

## 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 scrutiny call-in period, provided the decision is deemed urgent and agreement is given from the Chairman of the relevant Select Committee to waive the scrutiny call-in period. All such decisions are to be reported for information only to the next full Council meeting.
2. Since those noted at the 09 September 2021 Council meeting, the following decisions have been made using urgency procedures:

Date of Decision	Decision Type / Nature of Decision	Decision-Maker
1/11/21	To formally surrender two existing leases subject to an agreement for the grant of a new lease for the library and adult education areas, upon completion of the new school building for Harlington Community School.	Leader of the Council, in conjunction with the Cabinet Member for Property & Infrastructure

Background Papers: Decision Notices

### (ii) PLANNING COMMITTEES

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the 'Minor Applications Planning Committee' be re-named as the 'Borough Planning Committee' with immediate effect.

#### Information

1. At the annual meeting of the Council on 20 May 2021 it was agreed to establish two planning committees - a 'Minor Applications' committee and a 'Major Applications' committee and to remove the current area-based committees and HS2 Sub Committee. Each committee to consist of 7 Members, politically balanced.
2. Since that time, although the two committees have been operating effectively, there has been some feedback received that the name 'Minor applications' can be slightly misleading, giving rise to the impression that the applications being considered are not significant or noteworthy.
3. It is therefore proposed to rename the committee, with immediate effect' as the 'Borough Planning Committee' to more accurately reflect the nature of the work undertaken by the Committee.

4. No change is proposed to the name of the 'Major applications' committee or the terms of reference of the committees.

Background Papers: None

### iii) **CHANGES TO COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIPS**

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the following change to committee memberships for 2021/2022, as proposed by the Conservative Group, be approved:

- **Borough Planning Committee** (subject to name change approval above) – **Councillor Tuckwell to replace Councillor Morgan.**
- **Audit Committee** – the appointment of **Councillor Sullivan as a substitute Member.**

### (iv) **NORTH WEST LONDON JOINT HEALTH OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE (NWL JHOSC) MEMBERSHIP**

**RECOMMENDATIONS:** That:

- a) **Council agrees to join the NWL JHOSC,**
- b) **Councillor Nick Denys be appointed as the London Borough of Hillingdon representative to the NWL JHOSC and**
- c) **the Head of Democratic Services, in consultation with the Chief Whip of the relevant party, be given delegated authority to appoint further Members and / or substitute Members to the Committee should they be requested by the JHOSC.**

#### **Information**

1. The NWL JHOSC was originally set up to respond to the NHS review, 'Shaping a Healthier Future'.
2. The JHOSC currently comprises representatives from the boroughs of Brent, Camden, Ealing, Hammersmith and Fulham, Harrow, Hounslow, Kensington & Chelsea, Richmond, Wandsworth and Westminster. It meets with representatives of NHS North West London to consider matters concerning health care that are subject to consultation.
3. With changes proposed in the Health and Care Bill, it is thought that now would be an opportune time for the Council to join the JHOSC and that Councillor Nick Denys, as the Chairman of the External Services Select Committee, be appointed as the Council's representative.
4. Membership of the JHOSC will further strengthen the Council's own sphere of influence in respect of health scrutiny. Members on the External Services Select Committee and the Cabinet Member for Health and Social Care will be kept abreast of developments by Democratic Services.
5. Should any additional representation be required from the London Borough of Hillingdon, Council is asked to delegate authority to the Head of Democratic

Services to appoint further Members or substitute Members to the Committee as required.

Background Papers: None