

Council (Council Tax)

Thursday 22 February 2018

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ITEMS 7 - 11 - CORPORATE PLAN – 2018 UPDATE

FINAL REVENUE BUDGET 2017/18 AND MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY 2018/19 TO 2020/21

TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY STATEMENT INCLUDING PRUDENTIAL INDICATORS, MINIMUM REVENUE PROVISION POLICY STATEMENT AND ANNUAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY FOR 2018/19

FINAL CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2018/19 TO 2020/21

HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT BUDGET 2018-19 AND MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY 2018/19 TO 2020/21

THIS NOTE REFLECTS A CONSENSUS BETWEEN THE POLITICAL GROUPS ON THE PROCEDURES THAT WILL APPLY FOR THE DETERMINATION OF THE COUNCIL'S BUDGET, COUNCIL TAX, CORPORATE PLAN, TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY STATEMENT, CAPITAL PROGRAMME AND HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT BUDGET AND MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY.

- OPENING** The Leader will move the Cabinet Recommendations and the Mayor will then request any amendments.
- AMENDMENTS** Any amendments must be moved and seconded.
- JOINT DEBATE** It is desirable that the Council should hold one comprehensive debate on its budget and Items 7 - 11, so **all** amendments will be considered to have been moved together.
- ADJOURNMENT** Should significant amendments be received the Mayor may propose an adjournment of up to thirty minutes to allow Members to read and assimilate them.
- EXTENDED SPEECHES** Up to three identified Members of each Group will be allowed a total of **20 minutes** to talk to the recommendation and respond to any amendments. The order will be as follows:
- (1) Labour (20 minutes)
 - (2) Conservative (20 minutes)
- DEBATING RULES** All other speakers will be restricted to the usual **3 minutes**. To conclude the debate the Groups will be allocated **1 winding-up speech of 5 minutes**, in the following order:
- (1) Conservative
 - (2) Labour

VOTING ON AMENDMENTS

Following the final winding-up speech, the Council will immediately move to voting on the amendments. NO further debate will take place between the voting on the amendments.

The amendments will be voted on in the following order:

- (1) Independent
- (2) Conservative
- (3) Labour

One separate vote will be taken on each amendment.
If any amendment is carried it becomes the substantive proposal.

Following votes on each amendment the Council Meeting will have either:

- if an amendment has been carried, a new substantive Budget / Council Tax proposal / Corporate Plan proposal/ Treasury Management Strategy Statement proposal/ Final Capital Programme proposal/ Housing Revenue Account Budget and Medium Term Financial Strategy proposal; or
- if no amendment has been carried the original Recommendations.

DETERMINATION OF ITEMS 7 – 11

A new substantive Budget/Council Tax proposal (if an amendment has been carried) or the Cabinet Recommendation **if not amended** will be put to a formal vote of the Council to be adopted, without further debate. A record of all Members when voting on the Budget will be taken.

SUSPENSION OF COUNCIL RULES

The procedures set out above vary the rules regarding the moving of a recommendation from the Executive and the rules of debate. Council will be assumed to have endorsed under Rule 26.1 the partial suspension of the relevant rules for the limited purposes of items 7 – 11 on the Summons, taken as a single item.

Procedural motion to move *Motion 5 “Constitutional Amendment to Part 4D Executive Procedure Rules”* up the agenda to precede the budget debate and follow Item 6 *Leader and Portfolio Holders’ Announcements*.

Proposed by Councillor Macleod-Cullinane and seconded by Councillor Osborn

We propose a procedural motion to move Item *Motion 5 “Constitutional Amendment to Part 4D Executive Procedure Rules”* up the agenda to precede the budget debate and follow Item 6 *Leader and Portfolio Holders’ Announcements*. This is to avoid the likelihood of the motion, as the last item, not being debated due to a guillotine. This motion highlights a fundamentally important issue for Harrow Council and the Young People of Harrow. We therefore need to ensure this is debated; especially as members of the Harrow Youth Parliament are present tonight.

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LONDON BOROUGH OF HARROW

COUNCIL MEETING

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22 FEBRUARY 2018

QUESTION WITH NOTICE

A period of up to 15 minutes is allowed for the asking of written questions by members of the public or a Member of the Executive or the Chair of any Committee.

Questioner: Nathan James Griffith

Asked of: Councillor Sachin Shah (Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Strategy, Partnerships and Devolution)

Question 1:

"In the past you have rightly shown support for the Votes at 16 Bill proposed by the Member of Parliament for Oldham West and Royton, Jim McMahon. This indicated to me you believed in giving young people a greater and more meaningful voice. As you may know, Jim McMahon broke new ground when he gave Oldham Youth Council the constitutional rights to propose motions and amendments at Full Council meetings when he was the award winning Leader of Oldham Council.

Last December you told one of my colleagues that all people are equal, so I look forward to you making the young people of Harrow equal with the young people of Oldham. As it falls under your remit as Leader of the Council to propose constitutional changes, can the young people of Harrow count on you to propose and support giving Harrow Youth Parliament's elected Youth Councillors the right to propose motions and amendments directly at Full Council?"

