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## To all Members of the Council

**Date:** THURSDAY, 4 JULY 2019

**Time:** 7.30 PM

**Venue:** COUNCIL CHAMBER -  
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STREET, UXBRIDGE

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# Agenda

## Prayers

To be said by Father Michael Miller

- 1 Apologies for Absence
- 2 Minutes 1 - 22  
To receive the minutes of the meetings of the Council held on 21 February and 09 May 2019 (*attached*).
- 3 Declarations of Interest  
To note any declarations of interest in any matter before the Council
- 4 Mayor's Announcements
- 5 Report of the Head of Democratic Services 23 - 30
- 6 Members' Questions 31 - 32  
To take questions submitted by Members in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 11
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To consider Motions submitted by Members in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 12

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# Agenda Item 2

## Minutes

### COUNCIL

21 February 2019

Meeting held at Council Chamber - Civic Centre, High Street, Uxbridge



Councillor John Morgan (Mayor)  
Councillor David Yarrow (Deputy Mayor)

	<p><b>MEMBERS PRESENT:</b></p> <p>Councillors: Shehryar Ahmad-Wallana Simon Arnold Teji Barnes Jonathan Bianco Mohinder Birah Lindsay Bliss Wayne Bridges Nicola Brightman Keith Burrows Roy Chamdal Farhad Choubedar Judith Cooper Philip Corthorne Peter Curling Nick Denys Alan Deville Jazz Dhillon Jas Dhot Ian Edwards Tony Eginton</p> <p>Scott Farley Duncan Flynn Neil Fyfe Janet Gardner Martin Goddard Raymond Graham Becky Haggard John Hensley Henry Higgins Vanessa Hurhangee Kuldeep Lakhmana Eddie Lavery Richard Lewis Heena Makwana Michael Markham Stuart Mathers Carol Melvin Ali Milani Douglas Mills Richard Mills</p> <p>Peter Money John Morse June Nelson Susan O'Brien John Oswell Jane Palmer Kerri Prince Ray Puddifoot MBE Devi Radia John Riley Paula Rodrigues Robin Sansarpuri Scott Seaman-Digby David Simmonds CBE Jagjit Singh Brian Stead Jan Sweeting Steve Tuckwell</p>
	<p><b>OFFICERS PRESENT:</b> Fran Beasley, Jean Palmer, Paul Whaymand, Tony Zaman, Raj Alagh, Lloyd White, Morgan Einon and Beth Rainey</p>
22.	<p><b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b> (<i>Agenda Item 1</i>)</p> <p>Apologies were received from Councillors Allen, Chapman, Duncan, Jackson, and Kauffman.</p>
23.	<p><b>MINUTES</b> (<i>Agenda Item 2</i>)</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> That the minutes of the meeting held on 17 January 2019 be approved as a correct record.</p>
24.	<p><b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b> (<i>Agenda Item 3</i>)</p> <p>In respect of Item 6: General Fund Revenue Budget, Housing Revenue Account and Capital Programme 2019/20, Members declared the following non-pecuniary interests:</p>

	<p>Councillor Curling, as he was a Governor at The Harefield Academy.</p> <p>Councillor Eginton, as he was a Governor at Minet Nursery and Infants School and Hillside Junior School.</p> <p>Councillor Lavery, as he was a Governor at Ruislip High School and a Trustee of the Vanguard Learning Trust.</p> <p>Councillor Morse, as he was a Governor at Harlington School.</p> <p>Councillor Prince, as she was a Governor at Minet Junior School and the Middlesex Learning Partnership.</p> <p>Councillor Tuckwell, as he was a Governor at Ruislip High School.</p>
25.	<p><b>MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS</b> (<i>Agenda Item 4</i>)</p> <p>The Mayor welcomed attendees from Brunel University and the Northwood College for Girls.</p> <p>The Mayor detailed recent Holocaust Memorial events, and thanked all who attended his recent Civic Service.</p> <p>Future events included a Mayoral walk on 28/29 March, a Dick Whittington walk on 10 March, and the final Mayor's Quiz Night on 3 April. The Mayor encouraged Members to join and/or contribute to sponsorship of the events, where able.</p>
26.	<p><b>REPORT OF THE HEAD OF DEMOCRATIC SERVICES</b> (<i>Agenda Item 5</i>)</p> <p><b>i) Urgent Implementation of Decisions</b></p> <p>Councillor Puddifoot moved, and Councillor Simmonds seconded, the recommendation as set out on the Order of Business.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED: That the Urgency decisions detailed in the report be noted.</b></p> <p><b>ii) Membership of Council Committees 2018/19</b></p> <p>Councillor Puddifoot moved, and Councillor Simmonds seconded, the recommendation as set out on the Order of Business.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED: That, upon the recommendation of the Conservative group, Councillor Goddard replace Councillor Radia on both the North and the Major Applications Planning Committees.</b></p> <p><b>iii) Members' Allowances 2019/20</b></p> <p>Councillor Puddifoot moved the recommendation as set out on the Order of Business. The motion was seconded by Councillor Simmonds.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED: That the current Members' Allowances Scheme be revoked as of 31 March 2019 and the new scheme for 2019/20 be approved, as shown in Appendix A, for implementation from 1 April 2019, including, for 2019/20 a basic</b></p>

allowance of £11,482.59 to be payable to all councillors and special responsibility allowances (SRAs) to be paid in equal monthly instalments to councillors holding the responsibilities listed 1 to 16 in the following table:

That the Head of Democratic Services be authorised to increase the level of Basic Allowance and any SRAs agreed under this recommendation and recommendation b) below, each subsequent year in line with the annual Local Government Pay Settlement. All payments to be made in equal monthly instalments. The Basic Allowance includes intra borough travel and subsistence costs.

	(£)
1. Mayor	23,090.28
2. Deputy Mayor	9,005.07
3. Leader of the Council	57,129.24
4. Deputy Leader of the Council	48,124.17
5. Chief Whip of Largest Party	23,090.28
6. Cabinet Member	40,244.82
7. Chairman of Scrutiny and Policy Overview Committee	23,090.28
8. Chairman of Planning Committee	23,090.28
9. Chairman of Licensing Committee	9,761.87
10. Vice Chairman of Licensing Committee	6,507.96
11. Chairman of Standards Committee	3,253.98
12. Standards Committee Independent Person	1,626.99
13. Chairman of Audit Committee*	3,095.70
14. Champion	5,937.79
15. Council representative on Adoption and Permanency Panel	13,015.93
16. Cabinet Assistant	9,005.07

\* Where a non-Councillor is Chairman or Vice Chairman a co-optees' allowance is payable as set out in the Scheme under section 9.

### iii) b) Members' Allowances 2019/20

Councillor Puddifoot moved the recommendation as set out on the Order of Business. The motion was seconded by Councillor Simmonds and put to a recorded vote:

Those voting for: Councillors Bliss, Curling, Dhillon, Dhot, Eginton, Farley, Gardner, Lakhmana, Mathers, Milani, Money, Morse, Nelson, Oswell, Prince, Sansarpuri, Singh and Sweeting.

Those voting against: none.

