

SHADOW CABINET

Monday 17th December 2018 at 7:00 pm.

MINUTES

PRESENT: Councillors G Stafford (Chair), Joanna Dabrowska, Millican, Joy Morrissey, and Young.

LBE OFFICER: Mwim Chellah (Democratic Services)

1. Apologies

Councillors A Stafford and Sumner for absence. Councillor Seema Kumar for lateness.

2. Urgent Matters

There were none.

3. Matters to be Considered in Private

There were none.

4. Declarations of Interest

There were none.

5. Minutes — 19th November 2018

Shadow Cabinet considered the minutes of the meeting held on Monday, 19th November 2018.

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 19th November 2018 be agreed and signed by the Chair as a correct record of the meeting.

6. Cabinet Minutes

The Chair reported that Shadow Cabinet Members addressed Cabinet at the December meeting on 13th December 2018. Shadow Cabinet members had spoken on items 7 and 12— Budget Strategy 2019/20; and Contract Award— Mental Health in the Community, respectively.

Members discussed the reports submitted to Cabinet.

Item 7: Budget Strategy 2019/20

Councillor Young noted that only £3.7m of savings will have been made out of the targeted £24.484m by the end of 2018/19, outlined in the budget proposals, in accordance with the Administration's priorities and financial strategy objectives.

It was a worrying situation as savings in the next three years would be less than envisaged. Furthermore, there would be no savings for capital and revenue expenditure, which would impact significantly on staff, service users or providers, including the cessation of neighbourhood projects.

Item 12: Contract Award – Mental Health in the Community

Councillor Joy Morrissey reported that assurances were given that funding would continue for the next four years to the awarded contracts for the provision of mental health in the community: Lot 1– EACH Counselling and Support (Ethnic Alcohol Counselling in Hounslow); and Lot 2– CAPE (Community Activities Project Ealing - with MIND in Ealing and Hounslow).

Shadow Cabinet agreed not to call in any items

7. Issues Raised by Shadow Cabinet Members

There were none.

8. Date of the Next Meeting

It was noted that the next meeting would be held on Monday, 21st January 2019, at 7:00 pm.

The meeting ended at 7:06 pm.

COUNCILLOR G STAFFORD (CHAIR)