



THE FORWARD PLAN

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The Forward Plan is published 28 days before each Cabinet meeting.

In addition, new issues and changes to existing issues will be published on the website as soon as they are known.

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Tower Hamlets Council **Forthcoming Decisions Plan**

What is this document?

The Forthcoming Decisions Plan (or 'Forward Plan') contains information on significant decisions that the Council expects to take over the next few months.

As a minimum this will include notice of:

- All **Key Decisions** to be taken by the Mayor, Cabinet or Commissioners
 - This could include decisions taken at public meetings or taken individually at other times.
- Budget and Policy Framework Decisions (for example the Budget Report itself and major policies to be agreed by Council as set out in the Constitution)

In addition the Council aims to publish:

- All other decisions to be taken by the Mayor and/or Cabinet
- All other decisions to be taken at the Commissioners' Decision Making Meetings

Key Decisions

The Council is required to publish notice of all key decisions at least 28 days before they are taken by the Executive or Commissioners. 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 can be taken by the Mayor, Cabinet or by the Commissioners individually or in formal meetings

Publication of Forthcoming Decisions

Individual notices of new Key Decisions will be published on the website as they are known on the 'Forthcoming Decisions' page, whilst this 'Forthcoming Decisions Plan' collating these decisions will be published regularly, as a minimum at least, 28 days before each Cabinet meeting. The 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.

Urgency

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 (on the website) as early as possible and Urgency Procedures as set out in the Constitution have to be followed.

Make your views known

The most effective way for the public to make their views known about a Forthcoming Decisions is to contact the lead officer, or Cabinet Member (where stated), listed. You can also view the Council's [Consultation Calendar](#), which lists all the issues on which the Council and its partners are consulting.

Information about the Decision Makers

Further information on the Mayor and Members of the Cabinet can be found on the Council [website](#). The Commissioners are Sir Ken Knight, Chris Allison, Max Caller and Alan Wood. They have been appointed by the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government to carry out certain functions of the Council. Details are set out in Part One of the [Constitution](#).

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 item being considered in private please contact Democratic Services on the contact details listed on the front page.

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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Title of Report	Blackwall Reach - Charitable Trust and S19 (CPO) Robin Hood Millennium Green	Wards All Wards	Key Decision? Yes
Summary of Decision	To consider those recommendations as set out in the report		

Decision maker Date of decision	Cabinet Not before 13/06/17
Community Plan Theme	Creating and maintaining a vibrant, successful place
Cabinet Member	Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member for Housing Management and Performance
Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place	To be considered during the drafting of the report
Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment?	To be considered during the drafting of the report
Contact details for comments or additional information	Mark Baigent (Interim Divisional Director, Housing and Regeneration) mark.baigent@towerhamlets.gov.uk
What supporting documents or other information will be available?	To be considered during the drafting of the report
Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why?	No, Unrestricted

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Title of Report	Tower Hamlets Private Renters' Charter	Ward All Wards	Key Decision? Yes
Summary of Decision	To adopt a Private Renters' Charter setting out standards for all privately rented housing in the borough.		

Decision maker Date of decision	Cabinet 13/06/17
Community Plan Theme	A transformed council, making best use of resources and with an outward looking culture
Cabinet Member	Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member for Housing Management and Performance
Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place	<p>Extensive consultation with the public and key partners was undertaken to develop the Housing Strategy - including its commitment to adopt a Private Renters' Charter. Additional consultation to develop the detail of the charter has taken place with the public, other directorates, registered providers, professional and trade bodies, and the third sector.</p> <p>This was undertaken through face-to-face interviews, public meetings, on-line survey, a working group of third sector agencies and renters' groups, a working group of registered providers, a landlord forum, and discussions with landlord and agency bodies such as Association of Residential Lettings Association and Residential Landlords Association.</p>
Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment?	No. An extensive EQIA was carried out on the overarching 2016 - 2021 Housing Strategy including a comprehensive section on the Private Rented Sector. The outcome of the Housing Strategy EQIA assessment has informed the development of this report and the Tower Hamlets Private Renters' Charter. Completed 28 April 2017
Contact details for comments or additional information	Aman Dalvi (Corporate Director, Place) aman.dalvi@towerhamlets.gov.uk
What supporting documents or other information will be available?	Tower Hamlets Private Renters' Charter
Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why?	No, Unrestricted

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Title of Report	5 Year Capital Programme	Ward All Wards	Key Decision? Yes
Summary of Decision	To consider the recommendations as set out in the report		

Decision maker Date of decision	Cabinet Not before 13/06/17
Community Plan Theme	Creating and maintaining a vibrant, successful place
Cabinet Member	Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member for Housing Management and Performance
Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place	To be considered during the drafting of the report.
Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment?	To be considered during the drafting of the report
Contact details for comments or additional information	Mark Baigent (Interim Divisional Director, Housing and Regeneration) mark.baigent@towerhamlets.gov.uk
What supporting documents or other information will be available?	To be considered during the drafting of the report
Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why?	No, Unrestricted

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Title of Report	Free WiFi For All	Ward All Wards	Key Decision? No
Summary of Decision	This report sets out the opportunity for Tower Hamlets Council to address digital exclusion and gaps in connectivity capacity in the borough, by enabling Wi-Fi Providers to access its assets to Small Cell technology and fibre at their own cost.		

Decision maker Date of decision	Cabinet Not before 02/05/17
Community Plan Theme	Creating and maintaining a vibrant, successful place
Cabinet Member	Cabinet Member for Work and Economic Growth
Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place	Consultation has been undertaken with key Directorates involved in the development of the recommended option, including IT, Highways, CCTV and Finance.
Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment?	No
Contact details for comments or additional information	Melanie Aust (Business, Enterprise, High Streets & Town Centres Manager) melanie.aust@towerhamlets.gov.uk
What supporting documents or other information will be available?	None
Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why?	No, Unrestricted

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Title of Report	Whitechapel Delivery: Agreeing the way forward	Ward Bethnal Green; Spitalfields & Banglatown; St Dunstan's; Stepney Green; Whitechapel	Key Decision? Yes
Summary of Decision	To consider the delivery structure for Whitechapel Delivery including governance arrangements, Delivery team structure and budget requirements.		

Decision maker Date of decision	Cabinet Not before 06/10/15
Community Plan Theme	Creating and maintaining a vibrant, successful place
Cabinet Member	Mayor
Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place	<p>Consultation is taking place with all corporate DMT's, with CMT (at the meeting on 24th March 2015) and with key partners including the GLA, TfL, Barts Health NHS Trust, Queen Mary University London and key landowners.</p> <p>Initial consultation was undertaken with all key stakeholders in the Whitechapel Delivery regeneration programme. These stakeholders include GLA, TfL and major landowners. The Whitechapel Strategic Partnership has considered the proposed delivery structure. Consultation has also taken place during DMT/CMT meetings.</p>
Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment?	An Equality Impact Assessment was undertaken on the Whitechapel Vision Masterplan. It is proposed that agreement of the delivery structure for the delivery of the Vision would not require an EqlA, but that an EqlA should be undertaken in preparing the Delivery Plan for the Whitechapel Delivery programme.
Contact details for comments or additional information	Owen Whalley (Divisional Director, Planning & Building Control) owen.whalley@towerhamlets.gov.uk
What supporting documents or other information will be available?	Whitechapel Vision Masterplan SPD (approved by the Council in December 2013)
Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why?	No, Unrestricted

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