Those abstaining: The Mayor (Councillor Morgan), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor Yarrow), Councillors Ahmad-Wallana, Arnold, Barnes, Bianco, Birah, Bridges, Brightman, Burrows, Chamdal, Choubedar, Cooper, Corthorne, Denys, Deville, Edwards, Flynn, Fyfe, Goddard, Graham, Haggar, Hensley, Higgins, Hurhangee, Lavery, Lewis, Makwana, Markham, Melvin, D Mills, R Mills, O'Brien, Palmer, Puddifoot, Radia, Riley, Rodrigues, Seaman-Digby, Simmonds, Stead and Tuckwell.

The motion was carried and it was:

**RESOLVED: That SRAs of the following amounts be paid in equal monthly instalments to Councillors holding the following responsibilities:**

		(£)
17.	Leader of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Party	23,090.28
18.	Deputy Leader of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Party	5,937.79
19.	Chief Whip of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Party	5,937.79
20.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Party Lead on Scrutiny and Policy Overview Committee	5,937.79
21.	Party Lead on Planning Committee	5,937.79

27. **GENERAL FUND REVENUE BUDGET, HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT AND CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2019/2020** (*Agenda Item 6*)

Councillor O'Brien moved, and Councillor Denys seconded, the suspension of Council procedure rule 14.4 to allow unlimited speaking time for the mover and seconder of the motion and the principal speaker / mover of the amendment and seconder of the amendment from the Labour Group.

**RESOLVED: That the mover and seconder of the budget motion and the principal speaker / mover and seconder of the principal amendment from the Labour Group be allowed unlimited speaking time on this item.**

Councillor Bianco moved, and Councillor Puddifoot seconded, the budget recommendations, as set out on the Order of Business.

Councillor Dhillon moved, and Councillor Eginton seconded, the following amendment:

a) **That Cabinet be invited to consider the Labour Group's amendments to the Cabinet's budget proposals set out in the Council Tax Resolution and report back to the Council. These amendments would result in a Council Tax Requirement of £114,499,631 and Hillingdon Share of Band D Council Tax of £1,139.64:**

i) **In relation to the General Fund Revenue Budget, the proposals are based on the budget proposals approved by Cabinet on 14 February 2019, subject to the following amendments:**

	2019/20 £'000	
<b>Council Tax Requirement based on Cabinet Proposals</b>		<b>114,500</b>
Landlord Licensing Team (2 x Full Time POA Posts)	93	
Minimum Level of Landlord Licensing Income	(93)	<b>0</b>
Fund a 10% discount of camera-style doorbells and PIR cameras for residents	55	
Topslice Ward Budgets to fund the 10% discount offered to residents for camera doorbells	(55)	<b>0</b>
Purchase SmartWater to sell to residents through the libraries	10	
Planned income from sales of SmartWater	(10)	<b>0</b>
Purchase 5,000 reusable coffee cups and run a competition for children to design them for sale in the libraries	8	

Planned income from sale of reusable coffee cups	(8)	<b>0</b>
Additional Funding for Schools	900	
Grant funding to Metropolitan Police to support four additional police officers	280	
Set up a Not-For-Profit energy firm to allow residents to benefit from cheaper prices	100	
Increase Universal Credit support by two officers to offer support post application submission	93	
Widen translation services to support a diverse community, including printing leaflets in multiple languages	50	
Fund two Mental Health Preventative Officers to support the community	93	
Set up and run a new Poverty Forum in partnership with the Voluntary Sector	92	
Older People's Council Tax Discount	67	
Purchase and run a new Youth Bus	55	
Introduce a new Care Leavers Council Tax Discount	50	
Introduce a Black History Month and LGBTI Pride events	10	
Drawdown on Unallocated Priority Growth	(250)	
Reduce General Contingency to December 2018 Cabinet Levels	(332)	
Increase drawdown from General Balances	(1,208)	<b>0</b>
<b>Council Tax Requirement based on Labour Group Proposals</b>		<b>114,500</b>
<b>Change in Council Tax Requirement</b>		

ii) In relation to the General Fund Capital Programme, the proposals are based on the budget proposals as approved by Cabinet on 14 February 2019, subject to the addition of £250k provision for the Purchase of a bus to support Youth Services.

iii) In relation to the Housing Revenue Account Budget, the proposals are based on the budget proposals approved by Cabinet on 14 February 2019, subject to the following amendments:

Housing Revenue Account	2019/20 £'000	
<b>Total Resources</b>		<b>56,186</b>
Development of Council-owned Sites	70	
Extend the free burglar alarm offer to all Council homes	100	
Set up Council estates to have recycling bin availability on site	50	
Increased Drawdown from Reserves	(220)	0
<b>(Drawdown) / Contribution to Reserves based on Labour Group Proposals</b>		<b>56,186</b>
<b>Change in Total Resources</b>		<b>0</b>

Following debate (Councillors Bianco, Curling, Lakhmana, Mathers, D.Mills, Money, Morse, Nelson, Prince, Puddifoot, Sansarpuri, Simmonds, Singh, and Sweeting), the

amendment was put to a recorded vote:

Those voting for: Councillors Birah, Bliss, Curling, Dhillon, Dhot, Eginton, Farley, Gardner, Lakhmana, Mathers, Milani, Money, Morse, Nelson, Oswell, Prince, Sansarpuri, Singh and Sweeting.

Those voting against: The Mayor (Councillor Morgan), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor Yarrow), Councillors Ahmad-Wallana, Arnold, Barnes, Bianco, Bridges, Brightman, Burrows, Chamdal, Choubedar, Cooper, Corthorne, Denys, Deville, Edwards, Flynn, Fyfe, Goddard, Graham, Haggar, Hensley, Higgins, Hurhangee, Lavery, Lewis, Makwana, Markham, Melvin, D Mills, R Mills, O'Brien, Palmer, Puddifoot, Radia, Riley, Rodrigues, Seaman-Digby, Simmonds, Stead and Tuckwell.

The motion was lost.

Following further debate (Councillors Burrows, Corthorne, Curling, Denys, Lewis, Milani, D. Mills, Morse, Palmer, Riley, Simmonds and Sweeting), the original motion was put to a recorded vote:

Those voting for: The Mayor (Councillor Morgan), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor Yarrow), Councillors Ahmad-Wallana, Arnold, Barnes, Bianco, Birah, Bridges, Brightman, Burrows, Chamdal, Choubedar, Cooper, Corthorne, Curling, Denys, Deville, Dhillon, Edwards, Eginton, Farley, Flynn, Fyfe, Goddard, Graham, Haggar, Hensley, Higgins, Hurhangee, Lavery, Lewis, Makwana, Markham, Mathers, Melvin, Milani, D Mills, R Mills, Money, Morse, Nelson, O'Brien, Oswell, Palmer, Prince, Puddifoot, Radia, Riley, Rodrigues, Sansarpuri, Simmonds, Singh, Stead, Sweeting and Tuckwell.

Those voting against: None.