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Questioner: Dara Foody

Asked of: Councillor Christine Robson (Portfolio Holder for Children, Young People and Schools)

Question 2:

“Do you believe that the final revenue budget for 2018/19 will benefit the young people of Harrow?”

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Questioner: Elia Yousf

Asked of: Councillor Christine Robson (Portfolio Holder for Children, Young People and Schools)

Question 3:

“Do you feel that the council is sufficiently supporting young people who have mental health conditions?”

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Questioner: Ibrahim Abdulle

Asked of: Councillor Christine Robson (Portfolio Holder for Children, Young People and Schools)

Question 4:

“Do you believe that young people should be empowered?”

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Questioner: Orlaith Lindsay

Asked of: Councillor Christine Robson (Portfolio Holder for Children, Young People and Schools)

Question 5:

“Are you confident that a comprehensive forecast was conducted regarding the estimated level of demand for children's services in 2018/19?”

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Questioner: Pranvera Merkaj

Asked of: Councillor Christine Robson (Portfolio Holder for Children, Young People and Schools)

Question 6:

“What is your view on the number of vacant posts within the Early Intervention and Youth Development service?”

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Questioner: Daniel Anderson

Asked of: Councillor Graham Henson (Portfolio Holder for Environment)

Question 7:

“Following the positive news that Sudbury Hill underground station is to get step free access. What is the council doing to ensure that other stations in Harrow are also made accessible?”

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Questioner: Jack Welby

Asked of: Councillor Graham Henson (Portfolio Holder for Environment)

Question 8:

“Councillor Sachin Shah Labour Leader of Harrow Council said how wonderful Harrow Council is run. This is not the case in Edgware Ward where the Council is using Draconian measures in Methuen Road, Methuen Close, Overbrook Walk, Chandos Crescent and Buckingham Road. The parking restrictions are from 8.30AM to 8.30PM Monday to Saturday. Parking in other wards is 10 to 11 and 2-3PM and is working well. How many people agreed to this scheme?”

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Questioner: Peyama Assad

Asked of: Councillor Simon Brown, Portfolio Holder for Adults and Older People

Question 9:

“Can one of the Councillors, on the cabinet, please explain why Alexandra Avenue Walk in clinic, in South Harrow, is about to half the number of patients that can use it?”

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Questioner: Matthew Goodwin-Freeman

Asked of: Councillor Sachin Shah (Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Strategy, Partnerships and Devolution)

Question 10:

“Let me tell you the story of thousands of mentally ill young people in Harrow, all failed by our services, failed by the Harrow we live in right now. The only, only way any of them get any help, is through work directly with them - bringing charities such as *Mind in Harrow* to their schools, to the youth centres, directly to them - giving them that push to reach out and take support.

It takes a lot of courage to accept help, to admit you need support, and even greater to actually go through with it, and no-one in this building I think knows that better than myself. As an 18 year old guy who was diagnosed with Depression at the age of 12, I have experienced all the “talks” and “support” out there. I now find myself in the fortunate position to make a real change in today’s society for those who need it - there is no-one more determined than myself to do so

Therefore my question is this: To all members of this council, to all members of all parties, to all members of the public listening, to all staff and workers present and beyond, to all who this message can reach, I ask you, would you be willing to meet with myself and the relevant individuals deemed necessary, to work together on setting an agenda for 2018 that will be continued regardless of election results, all of us, each and everyone one of us working together on this, across Harrow, cross-party, cross-interest, to aid and only better the young people of Harrow, their futures, their healths, and their lives?”

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Questioner: Councillor Barry Macleod-Cullinane

Asked of: Councillor Glen Hearnden, Portfolio Holder for Housing and Employment

Question 1:

“Can you detail the structure of properties before and after the regeneration of Grange Farm?”

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Questioner: Councillor Barry Macleod-Cullinane

Asked of: Councillor Sachin Shah (Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Strategy, Partnerships and Devolution)

Question 2:

“At February’s Cabinet meeting you said a Chief Executive is a “front-line” position. Can you outline the “front-line” tasks that you’d expect a Chief Executive to perform?”

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Questioner: Councillor Paul Osborn

Asked of: Councillor Sachin Shah (Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Strategy, Partnerships and Devolution)

Question 3:

“Why have you pushed the budget gap to the next two years, is it because you are not confident that you will still be Leader then?”

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Questioner: Councillor Richard Almond

Asked of: Councillor Christine Robson (Portfolio Holder for Children, Young People and Schools)

Question 4:

“At the February Cabinet meeting you said as Portfolio Holder you can handle everything except the financial aspect of the role. Has it taken several drastically overspent budgets for you to realise this?”

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Questioner: Councillor Paul Osborn

Asked of: Councillor Sachin Shah (Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Strategy, Partnerships and Devolution)

Question 5:

“Please could you outline how your administration has engaged with the Harrow Youth Parliament and treated their members with respect?”

