

OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

**Monday, 20 September 2021 at 6.30 p.m., Room C1, 1st Floor, Town Hall,
Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, London, E14 2BG**

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Members:

Chair: Councillor Mohammed Pappu

Vice Chair: Councillor Bex White

Councillor Faroque Ahmed

Scrutiny Lead for Community Safety

Councillor Marc Francis

Councillor Ehtasham Haque

Scrutiny Lead for Housing and Regeneration

Councillor Denise Jones

Councillor Gabriela Salva Macallan

Scrutiny Lead for Health and Adults

Councillor Leema Qureshi

Scrutiny Lead for Resources and Finance

Councillor Andrew Wood

Co-opted Members:

Halima Islam

Co-Optee

James Wilson

Co-Optee

Deputies:

Councillor Peter Golds, Councillor Zenith Rahman, Councillor Shah Ameen and Councillor Kevin Brady

[The quorum for this body is 3 voting Members]

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Members are reminded to consider the categories of interest in the Code of Conduct for Members to determine whether they have an interest in any agenda item and any action they should take. For further details, please see the attached note from the Monitoring Officer.

Members are reminded to declare the nature of the interest and the agenda item it relates to. Please note that

ultimately it's the Members' responsibility to declare any interests form and to update their register of interest form as required by the Code.

If in doubt as to the nature of your interest, you are advised to seek advice prior to the meeting by contacting the Monitoring Officer or Democratic Services

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6 .4 PRE-DECISION SCRUTINY OF UNRESTRICTED CABINET PAPERS **All Wards**

To consider pre-decision scrutiny questions/comments to be presented to [Cabinet](#) .

(Time allocated – 30 minutes).

7. UPDATES FROM SCRUTINY LEADS **All Wards**

The Committee are asked to note the updates from Scrutiny Leads (to be notified prior to the meeting).

8. ANY OTHER UNRESTRICTED BUSINESS WHICH THE CHAIR CONSIDERS TO BE URGENT **All Wards**

To consider any other unrestricted business that the Chair considers to be urgent.

9. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC **All Wards**

In view of the contents of the remaining items on the agenda the Committee is recommended to adopt the following motion:

“That, under the provisions of Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985, the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting for the consideration of the Section Two business on the grounds that it contains information defined as Exempt in Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act, 1972.”

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SECTION TWO

WARD

**10. PRE-DECISION SCRUTINY OF EXEMPT/
CONFIDENTIAL) CABINET PAPERS**

All Wards

To consider and agree pre-decision scrutiny questions/comments to be presented to Cabinet.

(Time allocated 15 minutes).

**11. ANY OTHER EXEMPT/ CONFIDENTIAL
BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIR CONSIDERS
URGENT**

All Wards

To consider any other exempt/ confidential business that the Chair considers to be urgent.

Next Meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Monday, 25 October 2021 at 6.30 p.m. to be held in Room C1, 1st Floor, Town Hall, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, London, E14 2BG

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Agenda Item 2

DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS AT MEETINGS– NOTE FROM THE MONITORING OFFICER

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(i) Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI)

You have a DPI in any item of business on the agenda where it relates to the categories listed in **Appendix A** to this guidance. Please note that a DPI includes: (i) Your own relevant interests; (ii) Those of your spouse or civil partner; (iii) A person with whom the Member is living as husband/wife/civil partners. Other individuals, e.g. Children, siblings and flatmates do not need to be considered. Failure to disclose or register a DPI (within 28 days) is a criminal offence.

Members with a DPI, (unless granted a dispensation) must not seek to improperly influence the decision, must declare the nature of the interest and leave the meeting room (including the public gallery) during the consideration and decision on the item – unless exercising their right to address the Committee.

DPI Dispensations and Sensitive Interests. In certain circumstances, Members may make a request to the Monitoring Officer for a dispensation or for an interest to be treated as sensitive.

(ii) Non - DPI Interests that the Council has decided should be registered – (Non - DPIs)

You will have 'Non DPI Interest' in any item on the agenda, where it relates to (i) the offer of gifts or hospitality, (with an estimated value of at least £25) (ii) Council Appointments or nominations to bodies (iii) Membership of any body exercising a function of a public nature, a charitable purpose or aimed at influencing public opinion.

Members must declare the nature of the interest, but may stay in the meeting room and participate in the consideration of the matter and vote on it **unless:**

- A reasonable person would think that your interest is so significant that it would be likely to impair your judgement of the public interest. **If so, you must withdraw and take no part in the consideration or discussion of the matter.**

(iii) Declarations of Interests not included in the Register of Members' Interest.

Occasions may arise where a matter under consideration would, or would be likely to, **affect the wellbeing of you, your family, or close associate(s) more than it would anyone else living in the local area** but which is not required to be included in the Register of Members' Interests. In such matters, Members must consider the information set out in paragraph (ii) above regarding Non DPI - interests and apply the test, set out in this paragraph.

Guidance on Predetermination and Bias

Member's attention is drawn to the guidance on predetermination and bias, particularly the need to consider the merits of the case with an open mind, as set out in the Planning and Licensing Codes of Conduct, (Part C, Section 34 and 35 of the Constitution). For further advice on the possibility of bias or predetermination, you are advised to seek advice prior to the meeting.

Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act, 1992 - Declarations which restrict Members in Council Tax arrears, for at least a two months from voting

In such circumstances the member may not vote on any reports and motions with respect to the matter.

Further Advice contact: Janet Fasan Head of Legal Services and Monitoring Officer, Tel: 0207 364 4800.

APPENDIX A: Definition of a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest

(Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012, Reg 2 and Schedule)

| Subject | Prescribed description |
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| Employment, office, trade, profession or vacation | Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain. |
| Sponsorship | Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from the relevant authority) made or provided within the relevant period in respect of any expenses incurred by the Member in carrying out duties as a member, or towards the election expenses of the Member. This includes any payment or financial benefit from a trade union within the meaning of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992. |
| Contracts | Any contract which is made between the relevant person (or a body in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest) and the relevant authority— (a) under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed; and (b) which has not been fully discharged. |
| Land | Any beneficial interest in land which is within the area of the relevant authority. |
| Licences | Any licence (alone or jointly with others) to occupy land in the area of the relevant authority for a month or longer. |
| Corporate tenancies | Any tenancy where (to the Member's knowledge)— (a) the landlord is the relevant authority; and (b) the tenant is a body in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest. |
| Securities | Any beneficial interest in securities of a body where— (a) that body (to the Member's knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of the relevant authority; and (b) either— (i) the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; or (ii) if the share capital of that body is of more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which the relevant person has a beneficial interest exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class. |

LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

MINUTES OF THE OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

HELD AT 6.32 P.M. ON MONDAY, 26 JULY 2021

**COMMITTEE ROOM ONE - TOWN HALL, MULBERRY PLACE, 5 CLOVE
CRESCENT, LONDON, E14 2BG**

Members Present:

