200 Malvern Avenue, Harrow, Middlesex, HA2 9HE Church Warden of St Andrew's Church, Malvern Avenue, Harrow, Middlesex, HA2 9ER Member of Harrow West Conservative Association, 10 Village Way, Pinner, Middlesex, HA5 5AF Member of Harrow Borough Football Club, Earlsmead, South Harrow, Middlesex, HA2 8SS Member of Old Gaytonians Association, South Vale, Sudbury, Middlesex Vice-Chairman, Anglo African Youth Association Council Representative, Harrow Council for Racial Equality Holder of Freedom Pass (for free travel on London Buses, LUL and other railways) Member of Harrow in Europe LEA Governor at Welldon Park First School and Welldon Park Middle School

MEMBER	<u>INTEREST</u>
Councillor Joyce Nickolay	<p><u>Personal Interests</u> Member and employee of the Harrow West Conservative Association, 10 Village Way, Pinner, Middlesex, HA5 5AF Member of St Andrew's Church, Malvern Avenue, Harrow, Middlesex, HA2 9ER Holder of Freedom Pass (for underground bus and some railways) Member of Harrow in Europe LEA Governor at Newton Farm First and Middle School</p>
Councillor Marie-Louise Nolan	<p><u>Personal Interests</u> LEA rep and Chair of Governors at Whitefriars First and Middle School LEA rep at Salvatorian College</p>
Councillor Phillip O'Dell	<p><u>Personal Interests</u> Appointment of Harrow Heritage Trust Appointment to Bentley Priory Open Space Committee Member of Elmgrove First and Elmgrove Middle School Governing Bodies</p>
Councillor Asad Omar	<p><u>Personal Interests</u> Chairperson of Harrow Council for Racial Equality (HCRE) LEA Governor of Nower Hill High School</p>
Councillor Paul Osborn	No interests declared.
Councillor Anjana Patel	<p><u>Personal Interest</u> Governor – Vaughan First and Middle School</p>
Councillor Adrian Pinkus	No interests declared.
Councillor Raj Ray	<p><u>Personal Interests</u> Chair, Rayners Lane & Headstone North Labour Party Member, Co-op Party Member, Society of Black Lawyers Member, Anti Racist Alliance Co-ordinating Secretary, National Convention of Black Teacher (NCBT) Member, Harrow Fabian Society Member, Black Londoners Forum Executive Member, London Kalibari Member: National Autistic Society, Harrow (NASH) Fundraiser: The Children Society, Relate, Help the Aged, UNICEF, IFAW + NASH Governor: Kingsley High School Member: HCRE Member: Action for South Africa (ACTSA) Wife: Teacher in Rooks Heath High School Joint owner of a property in Wealdstone which is leased out for three years to Frays Charitable Housing Association</p>
Councillor Richard Romain	<p><u>Personal Interests</u> Child at a Voluntary-Aided School Child in receipt of additional educational services</p>

MEMBER	<u>INTEREST</u>
Councillor Anthony Seymour	<u>Personal Interests</u> Mother receives domiciliary care/Harrow Care at Home Sister receives Social Security and Housing Benefit, as a private sector tenant
Councillor Navin Shah	<u>Personal Interests</u> Governor of Glebe School Trustee of Harrow Anti-Racist Alliance
Councillor Rekha Shah	<u>Personal Interests</u> Parent Governor of Harrow High School Member of the Executive Committee of Harrow Anti-Racist Alliance
Councillor Eric Silver	<u>Personal Interests</u> Any matter to do with pharmacy Councillor representative on HAD Councillor representative on Corporate Parenting Board Member HUMHS
Councillor Bill Stephenson	<u>Personal Interests</u> Governor of Marlborough First and Middle Schools, Hatch End High School and Harrow College
Councillor Keekira Thammaiah	<u>Personal Interests</u> Governor of Park High School and Stag Lane Junior School
Councillor Stephen Thornton	No interests declared.
Councillor Keith Toms	<u>Personal Interests</u> Son works for the Authority Wife receives a small pension from the Authority Lifetime Member of NUT Board Member of the London Pensioners' Finance Authority
Councillor Mark Versallion	<u>Personal Interests</u> Appointed as Reserve on RAF Northolt Community Consultative Group Councillor representative on Harrow on the Hill Forum Councillor representative on Harrow Heritage Trust Executive Committee Chairman, Community Relations Committee, The Harrow Hill Trust Member, Royal United Services Institute
Councillor Anne Whitehead	<u>Personal Interest</u> Mother of son at West Lodge Middle School Governor of West Lodge First and Middle School Council appointee to Harrow Heritage Trust Executive Committee and Harrow Weald Common Board of Conservators
Councillor Gordon Williams	No interests declared.

