2003 - 2004

# HARROW COUNCIL COUNCIL SUMMONS

**MEETING** Thursday 29 April 2004



# **COUNCIL SUMMONS**

Law and Administration Division

Civic Centre

Harrow

21 April 2004

Dear Member

I hereby request and summon you to attend a **MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE LONDON BOROUGH OF HARROW** to be held in the **COUNCIL CHAMBER** at the **CIVIC CENTRE, STATION ROAD, HARROW, on Thursday, 29th** day of **April 2004 at 7.30 pm** to take into consideration the following numbered matters and to pass such resolutions and to make such orders thereon as may then be determined.

# PRAYERS

The Mayor's Chaplain, Deacon Tony Martin, will open the meeting with Prayers.

# 1. COUNCIL MINUTES: (Pages 1 - 24)

That the minutes of the Council (Council Tax) Meeting held on 26 February 2004, having been circulated, be taken as read and signed as a correct record.

(Notes: (i) The minutes of the above Meeting have been previously circulated within Volume 9 of the Cabinet and Council Minutes (2003/04);

(ii) those minutes are also now enclosed with this Summons for ease of reference).

# 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL:

To receive declarations of interest (if any) from Members of Council arising from business to be transacted at this meeting.

# 3. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:

To receive any announcements from the Mayor.

(Note: Information as to recent Mayoral engagements will be tabled).

# 4. **PROCEDURAL MOTIONS:**

To receive and consider any procedural motions from Members of the Council, under relevant Council Procedure Rules, in relation to the conduct of the business for this Council Meeting.

(Note: Notice of such procedural motions, received after the issuing of this Summons, will be tabled).

# 5. <u>PETITIONS:</u>

To receive petitions (if any) submitted in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 11 and presented:-

- (i) by a representative of the petitioners; or
- (ii) by a Councillor, on behalf of petitioners; or
- (III) by the Borough Solicitor, on behalf petitioners.

# 6. <u>PUBLIC QUESTIONS:</u>

A period of up to 15 minutes is allowed under Council Procedure Rule 12 for members of the public to ask questions of members of the Executive, Portfolio Holders and Chairs of Committees, of which notice has been received no later than 5.00 pm two clear working days prior to the day of this Meeting.

(Note: Confirmation of any questions received by the deadline will be tabled).

# 7. TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY 2004/5: (Pages 25 - 28)

RECOMMENDATION I: (CABINET – 16 March 2004).

# 8. MEDIUM TERM CAPITAL BUDGET STRATEGY 2004/5: (Pages 29 - 32)

RECOMMENDATION II: (CABINET – 16 March 2004).

# 9. CORPORATE PLAN: (Pages 33 - 36)

RECOMMENDATION III: (CABINET – 16 March 2004).

#### 10. COMMUNITY STRATEGY FOR HARROW:

RECOMMENDATION I: CABINET (20 April 2004)

The Recommendation will be circulated in a supplemental Summons, due to the proximity of the Cabinet meeting to the dispatch of the original summons.

# 11. BEST VALUE PERFORMANCE PLAN 2004/05:

RECOMMENDATION II: CABINET (20 April 2004).

The Recommendation will be circulated in a supplemental Summons, due to the proximity of the Cabinet meeting to the dispatch of the original Summons.

#### 12. <u>DECISIONS TAKEN UNDER THE URGENCY PROCEDURE AND USE OF</u> <u>SPECIAL URGENCY PROCEDURE:</u> (Pages 37 - 42)

In accordance with the relevant Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules and Rule 17.3 of the Access to Information Rules, as set out in Part 4 of the Constitution, the Borough Solicitor is required to report respectively those urgent decisions and special urgency decisions taken on behalf of the Executive (that is as individually authorised by the Portfolio Holders), since the previous Council Meeting.

These requirements are met in the attached paper from the Borough Solicitor.

# FOR CONSIDERATION

# 13. **QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE (Council Procedure Rule 13):**

A period of up to 15 minutes is allowed (Council Procedure Rule 13.2) for the asking of written questions by Members of Council of a member of the Executive or the Chair of a Committee:-

- (i) of which notice has been received at least two clear working days prior to the day of this Meeting;
- (II) or which relate to urgent matters, the consent of the Executive member or Committee Chair to whom the question is to be put has been obtained and the content has been advised to the Borough Solicitor by 12.00 noon on the day of the Council Meeting.

# 14. MOTIONS (Council Procedure Rule 15):

To receive the following Motions submitted by Members of Council in accordance with the provisions of Council Procedure Rule 15.1 :-

# (1) Motion to be moved by Councillor Knowles, seconded by Councillor Navin Shah:-

"Following the destruction of the locally listed Railway Hotel, Hatch End, we call on the Council to encourage and support our Planning Department to liaise with other boroughs, some of whom are known to share our concerns, in promoting changes in legislation to strengthen the rules governing Local Listed Buildings.

These should be tightened to the level that currently applies to domestic properties which require consent to demolish".

# (2) Motion to be moved by Councillor D. Ashton, seconded by Councillor C. Mote :-

"This Council is pleased that the Government has recognised the need for a Referendum on the new EU Constitution".

# FOR CONSIDERATION

# 15. APPOINTMENT OF STATUTORY OFFICER:

At its meeting on 23 October 2003 the Council received a report of the Chief Executive on the allocation of the various Statutory and Proper officer roles in the light of the Authority's organisational and Chief Officer restructuring.

Further to the confirmation then given to the relevant office holders/statutory roles (Resolution 142), it was noted that the Chief Finance Officer/Section 151 role was assumed by the Executive Director (Business Connections) pending an appointment to the vacant post of Director of "Business Strategy".

An appointment is now made to the post of Director of Financial and Business Strategy. Council is requested formally now to confirm the appointment of **Myfanwy Barrett** as the Council's Chief Finance Officer in accordance with the statutory provisions of Section 151 of the Local Government Act 1972 and Section 114 of the Local Government Act 1988, with immediate effect, and to authorise the appropriate amendment to Section 3B of the Council's Constitution, "Delegations to Chief Officers".

# FOR CONFIRMATION

Yours sincerely

S. Balabary

**Borough Solicitor** 

To: His Worship the Mayor and all Members of the Council of the London Borough of Harrow