The original motion was carried and it was:

**RESOLVED: That the Cabinet budget recommendations as set out below, be approved.**

- 1. The General Fund revenue budget proposals made by Cabinet be approved, resulting in a Council Tax requirement for 2019/20 of £114,499,631;**
- 2. Council note that at its meeting on 17 January 2019 the Council calculated the amount of 100,470 as its Council Tax Base for the year 2019/20. This was calculated in accordance with the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) (England) Regulations 2012, as its Council Tax Base for the year (*Item T in the formula in Section 31B (3) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992*);**
- 3. The Hillingdon element of Council Tax be set at £1,139.64 for a Band D property. Taking into account the precept levied by the Greater London Authority, this results in an overall Band D Council Tax of £1,460.15 for the borough;**
- 4. The following amounts have been calculated by the Council for the year 2019/20, in accordance with Sections 32 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 (the Act):**

a) £450,506,042 being the aggregate of the amounts that the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A (2) (a) to (f) of the Act. *(Gross Expenditure including the amount required for additions to working balances)*

b) £336,006,411 being the aggregate of the amounts that the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A (3) (a) to (d) of the Act. *(Gross Income including reserves to be used to meet Gross Expenditure)*

c) £114,499,631 being the amount by which the aggregate at 4 (a) above exceeds the aggregate at 4 (b) above. This is calculated by the Council in accordance with Section 31A (4) of the Act, as its Council Tax requirement for the year. *(Item R under Section 31B of the Act)*

d) £1,139.64 being the amount at 4 (c) above divided by Item T (2 above). This is, calculated by the Council in accordance with Section 31B of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year. *(Council Tax at Band D for the Council)*

e)

The London Borough of Hillingdon Council Tax			
Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D
759.76	886.39	1,013.01	1,139.64
Band E	Band F	Band G	Band H
1,392.89	1,646.15	1,899.40	2,279.28

being the amounts given by multiplying the amount at 4 (d) above by the number which, in the proportion set out in Section 5 (1) of the Act, is applicable to dwellings listed in a particular valuation band divided by the number which in that proportion is applicable to dwellings listed in valuation B and D. This is calculated by the Council in accordance with Section 36 (1) of the Act, as the amounts to be taken into account for the year in respect of categories of dwellings listed in different valuation bands;

5. Council note that for the year 2019/20 the Greater London Authority and its functional bodies have stated the following amounts in precepts. These have been issued to the Council, in accordance with Section 40 of the Act, for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:

The Greater London Authority Precept			
Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D
213.67	249.29	284.90	320.51
Band E	Band F	Band G	Band H
391.73	462.96	534.18	641.02

6. The Council has calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts at 4 (e) and 5 above. The Council in accordance with Section 30 and 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 hereby sets the Council Tax for

the year 2019/20 for each category of dwelling below:

<b>Total Council Tax 2019/20</b>			
<b>Band A</b>	<b>Band B</b>	<b>Band C</b>	<b>Band D</b>
973.43	1,135.68	1,297.91	1,460.15
<b>Band E</b>	<b>Band F</b>	<b>Band G</b>	<b>Band H</b>
1,784.62	2,109.11	2,433.58	2,920.30

7. The Council delegate authority to the Corporate Director of Finance, in consultation with the Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Finance, Property and Business Services, to approve amendments to the aggregate 2019/20 Council Tax set out in Recommendation 6 to reflect any late changes to Greater London Authority Precept.
8. The Council Tax Discount for Older People be retained for 2019/20 with a 2.34% discount on the Hillingdon's element of the Council Tax for those joining the scheme on or after 1 April 2019 and 7.11% for those who joined before or on 31 March 2019;
9. The Capital Programme for 2019/20 to 2023/24 as set out in Appendix 9 of the background report to Cabinet be approved;
10. The Housing Revenue Account budget proposals and housing rents set out in Appendix 10 of the background report be approved;
11. The proposed amendments to Fees and Charges set out in Appendix 8 of the background report to Cabinet be approved;
12. The Treasury Management Strategy Statement, Annual Investment Strategy, Capital Strategy and Minimum Revenue Provision Statement for 2019/20 to 2023/24 as set out in Appendix 12 of the background report to Cabinet be approved;
13. The London Borough of Hillingdon Pay Policy Statement for 2019/20 as set out in Appendix 13 of the background report to Cabinet be approved;
14. Council note the Corporate Director of Finance's comments regarding his responsibilities under the Local Government Act 2003;
15. Council (as set out in Schedule G of the Constitution - Budget and Policy Framework Procedure Rules) resolves that Cabinet may utilise the general reserves or balances or approve virements between the General Fund budget, Housing Revenue Account budget or Capital budgets during the MTFE financial years 2019/20 to 2023/24 in respect of those functions which have been reserved to the Cabinet in Article 7 of the Constitution;
16. Council confirm that the Council's relevant basic amount of Council Tax for 2019/20 is not excessive in accordance with principles approved under Section 52ZB Local Government Finance Act 1992 and therefore a referendum will not be triggered.

The meeting, which commenced at 7.30 pm, closed at 10.02 pm.

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## Minutes

### COUNCIL

9 May 2019

Meeting held at Council Chamber - Civic Centre, High Street, Uxbridge

Councillor John Morgan (Mayor in the Chair - agenda items 1 to 3)

Councillor David Yarrow (Deputy Mayor - agenda items 1 to 3)

Councillor David Yarrow (Mayor in the Chair - agenda items 4 to 10)

Councillor Teji Barnes (Deputy Mayor - agenda items 4 to 10)

	<p><b>MEMBERS PRESENT:</b></p> <p>Councillors: Shehryar Ahmad-Wallana Ian Edwards Richard Mills  Lynne Allen Tony Eginton Peter Money  Simon Arnold Scott Farley John Morse  Teji Barnes Duncan Flynn June Nelson  Jonathan Bianco Neil Fyfe Susan O'Brien  Mohinder Birah Martin Goddard John Oswell  Lindsay Bliss Raymond Graham Jane Palmer  Wayne Bridges Becky Haggar Kerri Prince  Nicola Brightman John Hensley Ray Puddifoot MBE  Keith Burrows Henry Higgins Devi Radia  Roy Chamdal Vanessa Hurhangee John Riley  Alan Chapman Allan Kauffman Paula Rodrigues  Farhad Choubedar Kuldeep Lakhmana Raju Sansarpuri  Judith Cooper Eddie Lavery Scott Seaman-Digby  Philip Corthorne Richard Lewis David Simmonds CBE  Peter Curling Heena Makwana Jagjit Singh  Nick Denys Michael Markham Brian Stead  Alan Deville Stuart Mathers Jan Sweeting  Jazz Dhillon Carol Melvin Steve Tuckwell  Jas Dhot Ali Milani  Janet Duncan Douglas Mills</p>
	<p><b>OFFICERS PRESENT:</b> Jean Palmer, Paul Whaymand, Tony Zaman, Raj Alagh, Lloyd White, Mark Braddock, Steven Clarke, Morgan Einon, Beth Rainey and Nikki O'Halloran</p>
<p>1.</p>	<p><b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b> (<i>Agenda Item 1</i>)</p> <p>Apologies for absence had been received from Councillors Janet Gardner and Pat Jackson.</p>
<p>2.</p>	<p><b>ELECTION OF MAYOR 2019/2020</b> (<i>Agenda Item 3</i>)</p> <p>The Mayor thanked his Mayoress and Mayor's Escort, the Deputy Mayor and Deputy Mayoress, his fellow Councillors and officers for the support that they had given him. He also thanked the organisations and volunteers that did so much for the Borough.</p> <p>The Mayor provided the Council with some brief highlights of his Mayoral year, during</p>

which he had attended 668 events and had raised over £48k for his charities.