Amendments to “RAF Northolt Motion”

Councillor proposing amendments: Cllr Paul Osborn

Councillor seconding amendments: Cllr Barry Macleod-Cullinane

RAF Northolt Motion

To be moved by Councillor Graham Henson and seconded by Councillor Primesh Patel:

“This Council notes:

- That RAF Northolt is the 4th largest airport in London.
- That it is becoming increasingly obvious to Harrow residents who live under the flight path of RAF Northolt that the number of flights to and from the airport has significantly increased;
- The findings of the “Project Ark” report, commissioned by the Ministry of Defence in 2012 to explore ‘a range of options for the future development of RAF Northolt,’ and ‘conversion into a civilian operated airport’;
- There is a planned £45 million renovation of the airport and no residents in Harrow have been consulted on the proposed improvements or changes;
- Figures released by Parliament show that in 2017
 - Only 18% of flights through RAF Northolt are military
 - Over 70% of flights were commercial
- That there are serious environmental impacts on the residents who live under the flight path of RAF Northolt
- That any increase in flights will have a further detrimental effect on the well-being of Harrow residents who live under the widening flight path.
- Additionally to RAF Northolt, any increase in flights from Heathrow will have a further detrimental effect on the well-being of Harrow residents who live under the widening flight path.

This Council believes:

- No further increase in the number of commercial flights to and from RAF Northolt and Heathrow should take place without a thorough and transparent consultation, involving all the residents who live in the proximity of the airport and those who live under the flight path;

This Council resolves:

- To instruct the Chief Executive and the Leader of the Council to write to the Secretary of State for Defence, the Rt Hon Gavin Williamson MP, requesting:

- That the Ministry of Defence conduct a full consultation with Harrow residents about its plans to spend £45 million on renovating RAF Northolt and any future plans for the use of the airport.
- That the Ministry of Defence accepts the reduction to 5,000 movements for commercial aircrafts at RAF Northolt in order to improve the environment and reduce noise pollution;
- To instruct the Chief Executive and the Leader of the Council to write to the Secretary of State for Transport, the Rt Hon Chris Grayling MP, requesting:
 - That the department of Transport conduct a full consultation with Harrow residents about its plans for Heathrow and any future plans for the use of the airport.
- To instruct the Interim Chief Executive and the Leader of the Council to write to the Mayor of London, Sadiq Khan, requesting that he makes representations to the Ministry of Defence and the Department of Transport about the real concerns of Harrow residents who live under the flight path of RAF Northolt and Heathrow.
- To instruct the Interim Chief Executive and the Leader of the Council to take a lead on any consultations on RAF Northolt and Heathrow equally, as both issues should be treated equally with residents' views coming first.
- To further instruct the Interim Chief Executive and Leader of the Council to not publish the Council's position on these matters or publicly endorse any proposals until a full consultation has been carried out and residents' views have been heard.

Amendments to “Northwick Park: Save Our Services Motion”

Councillor proposing amendments: Cllr Barry Macleod-Cullinane

Councillor seconding amendments: Cllr Paul Osborn

Northwick Park: Save Our Services Motion

To be moved by Councillor Jeff Anderson and seconded by Councillor Sue Anderson

“This Council believes:

- Our local NHS in Harrow is under threat from an unfair funding settlement and a deficit that could see staff lose their jobs or services cut.
- Harrow Clinical Commissioning Group inherited a deficit of £18m from its predecessor Primary Care Trust when the Coalition Government’s reforms were introduced in 2013. Since then, Harrow’s NHS has received the lowest funding per head in London, and the deficit now stands at £20.1m.
- Northwick Park Hospital’s funding problems run across various Governments as in 2009, North West London Hospitals NHS Trust, which runs Northwick Park Hospital faced a cash shortfall of £17 million. This was following the maternity unit being put in special measures in 2005 after it was revealed that the death rate for new mothers was far higher than the national average.
- In January (the latest figures available), 1 in 4 patients at A&E had to wait more than 4 hours. The upcoming closure of the Charlie Chaplin children’s ward at Ealing Hospital means that from 30th June, children will not be admitted to A&E at Ealing, and will be diverted to other hospitals including Northwick Park.

This Council supports:

- Northwick Park Hospital is a life saving service for Harrow residents and we believe that it should be appropriately funded across different Governments to deal with an ageing and growing population;

This Council resolves:

- To instruct the Interim Chief Executive and the Leader of the Council to demand that the Rt Hon Jeremy Hunt, Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, ensures appropriate funding is provided to Northwick Park Hospital and the NHS.”

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Amendment to Motion 5 - Constitutional Amendment to Part 4D Executive Procedure Rules

Proposed: Cllr Graham Henson

Seconded: Cllr Sachin Shah

Delete - "shall appoint one Non-Executive Member of Cabinet from the Voluntary Sector and appoint one member of the Harrow Youth Parliament"

Replace with:- "may appoint up to 2 non-executive members of cabinet "

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