Councillor Mohammed Pappu (Chair)

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| Councillor Faroque Ahmed | – Scrutiny Lead for Community Safety |
| Councillor Marc Francis | – |
| Councillor Ehtasham Haque | – Scrutiny Lead for Housing and Regeneration |
| Councillor Denise Jones | – |
| Councillor Gabriela Salva Macallan | – Scrutiny Lead for Health and Adults |
| Councillor Leema Qureshi | – Scrutiny Lead for Resources and Finance |
| Councillor Andrew Wood | |

Co-opted Members Present:

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| Halima Islam | – Co-Optee |
| James Wilson | – Co-Optee |

Other Councillors Present:

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| Mayor John Biggs | – (Executive Mayor) |
| Councillor Sirajul Islam | – (Statutory Deputy Mayor for Community Safety, Faith and Equalities) |

Apologies:

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| Councillor Bex White | – Scrutiny Lead for Children and Education |
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Officers Present:

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| Kevin Bartle | – (Interim Corporate Director, Resources and Section 151 Officer) |
| Ann Corbett | – (Divisional Director, Community Safety) |
| Sharon Godman | – (Director, Strategy, Improvement and Transformation) |
| Charles Griggs | – Head of Community Safety |
| Hitesh Jolapara | – (Interim Divisional Director, Finance, Procurement & Audit) |

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| Daniel Kerr | – (Strategy and Policy Manager) |
| Ahsan Khan | – (Chief Accountant) |
| Denise Radley | – (Corporate Director, Health, Adults & Community) |
| Chris Weavers | – Chair of Safer Neighbourhood Board |

1. WELCOME

The Chair Councillor Mohammed Pappu welcomed everybody to this evening's meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee. Members noted that in line with current requirements, this meeting was being held in person, with some Scrutiny Members along with key participants present in the meeting room, whilst others are joining remotely with only those Scrutiny Members present in the meeting room able to vote.

Members noted that although national restrictions have eased, the Council recognises that rates of Covid-19 infection continue to cause concern. Therefore, to help keep everybody safe, it has been agreed to take the precaution of restricting non-essential physical attendance, retaining a limited public gallery, and are retaining health and safety practices such as social distancing and encouraging use of masks for all attendees, when not seated.

2. COVID UPDATE INFORMATION

Members were advised that they would have all received the Covid update slides (from Dr Somen Banerjee Director of Public Health) on 22nd July 2021. It was noted that given the nature of the virus, it was important to note that some of the information may have changed since it was dispatched.

It was noted that the Borough is not immune to the pace of change and is now experiencing rising numbers on the rate of infection. Therefore, Members should remain cautious and continue to observe the hands face and space as good practice and importantly as Members of this Committee, it was imperative to encourage residents and families to take up the vaccination to help reduce the spread of the virus and protect the vulnerable.

3. UPDATE ON ATTENDANCE AT MAYORS ADVISORY BOARD (MAB) IMPROVEMENT SESSION

The Committee received a brief update from the Chair that provided an update on his attendance at the Mayors Advisory Board (MAB) improvement session held on the 14th July 2021. It was noted that the Chairs of the Council's Audit and General Purposes Committees had also been invited and were in attendance.

The session had focused on Children's improvement programme including special educational needs and disability (SEND) and the financial improvement programme with Cabinet Lead Members and senior officers providing an overview, which was followed by Question-and-Answer session from each of the committee chairs. In addition, there was also an update on Adult Social Care improvement programme.

The Committee was advised that this session was part of the preparations for a follow up visit from the Local Government Association (LGA) following their Corporate Peer Challenge of Tower Hamlets in 2018. It was noted that the visit will take place in September 2021 and the Chair has asked that the Committee be kept up to date regarding the recommendations which may inform the Committee's future work programme.

4. DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST AND OTHER INTERESTS

The following Members for transparency declared a potential interest in relation to Item 9 Pre-Decision Scrutiny Questions:

1. Councillor Marc Francis due to his wife Councillor Rachel Blake being the Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member for Adults, Health and Wellbeing; and
2. Councillor Ehtasham Haque due to wife Councillor Sabina Akhtar being the Cabinet Member for Culture, Arts and Brexit.

5. UNRESTRICTED MINUTES

5.1 28th June 2021

The Chair **Moved** and it was:-

RESOLVED

That the unrestricted minutes of the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 28th June 2021 be approved as a correct record of the proceedings and the Chair was authorised to sign them accordingly.

6. REQUESTS TO SUBMIT PETITIONS

Nil items

7. FORTHCOMING DECISIONS

Noted

8. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

8.1 SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD ACTION PLAN REVIEW

The Committee received short presentation from the Statutory Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Lead for Community Safety, Faith and Equalities

Councillor Sirajul Islam; Ann Corbett Divisional Director for Community Safety; the Safer Neighbourhood Board Chair Chris Weaver; and Inspector Clare Thomas from the Metropolitan Police Service (MPS) Safer Neighbourhood Teams were in attendance to discuss the progress so far in delivering the challenge session recommendations. It was noted that in 2019, the Committees Vice Chair Councillor Bex White had presided at a scrutiny challenge session on how the Police, Council and Safer Neighbourhood Ward Panel Groups work in partnership with seldom-heard residents on improving community safety. The main points raised as part of the discussion are summarised below:

The Committee

- ❖ **Noted** that the challenge session had focussed especially on the issues that seldom-heard groups faced on engagement and participation. It also examined how the partnership could help to improve the engagement and participation of seldom-heard residents on safer neighbourhood ward panels.
- ❖ **Noted** that the challenge session had made eleven recommendations for consideration and six out of the eleven actions have now been completed. Members welcomed the introduction of the Ward Panel Handbook which promoted best practice and supported ward panels improvement.
- ❖ Was pleased to **note** that despite the difficulties presented by the pandemic, ward panels had still continued to operate, and new opportunities have been identified to engage ward members with a long-term view to holding a mixture of physical and virtual meetings.
- ❖ **Challenged** the Ward Panels to hold six meetings per year to ensure better continuity in collecting resident feedback.
- ❖ **Questioned** whether adequate support had been provided by the Council and was pleased to note that each ward panel is now supported by an ASB officer who acts as their point of contact and can facilitate attendance from the public realm as and when required.
- ❖ **Agreed** that Safer Neighbourhoods Panels should continue to discuss with police and council officers how to develop opportunities either through outreach, social media or other means as identified to seek wider community views so that the work of the Panels can be demonstrated to be locally representative in content. Whilst consultation should also be used as a means of identifying potential panel members so that they can be sufficiently diverse and truly representative of all within the community that they seek to serve.
- ❖ **Expressed** concern that there are still issues of resourcing the 101 service with many local resident's still complaining that they are left on hold for over an hour without a response. However, this is being looked at and that other means of contact are being developed so that residents can get in touch online and through social media. The Committee emphasised the need for

further work in this area and requested a copy of the letter the Mayor sent to the Home Office to lobby for further resources to 101 service (Subsequent to the meeting this had been received and circulated to Committee Members). Accordingly, as a result of discussions on progress on delivery of the eleven recommendations the Overview and Scrutiny Committee **agreed** that:

1. Overall, it was satisfied that this action plan is progressing well given the restrictions imposed by the pandemic but requested that Councillor Sirajul Islam ensures the remainder of the actions are completed.