Nominations were invited for a Mayor to hold office for the 2019/20 municipal year. Councillor Yarrow was nominated by Councillor Goddard and seconded by Councillor Graham. There were no further nominations.

**RESOLVED: That Councillor David Yarrow be elected as Mayor for the 2019/2020 municipal year.**

*The Council adjourned for robing of the new Mayor at 7.52pm and reconvened at 8.08pm.*

3. **ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE BY THE MAYOR** (*Agenda Item 4*)

The newly elected Mayor signed the declaration of acceptance of office.

4. **APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR** (*Agenda Item 5*)

The Mayor informed the Council that he had appointed Councillor Teji Barnes as Deputy Mayor.

**RESOLVED: That the Deputy Mayor for 2019/2020 be noted.**

5. **NEW MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS** (*Agenda Item 6*)

The new Mayor thanked those present for electing him. He advised that his Mayoress for the year would be Mrs Mary O'Connor. The Mayor stated that his nominated charities for the year would be Hillingdon Autistic Care and Support and Hillingdon Brain Tumour and Injury Support.

6. **VOTE OF THANKS TO OUTGOING MAYOR** (*Agenda Item 7*)

Councillor Puddifoot moved a vote of thanks to the retired Mayor, Councillor Morgan, his Mayoress, Mrs Fiona Morgan, and his Escort, Mrs Pauline Bianco. This was seconded by Councillor Curling.

The Mayor (Councillor Yarrow) presented a Past Mayor's badge to Councillor Morgan, a Past Mayoress' badge to Mrs Fiona Morgan and a Past Mayor's Escort badge to Mrs Pauline Bianco. Councillor Puddifoot advised that, as the Council had come in under budget during the previous year, he would be recommending that Cabinet double the funds raised by Councillor Morgan for his charities to £96k.

Councillors Bianco, Corthorne, Duncan and Flynn spoke in support of the vote of thanks to the outgoing Mayor, Councillor John Morgan.

**RESOLVED: That the vote of thanks to the Outgoing Mayor, Councillor Morgan, be agreed.**

7. **REPORT OF THE HEAD OF DEMOCRATIC SERVICES** (*Agenda Item 8*)

**8.1 APPOINTMENT OF THE CABINET**

Councillor Puddifoot advised Council that he had made the following appointments:

<b>Position/Portfolio</b>	<b>Councillor</b>
Deputy Leader and Education and Children's Services	David Simmonds
Central Services, Culture and Heritage	Richard Lewis
Finance, Property and Business Services	Jonathan Bianco
Community, Commerce and Regeneration	Douglas Mills
Planning, Transportation and Recycling	Keith Burrows
Social Services, Housing, Health and Wellbeing	Philip Corthorne

## **8.2 APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL CHAMPION**

Councillor Puddifoot moved the motion, which was seconded by Councillor Simmonds, and it was:

**RESOLVED: That Councillor Tuckwell be appointed as Council Champion for Mental Health.**

## **8.3 STANDARDS COMMITTEE – APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT PERSON**

Councillor Puddifoot moved the motion, which was seconded by Councillor Simmonds, and it was:

**RESOLVED: That Mr David Smith be re-appointed as Independent Person for a further three year period, to June 2022, and that thereafter the position be re-advertised.**

## **8.4 REVIEW OF COUNCIL CONSTITUTION**

Councillor Puddifoot moved the motion as set out on the Order of Business, which was seconded by Councillor Simmonds. Following debate (Councillors Allen, Curling, Duncan, Eginton and Money), the motion was put to a recorded vote:

Those voting for: The Mayor (Councillor Yarrow), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor Barnes), Councillors Ahmad-Wallana, Arnold, Bianco, Bridges, Brightman, Burrows, Chamdal, Chapman, Choubedar, Cooper, Corthorne, Denys, Deville, Edwards, Flynn, Fyfe, Goddard, Graham, Haggar, Hensley, Higgins, Hurhangee, Kauffman, Lavery, Lewis, Makwana, Markham, Melvin, D Mills, R Mills, Morgan, O'Brien, Palmer, Puddifoot, Radia, Riley, Rodrigues, Seaman-Digby, Simmonds, Stead and Tuckwell.

Those voting against: Councillors Allen, Birah, Bliss, Curling, Dhillon, Dhot, Duncan, Eginton, Farley, Lakhmana, Mathers, Milani, Money, Morse, Nelson, Oswell, Prince, Sansarpuri, Singh and Sweeting.

Those abstaining: None.

The motion was carried and it was:

**RESOLVED: That the following amendments to the Council Constitution (shown in italics) be approved:**

**a) Protocol for Member / Officer Relations - Regarding Member Enquiries:**

**A Member is free to approach any Council Department to provide such information, explanation and advice about the Department's functions as**

may reasonably be required in order to assist with discharging his/her role. Such requests must be reasonable and will be met subject to any overriding legal considerations (determined by Monitoring Officer).

If the recipient of any request considers the cost of providing the information requested or the nature of the request to be unreasonable, they will raise the matter with the relevant Corporate Director who will discuss the issue with the relevant Group Leader or, in the absence of a Group Leader, with the Member concerned. *Should a Member wish for information that is not specific to their own Ward (e.g. is regarding matters affecting the whole Borough or is cross-cutting for a part of the Borough wider than a single Ward) then such a request must be made through the Group Leader with an explanation as to why such information is required.*

*Should a Member wish to raise, or be asked to raise by a member of the public, a matter in another Member's Ward there is an expectation that they will refer the matter to the appropriate Ward Member(s), unless a valid reason why this would not be appropriate is provided by the Group Leader.*

Where a Member requests such factual information, that information will also be supplied to the relevant Cabinet Member, Chairman of the appropriate Committee or relevant Officers.

**b) Article 2 – regarding Member Attendance at Committees**

If Members (including a co-opted member) fail to attend any meeting of the Committee or advisory group to which they are appointed/co-opted throughout a period of six consecutive months, they will cease to be a member of that committee or group unless their absence is due to a reason which has been previously approved *by the Head of Democratic Services in consultation with the relevant Group Leader and/or Chief Whip.*

8.	<p><b>COMMITTEE ALLOCATIONS AND MEMBERSHIP 2019/2020</b> (<i>Agenda Item 9</i>)</p> <p>It was moved by Councillor O'Brien, seconded by Councillor Denys, and:</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> That the appointment of Committees, Sub-Committees and their memberships, as set out in Minute Annex A, be approved.</p>
9.	<p><b>POLICY OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEES' ANNUAL REPORT</b> (<i>Agenda Item 10</i>)</p> <p>The Council received a report of the work covered by the Policy Overview and Scrutiny Committees in 2018/19. It was moved by Councillor R Mills, seconded by Councillor Palmer, and:</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> That the Policy Overview and Scrutiny Committees' Annual Report 2018/2019 be endorsed.</p>
10.	<p><b>STATEMENT BY THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL</b> (<i>Agenda Item 11</i>)</p> <p>The Leader of the Council advised that the London Borough of Hillingdon was in a sound position and continued to provide facilities, services and a level of financial and business management that were the envy of many other councils. As well as freezing</p>

Council Tax for ten years for all residents and this year having the lowest rise in London, Hillingdon had frozen Council Tax this year for those over 65 for the thirteenth consecutive year. The Council had built up substantial levels of cash reserves to help in dealing with the financial challenges that lay ahead. It also had some of the best staff working in local government.

