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HARROW COUNCIL
COUNCIL SUMMONS

MEETING
Thursday 18 October 2007



COUNCIL SUMMONS

Legal and Governance Services Department

Civic Centre

Harrow

10 October 2007

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, 18th day of October 2007 at 7.30 pm** to consider the following numbered matters and to pass such resolutions and to make such orders thereon as may then be determined.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Michael Howard".

Chief Executive

PRAYERS

The Mayor's Chaplain, Reverend Mike Hall, will open the meeting with Prayers.

1. COUNCIL MINUTES: (Pages 1 - 14)

That the minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 12 July 2007, be taken as read and signed as correct records, subject to the amendment to the Attendance List to show the Worshipful the Mayor as Councillor Jean Lammiman and the Deputy Mayor as Councillor John Nickolay.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

To receive declarations of personal or prejudicial interests arising from business to be transacted at this meeting, from all members of the Council.

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 by Members of the Council in relation to the conduct of this Meeting.

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

5. PETITIONS:

To receive petitions to be presented:

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

6. PUBLIC QUESTIONS:

A period of up to 15 minutes is allowed for members of the public to ask questions of members of the Executive, Portfolio Holders and Chairmen 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: Any such questions received will be tabled].

7. COMPREHENSIVE EQUALITIES SCHEME: (Pages 15 - 18)

RECOMMENDATION

CABINET

19 JULY 2007

8. RIGHTS OF WAY IMPROVEMENT PLAN:

RECOMMENDATION

CABINET

11 OCTOBER 2007

[Note: This anticipated Recommendation will be tabled due to the proximity of the Cabinet meeting to this Council meeting].

9. CHANGES TO THE NAME AND TERMS OF REFERENCE OF AUDIT COMMITTEE: (Pages 19 - 22)

RECOMMENDATION

AUDIT COMMITTEE
3 SEPTEMBER 2007

10. HEALTHCARE FOR LONDON: A FRAMEWORK FOR ACTION - PREPARING FOR A POSSIBLE JOINT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE: (Pages 23 - 26)

RECOMMENDATION

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY
COMMITTEE
25 SEPTEMBER 2007

11. REVIEW OF THE LICENSING POLICY: (Pages 27 - 30)

RECOMMENDATION I

LICENSING AND GENERAL
PURPOSES COMMITTEE
27 SEPTEMBER 2007

12. FEEDBACK AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE MEMBER WORKING GROUP - POLLING DISTRICT REVIEW: (Pages 31 - 34)

RECOMMENDATION II

LICENSING AND GENERAL
PURPOSES COMMITTEE
27 SEPTEMBER 2007

13. RECOMMENDED CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES: (Pages 35 - 38)

Report arising from the Constitutional Review Working Group.

14. 10th LONDON LOCAL AUTHORITIES BILL: (Pages 39 - 48)

Report of the Director of Legal and Governance Services.

15. MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES SCHEME 2007-2008: (Pages 49 - 60)

To receive a proposal from the Leader of the Council to revise Schedule 1 to the current Members' Allowances Scheme, as adopted by Council on 22 February 2007, for the remainder of the 2007-2008 Municipal Year.

16. QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE:

A period of 15 minutes is allowed for asking written questions by Members of Council of a member of the Executive or the Chairman of any Committee:-

- (i) of which notice has been received at least two clear working days prior to the day of this Meeting; or
- (ii) which relate to urgent matters, and the consent of the Executive Member or Committee Chairman to whom the question is to be put has been obtained and the content has been advised to the Director of Legal and Governance Services by 12.00 noon on the day of the Council Meeting.

[Any such questions received will be tabled].

17. MOTIONS:

The following Motions have been notified and will be moved and seconded by the Members indicated:-

(1) Retention of Cancer Services at Mount Vernon Hospital

To be moved by Councillor Chris Mote and seconded by Councillor Navin Shah:

“This Council supports the retention of cancer services at Mount Vernon Hospital and asks the Secretary of State for Health to listen, not only to the Council, but also to the many members of the public and the local MPs who have fought for many years to retain this valuable local service. We urge the Minister to finally resolve this matter by giving a pledge to keep the cancer services at Mount Vernon Hospital”.