8.2 OUTTURN BUDGET REPORT 2020/21

The Committee received a report that presented the 2020-21 provisional outturn budget monitoring report for the General Fund, Dedicated Schools Budget (DSB), Housing Revenue Account (HRA), progress made against savings targets and the Council's capital programme. It also provided projections on General Fund earmarked reserves and updates on provisional outturn impacts of Covid on the Council's finances in 2020-21. It was noted that going forward this year, the Chair was keen for the Scrutiny Sub-Committees to take on some of the responsibility of scrutinising the budget for their respective areas. Thereby helping to prepare for a robust discussion when the Committee comes to scrutinise the budget in January 2022. The Chair then welcomed and thanked Executive Mayor John Biggs; Kevin Bartle interim Corporate Director for Resources; and Hitesh Jolapara, interim Divisional Director, Finance, Procurement and Audit for attending this meeting. The main points of the discussion may be summarised as follows:

The Committee **noted** that:

- ❖ One of the scrutiny functions key aims this year is to provide a robust scrutiny of the budget and engage in the budget process as early as possible.
- ❖ A briefing session had been held last week to inform Scrutiny's understanding of the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) Business Plan and Savills report. The Chair thanked Councillor Danny Hassell and Councillor Rachel Blake for attending this session. This had provided a useful response to some of the issues that Scrutiny had raised, and it was planned to submit further questions on the budget.
- ❖ There may also be a follow up at another meeting to investigate this matter in further detail.
- ❖ The Outturn report must be considered within the context of Covid where the uncertainty has proved difficult to forecast and draw accurate conclusions. Accordingly, the Committee asked a wide range of questions on the report including (i) How are the Council encouraging and supporting business to reopen and/or new businesses to open; (ii) Reflections on the rationale for growing reserves and why 'earmarked' reserves are not being used ; (iii) A

request for an update on the additional COVID funding received from the Government for 2021/22 plus any roll over from 2020/21; and (iv) Given the underspend on the HRA, and level of improvement works required on estates, what is the rationale for squeezing day to day expenditure through the HRA and Tower Hamlets Homes (THH) management fees. Which has caused pressure on the extent of the work conducted on estates. Accordingly the Committee requested a note from the Corporate Director for Place to provide further details on this.

Accordingly, as a result of discussions on progress on the report the Overview and Scrutiny Committee **agreed** that:

1. The Corporate Director for Place be asked to provide further details on the rationale for squeezing day to day expenditure through the HRA and THH management fees; and
2. It would submit a number of pre-decision questions on this item as they had not had the time to ask all questions during this discussion that they wanted to raise with Cabinet on the 28th of July 2021 (**See attached appendix**).

8.3 SCRUTINY CHALLENGE SESSION REPORT ON EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES - ENGAGING OUR DIVERSE COMMUNITY AT A LOCAL LEVEL

The Committee received a report on the Overview and Scrutiny Committee (OSC) Challenge Session which examined how the council can improve its engagement with the Borough's diverse community at a local level. The Chair welcomed back Councillor James King, who had chaired this session and provided the Committee with a brief summary of this challenge session report. The main points of the discussion are summarised below:

The Committee noted that they had agreed the report and recommendations of the Empowering Communities Challenge Session held in March 2021. The session examined how the Council can improve its engagement with the Borough's diverse community at a local level. The report made four recommendations which included:

That the Council:

- ❖ uses its South Poplar and Isle of Dogs Community Development Panel as a model for engagement in other areas of the Borough
- ❖ strengthens feedback loops into existing programme delivery including the Local Infrastructure Fund, the Capital Programme, regeneration schemes.
- ❖ engages residents to determines local Covid-19 recovery priorities.
- ❖ develops a geography-based partnership approach that brings collaboration from the council, public and private partners, VCS, and others to pick up local priorities.

As a result of discussions on this report the Committee indicated that community panels such as in South Poplar and on the Isle of Dogs provide a completely unique way of communicating and enable community members to interact and communicate on specific subjects between each other; instead of just having a one-way dialogue with the Council and its partners. This gradual development of such genuine communications, consultation, participation, and co-development would reveal insight that would be harder to extract from the more traditional methods and be critical to achieving any successful outcomes.

Accordingly, as a result of discussions on progress on the report the Committee:

1. Formally **noted** the Overview and Scrutiny Challenge Session Report and **agreed** the recommendations; and
2. **Agreed** to submit the attached report to the Mayor and Cabinet for executive response.

8.4 OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME AND COMMUNICATIONS PLAN

The Committee received a copy of the Work Programme for 2021/22 and the Chair stressed that all of scrutiny committees need to be aware that the work programme and will need to be flexible so that the Scrutiny Function can respond to matters as and when they arise. The main points of the discussion may be summarised as follows:

The Committee

- ❖ **Noted** that at the last meeting they had considered a draft scrutiny work programme for discussion. Since then, the draft has been circulated to Cabinet Lead Members and senior council officers for their comments. The draft Work Programme had also been presented to Full Council on 21st July 2021.
- ❖ **Noted** that following the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) and Savills Information briefing session, the Chair has proposed for the Committee to hold a follow up spotlight session on this once it has been possible to scope this out with officers.
- ❖ **Noted** that the scrutiny work programmes included key equality considerations of the Strategic Plan, including reducing inequality, promoting community cohesion, and enabling community engagement. Identifying and prioritising issues, which are important to local residents, and will play a significant role in developing the work programme to drive service improvements.
- ❖ **Noted** that key to addressing equalities issues is to make scrutiny more accessible to residents. Accordingly, a Scrutiny Communication Plan had been developed and appended to the report, which provided an overview of the Scrutiny goals to raise and improve the profile of the Scrutiny Function.
- ❖ **Noted** that to ensure that the Scrutiny work programme captures the diverse range of resident's views and concerns, an online form has

been created to allow them to submit their items for Scrutiny to consider as part of the 2021/22 work programme. This has been promoted through the Council's social media channels to ensure all residents are aware of this opportunity and their submissions will be considered when reviewing relevant items.

Accordingly, as a result of discussions on the report the Committee:

1. **Agreed** the draft work Programme for 2021/22 2; and
2. **Noted** the specific equalities considerations as set out in Paragraph 4 of the report.