Nearly all elected Councillors were in the Chamber because they wanted to make a difference in Hillingdon. It was the ability to work together as a team towards a common vision that was important; the ability to direct individual skills towards common objectives was the formula that allowed a collection of individuals to produce outstanding results.

The Leader thanked the opposition for the part that they had played at a Committee and Council level. He paid tribute to the Leader of the Opposition, Councillor Curling, who had served the Borough well despite having experienced poor health. The Leader stated that he had a first class Deputy Leader in Councillor Simmonds, who was an asset to Hillingdon as well as local government in general. Councillor Puddifoot believed he had a highly competent and experienced Cabinet and a unified and skilled Group to captain.

As he approached his twentieth year as Leader of the Council, Councillor Puddifoot had experienced nine changes to the Leader of the Opposition. He was proud that Hillingdon was recognised as one of the best run councils in the country. The Conservative administration had delivered a great deal for the residents of the Borough which had been achieved through strong political leadership, sound financial management and good business practice.

What Hillingdon had achieved, and continued to achieve, through times of financial constraint on local government had been amazing. The Leader believed that the administration would be measured on its achievements to date as well as its potential to continue to deliver to residents of the Borough in the future.

The Leader stated that all elected Members in the Chamber were there to serve and protect Hillingdon's residents, environment and heritage. He thanked all Members of the Council from both parties for the part that they played in doing so.

**MINUTE ANNEX A: COMMITTEE ALLOCATIONS AND MEMBERSHIP 2019/2020**

The meeting, which commenced at 7.30 pm, closed at 8.58 pm.

These are the minutes of the above meeting. For more information on any of the resolutions please contact Lloyd White, Head of Democratic Services on 01895 556743. Circulation of these minutes is to Councillors, Officers, the Press and Members of the Public.

## COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP 2019/2020

### ORDINARY COMMITTEES

#### EXECUTIVE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE: 8 (5-3)

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
Higgins (Chairman)	Curling (Lead)
Riley (Vice-Chairman)	Money
Arnold	Prince
Bridges	
Denys	

Other Voting Members (for education related items only):

Parent Governor (3)	Vacant
Church of England Diocesan Representative	Vacant
Roman Catholic Diocesan representative	Anthony Little

#### EXTERNAL SERVICES SELECT COMMITTEE: 8 (5-3)

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
Riley (Chairman)	Lakhmana (Lead)
Denys (Vice-Chairman)	Milani
Arnold	Nelson
Hurhangee	
Radia	

#### RESIDENTS, EDUCATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES POLICY OVERVIEW COMMITTEE: 9 (7-2)

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
Bridges (Chairman)	Sweeting (Lead)
Markham (Vice-Chairman)	Mathers
Kauffman	
Makwana	
Radia	
Rodrigues	
Tuckwell	

Other Voting Members (for education related items only):

Parent Governor (3)	Vacant
Church of England Diocesan Representative	Vacant
Roman Catholic Diocesan representative	Anthony Little

#### CORPORATE SERVICES, COMMERCE AND COMMUNITIES POLICY OVERVIEW COMMITTEE: 9 (6-3)

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
R.Mills (Chairman)	Dhillon (Lead)
Bridges (Vice-Chairman)	Bliss
Brightman	Farley
Choubedar	
Deville	
Goddard	

## COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP 2019/2020

### SOCIAL CARE, HOUSING AND PUBLIC HEALTH POLICY OVERVIEW COMMITTEE: 9 (7-2)

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
Palmer (Chairman)	Eginton (Lead)
Flynn (Vice-Chairman)	Gardner
Cooper	
Deville	
Edwards	
Haggar	
Rodrigues	

*SUBSTITUTES FOR SCRUTINY AND POLICY OVERVIEW COMMITTEES ARE ALL COUNCILLORS EXCEPT THOSE IN THE CABINET, GROUP LEADERS AND CHIEF WHIPS.*

### CENTRAL & SOUTH PLANNING COMMITTEE: 9 (6-3)

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
Edwards (Chairman)	Duncan (Lead)
Chamdal (Vice-Chairman)	Birah
Ahmad-Wallana	Dhillon
Brightman	
Chapman	
Tuckwell	

### NORTH PLANNING COMMITTEE: 9 (6-3)

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
Lavery (Chairman)	Oswell (Lead)
Flynn (Vice-Chairman)	Dhot
Goddard	Sansarpuri
Haggar	
Higgins	
Melvin	

### MAJOR APPLICATIONS PLANNING COMMITTEE: 9 (6-3)

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
Lavery (Chairman)	Morse (Lead)
Edwards (Vice-Chairman)	Duncan
Goddard	Oswell
Higgins	
Melvin	
Tuckwell	

### MAJOR APPLICATIONS PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE: 7 (5-2)

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
Edwards (Chairman)	Duncan (Lead)
Lavery (Vice-Chairman)	Oswell
Brightman	
Chamdal	
Tuckwell	

## COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP 2019/2020

*(ALL PLANNING COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND ALL THAT HAVE RECEIVED APPROPRIATE PLANNING TRAINING TO BE SUBSTITUTES FOR ALL FOUR COMMITTEES)*

### PENSIONS COMMITTEE: 5 (3-2)

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
Goddard (Chairman)	Morse (Lead)
Corthorne (Vice-Chairman)	Eginton
Barnes	
Substitutes	Substitutes
Fyfe	Dhillon
Markham	

### APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE: 8 (5-3)

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
Puddifoot (Chairman)	Curling (Lead)
Simmonds (Vice-Chairman)	Duncan
Burrows	Money
Corthorne	
D.Mills	
Substitutes	Substitutes
Bianco	Dhillon
Lavery	Eginton
Lewis	Sweeting
R.Mills	
Riley	

### REGISTRATION & APPEALS COMMITTEE: 8 (5-3)

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
O'Brien (Chairman)	Allen (Lead)
R.Mills (Vice-Chairman)	Dhot
Bridges	Singh
Denys	
Flynn	
Substitutes	Substitutes
Bianco	All Labour Members except Group Leader, Deputy Leader and Chief Whip
Burrows	
Corthorne	
Edwards	
Higgins	
Lavery	

*SUBSTITUTES ON THIS COMMITTEE MAY COMPRISE CABINET MEMBERS FOR THE PURPOSES OF BEING MEMBERS OR SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS OF THE THREE SUB-COMMITTEES, BUT NO CABINET MEMBERS SHOULD SIT AS MEMBERS OF THE MAIN REGISTRATION AND APPEALS COMMITTEE*

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## COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP 2019/2020

OTHER COMMITTEES / PANELS (OUTSIDE THE OVERALL CALCULATION BUT ALLOCATED ON THE BASIS OF OVERALL POLITICAL BALANCE)

### STANDARDS COMMITTEE: 4 (3-1)

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
Riley (Chairman)	Duncan(Lead)
Denys (Vice-Chairman)	
Flynn	
Substitutes	Substitutes
Bridges	Allen
	Money

Non-voting Independent Person:

