

## **PUBLIC PREVIEW:**

### ***MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED LATER IN PRIVATE***

<b>Cabinet Member(s)</b>	As appropriate
<b>Cabinet Portfolio(s)</b>	As appropriate
<b>Officer Contact(s)</b>	Mark Braddock – Democratic Services
<b>Papers with report</b>	None

## **HEADLINES**

<b>Summary</b>	<p>A report to Cabinet to provide maximum transparency to residents on the private matters to be considered later in Part 2 of the Cabinet meeting and agenda.</p> <p>This will enable Cabinet Members to openly discuss such matters generally in public, and via the Council’s live broadcast of the meeting, without prejudicing their later consideration in private.</p>
<b>Putting our Residents First</b>  <b>Delivering on the Council Strategy 2022-2026</b>	<p>This report supports our ambition for residents / the Council of: An efficient, well-run, digital-enabled council working with partners to deliver services to improve the lives of all our residents</p> <p>This report supports our commitments to residents of: A Digital-Enabled, Modern, Well-Run Council</p>
<b>Financial Cost</b>	As set out in the report.
<b>Relevant Select Committee</b>	As set out in this report under each item – however, this item is not for scrutiny call-in as it is information only.
<b>Ward(s)</b>	As set out in the report

## **RECOMMENDATION**

**That Cabinet note the reports to be considered later in private and Part 2 of the Cabinet agenda and comment on them as appropriate for public information purposes.**

## Reasons for recommendation

### Why are certain reports considered in private?

As a transparent, democratic organisation, the Council's Cabinet will consider matters in public on Part 1 of this Cabinet agenda. However, there will inevitably be some reports that will need to be considered in private. These would generally relate to contracts, property transactions or commercially sensitive information, for example, tender bids from commercial organisations, which if made public, could prejudice the Council's ability secure value-for-money for resident taxpayers.

This information is also called 'exempt' information and is considered in Part 2 of any Cabinet agenda by applying the relevant section of the Part 1 of Schedule 12 (A) to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), in that the report contains certain information and that the public interest in withholding that information outweighs the public interest in disclosing it.

### How can the public find out more about the private reports?

To ensure maximum transparency when the Cabinet considers such private reports:

- 1) They are first given advance notice on the Cabinet's Forward Plan in summary form setting out the reason why they will be considered in private. The [Forward Plan](#) is a public document setting out all the expected decisions the Cabinet will make over the coming year, except those that are urgent, and is available on the Council's website to view;
- 2) This report provides a fuller public preview of the matters to be discussed in Part 2 of this Cabinet meeting and gives an opportunity for Cabinet Members to highlight issues of significance within and for public information purposes, without prejudicing their later fuller consideration in private. It also sets out the recommendations in general terms that are being proposed for a decision on.
- 3) Consideration of this report will also be broadcast live on the Council's YouTube channel: Hillingdon London, and available for viewing afterwards, for wider democratic engagement.
- 4) After these private reports are considered in Part 2 of this Cabinet meeting, Cabinet's full decisions on them will then be published on the Council's website the day after the Cabinet meeting, along with the decisions on the other matters already considered in public.

## Alternative options considered

Cabinet could resolve to release any private report into the public domain in extraordinary or highly exceptional cases, where it considers the public interest in disclosing the information outweighs the public interest in withholding it. However, to ensure greater transparency on all private matters considered, this public preview item is advised as the most suitable way forward.

## Legal comments

Such private matters are considered in accordance with Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) Access to Information provisions and also The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012. This report enables such matters to be discussed in public as far as is possible under the relevant legislation.

## SUPPORTING INFORMATION

<b>Item 11 – Procurement of Electric Vehicle Charge Points</b>	
<b>Relevant Cabinet Member(s)</b>	<b>Relevant Ward Select Committee</b>
<p>Councillor Jonathan Bianco Cabinet Member for Property, Highways and Transport</p>	<p>N/A  Property, Highways and Transport</p>
<b>Information</b>	<b>General recommendations</b>
<p>This report will enable the London Borough of Hillingdon to provide locally for the forecast increase in EV use over the coming years. The UK Government has stated that from 2030 onwards it will no longer be possible to buy a new petrol- or diesel-powered car or van, and even ahead of this deadline the sale and use of EVs is growing.</p> <p>Following a procurement exercise, Cabinet will consider a proposed provider to support the delivery of a scalable EV charge point infrastructure locally, in line with the Council's Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Strategy. This will also include the improvement of the specification to existing charge points.</p> <p>This matter will also support the Council in the delivery of its Climate Change Action Plan elsewhere on this Cabinet agenda.</p>	<p>That Cabinet consider awarding a contract for the provision of EV charging points.</p>