8.5 PRE-DECISION SCRUTINY OF UNRESTRICTED CABINET PAPERS

Following comments by the Committee the Pre-Decision Scrutiny Questions (PDSQ) Members **agreed** particular questions/recommendations that they wanted to raise with Cabinet on the 28th July 2021 (**See attached appendix**).

9. UPDATES FROM SCRUTINY LEADS

The Committee received and noted the updates from the Scrutiny Lead Members. Arising out of discussions on the updates it was noted that Housing & Regeneration Scrutiny Sub Committee would be looking at the performance of Registered Social Landlords in the very near future.

10. ANY OTHER UNRESTRICTED BUSINESS WHICH THE CHAIR CONSIDERS TO BE URGENT

With no other business to discuss the Chair called this meeting to a close; thanked all those attending for their contributions and informed the Committee that the next meeting would be on Monday, 20 September 2021.

11. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

As the agenda circulated contained no exempt/ confidential reports and there was therefore no requirement to exclude the press and public to allow for its consideration.

12. PRE-DECISION SCRUTINY OF EXEMPT/ CONFIDENTIAL) CABINET PAPERS

Nil item

13. ANY OTHER EXEMPT/ CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT

Nil items

The meeting ended at 8.23 p.m.

Chair, Councillor Mohammed Pappu
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CABINET

Wednesday, 28 July 2021 at 5.30 p.m.

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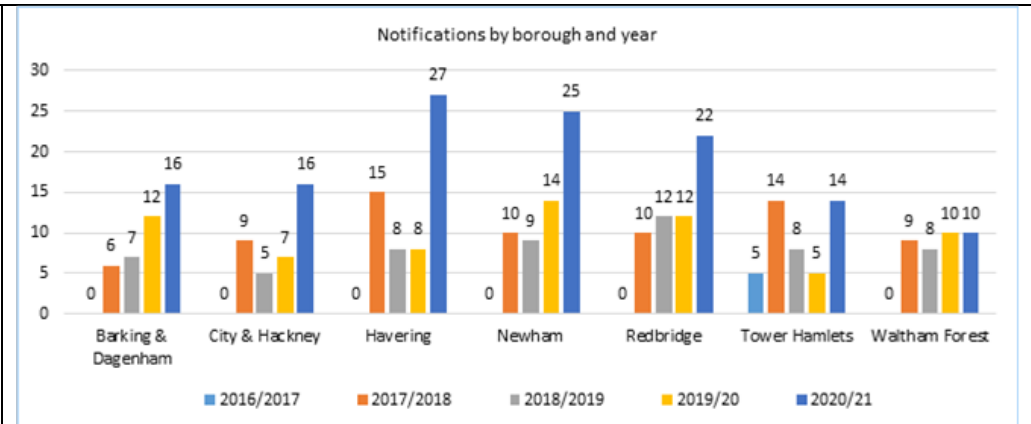
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| Item 6.1 Tower Hamlets Safeguarding Adults Board Annual Report 2020-21 | |
| <p>Ref: Learning Disability Mortality Reviews (LeDeRs) Across North East London (NEL) boroughs, Tower Hamlets trends on average in regard to the number of deaths being recorded</p> <p>1. How does the number of deaths of people with a learning disability in Tower Hamlets compare to other local authorities in and outside of London in terms of absolute numbers and life expectancy?</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">Page 33</p> | <p>Reviewing the deaths of people known to have had a learning disability helps identify avoidable factors that lead to early deaths and supports services to improve their quality of care. Providing good quality care to people with learning disabilities and improving their health and wellbeing is a major step forward towards tackling inequalities within health and social care provision. Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCG), local authority and NHS Trust are expected to ensure LeDeR reviews are completed, and changes are put in place to improve services and reduce early deaths for people with learning disabilities.</p> <p>North East London (NEL) has received 333 death notifications since 2017. 87% (290) deaths were reviewed and closed by end of March 2021; 38 were in progress and 12 were awaiting allocation once reviewers become available. Of the 290 completed reviews, 25 were child deaths aged between 4 to 17 years old, whilst 265 were adults over 18 years old. The national team are compiling their report and we are currently awaiting narrative around comparison to other London Boroughs and the national picture.</p> <p>People with learning disabilities face more challenges than the general population and this was no exception during the COVID-19 pandemic. In March 2020, NEL recorded the first COVID-19 death. Since then more than twice the number of deaths were reported this year compared to the same period in the year before. In all boroughs in NEL except one, there was an increase in the number of death notifications during this current year due to COVID-19 as shown below.</p> |

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According to Mencap (2021) and NHS Digital (2017) people with a learning disabilities have worse physical and mental health than people without a learning disability. On average, in the UK, the life expectancy of women with a learning disability is 18 years shorter than for women in the general population. The life expectancy for men with a learning disability is 14 years shorter than for men in the general population.

Life expectancy will vary amongst different communities and different populations, work is ongoing within this area to understand the complexities between life expectancy, learning disabilities and the population demographic of Tower Hamlets. Life expectancy will also vary between people with learning disabilities, this complex group have a wide spectrum of conditions between mild and profound learning disability which impacts on health and different population groups. The new LeDeR policy has recognised that more needs to be done to understand the needs of BAME population and to work with this group to improve access and equity in health outcomes hence reduced health inequalities.

Item 6.4 Adoption of the South Poplar Masterplan SPD

1. Given that LBTH part owns the largest site in the SPD area where is the new large green park going to be given the known open space deficiencies in the local area which are getting worse with every new planning application?

The masterplan proposes the delivery of a total of 1.8 hectares of new public open space in accordance with the Local Plan's site allocation requirements for the sites of North Quay (0.4 ha), the Billingsgate Market (0.4 ha) and Aspen Way (1 ha). This significant provision of new publicly accessible open space will assist in meeting the needs and demands of existing residents and the anticipated residential population that will come forward in the future. All sites within the masterplan area will be expected to contribute towards the creation of these allocated new public open space areas.

New open space to be made up of a series of public spaces, landscaped routes and pocket parks. The masterplan proposes the delivery of these spaces in locations along key connections and routes to ensure that access is efficient and equitable. The location of these spaces can be found on figure 39 (page 33) of the masterplan SPD. These new public spaces would be delivered across various areas of the masterplan to meet the need of existing and future residents.

It should be noted that the masterplan also seeks to deliver improved access over Aspen Way with improved and new bridge connections. This will create increased opportunity for the populations of Poplar to more freely access the public open space offerings within Canary Wharf and the Isle of Dogs whilst the populations within Canary Wharf and the Isle of Dogs will be able to access the public open space offerings north of Aspen Way in Poplar and beyond.

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Each individual residential-led development application will further be subject to existing local plan requirements relating to the creation of on-site communal open space and child play space areas.

Item 6.6 Adoption of the Central Area Good Growth Supplementary Planning Document

1. Given that LBTH has been missing its housing targets since February 2020 why was no opportunity been made in the SPD to encourage more growth in the central area (compare & contrast the language in this SPD to the South Poplar masterplan)?

