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**TOWN CENTRE PROJECT PANEL****14 JULY 2005**

Chair: \* Councillor Burchell

Councillors: \* D Ashton  
† C Mote\* N Shah  
\* Bill Stephenson (1)\* Denotes Member present  
(1) Denote category of Reserve Member  
† Denotes apologies received**PART I - RECOMMENDATIONS****RECOMMENDATION 1: Harrow-on-the-Hill Station Planning Brief**

Your Panel received a report of the Director of Strategic Planning, which finalised the text for the Planning Brief for Harrow on the Hill Station following consultation with the public, landowners and stakeholders. Members were reminded that the Panel had approved the draft Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG) at its meeting in July 2004 and considered preliminary results of the public consultation at its meeting on 18 November 2004. Since November 2004 it was reported that lengthy discussions had taken place with Transport for London (TfL) to ensure and subsequently confirm that they were satisfied with the final brief. The Director of Strategic Planning advised the Panel that an illustrated version of the final brief was being prepared.

The Director of Strategic Planning read excerpts from a letter received from the London Planning Practice on behalf of Dandara, setting out concerns on the viability of the SPG, and urging the Council not to adopt the SPG until further work on viability had been assessed. In response, the Director of Strategic Planning noted that the brief was a planning framework, which if necessary, could be amended over time and also stated that the viability would ultimately only be determined if a developer was procured during the marketing process. The officer concluded that it was in the best interests of the Council to move forward at the earliest opportunity.

A Member welcomed the report and felt that it demonstrated a clear vision that would benefit the residents of the Borough for many years and contribute towards a vibrant town centre.

**Resolved To RECOMMEND:** (To Cabinet)

That (1) the text for the Planning Brief for Harrow on the Hill Station be approved as Supplementary Planning Guidance and used for Development Control purposes;

(2) the Portfolio Holder for Planning, Development and Housing be delegated responsibility for the final approval of the document; and

(3) Cabinet notify the Development Control Committee of its decision.

**Reason for Recommendation:** To finalise the Planning Brief for Harrow on the Hill Station in response to public consultation and enable it to be used for Development Control purposes.

(Note: The meeting having commenced at 7.30 pm, closed at 8.45 pm)

(Signed) COUNCILLOR KEITH BURCHELL  
Chair