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HARROW COUNCIL
COUNCIL SUMMONS

MEETING
Thursday 10 July 2008



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Legal and Governance Services Department

Civic Centre

Harrow

Wednesday 2 July 2008

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, 10th** day of **July 2008 at 7.30 pm** to consider the following numbered matters and to pass such resolutions and to make such orders as may then be determined.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of the letters 'H' and 'R' in a stylized, cursive font.

Director of Legal and Governance Services

PRAYERS

The Mayor's Chaplain, Reverend Antony Ford Rablen, will open the meeting with Prayers.

1. COUNCIL MINUTES: (Pages 1 - 46)

To take the minutes of the Annual Council held on 8 May 2008 and of the Extraordinary Council held on 5 June 2008 as read and signed as a correct record.

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 any such procedural motions received after the issuing of this Summons will be tabled].

5. PETITIONS:

To receive any 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. ETHICAL STANDARDS: (Pages 47 - 54)

Recommendation I: Standards Committee
(5 June 2008)

8. PROTOCOL FOR PLANNING COMMITTEES: (Pages 55 - 58)

Recommendation II: Standards Committee
(5 June 2008)

9. BEST VALUE PERFORMANCE PLAN: (Pages 59 - 62)

Recommendation I: Cabinet
(19 June 2008)

10. LOCAL AUTHORITIES (ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION IN DESIGNATED PLACES) REGULATIONS 2007: (Pages 63 - 66)

Recommendation I: Licensing & General Purposes Committee
(23 June 2008)

11. OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - TERMS OF REFERENCE:
(Pages 67 - 72)

Recommendation I: Overview & Scrutiny Committee
(10 June 2008)

12. SCRUTINY ANNUAL REPORT 2007/08:

Recommendation I: Overview & Scrutiny Committee
(8 July 2008)

[NOTE: The recommendation of Overview & Scrutiny Committee will be tabled. A copy of the Annual Report is circulated with the background papers]

13. OPERATION AND PROVISIONS FOR CALL-IN & URGENCY: (Pages 73 - 76)

Report of the Chief Executive attached.

14. APPOINTMENTS TO VACANCIES - REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES:

To receive proposals as to the appointment to vacancies for representatives of the Authority to serve on Outside Bodies for the remainder of the Municipal Year 2008/09.

Harrow Refugee Forum	Councillor Christopher Noyce (1 representative from each Political Group)
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North London Collegiate	Councillor John Cowan
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FOR DECISION

15. QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE:

A period of up to 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 noon on the day of the Council Meeting.

[Any such questions received will be tabled].

16. MOTIONS:-

The following Motions have been notified in accordance with the requirements of Council Procedure Rule 15, to be moved and seconded by the Members indicated:-

(1) **Harrow Town Centre**

To be moved by Councillor Bill Stephenson and seconded by Councillor Keith Ferry:

“This Council is concerned that Harrow Town centre is rapidly moving to becoming a high-rise, overdeveloped jungle of flats – the prime example so far being the development on the Gayton Road site promoted by Harrow Council, which has met with universal condemnation by Harrow residents. There is no overall master plan for the development of the Town Centre and its infrastructure or for the provision of any new leisure facilities.

Council notes and supports the commitments made by the new Mayor of London during the recent GLA campaign to protect Outer London boroughs from high-rise buildings and over development and to place greater emphasis on providing a higher proportion of family size dwellings, and calls on him to honour his election pledge when considering major developments in Harrow”

(2) **Post Offices**

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

“This Council notes with dismay and condemns the decision by Post Office Ltd to close five post offices in Harrow following a cosmetic consultation exercise where well-argued cases and the real views of Harrow residents were totally ignored and the results were predictably predetermined. Council believes that these decisions will have disastrous consequences for many local shopping centres and as well as for many vulnerable people who rely on their local post offices, and no account has been taken of potential residential developments such those in the Town Centre and, for example, on the Kodak site.

Council regrets that the former Mayor of London’s initiative to instigate a judicial review of the decision by Post Office Ltd on the grounds of their failure to consult properly in terms of the timescale has been unsuccessful

Council notes that the Town Centre Post Office is currently quite unfit for purpose being far too small with long queues and will be even more so in the light of proposed residential developments in the Town Centre.

Council also notes that Post Office Ltd is willing to enter into agreements with Local Authorities to take over the running of local post offices.

Council resolves:

1. To communicate the above resolution to Post Office Ltd, the two Harrow MPs, the Brent and Harrow Assembly Member and to the appropriate Government minister.
2. To seek a meeting with Post Office Ltd to discuss the Town Centre Post Office and the need for other post offices in Harrow in the light of plans for residential development throughout the Borough.
3. To ask the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, building on the work it has already done, to urgently set up a review group to consider the possibility of the Council

(3) **Healthcare for London**

To be moved by Councillor Vina Mithani and seconded by Councillor Lurline Champagnie:

“This Council is concerned at the dramatic implications of the changes to the NHS as contained in the Darzi Report” on Healthcare for London, especially the implied introduction of “Polyclinics”.

This could destroy the established pattern of provision of the general practitioner who for decades has underpinned the basic healthcare needs of every individual “from conception to death”.

This Council calls upon the two Harrow MP's Tony McNulty, MP for Harrow East, and Gareth Thomas, MP for Harrow West, to register with the Government our deep concerns over these changes”.

17. DECISIONS UNDER THE URGENCY PROCEDURE & USE OF SPECIAL URGENCY PROCEDURE: (Pages 77 - 82)