

PRESENT

Leadership Team Members

Cllr. Elizabeth Campbell (Leader of the Council), Chairman
Cllr. Kim Taylor-Smith (Deputy Leader, Grenfell & Housing)
Cllr. Sarah Addenbrooke (Lead Member for Adult Social Care)
Cllr Catherine Faulks (Lead Member for Skills & Enterprise)
Cllr. Gerard Hargreaves (Lead Member for Communities & Culture)
Cllr. Will Pascall (Lead Member for Streets, Planning & Transport)
Cllr. Mary Weale (Lead Member for Finance & Modernisation)

Other Councillors

Cllr. Robert Atkinson
Cllr Judith Blakeman
Cllr Monica Press

Officers

Barry Quirk (Chief Executive)
Robyn Fairman (Executive Director, Grenfell Response)
Doug Goldring (Director of Housing Management)
Maxine Holdsworth (Director of Housing Needs and Supply)
Steve Jacobs (Housing Management)
Paul Orrett (Interim Strategic Procurement Lead)
LeVerne Parker (Chief Solicitor & Monitoring Officer)
Annabel Saunders (Assistant Director of Integrated Commissioning)
Etiene Steyn (Head of Children's Commissioning)
Jason Strelitz (Public Health)
Heather Wills (Director of Governance & Co-Ordination)
Anna Geenty (Governance Administrator)

PART A (PUBLIC) MINUTES

A1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs David Lindsay and Emma Will.

A2. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

A3. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED –

That the press and public be excluded on the grounds of the private nature of the matters to be discussed (relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person [including the authority holding that information]).

PART A MINUTES OF PART B (PRIVATE) SESSION

MATTER ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE LEADERSHIP TEAM MEETING HELD ON 11 JULY 2018 – PASSENGER TRANSPORT TAXI FRAMEWORK AWARD

The Leadership Team was informed of minor technical amendments to the Part B (exempt) appendix to the report considered at the Leadership Team meeting on 11 July 2018. In the summary league table ranking the taxi suppliers, two lower ranking providers were to be added to a particular vehicle category. These minor corrections had no effect on any of the recommendations, financial implications or narrative in the Part A report or Part B appendix.

TECHNICAL HEALTH AND SAFETY ADVICE IN RELATION TO GRENFELL TOWER

For the decision, see the minute to report A9 below

***Please note:** No decisions were taken in the private part of the meeting and there are no separate Part B (private) minutes.*

Following conclusion of the private session, the press and public were readmitted to the meeting room at 6.40pm and the webcast of the proceedings commenced.

RESUMPTION OF PUBLIC SESSION

72 SECONDS SILENCE

The Leadership Team and all others present stood to observe 72 seconds silence to remember those who lost their lives in the Grenfell tragedy.

A4. MINUTES OF THE LEADERSHIP TEAM MEETING HELD ON 11 JULY 2018

The minutes of the meeting held on 11 July 2018 were confirmed as a correct record, subject to the note on the Passenger Transport Taxi Framework Award above, and were signed by the Chairman.

A5. GRENFELL RECOVERY STRATEGY – COMMITMENTS TO THOSE AFFECTED BY THE GRENFELL TRAGEDY (Key Decision ref: 05284)

The Leadership Team noted that the commitments had been developed jointly with the Health Service and co-designed with survivors, the bereaved and the wider community. They formed the basis for community consultation and engagement, with the aim of bringing forward a community lead strategy in the autumn.

In response to questions about picking up the needs of the wider dispersed community following the Grenfell tragedy, officers explained that the commitments were not geographically dependent but would include, for example, support for social networks in new localities, and children at schools in other boroughs.

The Chairman commented that the report should be read and considered in conjunction with the public health needs assessment 'A Journey of Recovery' (Item A6).

RESOLVED, on the basis of the reasons set out at paragraph 3.1 and elsewhere within the report –

That the recommendations at paragraph 2.1 be adopted.

Action by: Robyn Fairman (Executive Director, Grenfell Response)

A6. SUPPORTING HEALTH AND WELLBEING FOR THE COMMUNITIES AFFECTED BY THE GRENFELL FIRE TRAGEDY – A JOURNEY OF RECOVERY

The Leadership Team welcomed the report; they commented on its excellence and particularly thanked Jason Strelitz, who would be leaving the Council that week, for his work.

Looking at the report in conjunction with item A5, Members noted that the clear commitments, learning from experience elsewhere and the ongoing development of the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment would help support a long-term recovery strategy.

The Chairman invited comment from Cllr Blakeman who welcomed the excellent report but asked for clarification of the census information particularly on social housing in Golborne and Notting Dale Wards. Officers undertook to check the figures.

