

Executive Decision Individual Decision Notice	 TOWER HAMLETS
Decision Maker: Cabinet, 9 Mar 2022	Classification: Unrestricted
London Borough of Tower Hamlets Markets Improvement Plan 2022 - 2027	

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.

Key Decision? No	Ward(s) All Wards
Summary of Decision	<p>This report is to support the Draft LBTH Markets Improvement Plan 2022 – 2027 which sets out the Council’s approach to improving the performance and competitiveness of our 10 street markets, with an enhanced focus on Whitechapel Market to support the Whitechapel Road Improvement Programme. The Plan was based upon desk-based research and analysis, internal and external interviews, and a survey of shoppers, businesses and market traders that took place May – June 2021.</p> <p>The Plan sets the scene for London’s markets, street trading and high streets and how they impact the borough’s markets. It proposes a vision for our markets and priorities for the next five years to ensure they can adapt, where needed, and remain strong into the future.</p>

Community Plan Theme	A borough that our residents are proud of and love to live in
Cabinet Member	Cabinet Member for Highways and Public Realm – (Job Share post as part of Social Inclusion and Public Realm portfolio) (Councillor Kahar Chowdhury)
Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place	<p>As above</p> <p>To inform the Plan two borough-wide surveys were carried out both online and in hard copy during 2021, an engagement survey, and a consultation survey. The total number of businesses, residents and market traders who took part in both surveys is just shy of 800.</p>

	<p>The first engagement survey asked each group a series of questions about participants shopping/trading habits and gave the chance to feedback on specific markets in their local area. Topics covered included; when people went to markets, what people bought/sold there, how much they spent, what they would like to see at their markets in future and how they felt the markets impacted their lives, improved their businesses, or contributed to community life.</p> <p>The second consultation survey asked each group (businesses, residents and market traders) whether they agree with the draft vision for the Council's 10 street markets, and the draft themes included in the London Borough of Tower Hamlets Markets Improvement Plan 2022 – 2027. Participants were also able to give their view on any additional themes that were not captured, as well as any specific actions plan covering each of the Council's 10 street markets.</p>
Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment?	N/A
Contact details for comments or additional information	Dan Jones (Director, Public Realm) dan.jones@towerhamlets.gov.uk
What supporting documents or other information will be available?	Draft London Borough of Tower Hamlets Markets' Improvement Plan 2022-2027
Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why (Paragraph number – see notes section)?	No, Unrestricted

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, by the Mayor in Cabinet or by the cabinet collectively.

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
 - a) 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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