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The SPD has taken the opportunity to facilitate the delivery of new homes on small sites (up to 0.25 hectares), while responding to, and enhancing, the area's distinctive and valued character. The expectation is that there will be a significant amount of development in the area, and with an understanding the character of the different parts, the capacity for individual development sites to change can be determined. There is potential for higher densities and this is specifically noted under the character-based growth principle of Reinvention, where it states "Developments should reinvent sites by introducing new building types with scope to creating a new street pattern/frontage and higher densities."

The guidance provides the planning process with greater certainty so that applicants have a clear idea of what is considered acceptable in this area and there are no delays in the decision making process.

The housing target for every borough in London is defined by the London Plan. Under the recently adopted London Plan (2021), Tower Hamlets has the highest housing target in London. In order to manage this growth and to ensure that it is delivered in a sustainable way and that it respects existing residents, the Tower Hamlets Local Plan 2031, defined 4 sub-areas: City Fringe; Lower Lea Valley; Isle of Dogs and South Poplar; and Central. The first three areas are also Opportunity Areas, which are defined by the Mayor of London as areas which have

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significant capacity for development.

The Central Area is not an Opportunity Area and it has a well-established, mostly low-rise residential character. It includes several listed buildings and conservation areas. Drawing from these considerations as well as a robust evidence-base (which can be accessed here), the Tower Hamlets Local Plan 2031 defined the expected housing growth for each of the 4 sub-areas. The minimum number of additional homes for the Central Area under the Local Plan is 7,597 or 14% of the borough's total.

There are a number of actions being taken by the council to ensure that it meets its housing need. The preparation of this and a number of SPDs to support the Local Plan is one of these actions, as they help to add more clarity to existing policies and to de-risk the development process. Moreover, Tower Hamlets is consistently one of the largest deliverers of affordable housing in London. In 2019/20 Tower Hamlets delivered 1,562 affordable homes in the year. This level of delivery for the year was the highest in London, by a large amount (Greenwich and Ealing following with 962, and 596 affordable homes respectively).

Item 6.7 Adoption of Reuse, Recycling and Waste SPD

1. Given the difficulties LBTH has had with URS collections over the last year are we still sure we want to recommend them?

Yes, we still recommend them. URS systems are used effectively across London and many European cities and LBTH's issues are temporary, relating to operational matters. These issues relate to the reliability of the two vehicles in the fleet, which are relatively new. The service resilience is immediately compromised if they breakdown, because the spare vehicle that the council had on the fleet is not ULEZ compliant. A viability assessment relating to its upgrade and return to the fleet is currently being undertaken. The Council has a new vehicle on order, which was scheduled to arrive in July but is has been delayed by the manufacturer until November. Increasing the fleet to 4 vehicles

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will provide the resilience the service needs to maintain collections going forward. We are also in the processes of purchasing a 5th vehicle to provide extra resilience and prepare for future increases in demand.

Once the servicing vehicle issues have been resolved, they will be running as they should. Additionally, the public realm department keeps track of the best practice waste management systems available to the council. The SPD provides sufficient scope for approaches to be tailored to the appropriate circumstances, while ensuring there is an overall clear guidance of what the Council expects. Any future versions of the SPD will incorporate the best approaches and understanding at that time.

There is a focus in the guidance that URS serves as an alternative to traditional bin stores; however, it is not the only other option. Aside of the AWCS type system there is the opportunity for developers to bring forward the use of chutes and compactors, or compactors serviced by another other means such as a concierge service. An example of this is part of the Wood Wharf development. This is using compactor skips with a chute system and this seems to be working well.

A key aim of the SPD is to introduce guidance on appropriate technology approaches, particularly important given the wide range of scales and types of development that characterise the borough. In addition to the guidance on improvements to residents, understanding and use of systems, moving away from a proliferation of bin stores, particularly on our largest developments, is an important objective.

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| <p>1. Can we have a summary of interest earned in 2020/21 by category, as we only see total average income return of 0.89% number on p7 of Appendix A i.e. lending to other local authority earned x%, overnight deposits y%</p> | <p>As these are detailed questions/answers – responses will be provided by the close of 30 July 2021.</p> |
| <p>2. Inflation loss - can we have a calculation of the net effect of inflation on ALL reserves p7 of Appendix A?</p> | <p>As these are detailed questions/answers – responses will be provided by the close of 30 July 2021.</p> |
| <p>3. Balance sheet presented to the Audit Committee on Thursday has Internal Borrowings of £342 million, Useable Reserves £578 million + Working Capital £37 million - how do these numbers reconcile to the reserves in section 5 & 6 of Appendix A? how useable are our useable reserves or how liquid are they?</p> | <p>As these are detailed questions/answers – responses will be provided by the close of 30 July 2021.</p> |
| <p>4. What is Internal Borrowing and how do we calculate the interest earned and inflation that we see on section 7 of Appendix A?</p> | <p>As these are detailed questions/answers – responses will be provided by the close of 30 July 2021.</p> |
| <p>Item 6.12 Contracts Forward Plan 2021/22 – Quarter One</p> | |
| <p>1. DR5025 Energy Supply 01/09/2016 31/08/2021 60 36,000,000 PL - was this contract solely from non-renewable sources? Is the replacement for this contract going to be electricity solely from renewable sources?</p> | <p>From 2017 all half hourly electricity was backed by REGO's (renewable energy guarantee origin) certificates. From October 2021 all council electricity will be obtained from renewable sources backed by REGO's.</p> |
| <p>2. P5602 Supply Waste and Recycling Sacks and Starch Liners 15/06/2020 14/02/2022 20 415,000 PL - Given that most households do not get recycling sacks/starch liners it is unclear why this contract is so expensive? what do we actually purchase?</p> | <p>In order to deliver the in-house waste and recycling collections and street cleansing services the council utilises a variety of different types or sacks and starch liners.</p> <p>The council continues to provide household recycling sacks to approx. 24,000 street level properties on a twice yearly basis (104 sacks per property are provide through this twice yearly delivery). Supplies of recycling sacks are also provided to the Ideas Stores, which can be collected by residents. The provision through the Ideas Stores is</p> |

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| | <p>anticipated to be up to 220,000 rolls of 26 sack per annum.</p> <p>In addition to the household recycling sacks, the service also purchases colour coded residual waste and recycling sacks for the commercial waste service, sweeper sacks that are used in the street cleansing service and a supply of black sacks for the service's own use.</p> <p>Starch liners are purchased to support the kerbside food waste collection service and are also used by schools that are provided with a food waste collection.</p> |
| <p>3. P5601 Supply and Repair of Wheeled Bins, Euro Bins and Food Waste Bins 29/09/2020 28/03/2022 18 375,000 PL - Since you cannot currently order new household black and recycling bins from the LBTH website exactly what kind of categories of bins does LBTH supply or repair under this contract?</p> | <p>In order to deliver the in-house waste and recycling collection services the council utilises a wide range of bins and requires spare parts for those bins in order to maintain them in a satisfactory condition. The contract also includes the provision for the factory refurbishment of the Euro bins which restores damaged bins to as new condition.</p> <p>The contract allows the service to purchase steel wheeled bins (Euro bins) in sizes ranging from 660 litres to 1280 litres. Bins are used for both the household and commercial waste services.</p> <p>A number of RSL's in the borough rent residual waste bins from the service, the rental includes the repair and maintenance of those bins. Commercial waste customers pay a rental charge for the bin as part of their commercial waste contract. The rental charge also includes the service for repair of the bins.</p> <p>The spare parts purchased include replacement lids, lid assembly kits, lid licks, castors (wheels) and drain plugs.</p> |

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In order to support the kerbside food waste service the council purchases two types of food caddies, 5 litre kitchen caddies and 23 litre collection caddies.