RESOLVED, on the basis of the reasons set out within the report -

That the report be noted, as recommended at paragraph 2.1.

Action by: Mike Robinson (Director of Public Health)

A7. REFURBISHMENT OF THE LANCASTER WEST ESTATE (Key Decision ref: 05286)

Officers introduced the report, outlining progress to date, the budget requirements and proposals to involve residents in the refurbishment programme.

Cllr Gerard Hargreaves asked about ensuring that the refurbishment provided jobs and skills training for local people. Doug Goldring was happy to be monitored on this and report back.

RESOLVED, on the basis of the reasons set out at paragraph 3.1 and elsewhere within the report –

That the recommendations at paragraph 2.1 be adopted.

Action by: Robyn Fairman (Executive Director, Grenfell Response)

A8. HOUSING OPTIONS AND SUPPORT FOR SECURE TENANTS OF THE WALKWAYS, TREADGOLD HOUSE AND BRAMLEY HOUSE IN TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATION (Key Decision ref: 05288)

A reference from the Grenfell Recovery Scrutiny Committee on 24 July 2018, Supplementary A8(i), was tabled together with the Director of Housing Needs and Supply's proposed response to the Scrutiny Committee's recommendations, Supplementary A8(ii).

Officers explained the background to the original report and the Scrutiny Committee's concern about the proposal for a firm deadline of 30 September 2018 for tenants living elsewhere to decide about whether or not to return to their homes. The officers' response proposed changes to the original recommendations and some additional recommendations to address the Scrutiny Committee's concerns.

Officers were questioned by the Leadership Team and members of the public. The Chairman summed up, emphasising the need to:

- encourage tenants to make decisions by 30 September and provide sensitive support for those who found it difficult to do so;
- develop a local lettings policy for any properties becoming vacant, and
- restore balance and support recovery for the community on the estate.

A correction to the numbering of the recommendations in Supplementary A8(ii) was noted.

RESOLVED, on the basis of the reasons set out in section 3 and elsewhere within the report, and in supplementary papers A8(i) and A8(ii) -

- (i) that the reference from the Grenfell Recovery Scrutiny Committee Supplementary paper A8 (i) be accepted;
- (ii) that the recommendations in paragraphs 2.1 i – v, as amended in supplementary paper A8(ii), be adopted and
- (iii) that the additional recommendations as set out in supplementary paper A8(ii) be adopted.

Action by: Maxine Holdsworth (Director of Housing Needs and Supply)

A9. TECHNICAL HEALTH AND SAFETY ADVICE AND SUPPORT IN RESPECT OF GRENFELL TOWER (Key Decision ref: 05287)

Officers explained that this procurement was to enable the Council to discharge its statutory duties in relation to the Grenfell Tower site.

A member of the public raised a number of issues including air quality, contamination and deep cleaning of the area. It was noted that the Grenfell Recovery Scrutiny Committee had considered the report at its meeting on 24 July 2018 and would look at the wider issues, such as these.

RESOLVED, on the basis of the reasons set out at paragraphs 3.1 and 3.2, elsewhere within the report and in the Part B (exempt) appendix –

That the recommendation at paragraph 2.1 be adopted.

Action by: Robyn Fairman (Executive Director, Grenfell Response)

A10. PROCUREMENT STRATEGY FOR DELIVERING THE HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAMME (Key Decision ref: 05257)

RESOLVED, on the basis of the reasons set out at paragraph 3.1 and elsewhere within the report –

That the recommendation at paragraph 2.1(i) – (iii) be adopted.

Action by: Robyn Fairman (Executive Director, Grenfell Response)

A11. HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT BUDGET 2018/19 – PROPOSED AMENDMENTS (Key Decision ref: 05272)

RESOLVED, on the basis of the reasons set out at paragraphs 3.1 – 3.3 and elsewhere within the report –

That the recommendations at paragraphs 2.1 – 2.3 be adopted.

Action by: Doug Goldring (Director of Housing Management)

A12. THE GRENFELL CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE’S FUND (Key Decision ref: 05285)

Officers introduced the report and explained how the views of young people had informed the recommendations.

RESOLVED, on the basis of the reasons set out at paragraphs 3.1 – 3.6 and elsewhere within the report –

That the recommendations at paragraph 2.1 be adopted.

Action by: Annabel Saunders (Assistant Director, Children’s Commissioning)

A13. ANY OTHER ORAL OR WRITTEN PUBLIC ITEMS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT

No further matters were considered under the public or private parts of the agenda.

The meeting ended at 8.05pm

Chairman