

Council

Summons and Agenda

Date: Thursday 24 November 2022

Time: 6.30 pm

Venue: Harrow Arts Centre, 171 Uxbridge Road, Pinner,
HA5 4EA

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 16 November 2022]

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Agenda publication date: Wednesday 16 November 2022

Prayers

Monsignor Vincent G Brady of St Luke's Church, Pinner, will open the meeting with Prayers.

1. Council Minutes (Pages 9 - 16)

That the minutes of the Extraordinary meeting and ordinary meeting held on 29 September 2022 be taken as read and signed as correct records.

2. Declarations of Interest

To receive declarations of disclosable pecuniary or non pecuniary interests, arising from business to be transacted at this meeting, from all Members of the Council.

3. Procedural Motions

To receive and consider any procedural motions by Members of the Council in relation to the conduct of this Meeting. Notice of such procedural motions, received after the issuing of this Summons, will be tabled.

4. Petition - Keep Harrow's parks free to use

A petition containing over 2,000 signatures has been received and has the following terms:

“We the undersigned, call on Harrow Council to halt its plans to charge for the use of tennis courts, and commit to ensuring our parks and the facilities within them remain free for all to enjoy.”

A representative of the petitioners will read the terms of the petition on behalf of the petition signatories. There is a period of one minute allocated to present. A period of ten minutes is permitted for Members to debate the Petition terms and issues.

Following discussion the Council may choose to refer the petition to the Cabinet, a Committee or Corporate Director to consider the matter, taking into account the views expressed by Council.

5. Petitions

To receive any petitions to be presented:

- (i) by a representative of the petitioners;
- (ii) by a Councillor, on behalf of petitioners;
- (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 Chairs of Committees, of which notice has been received no later than 3.00 pm two clear working days prior to the day of this Meeting. Any such questions received will be tabled.

7. **Leader and Portfolio Holder Announcements**

To receive a presentation from the Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holders on business since the last ordinary meeting, followed by a question and answer session. The item is allotted 20 minutes.

8. **Presentation Ceremony - Honorary Alderman Camilla Bath**

9. **Long Service Award - Councillor Jerry Miles**

Further to the decision of Council on 29 September 2022, to make a presentation to Councillor Jerry Miles marking 25 years' service on Harrow Council which he completed in September 2022.

10. **Council Vision and Priorities** (To Follow)

Recommendation I: Cabinet
(17 November 2022)

11. **Health and WellBeing Board Terms of Reference** (To Follow)

Recommendation I: Health and Wellbeing Board
(22 November 2022)

12. **Scrutiny Work Programme 2022/23** (To Follow)

Recommendation I: Overview and Scrutiny Committee
(8 November 2022)

13. **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 Chair 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 Chair 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.

14. **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) **Police and Community Safety Motion**

To be moved by Councillor Anjana Patel and seconded by Councillor Paul Osborn:

“Harrow Council notes the recent reforms and improvements to the police across England and Wales since 2019. This council is grateful for the 3,109 more police officers in London, as a part of the over 15,300 more police officers in England and Wales recruited since 2019 and calls on the government to continue its drive to have recruited an extra 20,000 police officers by 2023.

This Council notes:

- The change to national policy that will see every report of home burglary having a police visit, ensuring that every victim of such an invasive crime will be given the attention they deserve
- Residents’ concern about the impact that illegal and disruptive protests have had on our country in recent years
- That the Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act has strengthened the power that police have tackling such action
- The further positive impacts of the Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act on dealing with sexual offences, including extending the scope of the offences in the Sexual Offences Act 2003, providing greater powers for the management of sex offenders and toughening around child sex offences
- The substantial increase of police funding to £16.9 billion, part of which will be used to give every police officer a £1,900 uplift in their salary this year
- Under Mayor Sadiq Khan’s tenure at City Hall 38 police stations have been closed, reducing the visibility of local policing
- Mayor Khan has increased his office budget by over 60% since 2016 and now costs the London taxpayer over £6 million

This Council resolves to:

- Cooperate with the government on future funding for our local police service
- Support officers new to the area through providing forums for them to meet with residents
- Provide resources for residents to keep in contact with new police officers in the area
- Call on Mayor Khan to slash his office budget and reinvest the funding in further extra policing.”

(2) **Free School Meals Motion**

To be moved by Councillor Stephen Hickman and seconded by Councillor Rashmi Kalu:

“Council acknowledges that we are in the midst of a cost of living crisis

that is affecting households right across our borough. Families are really struggling, which is having an awful impact on children who are not getting the food they need to grow up healthy.