<b>Item 12 – Managed Service for the supply and distribution of materials for the In-House Repairs Team</b>	
<b>Relevant Cabinet Member(s)</b>	<b>Relevant Ward Select Committee</b>
Councillor Jonathan Bianco Cabinet Member for Property, Highways and Transport	N/A  Property, Highways and Transport
<b>Information</b>	<b>General recommendations</b>
<p>Cabinet will consider, following a competitive tender exercise, the contract for the supply &amp; distribution of materials for the in-house repairs team.</p> <p>The contract will help maximise the efficiency of the service by providing a one stop shop and one supplier for repairs materials to over 10,000 Council housing properties and 215 corporate sites.</p>	That Cabinet considers appointing a specialist contract for delivering the service.

<b>Item 13 – Award of contract for short-term nursing care home beds</b>	
<b>Relevant Cabinet Member(s)</b>	<b>Relevant Ward Select Committee</b>
Cllr Jane Palmer Cabinet Member for Health & Social Care	N/A Health & Social Care
<b>Information</b>	<b>General recommendations</b>
<p>Cabinet will consider a report on a contract for short-term nursing care home bed provision to support timely discharge of residents from hospital.</p> <p>It will allow the Council to continue to secure nursing beds at a local Nursing Home. These beds are to be funded by the North West Integrated Care Board from their contribution to the Better Care Fund.</p> <p>Having these beds in place will ensure that Care Act assessments and decisions about on-going care needs of residents are not undertaken in a hospital setting.</p>	To agree the contract with the provider.

<b>Item 14 – Contract for Passenger Lift Maintenance and Repairs for Corporate and Housing Properties</b>	
<b>Relevant Cabinet Member(s)</b>	<b>Relevant Ward Select Committee</b>
Councillor Jonathan Bianco Cabinet Member for Property, Highways and Transport	N/A  Property, Highways and Transport
<b>Information</b>	<b>General recommendations</b>
Following a competitive tender, Cabinet will consider the award of a contract for repair and maintenance to all the passenger and goods lifts within the Council’s buildings which include some housing properties and also corporate buildings. Such lifts are subject to periodic thorough examination and inspection, as required under law.	That Cabinet considers appointing a specialist contract for delivering the service.

<b>Item 15– Provision of Pest Control Services</b>	
<b>Relevant Cabinet Member(s)</b>	<b>Relevant Ward Select Committee</b>
Councillor Eddie Lavery Cabinet Member for Residents’ Services	N/A  Residents’ Services
<b>Information</b>	<b>General recommendations</b>
Cabinet will consider a contract for pest control services to ensure residents can live within a clean and safe property, free from infestations and pests.  The contract will support many front line services, such as housing maintenance, anti-social behaviour and tenancy management to tackle pest issues as they arise. It is also intended to empower residents themselves to reduce the likelihood of reoccurrence by providing guidance.	That Cabinet considers appointing a specialist contract for delivering the service.

<b>Item 16 – House Extension and New Build Programme</b>	
<b>Relevant Cabinet Member(s)</b>	<b>Relevant Ward Select Committee</b>
Councillor Jonathan Bianco Cabinet Member for Property, Highways & Transport	South Ruislip, West Drayton, Hillingdon West  Property, Highways and Transport Select Committee
<b>Information</b>	<b>General recommendations</b>
<p>Cabinet will consider a report to extend three Council housing properties to provide an additional bedroom each to meet current housing requirements. Cabinet will also consider a project to build a new 4 bed home for housing purposes on Rowan Road in West Drayton</p> <p>This will enable the Council to make best use of its property assets for the benefit of local residents requiring housing accommodation.</p>	To agree the build the house extension, appoint a contractor for the new 4 bed home and authorise the necessary financial matters to deliver this.

<b>Item 17 – Property disposals at Carew Road and Chester Road, Northwood</b>	
<b>Relevant Cabinet Member(s)</b>	<b>Relevant Ward Select Committee</b>
Councillor Jonathan Bianco Cabinet Member for Property, Highways and Transport	Northwood  Property, Highways and Transport
<b>Information</b>	<b>General recommendations</b>
Cabinet will consider declaring two vacant flats used as Council housing surplus to requirements. Cabinet will also consider the associated sale of 2 properties in Northwood.	That Cabinet will consider the necessary property transactions.