

Decisions of the Cabinet

18 October 2023

Record of decisions taken at the above meeting

Members Present:-

Councillor Barry Rawlings (Chair)	Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member – Resources and Effective Council
Councillor Ross Houston (Vice-Chair)	Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member – Homes and Regeneration
Councillor Paul Edwards	Cabinet Member – Adult Social Care
Councillor Ammar Naqvi	Cabinet Member – Culture, Leisure, Arts and Sports
Councillor Anne Clarke	Cabinet Member – Community Wealth Building
Councillor Sara Conway	Cabinet Member – Community Safety and Participation
Councillor Pauline Coakley Webb	Cabinet Member – Family Friendly Barnet
Councillor Alison Moore	Cabinet Member – Health and Wellbeing
Councillor Alan Schneiderman	Cabinet Member – Environment and Climate Change
Councillor Zahra Beg	Cabinet Member – Equalities, Voluntary and Community Sector

Also in attendance

Councillor Arjun Mitra
Councillor Peter Zinkin
Councillor David Longstaff

1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Councillor Barry Rawlings, Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Resources and Effective Council welcomed all attendees to the meeting.

It was RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 5 September 2023 be approved as a correct record.

2. ABSENCE OF MEMBERS (IF ANY)

None.

3. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS (IF ANY)

None.

4. QUESTIONS FROM NON-EXECUTIVE MEMBERS (IF ANY)

The Chair welcomed Councillor Peter Zinkin and Councillor David Longstaff to the meeting.

Questions were raised in relation to agenda item 11 which were responded to verbally at the meeting by Cabinet Members.

In accordance with Executive Procedure Rule 13.7 (Part 3B – Council Constitution) the Leader noted that a written response will be provided by Councillor Alan Schneiderman, Cabinet Member for Environment and Climate Change to the question from Councillor Arjun Mittra.

5. PETITIONS (IF ANY)

The Leader welcomed the Lead Petitioner, Shimon Ryde who presented the petition 'Remove the Golders Green Crescent Road Closure' to Cabinet.

Following discussion, Councillor Schneiderman Cabinet Member for Environment and Climate Change informed that the lead petitioner would receive an update on the estimated timeline for completion of the works.

DECISION:

RESOLVED that Cabinet:

1. Noted the petition detailed in section 1.

The report set out the options considered, if any, and the reasons for the recommendations and the decision.

6. DEPUTATIONS (IF ANY)

None.

7. PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS (IF ANY)

None.

8. MATTERS REFERRED TO THE EXECUTIVE (IF ANY)

The Leader introduced the two Motions as set out below which were identified in the Council summons of 17 October 2023 as matters falling within the powers of the Executive were referred to Cabinet for consideration in accordance with the Council Constitution.

A. Motion: Recommitment to Net Zero

B. Motion: The CPZ programme review should be brought before Cabinet

RESOLVED that Cabinet noted the referred motions and acknowledged the resolutions made at Council on 17 October, that Motion A was carried and Motion B was lost.

9. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS FROM THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE OR SCRUTINY SUB-COMMITTEES (IF ANY)

None.

10. REDUCING POVERTY

Councillor Anne Clarke, Cabinet Member for Community Wealth Building, introduced the report.

Following discussion, the Chair moved to vote on the recommendations.

DECISION:

RESOLVED that Cabinet:

- 1. Approved the costs of approach and actions as outlined in 5.1 and 5.2.**
- 2. Approved the Sustainable Commercial Strategy (Appendix 1) which outlines how we can utilise our procurement to support local economy.**
- 3. Approved officers taking a phased approach to developing a community wealth programme, with work undertaken by Centre for Local Economic Strategies to inform how we can develop this programme as outlined in 1.4.**
- 4. Officers will report back to Cabinet on work conducted alongside the Living Wage Foundation to become accredited, with an equalities impact assessment.**

The report set out the options considered, if any, and the reasons for the recommendations and the decision.

