

**Executive Decision  
Individual Decision Notice**



**Decision Maker:** Cabinet, 26 Jun 19

**Classification:**  
Part Exempt

**Urgent Structural Works-Brewster House and Malting House**

Under the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 – notice is required to be given of the intention to take Executive Key Decisions.

Notice is given either through an Individual Decision Notice or through the Forward Plan. Notice must normally be given 28 Days' before the decision can be taken.

<b>Key Decision?</b> Yes	<b>Ward(s)</b> Limehouse
<b>Summary of Decision</b>	<p>This report recommends allocating resources and awarding a contract to undertake works needed to address the structural integrity at Brewster House and Malting House, two Large Panel System blocks.</p> <p>The Government advised further checks of the structural integrity of these buildings in 2018. As a result, consulting structural engineers Wilde Carter Clack conducted a comprehensive structural investigation and concluded that the blocks required intrusive structural strengthening. Therefore, the Mayor is recommended to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Agree to the allocation of capital resources to fund the works and the services associated with delivering the works.</li> <li>2. Agree to the award of the works contract via the Council's Better Neighbourhoods Framework.</li> <li>3. Agree to formally consult leaseholders and to recharge them for their portion of the cost of the works.</li> <li>4. Agree options for recharging leaseholders for the cost of any temporary rehousing of dwelling occupants, their furniture and belongings, and for the reinstatement of the same upon the completion of the works.</li> <li>5. Agree to officers exploring the possible voluntary buy back of leasehold properties in the two blocks.</li> <li>6. Agree to the introduction of two additional borough wide</li> </ol>

	<p>payment options for leaseholders.</p> <p><i>This matter was considered by the Mayor in Cabinet on 26 June 2019, where some aspects of the decision were deferred as explained in the decision notice</i></p> <p><a href="http://democracy.towerhamlets.gov.uk/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?AllId=102046">http://democracy.towerhamlets.gov.uk/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?AllId=102046</a>.</p>
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<b>Community Plan Theme</b>	<b>A borough that our residents are proud of and love to live in</b>
<b>Cabinet Member</b>	Statutory Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member for Housing (Councillor Sirajul Islam)
Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place	<p>Residents have been kept informed via; monthly newsletters and issue of FAQs, weekly TRA drop in meetings, a public drop in event and access to the on-site Project Team</p> <p>Cabinet Lead member Corporate Finance Legal Services</p> <p>There will be further consultation meetings held and for leaseholders the statutory S20 consultation process will be undertaken.</p> <p>One-to-one meetings</p>
Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment?	No
Contact details for comments or additional information	Mark Baigent (Interim Divisional Director, Housing and Regeneration) <a href="mailto:mark.baigent@towerhamlets.gov.uk">mark.baigent@towerhamlets.gov.uk</a>
What supporting documents or other information will be available?	Available
Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why (Paragraph number – see notes section)?	<p>Partly Exempt (Part of the report will be exempt)</p> <p>One or more of the appendices to the report may be exempt as they are expected to contain sensitive commercial/financial information</p> <p>3</p>

## NOTES

### **Advance notice of Key Decisions**

Key decisions are all those decisions which involve major spending, or savings, or which have a significant impact on the local community. The precise definition of a key decision adopted by Tower Hamlets is contained in Article 13.03 of the [Constitution](#). Key Decisions are taken by the Mayor, or the Mayor in Cabinet.

Individual notices of new Key Decisions will be published on the website as they are known, whilst a Forward Plan collating these decisions will be published 28 days before each Cabinet meeting. The Forward Plan will be published on the Council's website and will also be available to view at the Town Hall and Libraries, Ideas Centres and One Stop Shops if required. [The Committee pages](#) on the Council website include copies of the Forward Plan, Cabinet and other meeting dates and the publication dates of the Forward Plan.

If, due to reasons of urgency, a Key Decision has to be taken where 28 days' notice have not been given. Notice will be published (including on the website) as early as possible and Urgency Procedures as set out in the Constitution will have to be followed.

The most effective way for the public to make their views known about the issues listed in the Forward Plan is to examine the consultation column of the Forward Plan, and/or contact the report author or Cabinet Lead Member as soon as possible, and no later than 10 working days before the decision is expected to be taken.

Reports, appendices and background papers will be available on the Council's website 5 clear working days before the Cabinet meeting. For all other information or to submit documents in relation to any issue, please contact the relevant officer.

### **Notice of Intention to Conduct Business in Private**

**The Council is also required to give at least 28 days' notice if it wishes to consider any of the reports on the agenda of an Executive meeting (such as Cabinet) in private session. The last row of each item below will indicate any proposal to consider that item in private session.** Should you wish to make any representations in relation to an item being considered in private please contact Democratic Services on the contact details listed below. Note that this applies to Cabinet but not to Individual Mayoral Decisions outside of Cabinet.

The notice may reference a paragraph of Section 12A of the 1972 Local Government Act. In summary those paragraphs refer to the following types of exempt information (more information is available in the Constitution):

1. Information relating to any individual
2. Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual
3. Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority handling the information)
4. Information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matters arising between the authority or a Minister of the Crown and employees of, or office holders under, the authority.
5. Information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings.
6. Information which reveals that the authority proposes:-

- a) to give under any enactment a notice under or by virtue of which requirements are imposed on a person; or
  - b) to make an order or direction under any enactment.
7. Information relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime.

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