Mr David Smith

### AUDIT COMMITTEE: 4 (3-1)

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
Goddard (Vice Chairman)	Eginton (Lead)
Lavery	
O'Brien	
Substitutes	Substitutes
Graham	Dhillon
R.Mills	

Independent Member:

John Chesshire (Chairman)

**NO MEMBER OF CABINET OR EXECUTIVE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE MAY SIT ON AUDIT COMMITTEE.**

### LICENSING COMMITTEE: 10 (7-3)

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
Chamdal (Chairman)	Allen (Lead)
Barnes (Vice-Chairman)	Gardner
Arnold	Oswell
Kauffman	
Lavery	
Melvin	
Stead	

**N.B. NO SUBSTITUTES ALLOWED FOR LICENSING COMMITTEE**

### LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE (2-1)

*The sub-committee to comprise three Members of the Licensing Committee (2 Conservative and 1 Labour) selected on a rota basis from the membership of the Licensing Committee. Meetings of the Sub-Committee must be chaired by either the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Licensing Committee.*

## COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP 2019/2020

### APPOINTMENTS SUB COMMITTEE: 4 (3-1)

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
Puddifoot	Curling (Lead)
D.Mills	
Simmonds	
Substitutes	Substitutes
Bianco	Duncan
Burrows	Money
Corthorne	
Lewis	

### INVESTIGATING AND DISCIPLINARY SUB-COMMITTEE (SENIOR OFFICER): 4 (3-1)

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
Puddifoot	Curling (Lead)
D.Mills	
Simmonds	
Substitutes	Substitutes
Bianco	Allen
Burrows	Duncan
Corthorne	Money
Lewis	Sweeting

### APPEALS SUB-COMMITTEE (SENIOR OFFICER): 4 (3-1)

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
To be appointed as required.	Curling (Lead)

### GRIEVANCE SUB-COMMITTEE (SENIOR OFFICER): 4 (3-1)

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
To be appointed as required.	Curling (Lead)

**COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP 2019/2020**

**HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD:** *Outside of the overall calculation and subject to the Local Authority (Public Health, Health and Wellbeing Boards and Health Scrutiny) Regulations 2013.*

Organisation	Name of Member	Substitute
<b>STATUTORY MEMBERS (VOTING)</b>		
Chairman	Councillor Corthorne	Any Elected Member
Vice-Chairman	Councillor Simmonds	Any Elected Member
Members	Councillor Puddifoot	Any Elected Member
	Councillor D.Mills	Any Elected Member
	Councillor Bianco	Any Elected Member
	Councillor Burrows	Any Elected Member
	Councillor Lewis	Any Elected Member
Healthwatch Hillingdon	Ms Lynn Hill	Mr Turkay Mahmood
Clinical Commissioning Group	Dr Ian Goodman	Dr Kuldhir Johal
For information Membership also includes:		
<b>STATUTORY MEMBERS (NON-VOTING)</b>		
Statutory Director of Adult Social Services	Mr Tony Zaman	Ms Sandra Taylor
Statutory Director of Children's Services	Mr Tony Zaman	Ms Ana Popovici
Statutory Director of Public Health	Dr Steve Hajioff	Ms Sharon Daye
<b>CO-OPTED MEMBERS (NON-VOTING)</b>		
The Hillingdon Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	Ms Sarah Tedford	Mr Richard Sumray
Central and North West London NHS Foundation Trust	Ms Robyn Doran	Ms Maria O'Brien
Royal Brompton and Harefield NHS Foundation Trust	Mr Robert J Bell	Mr Nick Hunt
LBH	Mr Dan Kennedy	N/A
Clinical Commissioning Group (1)	Mr Mark Easton	Ms Caroline Morison
Clinical Commissioning Group (2)	Ms Sarah Crowther	Dr Kuldhir Johal

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## REPORT OF THE HEAD OF DEMOCRATIC SERVICES

*Reporting Officer: Head of Democratic Services*

### (i) URGENT IMPLEMENTATION OF DECISIONS

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the Urgency decisions detailed below be noted.

#### Information

1. The Constitution allows a Cabinet or Cabinet Member decision to be implemented before the expiry of the 5 day call-in provided there is agreement from the Chief Executive and the Chairman of the Executive Scrutiny Committee to waive this. All such decisions are to be reported for information only to the next full Council meeting.
2. Since those noted at the 21 February 2019 Council meeting, the following decisions have been made using urgency procedures:

Date of Decision	Decision Type / Nature of Decision	Decision-Maker
14/02/2019	Manned Guarding, CCTV Monitoring and General Security Contract	Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Finance, Property and Business Services
14/02/2019	Upgrade and Installation of CCTV Systems at the Battle of Britain, Harlington Road Depot and the Council's Amenity Site, New Years Green Lane	Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Finance, Property and Business Services
22/02/2019	Catering & Vending Service for the Civic Centre and other Hillingdon Properties	Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Finance, Property and Business Services
19/03/2019	Housing Revenue Account New General Needs Housing Stock (Housing Buy-Back Scheme) - Release No 9	Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Finance, Property and Business Services
26/03/2019	Transport for London (TfL) Local Implementation Plan (LIP) 2018/19 - Release No 8 – various transport infrastructure and project improvements in Hillingdon	Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Finance, Property and Business Services
18/03/2019	Award of Contracts - Provision of Care and Support in Extra Care Services	Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Social Services, Housing, Health & Wellbeing
18/03/2019	Social Care ICT Management System - Appointment of Contractor and Associated Capital Release	Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Finance, Property and Business Services
18/03/2019	ICT Transformation and Pathway to Cloud Services - Appointment of Contractor with Associated Capital Release	Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Finance, Property and Business Services

<b>Date of Decision</b>	<b>Decision Type / Nature of Decision</b>	<b>Decision-Maker</b>
26/03/2019	Disabled Facilities Grant Adaptation Works 2018/19 (Release No 6)	Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Finance, Property and Business Services
28/03/2019	Primary Schools Expansion (Phase 4): Hillside Infant and Junior Schools, Appointment of Contractor for Adaptation Works to the Existing Building and Capital Release	Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Finance, Property and Business Services
29/03/2019	Housing Revenue Accounts Works to Stock Programme 2018/19 - Building and Associated Fire Safety Works - Packet Boat House (Release No 75)	Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Finance, Property and Business Services
01/04/2019	School Condition Programme 2018/19: Lady Bankes Infant and Junior Schools - Refurbishment of Canteen and Nursery Building	Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Finance, Property and Business Services
20/05/2019	CCTV Programme 2019/20 –various CCTV upgrades and capital release.	Leader of the Council, Cabinet Member for Finance, Property and Business Services & Cabinet Member for Commerce, Communities & Regeneration
21/05/2019	Warnford Industrial Estate - Settlement of Landlords Dilapidations Claim	Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Finance, Property and Business Services
11/06/2019	Yiewsley & West Drayton Housing & Leisure Developments, Consultancy Services and Other Costs	Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Finance, Property and Business Services
17/06/2019	Property Works Programme (PWP) 2019/20: Replacement of Communal Boilers and Hot Water Services at Charville Lane Residential Home for Young Refugees, Hayes and Associated Capital Release (Release No 2)	Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Finance, Property and Business Services
21/06/2019	Hillingdon Safeguarding Partnership Arrangements	Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Education and Children's Services

Background Papers: Decision Notices

**(ii) LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOUNDARY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND (LGBCE)  
REVIEW OF ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS**

**1. Introduction**

- 1.1 Members will recall that during the course of 2018/19 the LGBCE has undertaken a review of the London Borough of Hillingdon's local government electoral arrangements. The outcome of the review will be implemented for the May 2022 Council elections.
- 1.2 The purpose of an electoral review is to consider the:
- number of Councillors elected to the Council,
  - number & names of wards,
  - ward boundaries and
  - number of Councillors per ward.
- 1.3 The purpose of this report is to update Members with the outcome of the review and to outline the next steps.