Given the scale of the challenge, Free School Meals guarantee children a hot, nutritious meal every lunchtime. They help hard-working families save money, and support pupils to learn and concentrate at school.

Council Notes:-

- The financial burden food costs place on families, particularly those on lower incomes.
- The evidence from the voluntary sector and community and faith groups, who are supplying food to an increasing number of Harrow residents.
- The evidence of the growing number of Harrow primary schools offering food parcels to the families in their communities.
- Reports from school leaders that more children are bringing in an unsatisfactory lunch with many going without.
- Currently only pupils in reception and KS1 are entitled to universal Free School Meals in Harrow. Given the cost of living crisis, this Council is deeply concerned that Nursery children in our maintained schools and nurseries are excluded from this offer and that the eligibility is set too low for many families who are struggling to benefit (currently £7,400).
- The existing commitment to supporting less well-off families with cost of food during school holidays through the recent and welcome funding from central government via the Household support fund, however this is only short term with no guarantee for the future.
- Currently there are 800,000 children in England who are living in poverty but don't qualify for Free School Meals.
- Children of parents who receive Working Tax Credits do not qualify for free school meals.
- The recent Government report published on the 29th September, with the Resolution Foundation estimating that absolute poverty will increase by over 3 million people between 2021/22 and 2022/23, including 1 million children.

Council believes that:-

- We should do all we can to help children living in poverty to achieve and thrive.
- That ensuring our youngest students are included in our Free School Meal offer is a critical tool to achieving the longer-term benefits a healthy start in life brings and that it is right that the potential of such a scheme be explored.

This Council resolves to:

- Call upon the Leader of the Council to:
 - Publish a detailed assessment of the issues and costs associated with an extension of Harrow's Free School meal offer to include all 3 and 4 year olds in maintained nursery

and primary schools in the Borough, given the importance of this, to do so by the end of November 2022;

- Include the assessment in the development of the 2023 Council Budget as part of the budget setting process.
- Implement the Auto-enrolment to free school meals.”

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 15.6, this Motion is moved by the Leader of the Opposition, as it relates to a matter within the powers of the Executive, to not stand automatically referred to the next meeting of the Executive but shall be dealt with as if Council Procedure Rule 15.7.1 applied.

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[Note: The questions and answers will not be reproduced in the minutes.]

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MINUTES

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Council Extraordinary

Minutes

29 September 2022

Present: Councillor Janet Mote (The Worshipful the Mayor)

Councillor Ramji Chauhan (The Deputy Mayor)

Councillors:

Ghazanfar Ali	Hitesh Karia
David Ashton	Eden Kulig
Marilyn Ashton	Kuha Kumaran
Christopher Baxter	Jerry Miles
June Baxter	Amir Moshenson
Philip Benjamin	Phillip O'Dell
Govind Bharadia	Paul Osborn
Nicola Blackman	Nitin Parekh
Simon Brown	Mina Parmar
Salim Chowdhury	Varsha Parmar
Kandy Dolor	Anjana Patel
Matthew Goodwin-Freeman	David Perry
Stephen Greek	Natasha Proctor
Chetna Halai	Kanti Rabadia
Susan Hall	Aneka Shah-Levy
Graham Henson	Rekha Shah
Maxine Henson	Norman Stevenson
Stephen Hickman	Samir Sumaria
Nitesh Hirani	Krishna Suresh
Asif Hussain	Sasi Suresh
Thaya Idaikkadar	Yogesh Teli
Ameet Jogia	Antonio Weiss
Rashmi Kalu	

Apologies received:

Councillor Dan Anderson	Councillor Vipin Mithani
Councillor Peymana Assad	Councillor Pritesh Patel
Councillor Shahania	Councillor Zak Wagman
Choudhury	
Councillor Dean Gilligan	

Joined virtually: Councillor Jean Lammiman

PRAYERS

The meeting opened with Prayers offered by
Monsignor Vincent G Brady of St Luke's Church, Pinner.

28. Minute Silence

Members of Council stood and observed a minute silence for Her Late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II who had passed away on Thursday 8 September 2022.

29. Honorary Alderman

RESOLVED (unanimously): That

- (1) The Council pursuant to Section 249(1) of the Local Government Act 1972 confer the title of Honorary Alderman of the London Borough of Harrow upon Camilla Bath;**
- (2) the granting of the status of Honorary Alderman be recorded in an Illuminated Scroll and presented to the recipient;**
- (3) A ceremony be held for the presentation of the Illuminated Scroll, Badge and Robe.**

(Close of Meeting: All business having been completed, the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 6.29 pm).