Plastic wheeled bins are purchased under a separate contract due to no suppliers having bid for the plastic wheeled bin Lot tendered under contract P5601.

Plastic wheeled bins for recycling are still supplied to suitable kerbside properties and plastic wheeled bins are used for commercial waste customers.

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Wednesday, 28 July 2021 at 5.30 p.m.

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| Item 6.11 2020-21 Council Budget Monitoring Report – Provisional Outturn | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Can we have a summary of interest earned in 2020/21 by category, as we only see total average income return of 0.89% number on p7 of Appendix A i.e. lending to other local authority earned x%, overnight deposits y% | Money Market Funds (MMFs): 0.14% Bank notice account: 0.25% Local Authorities: 0.37% Cash plus and short bond funds: 0.52% Strategic pooled funds: 3.38% | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2. Inflation loss - can we have a calculation of the net effect of inflation on ALL reserves p7 of Appendix A? | As at 31 March 2021, the Consumer Prices Index (CPI) was 0.7% compared to the 2020-21 average income return of 0.89%. The notional extra income above inflation at 31/3/21 (CPI and portfolio fund levels change throughout the year) is £521k (0.19% x £274m portfolio fund balance at 31/3/21). | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3. Balance sheet presented to the Audit Committee on Thursday has Internal Borrowings of £342 million, Useable Reserves £578 million + Working Capital £37 million - how do these numbers reconcile to the reserves in section 5 & 6 of Appendix A? how useable are our useable reserves or how liquid are they? | The below table provides a breakdown of the 2020-21 provisional outturn usable reserves figure of £578m as part of the balance sheet presented to Audit Committee; <table border="1" style="margin-top: 10px;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;"><u>2020-21 Provisional outturn usable reserves</u></th> <th style="text-align: right;"><u>£m</u></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>General Fund</td> <td style="text-align: right;">20</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Housing Revenue Account</td> <td style="text-align: right;">52</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Earmarked reserves</td> <td style="text-align: right;">173</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Schools reserves</td> <td style="text-align: right;">35</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Capital Receipts Reserve</td> <td style="text-align: right;">139</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Capital Grants Unapplied</td> <td style="text-align: right;">159</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td style="text-align: right;">578</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The usable reserves referenced within the 2020-21 provisional outturn reserves in section 5 and 6 of 'Appendix A – 2020-21 Provisional</p> | <u>2020-21 Provisional outturn usable reserves</u> | <u>£m</u> | General Fund | 20 | Housing Revenue Account | 52 | Earmarked reserves | 173 | Schools reserves | 35 | Capital Receipts Reserve | 139 | Capital Grants Unapplied | 159 | Total | 578 |
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| | <p>Outturn Budget Monitoring Report' relate to the General Fund (£20.0m), Earmarked reserves (£173.0m) and Housing Revenue Account reserves (£52.3m). Also contained in section 6, the Dedicated School Grant (DSG) balance deficit of (£11.6m) would have previously been presented within usable reserves. However, from 2020-21 the Government has issued a new statutory adjustment that takes DSG deficits out of usable reserves and requires these balances to be held in unusable reserves. Usable reserves are highly liquid.</p> |
| <p>4. What is Internal Borrowing and how do we calculate the interest earned and inflation that we see on section 7 of Appendix A?</p> <p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">Page 28</p> | <p>Capital expenditure is financed through a variety of sources, receipts from the sale of capital assets, capital grants, external contributions such as S106 or Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL), from reserves or from revenue budget contributions. Any capital expenditure that is not financed by available capital resources must be financed by borrowing. The council can temporarily utilise other resources (i.e. cash balances) in lieu of using external borrowing to fund capital expenditure. This is referred to as internal borrowing. Whilst internal borrowing is a useful treasury management facility to minimise debt financing costs, it can be seen to merely defer the timing of external borrowing rather than obviating the need.</p> <p>The interest earned figure is calculated on an accruals basis and therefore consists of interest income received during 2020-21 (which relates to the 2020-21 financial year) and accrued income for interest earned in 2020-21 which is owing to the Council at year end. The Consumer Prices Index (CPI) is calculated by the Office of National Statistics.</p> |



THE FORWARD PLAN

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

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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 or Cabinet.
 - 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.

Key Decisions

The Council is required to publish notice of all key decisions at least 28 days before they are taken by the Executive. 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 Section 3 of the [Constitution](#). Key Decisions can be taken by the Mayor, the Mayor in Cabinet or an officer if it has been expressly delegated.

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.

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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

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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 | Budget monitoring report 2021-22 as at 30th June 2021 (period 3) | Ward All Wards | Key Decision? No |
| Summary of Decision | Budget monitoring report 2021-22 as at 30th June 2021 (period 3) | | |

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| Decision maker Date of decision | Cabinet 22/09/21 |
| Community Plan Theme | All Priorities |
| Cabinet Member | Cabinet Member for Resources and the Voluntary Sector |
| Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place | N/A N/A |
| 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 | Hitesh Jolapara (Interim Divisional Director, Finance, Procurement & Audit) hitesh.jolapara@towerhamlets.gov.uk |
| What supporting documents or other information will be available? | N/A |
| Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why? | No, Unrestricted |

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| Title of Report | Highways & Street Lighting Works Contract Tender | Ward All Wards | Key Decision? Yes |
| Summary of Decision | <p>This report sets out the planned re-procurement of the Council's Highways and Street Lighting Works Contracts as they are due to expire on the 31st March 2022. This contract also includes the procurement of a Professional Services Contract as a separate Lot as an integral part of the overall contract Tender.</p> <p>Due to activity time dependencies within the procurement project plan timescales, this item, which would normally have been presented as part of the September Cabinet Contracts Forward Plan – Quarter Two (FY2021-2022) and is now rescheduled for presentation at November Cabinet, is being presented as</p> | | |