**RECOMMENDATIONS: That**

- a) **the warding arrangements as determined by the LGBCE be noted.**
- b) **the Head of Democratic Services, in his role as Returning Officer for the Borough conduct the statutory review of Parliamentary Polling Places, including the new warding arrangements for 2022 with a view to submitting proposals to Council in November 2019.**

**2. Background**

- 2.1 Periodically the LGBCE will conduct a review of all local authority electoral arrangements using the following statutory criteria:-
- The need to secure electoral equality (a consistent number of electors per Councillor)
  - Community identity (strong ward boundaries that reflect communities); and
  - Securing effective and convenient local government (coherent wards)
- 2.2 The current LBH electoral arrangements were established after the previous review in 1999 and resulted in 22 wards and 65 Councillors.

**3. Review**

- 3.1 At the meeting of Council on 13 September 2018, Members noted that the first, or preliminary, stage of the current review had resulted in the LGBCE being minded to recommend that, w.e.f May 2022, the Council size will be 53 Members.
- 3.2 Submissions were then invited by the LGBCE from all interested parties regarding the composition, size and name of wards for the London Borough of Hillingdon from May 2022 onwards. In accordance with the resolution of Council, the Head of Democratic Services, in consultation with the Leader of the Council, submitted proposals on behalf of the authority on 5 November 2018.

3.3 On 8 January 2019, the Commission produced a first set of draft recommendations based on their consideration of all the submissions received. This was then subject to a second period of consultation until 18 March 2019. In accordance with the resolution made at the Council meeting on 17 January 2019, the Head of Democratic Service, in consultation with the Leader of the Council, submitted comments by the deadline.

3.4 The Council's various submissions, along with all others received can be found on line at:  
<http://www.lgbce.org.uk/all-reviews/greater-london/greater-london/hillingdon>

#### 4. Review Outcome

4.1 On 4 June 2019 the LGBCE published their final recommendations. Although subject to approval by the Secretary Of State they are, to all intents and purposes, finalised and will be the basis of electoral arrangements within the Borough from May 2022 onwards.

4.2 The proposals of the LGBCE are shown in the map at Appendix A and are based on a warding pattern comprising:

	Electoral Variance 2024
• Twelve, three-Member wards:	
➤ Belmore,	-5%
➤ Colham and Cowley,	0%
➤ Eastcote,	5%
➤ Hayes Town,	1%
➤ Hillingdon East,	-7%
➤ Ickenham and South Harefield	-2%
➤ Pinkwell,	1%
➤ Ruislip,	0%
➤ South Ruislip,	3%
➤ Uxbridge,	-6%
➤ West Drayton and	-1%
➤ Wood End	1%
• Eight, two-Member wards:	
➤ Charville,	-3%
➤ Heathrow Villages,	3%
➤ Hillingdon West,	-7%
➤ Northwood,	5%
➤ Northwood Hills,	6%
➤ Ruislip Manor,	-1%
➤ Yeading and	8%
➤ Yiewsley	2%
• One, one-Member ward	
➤ Harefield Village	4%

#### 5. Next Steps – Implementing the Review

5.1 The Head of Democratic Services, in his role as Returning Officer, will now make preparations to implement the recommendations by, for example,

producing new Borough electoral arrangement maps and reconfiguring the electoral roll.

- 5.2 In addition, the Council has a statutory duty to conduct a regular review of its polling districts and polling places. The last such review was completed in 2015 and the next one must be completed by January 2020.
- 5.3 The aim of the review is to seek to ensure that:
- (a) all the electors in the borough have such reasonable facilities for voting as are practicable in the circumstances; and
  - (b) so far as is reasonable and practicable, the polling places are convenient and accessible to all electors, including those with disabilities, providing places that are well located within communities, avoiding road safety hazards and using any existing boundaries (i.e. open space land, railway lines etc.) but with an eye to economising where possible – particularly in view of the number of electors who now choose to vote by post.
- 5.4 The new warding arrangements will, of course, require some amendments to the current polling arrangements. In light of this it is proposed to include in the forthcoming review the new 2022 Wards and proposed polling stations, as well as the current arrangements. The Returning Officer will recommend making no changes to the current arrangements for any elections held between now on 2022.

## **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The decision of the LGBCE to reduce the number of elected Members to 53 will result in a corresponding reduction in Members' Allowances in 2022. The scale of these implications will not be quantified fully until the budget setting in 2022. The implications of the Polling Place review will be quantified at the end of the review.

## **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

The Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009 sets out the duty placed on the LGBCE to undertake an electoral review of every principal local authority in England 'from time to time'.

The Representation of the People Act 1983, as amended by the Electoral Administration Act 2013, places a statutory duty upon the Council to conduct a regular review of its polling districts and polling places.

Decisions regarding electoral arrangements in the Borough are reserved to Full Council.