11. UPDATED SOCIAL VALUE POLICY

Prior to presentation of the item, the Leader noted that an addendum was published with corrected table including the full text of Section 1.6 in the cover report.

Councillor Anne Clarke, Cabinet Member for Community Wealth Building introduced the report.

Following discussion, the Chair moved to vote on the recommendations.

DECISION:

RESOLVED that Cabinet:

Approved and agreed to update the Social Value Policy (Appendix 1) and that the following measures are included in the new policy:

- 1. A minimum expectation of 5% is reinvested in social value initiatives by suppliers on contracts over £100,000.**
- 2. A minimum expectation of one employment outcome for each £1 million (per contract)**
- 3. That Liquidated Damages Clauses are introduced to contracts to compensate the council for the non-delivery of Social Value commitments.**

4. Condense Barnet Themes Outcomes Measures (TOMs) from 83 measures to circa 40 and attach monetary values for each measure.

5. The new set of TOMs (Appendix 2).

6. To allow financial or in-kind material contributions from suppliers to Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprises (VCSEs) but should not exceed 10% of the Total Proposed Commitment.

7. That a Social Value Matrix is embedded in the Invitation to Tender/Quote, replacing the social value question in the tender documents.

8. Amend the rules of the Social Value Impact Fund to allow for the reinvestment of funds from liquidated damages and financial contributions back into the community.

The report set out the options considered, if any, and the reasons for the recommendations and the decision.

12. CORPORATE PARENTING ANNUAL REPORTS

Councillor Pauline Coakley Webb, Cabinet Member for Family Friendly Barnet introduced the report.

Following discussion, the Chair moved to vote on the recommendations.

DECISION:

RESOLVED that Cabinet:

1. Noted the contents of Corporate Parenting Annual Reports.

2. Referred the reports to Council for noting, to ensure understanding of their statutory role as corporate parents and to be aware of progress and challenges for services to children in our care and care experienced young adults.

The report set out the options considered, if any, and the reasons for the recommendations and the decision.

13. INTRODUCTION OF PLAY STREETS

Councillor Alan Schneiderman, Cabinet Member for Environment and Climate Change

Following discussion, the Chair moved to vote on the recommendations.

DECISION:

RESOLVED that Cabinet:

1. Approved the approach to facilitating Play Streets using section 16A of the Road Traffic Regulation Act.

2. Delegated authority to the Director of Highways and Transportation to finalise the drafting of the process, draft and publish the Guidance and training material for the Stewards for the organisation and implementation of the Play Streets.

The report set out the options considered, if any, and the reasons for the recommendations and the decision.

14. BRENT CROSS UPDATE REPORT

Councillor Ross Houston Cabinet Member for Homes and Regeneration introduced the report.

Following discussion, the Chair moved to vote on the recommendations.

DECISION:

RESOLVED that Cabinet:

1. Noted the contents of the report and the exempt appendix and;

2. Delegated authority to the Deputy Chief Executive in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Homes and Regeneration to approve the land acquisition strategy for the remaining plots in relation to the CPOs already made and for the Deputy Chief Executive to implement it, once the strategy has been finalised, as explained in paragraphs 1.39 to 1.42 of this report and the exempt appendix.

The report set out the options considered, if any, and the reasons for the recommendations and the decision.

15. CABINET FORWARD PLAN - KEY DECISION SCHEDULE

Cabinet noted the Forward Plan – Key Decision Schedule.

16. URGENT BUSINESS (IF ANY)

None.

17. MOTION TO EXCLUDE THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

18. BRENT CROSS UPDATE REPORT (EXEMPT)

The meeting finished at 20.50

Proper Officer

This document outlines the decisions taken at the above Cabinet meeting. Unless otherwise indicated, executive decisions listed in this document will come into force and may then be implemented 5 clear working days after publication of this document unless the decision is called in.

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Date decision can be implemented if not called in:	27 th October 2023
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