

Minutes

EXECUTIVE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

25 January 2018

Meeting held at Committee Room 6 - Civic Centre,
High Street, Uxbridge UB8 1UW



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| | <p>Committee Members Present: Henry Higgins (Chairman), John Riley (Vice-Chairman), Wayne Bridges, Nick Denys, Richard Mills, Peter Curling, John Morse, Peter Money and Tony Little (Representative Member for Education Issues)</p> <p>LBH Officers Present: Mark Braddock (Democratic Services)</p> |
| 41. | <p>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND TO REPORT THE PRESENCE OF ANY SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS (<i>Agenda Item 1</i>)</p> <p>All Members were present.</p> |
| 42. | <p>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN MATTERS COMING BEFORE THIS MEETING (<i>Agenda Item 2</i>)</p> <p>No interests were declared by Members present.</p> |
| 43. | <p>TO RECEIVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 14 DECEMBER 2017 (<i>Agenda Item 3</i>)</p> <p>The minutes of the meeting held on 14 December 2017 were agreed as a correct record.</p> |
| 44. | <p>EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC (<i>Agenda Item 4</i>)</p> <p>Items were agreed to be considered in public and private as per their confirmed status on the Cabinet agenda and Cabinet's decisions on the night.</p> |
| 45. | <p>CONSIDERATION OF ANY CALL-INS (<i>Agenda Item 5</i>)</p> <p>Members gave consideration to the Cabinet reports of 25 January 2018 and the decisions made by Cabinet on them earlier that evening.</p> <p>Reviewing Item 8 of the Cabinet agenda – the tender of the Council's main print contract and tender of the contract for the printing of the Hillingdon People magazine – whilst indicating they were not necessarily against the publication of Hillingdon People six times a year, the Labour Group sought Cabinet's reconsideration of that particular tender due to recent Secretary of State Directives to other local authorities to restrict the frequency of their council newspaper publications to four times a year.</p> <p>In response to this, Councillor John Morse moved a motion to call-in the decision solely on the Hillingdon People tender before it took effect and for formal scrutiny of it at a second meeting of the Committee. This motion was seconded by Councillor Peter</p> |

Curling and upon being put to a vote (three votes in favour and 5 votes against), the motion was lost.

RESOLVED: - That the Cabinet's decision on Item 8 on the agenda not be called-in for further scrutiny.

After careful consideration of the remaining matters, the Committee decided not to call-in any further decisions made by the Cabinet. However, the Committee did request minor clarifications on information within some reports and it was agreed that these would be provided outside the meeting informally.

RESOLVED: – That the remaining decisions made by the Cabinet at their meeting on 25 January 2018 be endorsed and that no call-in be made.

Note: further details of the rationale behind the motion to call-in the Cabinet's decision on Item 8 is set out in the Part 2 confidential minutes for this meeting. This is due to the fact that the matter was considered in private by the Cabinet and contained information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Authority holding that information) and the public interest in withholding the information outweighed the public interest in disclosing it (exempt information under paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 as amended).

The meeting, which commenced at 7.25 pm, closed at 7.41 pm.

These are the minutes of the above meeting. For more information on any of the resolutions please contact Mark Braddock on Senior Manager, Democratic Services. Circulation of these minutes is to Councillors, Officers, the Press and Members of the Public.