Cabinet AGENDA

DATE: Thursday 11 July 2019

TIME: 6.30 pm

VENUE: Committee Rooms 1 & 2, Harrow Civic Centre, Station Road, Harrow, HA1 2XY

MEMBERSHIP

Chair: Councillor Graham Henson (Leader of the Council, Portfolio Holder for Strategy, Partnerships, Devolution and Customer Services)

Portfolio Holders:

- Councillor Sue Anderson: Community Engagement and Accessibility
- Councillor Simon Brown: Adults and Public Health
- Councillor Keith Ferry: Deputy Leader, Regeneration, Planning and Employment
- Councillor Phillip O’Dell: Housing
- Councillor Varsha Parmar: Environment
- Councillor Christine Robson: Young People and Schools
- Councillor Krishna Suresh: Community Cohesion and Crime
- Councillor Adam Swersky: Finance and Resources
- Councillor Antonio Weiss: Non-Executive Cabinet Member
- John Higgins: Non-Executive Voluntary Sector Representative

(Quorum 3, including the Leader and/or Deputy Leader)

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PUBLIC NOTICE 2  
CABINET  
11 JULY 2019 AT 6.30 PM

Pursuant to Regulation 10 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012, notice is hereby given that Cabinet proposes to take Key Decisions on the following items at the Cabinet Meeting to be held on Thursday 11 July 2019 at 6.30pm at Harrow Civic Centre:

1. Property Acquisition  
2. 2 year Budget Strategy 2020/21 to 2021/22  
3. Property Disposal

The Key Decision Schedule July – September 2019 did not give notice under Regulation 5 of the key, part exempt item, Property Acquisition, for the reason set out below. Appendices relating to this item are ‘exempt’ under paragraph 3 of Schedule 12a of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) in that it includes information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Authority holding the information).

(The reason publication was not made at the time of the July 2019 Key Decision Schedule was that)

(1) Officers were still considering the details of this property before a decision to recommend for purchase could be made

(2) With regard to the Budget Strategy, the report was originally intended to be for information only but it has now been necessary to include a recommendation in the report seeking Council’s approval to add £100m to the Capital Programme.

(3) Officers were still considering the details of the disposal before a decision could be made.

The agreement of the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee has been obtained that the making of the decisions in relation to the Property Acquisition and Property Disposal were urgent and could not reasonably be deferred and may be held in private. Additionally, the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee has waived call-in and agreed that the decisions proposed are reasonable in the circumstances and should be treated as a matter of urgency as any delay likely to be caused by the call-in process would seriously prejudice the Council’s interests for the following reasons:
(1) Under the Heads of Terms, the Council is required to simultaneously exchange contracts and complete the purchase within 20 working days of receiving legal papers from the Vendor. If the Council cannot comply the Vendor may re-market the site and the Council may lose this opportunity.

(2) The reason for urgency is that the Council wishes to dispose of this property as expeditiously as possible and with the next Cabinet Meeting being held in September it is preferable that this disposal is considered at the July Cabinet.

Director of Legal and Governance Services
Date: 3 July 2019