(2) Harrow Heritage Trust – A Proposal to set up a ‘Harrow Heritage Buildings Commission’

To be moved by Councillor Navin Shah and seconded by Councillor Bill Stephenson:

“Council fully supports its priority of preserving Harrow's rich and varied heritage. Council is particularly concerned at the pressures being placed on our built heritage by intense development pressures throughout the Borough. With this in mind Council believes that in conjunction with local residents the Borough should take a much more pro-active stance in protecting and enhancing our heritage and buildings of value. To further this aim Council resolves to enter into discussions with Harrow Heritage Trust about the possibility of setting up a ‘Harrow Heritage Buildings Commission’ which would among other things:

- (i) actively identify buildings of local interest to be listed either locally or nationally (statutory listing),
- (ii) actively campaign both at London and national level for stronger powers to protect locally listed buildings,
- (iii) be consulted by the Council about any proposal to list or de-list any local buildings.”

(3) Mayor of London and the Government initiative to provide support for young Londoners

To be moved by Councillor Bill Stephenson and seconded by Councillor Navin Shah:

“Council welcomes the joint initiative by the Mayor of London and the Government to provide a £60 million boost for young Londoners as announced in their 'London Youth Offer' on September 20. Council acknowledges that this two-year package aims among other things to encourage young people to get more involved in decisions about the provision of youth facilities and increase the range of services available to teenagers as well as providing additional resources for community Initiatives. We further note that this is a part of a whole range of measures from the Mayor of London and the Government to support young people in the London including, in particular, the Mayor's initiative to provide free travel on London buses for under eighteens.”

(4) Capital Funding Initiative for Harrow Schools

To be moved by Councillor Bill Stephenson and seconded by Councillor Navin Shah:

“Council welcomes support by the Government for Harrow by providing significant capital funding for our schools year on year as well as investment for a number of major projects in Harrow such as Harrow Sixth Form Collegiate (£25 million), Harrow College (£80 million), Whitmore School (£30 million) etc. Council pays tribute to the unstinting efforts of its officers and its two local MPs in helping to obtain this very welcome funding.”

(5) Safer Neighbourhood Teams in Harrow

To be moved by Councillor Graham Henson and seconded by Councillor Navin Shah:

“Council expresses its sincere appreciation to the Metropolitan Police Service and to the Mayor of London for their successful roll out of Safer Neighbourhood Teams in Harrow ahead of schedule.

The Safer Neighbourhoods Teams spend most of their time out on patrol in their local neighbourhoods meeting the local community and identifying and dealing with those crimes and issues which cause residents and stakeholders most concern.

This visionary scheme instituted by the Mayor of London has now become a proven and important asset in reducing the fear of crime in Harrow. It not only supports police on the beat but also helps to tackle the key day-to-day local problems of anti-social behaviour, graffiti, enviro-crimes as well as reassuring local communities by providing a visible presence on their streets.”

18. DECISIONS TAKEN UNDER THE URGENCY PROCEDURE: (Pages 61 - 66)

To receive a report of the Director of Legal and Governance Services relating to decisions taken as a matter of urgency.

19. MINOR DECISION ON A MATTER RESERVED TO COUNCIL:

In accordance with the delegations to Chief Officers, the Leaders of each of the political groups were consulted and agreed the following decision on behalf of the Council.

Re-establishment of the Education Appeals Panel for the 2007/08 Academic Year:

To appoint Lay and Other Members to Harrow's Education Appeals Panel for the 2007/08 Academic Year, to serve on both Harrow's Education Appeals Panel and Appeals Panels set up by Voluntary Aided Schools.

FOR CONFIRMATION

20. APPOINTMENT OF A PROPER OFFICER:

To appoint the Director of Legal and Governance Services to be the Proper Officer of the London Borough of Harrow in accordance with s270 (3) of the Local Government Act 1972.

FOR DECISION