LONDON BOROUGH OF HARROW
BUDGET REVIEW 2003-2004 TO 2004-2005

APPENDIX II

	2003-2004 Original Budget	2003-2004 Forecast Budget	2004-2005 Original Budget
	£	£	Base Position £
Local Demand - Borough Services			
Corporate	0	0	3,123,700
Business Connections	15,799,480	15,951,330	8,716,200
Organisational Development	1,172,000	1,561,000	1,918,170
Chief Executive's Office	1,091,000	1,033,000	1,045,630
People First	189,673,920	189,413,000	203,994,510
Urban Living	43,799,930	43,666,000	45,647,720
Corporate Savings	0	-1,621,000	0
Total Directorate Budgets	251,536,330	250,003,330	264,445,930
Capital Financing adjustments	-16,534,370	-16,534,370	-17,498,790
Interest on Balances	-3,788,000	-3,901,000	-4,188,000
Contributions to Earmarked reserves	0	500,000	630,000
Total - Baseline	231,213,960	230,067,960	243,389,140
Capitalisation	-1,338,000	-1,338,000	-856,000
Adjustment to Balances	-105,000	1,041,000	
Total Net Expenditure	229,770,960	229,770,960	242,533,140
Contribution re Collection Fund Deficit b/f	321,000	321,000	17,424
National Non-Domestic Rate (NNDR)	-60,892,560	-60,892,560	-59,119,277
Revenue Support Grant (RSG)	-86,161,181	-86,161,181	-96,944,000
Other Grants			
Local Demand on Collection Fund	83,038,219	83,038,219	86,487,287
<u>Funds / Balances</u>			0
Balances Brought Forward	4,651,560	5,273,000	6,314,000
Adjustment to Balances	-105,000	1,041,000	
Balances Carried Forward	4,546,560	6,314,000	6,314,000
<u>Council Tax for Band D Equivalent</u>			
Harrow (£)	1001.16	1001.16	1033.89
<u>Increase</u>			
Harrow (%)			3.27%
<u>Taxbase</u>	<u>82,942</u>	<u>82,942</u>	<u>83,652</u>

APPENDIX III(i)

Table of Labour amendments to the updated Consultation Budget increase of 3.77%

£'000

Area	04-05	05-06	06-07	Percentage impact of proposed amendment for 2004/2005	Explanation
People First					
Education – Schools Budget	+1200	0	0	+1.43%	Reflects the Schools increase proposals from the budget consultation.
Meals on Wheels	-34	0	0	-0.04%	Reflects the charging proposals in the budget consultation
Total People First	+1166	0	0	+1.39%	
Urban Living					
Pest Control Charges	-77	0	0	-0.09%	Reflects the charging proposals in the budget consultation
Clean and Green Programme	-760	+325	+435	-0.91%	Delay existing roll out programme – to commence later in 2004-05
Charge salaries to capital	-215	0	0	-0.26%	Some salaries for technical staff within Urban Living can be legitimately charged to capital as they are involved in the delivery of the capital programme.
Area	04-05	05-06	06-07	Percentage impact of proposed amendment for 2004/2005	Notes/Explanation