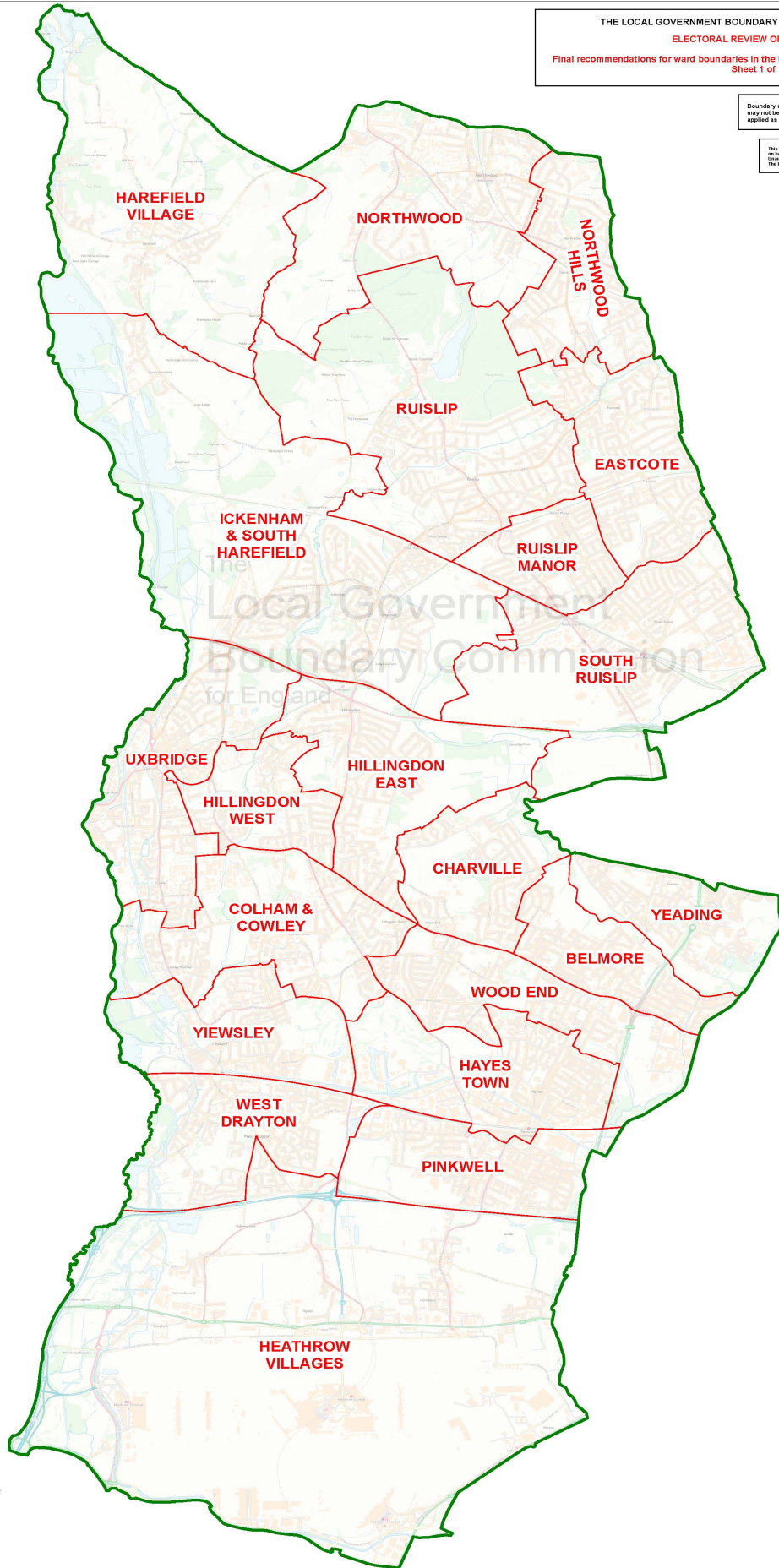
BACKGROUND PAPERS: None

SHEET 1, MAP 1

THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOUNDARY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND  
 ELECTORAL REVIEW OF HILLINGDON  
 Final recommendations for ward boundaries in the London Borough of Hillingdon June 2019  
 Sheet 1 of 1

Boundary alignment and names shown on the mapping background may not be up to date. They may differ from the latest boundary information applied as part of this review.

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### iii) **WAIVER OF 6 MONTH COUNCILLOR ATTENDANCE RULE.**

#### **Introduction**

- 1.1 Section 85 (1) of the Local Government Act 1972 requires a Member of a Local Authority to attend at least one meeting of that Authority within a six month consecutive period, in order to avoid being disqualified as a Councillor. This requirement can be waived and the time limit extended if any failure to attend was due to a reason approved by the Authority, in advance of the six month period expiring.
- 1.2 Unfortunately, due to an illness Councillor Patricia Jackson of Hillingdon East Ward, has not been able to attend any Council or Committee meetings since the meeting of Full Council on 17 January 2019. A formal request has therefore been made for an extension to the six month rule to be approved in her respect.

**RECOMMENDATION: That, pursuant to Section 85(1) of the Local Government Act 1972, Councillor Jackson's non-attendance at meetings of the authority due to ill health, be approved for a further period ending the day after the Council meeting in January 2020 i.e. 17 January 2020.**

#### **Background**

- 1.3 The Head of Democratic Services has received a request for the Council to consider approving an extension to the usual six month attendance rule enabling Councillor Jackson to remain in office until she is able to resume normal duties.
- 1.4 Council can only consider approval of any reasons for non-attendance before the end of the relevant six month period, which will be 17 July 2019. This is the final Council meeting at which approval could be sought for an extension of the time limit. If approval to any extension is not therefore agreed at this meeting, Councillor Jackson would, under Section 85 (1) of the Local Government Act 1972 be disqualified after 17 July 2019 from office as a councillor.
- 1.5 Once a Member loses office, through failure to attend for the six month period, the disqualification cannot be overcome by the Member subsequently resuming attendance nor can retrospective approval of the Council be sought for an extension in time.
- 1.6 Councillor Jackson was elected to the Council in May 2006 and represents Hillingdon East Ward. In addition to full Council she also serves as a member of the Licensing Committee.

#### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

None associated with this report.

## LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Section 85 (1) of the Local Government Act 1972 states that, *“if a Member of a Local Authority fails, throughout a period of six consecutive months from the date of their last attendance, to attend any meeting of the Authority they will, unless the failure was due to some good reason approved by the Authority before the expiry of that period, cease to be a member of the Authority.”*

BACKGROUND PAPERS: None

## QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS

### **6.1 QUESTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR DUNCAN TO THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL - COUNCILLOR PUDDIFOOT:**

Will the Leader of the Council tell us why, despite receiving advanced detailed information about the shoddy and dangerous build quality of Packet Boat House, Cowley, the Council went ahead and bought the building without adequate checks being carried out so that all residents have now had to be moved out while the building is partially gutted and rebuilt to safe standards?

### **6.2 QUESTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR HURHANGEE TO THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL - COUNCILLOR PUDDIFOOT:**

At the last meeting Council clarified the protocol relating to enquiries made by Members that did not specifically relate to their own Ward. Would the Leader of the Council please provide us with an update of how this is working?

### **6.3 QUESTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR DENYS TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR FINANCE, PROPERTY AND BUSINESS SERVICES – COUNCILLOR BIANCO:**

What is Hillingdon Council doing, across all areas, to tackle climate change and operate in an environmentally friendly way?

### **6.4 QUESTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR MORSE TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR PLANNING, TRANSPORTATION AND RECYCLING – COUNCILLOR BURROWS:**

On behalf of the Head Boy and teachers of Cranford Park Academy, can the Cabinet Member state how long will we wait for the Council to provide a food waste service for flats, schools and businesses?

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## MOTIONS

### 7.1 MOTION FROM COUNCILLOR PRINCE

That this Council notes the recent changes to the Constitution passed at the Annual General Meeting, which were opposed by the Labour Group.

This Council further notes that there have been concerns made by Councillors about how these changes will affect the scrutiny role of being a Councillor.

Therefore, this Council instructs the Head of Democratic Services to approach the Local Government Association to carry out an independent review of Hillingdon Council's scrutiny procedures to look at whether they are fit for purpose to enable Councillors to carry out their roles effectively.

### 7.2 MOTION FROM COUNCILLOR DHILLON

That this Council expresses alarm at the rise in Islamophobia in recent years across the UK. This includes incidents where Muslim men and women have been physically assaulted, Mosques have been set on fire and Muslim figures have faced disproportionate online abuse.

We therefore welcome the All Party Parliamentary Group on British Muslims' publication of an Islamophobia definition in November 2018 which defines Islamophobia thus:

*"Islamophobia is rooted in racism and is a type of racism that targets expressions of Muslimness or perceived Muslimness."*

This Council resolves to fully adopt the APPG definition and is of the opinion that, whilst defending the principle of freedom of speech, those who have expressed such Islamophobic views have no place in public life in this Borough.

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