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| | a standalone item at September Cabinet. |
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| Decision maker Date of decision | Cabinet 08/09/21 | | |
| Community Plan Theme | A borough that our residents are proud of and love to live in | | |
| Cabinet Member | Cabinet Member for Environment and Public Realm (Job Share) - Lead on Environment, Cabinet Member for Environment and Public Realm (Job Share) - Lead on Public Realm | | |
| Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place | N/A N/A | | |
| 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 (Divisional Director, Public Realm) dan.jones@towerhamlets.gov.uk | | |
| What supporting documents or other information will be available? | Appendix 1 – Information on contract details | | |
| Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why? | No, Unrestricted | | |
| Title of Report | Lease Renewal at Sutton Street Depot, 6 Sutton Street, London, E1 0AY | Ward Shadwell | Key Decision? No |
| Summary of Decision | Authority is sought to grant a lease renewal to the existing tenant at a rental level which exceeds the delegated thresholds. At the same time Council liabilities will be waived, arrears resolved and a schedule of works undertaken. | | |

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| Decision maker Date of decision | Cabinet Not before 22/09/21 | | |
| Community Plan Theme | A borough that our residents are proud of and love to live in | | |
| Cabinet Member | Cabinet Member for Planning and Social Inclusion (Job Share) - Lead on Social Inclusion, Cabinet Member for Planning and Social Inclusion (Job Share) - Lead on Planning | | |

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| Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place | N/A N/A | | |
| 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 | Vicky Clark (Divisional Director for Growth and Economic Development) vicky.clark@towerhamlets.gov.uk | | |
| What supporting documents or other information will be available? | Schedule of Condition | | |
| Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why? | No, Unrestricted | | |
| Title of Report | AHSCS5019 Domiciliary and Personal Care Contracts Extension and Contract Length Change | Ward All Wards | Key Decision? Yes |
| Summary of Decision | <p>The current Domiciliary and Personal Care contracts in Tower Hamlets are due to come to an end on 6th February 2022.</p> <p>Work is underway to re-procure these contracts with a focus on coproduction and an outcomes-based approach. These services are vital to supporting people in their own homes and the engagement of people who use the services and their carers is critical to developing the best possible outcomes framework and specification. An extension of the current contracts for six months will provide sufficient time for this work and approach to be carried out.</p> <p>The work that has been carried out to date has identified that there could be benefits in the reprocured contract being longer in term than the existing contract, as such a change in the length of the contract from 5 years up to 9 years including extensions (dependant on further consultation with the market), is being sought.</p> | | |

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| Decision maker Date of decision | Cabinet 22/09/21 |
| Community Plan Theme | All Priorities |
| Cabinet Member | Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member for Adults, Health and Wellbeing |

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| Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place | NA None | | |
| Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment? | NO | | |
| Contact details for comments or additional information | Warwick Tomsett Joint Director, Integrated Commissioning warwick.tomsett@towerhamlets.gov.uk | | |
| What supporting documents or other information will be available? | Domiciliary and Personal Care Contracts Extension Request Report | | |
| Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why? | No, Unrestricted | | |
| Title of Report | Canon Barnett Playground – Land Swap Agreement | Ward All Wards | Key Decision? Yes |
| Summary of Decision | Disposing of Canon Barnett playground to a neighbouring land owner and receiving a new piece of land to the East of the school which will be used as a new playground. | | |

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| Decision maker Date of decision | Cabinet 08/09/21 |
| Community Plan Theme | A borough that our residents are proud of and love to live in |
| Cabinet Member | Mayor |
| Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place | Department For Education (DFE) consent in the form of a Section 77 Notice. Internal and External |
| Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment? | N/A |
| Contact details for comments or additional | Vicky Clark (Divisional Director for Growth and Economic Development) |

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| information | vicky.clark@towerhamlets.gov.uk | | |
| What supporting documents or other information will be available? | Land Swap Diagram | | |
| Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why? | No, Unrestricted | | |
| Title of Report | 122 Back Church Lane – Disposal | Ward All Wards | Key Decision? Yes |
| Summary of Decision | Freehold disposal of 122 Back Church Lane by way of Private Treaty or Auction. | | |

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| Decision maker Date of decision | Cabinet 08/09/21 | | |
| Community Plan Theme | A dynamic outcomes-based Council using digital innovation and partnership working | | |
| Cabinet Member | Mayor | | |
| Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place | DLT Internal Consultation with DLT | | |
| 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 | Vicky Clark (Divisional Director for Growth and Economic Development) vicky.clark@towerhamlets.gov.uk | | |
| What supporting documents or other information will be available? | Site Plan | | |
| Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why? | No, Unrestricted | | |
| Title of Report | 3 – 11 Vallance Road - Disposal | Ward All Wards | Key Decision? Yes |
| Summary of Decision | Freehold disposal of 3 -11 Vallance Road by way of Private Treaty. | | |

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| Decision maker Date of decision | Cabinet 08/09/21 | | |
| Community Plan Theme | A borough that our residents are proud of and love to live in | | |
| Cabinet Member | Mayor | | |
| Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place | DLT Internal consultation with DLT | | |
| 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 | Vicky Clark (Divisional Director for Growth and Economic Development) vicky.clark@towerhamlets.gov.uk | | |
| What supporting documents or other information will be available? | Site plan | | |
| Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why? | No, Unrestricted | | |
| Title of Report | Integrated housing and support Mental Health schemes: Direct Award of contract to Look Ahead Care and Support | Ward All Wards | Key Decision? Yes |
| Summary of Decision | New contract for in-borough supported living schemes for Mental Health. This item recommends the direct award of a single contract for an integrated housing and support offer for three accommodation schemes: Forensic Service Tabard Court; Commercial Road; and Coventry Road. | | |

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| Decision maker Date of decision | Cabinet 08/09/21 | | |
| Community Plan Theme | A borough that our residents are proud of and love to live in | | |
| Cabinet Member | Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member for Adults, Health and Wellbeing | | |
| Who will be consulted before decision is made | None | | |

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| and how will this consultation take place | None | | |
| Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment? | No | | |
| Contact details for comments or additional information | Warwick Tomsett Joint Director, Integrated Commissioning warwick.tomsett@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 | | |
| Title of Report | Town Hall IT Infrastructure | Ward All Wards | Key Decision? No |
| Summary of Decision | The Council moves into the Town Hall in Whitechapel in 2022 and this report seeks Cabinet authority to procure the necessary hardware, software and services to ensure colleagues, partners and visitors can access the applications and data they need. | | |

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| Decision maker Date of decision | Cabinet 08/09/21 |
| Community Plan Theme | A dynamic outcomes-based Council using digital innovation and partnership working |
| Cabinet Member | Cabinet Member for Resources and the Voluntary Sector |
| Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place | Digital Portfolio Board Digital Portfolio Board presentation and discussion in July 2021 following extensive discussions about the IT infrastructure in the Town Hall. This report seeks authority to commence procurement of the basic IT services with potential long lead times and further discussions continue on specific requirements for the resident hub, council chamber and for partner organisations |
| Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment? | No |
| Contact details for comments or additional | Adrian Gorst (Divisional Director, IT) adrian.gorst@towerhamlets.gov.uk |