Minor Road Safety Improvements	-60	0	0	-0.07%	Currently within the revenue MTBS, this expenditure can be legitimately charged to the capital programme.
Total Urban Living	-1112	+325	+435	-1.33%	
Business Connections					
Housing Benefits	-75	0	-400	-0.09%	Additional Housing Benefit subsidy receivable from the government following most recent announcements.
ICT	-200	0	0	-0.24%	Capitalise £200K of ICT growth on an ongoing basis
Total Business Connections	-275	0	-400	-0.33%	
Organisational Development					
Equalities Training	-50	0	0	-0.06%	To be funded from one-off monies
Total Org Development	-50	0	0	-0.06%	
Area	04-05	05-06	06-07	Percentage impact of proposed amendment for 2004/2005	Notes/Explanation
Corporate					
Increased Interest	-150	0	0	-0.18%	Recalculation of estimated interest on cash flow/balances following latest interest rate rise & predictions
Total Corporate	-150	0	0	-0.18%	
Grand Total	-421	+325	+35	-0.5%	

Consultation Budget increase in Council Tax for 2004/05 3.77%

Less: Labour Amendments -0.5%

Proposed Labour Budget increase in Council Tax for 2004/05 **3.27%**

APPENDIX III(ii)

Labour Group Amendments

LONDON BOROUGH OF HARROW
MTBS 2004-2005 to 2006-2007

	2004-2005		2005-2006		2006-2007		Change %	Council Tax £	Budget £m	Change %	Council Tax £	Budget £m	Change %
	Budget £m	Change %	Budget £m	Change %	Budget £m	Change %							
Base Budget	230.092	1001.16	242.533	1033.89	253.379	1071.25							
Less Collection Fund Deficit 2003-2004	-0.321	-3.84	-0.017	-0.20									
Change in Council tax base		-8.50											
Non Recurring Items	-0.434	-5.19	0.175	2.09	0.000	0.00	0.00%						0.00%
Repriced Base Budget	229.337	983.63	242.691	1035.78	253.379	1071.25	0.18%						0.00%
Base budget Changes	-0.377	-4.51	0.055	0.66	0.055	0.66	0.06%						0.06%
Basic Inflation	7.265	86.85	7.719	92.28	7.951	95.05	8.93%						8.87%
Additional Inflation	2.457	29.37	1.805	21.58	1.967	23.51	2.09%						2.20%
Transfers of functions & specific grants	-2.227	-26.62	-0.500	-5.98	-0.400	-4.78	-0.58%						-0.45%
Transfers to/from capital	0.267	3.19	0.566	6.77	0.000	0.00	0.65%						0.00%
RSG/Grant changes		-107.49		-92.30		-133.67	-8.93%						-12.48%
Total Base Position	236.722	964.43	252.336	1058.78	262.952	1052.02	2.41%						-1.80%
Budgeted Growth:													
Effect of Existing Policy Decisions	7.829	93.59	4.346	51.95	3.658	43.73	5.03%						4.08%
Legislative Change	0.583	6.97	0.635	7.59	0.100	1.20	0.73%						0.11%
Demographic/demand change	0.966	11.55	0.607	7.26	1.662	19.87	0.70%						1.85%
Local Public Service Agreement	0.578	6.91	0.000	0.00	0.000	0.00	0.00%						0.00%
Other	1.923	22.99	0.741	8.86	1.244	14.87	0.86%						1.39%
Procurement Savings	-0.515	-6.16	-0.500	-5.98	-0.500	-5.98	-0.58%						-0.56%
NHP efficiency savings	-1.900	-22.71	-1.900	-22.71	-1.900	-22.71	-2.20%						-2.12%
Existing MTBS following full reprice	246.186	1077.56	256.265	1105.75	267.216	1102.99	6.95%						2.96%
NHP procurement savings	-3.670	-43.87	-2.886	-34.50	0.000	0.00	-3.34%						0.00%
MTBS including procurement savings	242.516	1033.69	253.379	1071.25	267.216	1102.99	3.61%						2.96%
Collection Fund Deficit 2004-2005	0.017	0.20					0.02%						
MTBS Total	242.533	1033.89	253.379	1071.25	267.216	1102.99	3.27%						2.96%