

# **Council SUMMONS AND AGENDA**

**DATE:** Thursday 8 July 2010

**TIME:** 7.30 pm

**VENUE:** Council Chamber, Harrow  
Civic Centre

**All Councillors are hereby summoned to attend the Council Meeting for the transaction of the business set out.**

Hugh Peart  
Director of Legal and Governance Services

**Despatch Date:** Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2010

## **PRAYERS**

The Mayor's Chaplain, Imam Hafiz Muhammad Akram, will open the meeting with Prayers.

### **1. COUNCIL MINUTES: (Pages 1 - 44)**

That the minutes of the annual meeting held on 25 May 2010 and the extraordinary meeting on 27 May 2010 be taken as read and signed as correct records.

### **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 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. LEADER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

In accordance with Rule 4.3 a period of up to 20 minutes to receive announcements from the Leader of the Council on business since the last ordinary meeting, at the conclusion of which is an opportunity for Members to ask questions relating to issues raised in the presentation.

**8. LICENSING POLICY: (Pages 45 - 48)**

Recommendation I: Licensing and General Purposes Committee  
(15 June 2010)

The revised Licensing Policy is included within the background papers pack.

**9. SCRUTINY ANNUAL REPORT 2009/10: (Pages 49 - 52)**

Recommendation I: Overview and Scrutiny Committee  
(13 April 2010)

The revised Annual Scrutiny Report 2009/10 is included within the background papers pack.

**10. OPERATION AND PROVISIONS FOR CALL-IN & URGENCY 2009/10: (Pages 53 - 60)**

Report of the Director of Legal and Governance Services.

**11. LOCAL GOVERNMENT PETITION SCHEME: (Pages 61 - 74)**

Report of the Director of Legal and Governance Services.

**12. 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].

### 13. 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) Council Transparency Motion

To be moved by Councillor Barry Macleod-Cullinane and seconded by Councillor Susan Hall:

“This Council welcomes the proposals recently put forward by the Department of Communities and Local Government (DCLG), as part of its efforts to improve local government transparency and accountability.

This Council therefore commits itself to complying with the DCLG recommendations, and by 1<sup>st</sup> January 2011 at the latest will publish and continue publishing online:

1. Details in full of total cumulative spending over £500.
2. Information on all staff earning over £50,000 per annum (including details of salaries, benefits, and expenses) and their job descriptions.
3. Councillor allowances and expenses (in a real-time rather than annual format).
4. Frontline service data, including rubbish and recycling rates, as well as council tax collection rates.
5. Automatic energy reading to measure energy consumption and enable residents to monitor the council's drive towards lower emissions and energy use.
6. Full answers to Questions with Notice at Council meetings (to be published in the Council minutes).

None of the above shall include information that:

- a) Relates to a commercial arrangement in negotiation.
- b) Is not publishable under the data protection act.
- c) Relates to the protection of vulnerable adults and children.

This Council also pledges that this information will be published at zero cost to taxpayers, with its collation and presentation forming part of other processes the Council already carries out.

With some of this information already available, this Council further pledges to make itself even more transparent by requiring that the various strands of information be collected and brought together on

the main council website – with a link from the frontpage – under the heading, “www.harrow.gov.uk /transparency” to make it easy for residents to find.

This Council believes that enacting these proposals will encourage financial responsibility, improve accountability, and be of substantial benefit to Harrow residents.”

(2) **2M Motion**

To be moved by Councillor Susan Hall and seconded by Councillor Barry Macleod-Cullinane:

“This Council welcomes the decision of the new Government to scrap proposals for a third runway at Heathrow Airport. A third runway and the resulting 220,000 extra flights per year would have blighted the lives of Harrow residents through increased levels of congestion, aircraft noise and pollution.

This Council is and will continue to be a proud member of the 2M Group; the alliance of 19 London and various other borough councils concerned about the environmental impact of Heathrow Airport.

This Council looks forward to working with the 2M Group in the future, as it strives to improve the quality of those for residents affected by Heathrow Airport. In particular, this Council welcomes 2M's campaigns to:

- Encourage the new Government to create an independent regulator for noise and air quality, which the previous Government failed to deliver; and in fact agreed an exemption to quality standards for Heathrow Airport.
- Alert the new Government to the significant amount of work needed to reduce NO2 levels, as the UK is currently not expected to comply with recommended NO2 limits until 2020.

This Council believes that a better, more environmentally friendly Heathrow Airport is in the best interest of all Harrow residents, and therefore instructs the Chief Executive to write to the 2M Group reaffirming our commitment to their goals.”

**[Note:** Under the provisions of Council Procedure Rule 14.6, it is considered that the subject matter of this Motion refers to matters within the powers of the Cabinet and the Motion therefore stands referred to its next meeting.

It may be moved that such referral should not apply and any procedural motion moved and seconded to that effect shall be voted on without discussion].

(3) **Magistrates' Court Motion**

To be moved by Councillor Chris Mote and seconded by Councillor Susan Hall:

“This Council notes that, as part of proposals recently put forward by the Ministry of Justice to reorganise magistrates' and county court services in London, Harrow Magistrates' Court is recommended for closure.

This Council believes it is in Harrow's best interests for Harrow Magistrates' Court to remain open, and therefore instructs the Chief Executive to prepare, in conjunction with all political groups, a robust response as part of the Ministry of Justice consultation process.”

(4) **Kenton Road Motion**

To be moved by Councillor Yogesh Teli and seconded by Councillor Vina Mithani:

“This Council notes that the removal of the right turning from Kenton Road into Kenton Lane has proven unpopular with residents, and that a petition on this issue was presented to the Mayor of London by Cllrs. Teli, Mithani and Zeid in March 2010. The removal of the turning has resulted in increased congestion and a larger number of vehicles travelling down the narrower back roads.

This Council therefore pledges to work with Brent Council – who maintain responsibility for the junction – to ensure that the right-turn is reintroduced, and to liaise with Transport for London to ensure that it is swiftly implemented once Brent has agreed to its reintroduction.”

**[Note:** Under the provisions of Council Procedure Rule 14.6, it is considered that the subject matter of this Motion refers to matters within the powers of the Traffic and Road Safety Advisory Panel and the Motion therefore stands referred to its next meeting.

It may be moved that such referral should not apply and any procedural motion moved and seconded to that effect shall be voted on without discussion].