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Christopher Baxter	Jerry Miles
June Baxter	Amir Moshenson
Philip Benjamin	Phillip O'Dell
Govind Bharadia	Paul Osborn
Nicola Blackman	Nitin Parekh
Simon Brown	Mina Parmar
Shahania Choudhury	Varsha Parmar
Salim Chowdhury	Anjana Patel
Kandy Dolor	Pritesh Patel
Dean Gilligan	David Perry
Matthew Goodwin-Freeman	Natasha Proctor
Stephen Greek	Kanti Rabadia
Chetna Halai	Aneka Shah-Levy
Susan Hall	Rekha Shah
Graham Henson	Norman Stevenson
Maxine Henson	Samir Sumaria
Stephen Hickman	Krishna Suresh
Nitesh Hirani	Sasi Suresh
Asif Hussain	Yogesh Teli
Thaya Idaikkadar	Zak Wagman
Ameet Jogia	Antonio Weiss

Apologies received: Councillor Peymana Assad Councillor Vipin Mithani

Joined virtually: Councillor Jean Lammiman

29. Council Minutes

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 21 July 2022 be taken as read and signed as a correct record.

30. Declarations of Interest

No interests were declared by Members.

31. Procedural Motions

There were no procedural motions.

32. Petitions

In accordance with Rule 10, the following petitions were received:

- (i) Petition submitted by Steven Michaels containing 52 signatures in relation to the road surface in Orchard Grove.
- (ii) Petition submitted by Councillor Graham Henson containing 202 signatures in relation to pedestrian road safety measures in Kings Road.
- (iii) Petition submitted by Councillor Nitin Parekh containing 101 signatures in relation speeding in Mollison Way.

[The petitions stood referred to the Corporate Director of Place].

33. Public Questions

To note that one question from a member of the public had been received and the recording was on the Council's website.

34. Leader and Portfolio Holder Announcements

- (i) The Leader of the Council, Councillor Paul Osborn, introduced the item highlighting the Administration's achievements, challenges and plans since the last ordinary meeting.
- (ii) Other Members spoke and/ asked questions of the Leader of the Council which were duly responded to.

35. Recognition of Long Service - Councillor Jerry Miles

RESOLVED: That a Long Service Award marking Councillor Jerry Miles 25 years' service as a Member for Harrow Council in September 2022 be approved.

36. Pension Board Annual Report

RESOLVED: That the Pension Board Annual Report be endorsed.

37. Outside body - change in representation - Harrow Safer Neighbourhood Board

RESOLVED: That Councillor Peymana Assad be appointed in place of Councillor Kandy Dolor on the Harrow Safer Neighbourhood Board.

38. Questions with Notice

No questions were received.

39. Motions

- (i) **“Motion: To commemorate the passing of Her Late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II and to mark our thanks for her dedicated service**

Motion in the names of Councillor Paul Osborn and Councillor David Perry

To be moved by Councillor Paul Osborn and seconded by Councillor David Perry:

“This Council notes:

- The sad passing of Her Late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II on Thursday 8 September, aged 96.
- The Late Queen, our longest reigning monarch, dedicated her whole life in service of the people of the United Kingdom and has made an undeniable impact on our country. The Late Queen showed unwavering and inspirational dedication to serving the nation and the Commonwealth, offering wise counsel in often turbulent times.
- The Late Queen remained firmly committed to carrying out her duty until the very end of her life. This was demonstrated by Her Majesty by working on official duties right up until she passed away.
- The Late Queen opened Northwick Park Hospital in 1970.
- The Late Queen visited Harrow in 1954 for Harrow’s Charter of Incorporation.
- The Late Queen visited Harrow to celebrate the 50-year anniversary of the establishment of the Borough of Harrow in

2004.

- In 2012 The Late Queen made a Diamond Jubilee visit to Krishna Avanti School to celebrate the multi-faith demographic of Harrow.
- As well as achieving the country's longest serving monarch, the Late Queen was an extremely popular Head of State in the United Kingdom and internationally and a public figure we can all be proud of both now and for generations to come.

This Council resolves to:

- Commemorate the sad passing of Her Late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.
- Formally commemorate our gratitude and thanks to The Late Queen for her 70 years as monarch.
- Investigate naming the new Town Hall after The Late Queen, in honour of Her Majesty's memory and role in Harrow's creation as a London Borough.
- Reaffirm the Council's sense of public duty and strive to emulate The Late Queen's commitment to serving the people.
- Welcome the ascension of His Majesty King Charles III and wish him a long and prosperous reign."

RESOLVED (unanimously): That the Motion, as set out above, be adopted.

(Close of Meeting: All business having been completed, the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 8.08 pm).