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| information | |
| What supporting documents or other information will be available? | A restricted appendix which contains information which relates to the Council's budgeting for this project and financial affairs which if known by potential bidders may influence the bidders decisions on pricing and impair the Council's ability to obtain Best Value. This constitutes exempt information under the law. The fact that it is likely that the Council's commercial interests might be prejudiced as a result of the release of the information means that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in knowing the information. |
| Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why? | No, Unrestricted |
| Title of Report | Reset Adult substance Misuse Service Contract Direct Award |
| | Ward All Wards |
| | Key Decision? No |
| Summary of Decision | LBTH has recently received central government grants focused on adult substance misuse treatment and recover. This item requests permission to vary the current contracts relating to the adult treatment system (Reset), to directly award the current providers funds to increase activity related to Outreach, Treatment and Recovery. |

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| Decision maker Date of decision | Cabinet 08/09/21 |
| Community Plan Theme | A borough that our residents are proud of and love to live in |
| Cabinet Member | Statutory Deputy Mayor for Community Safety, Faith and Equalities |
| Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place | None None |
| Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment? | No |
| Contact details for comments or additional information | Ann Corbett (Divisional Director, Community Safety) ann.corbett@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 | Affordable Self-Build on Council Owned Land – Disposal and marketing of sites | Ward All Wards | Key Decision? Yes |
| Summary of Decision | <p>The Mayor has committed to support up to 50 self-build homes over the period 2018-22. Following Cabinet approval for the Self-Build Policy and Guidance in March 2020, 2 council-owned sites (Christian Street and Lark Row) were marketed for self-build on the GLA Small Sites Portal. Following receipt and scoring of bids (on both quality and cost of proposals), the council is now looking to dispose of the two sites to preferred bidders by way of a long lease which will ensure that affordability is maintained in perpetuity.</p> <p>The council is now also looking to market and dispose the next two sites in the programme for self-build (Pigott Street and Smythe Street), following the same process that was undertaken for the first 2 sites. Finally, officers are also seeking delegated authority to follow the same process that is proposed for Pigott Street and Smythe Street for any future council-owned sites that are added to the Self-Build Programme.</p> | | |

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| Decision maker Date of decision | Cabinet 22/09/21 |
| Community Plan Theme | A borough that our residents are proud of and love to live in |
| Cabinet Member | Cabinet Member for Housing |
| Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place | <p>There has been extensive internal and external consultation prior to adopting the Self-Build Policy and Guidance. Residents living in close proximity to the first 4 sites identified for self-build were also consulted. Once bidders are awarded sites for self-build and start to take their schemes through the planning system, consultation will take place as set out in the Tower Hamlets Statement of Community Involvement.</p> <p>Internal consultation: Yes, already undertaken External consultation: Yes, already undertaken</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 | Karen Swift (Divisional Director, Housing and Regeneration) Karen.Swift@towerhamlets.gov.uk |
| What supporting documents or other information will be available? | <p>Appendix 1 – Self Build Policy Appendix 2 – Self Build Guidance Appendix 3 – List of Proposed Self-Build Sites Appendix 3a – Christian Street Site Particulars Appendix 3b – Lark Row Site Particulars</p> |

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| | Appendix 4 – Assessment Criteria Appendix 5 – Guide to Bidders Appendix 6 – S106 Affordability in perpetuity example clauses Appendix 7 – Draft Lease Appendix 8– Equality Assessment Quality Assurance Checklist | | |
| Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why? | No, Unrestricted | | |
| Title of Report | New Electric Vehicle Charging Delivery Plan 2021-2025 and funding towards new public charging points. | Ward All Wards | Key Decision? Yes |
| Summary of Decision | Part 1: Approval of new EV Charging Delivery Plan for 2021-2025. This document sets out our approach to charging points delivery over the next 5 years. Part 2: Approval for £500,000 of CIL funding to facilitate a £1,500,000 bid to the OZEV (Office for Zero Emission Vehicles). The total of £2,000,000 would fund the installation of 250 public fast chargers (7kw-22kw) across the borough by the end of March 2023 as set out in the EV Charging Delivery Plan. | | |

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| Decision maker Date of decision | Cabinet 22/09/21 |
| Community Plan Theme | A borough that our residents are proud of and love to live in |
| Cabinet Member | Cabinet Member for Environment and Public Realm (Job Share) - Lead on Environment, Cabinet Member for Environment and Public Realm (Job Share) - Lead on Public Realm |
| Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place | N/A Once the locations of charging points and their associated parking bays are agreed internally, they will be subject to a public consultation. |
| 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 (Divisional Director, Public Realm) dan.jones@towerhamlets.gov.uk |
| What supporting documents or other information will be | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Growth in demand for EV Charging in LBTH (Produced by Consultants Steer) • Economic Feasibility Report (Produced by Consultants Steer) |

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| Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why? | No, Unrestricted | | |
| Title of Report | Service Action Plan: Improving Air Quality in Tower Hamlets | Ward All Wards | Key Decision? Yes |
| Summary of Decision | This item is the action plan in response to the overview and scrutiny challenge session on the council's air quality commitments and impacts on residents' health outcomes. | | |

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| Decision maker Date of decision | Cabinet 08/09/21 |
| Community Plan Theme | TH Plan 4: Better health and wellbeing. |
| Cabinet Member | Cabinet Member for Environment and Public Realm (Job Share) - Lead on Environment, Cabinet Member for Environment and Public Realm (Job Share) - Lead on Public Realm |
| Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place | N/A Internal discussion across three directorates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health Adults and Communities • Governance • Place Key VCS Partners invited to challenge session: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Natalie Curd - Idling Action London Project Lead • James Wheale - Susans Tower Hamlets Project Officer |
| 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 (Divisional Director, Public Realm) dan.jones@towerhamlets.gov.uk |
| What supporting documents or other information will be available? | The Environment and Community Safety Scrutiny Challenge Session Report: Examining the council's air quality commitments and impacts on residents' health outcomes |
| Is there an intention to | No, Unrestricted |

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| consider this report in private session and if so why? | | | |
| Title of Report | LB Tower Hamlets Poverty Review | Ward All Wards | Key Decision? No |
| Summary of Decision | The review will consider the borough's approach to tackling poverty, the impact of the pandemic, and make short and long term recommendations to inform future short term and longer-term poverty reduction interventions by the council and its partners. | | |

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| Decision maker Date of decision | Cabinet 22/09/21 | | |
| Community Plan Theme | All Priorities | | |
| Cabinet Member | Statutory Deputy Mayor for Community Safety, Faith and Equalities | | |
| Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place | Residents Partner organisations C&C; HAC; Place DLT No formal consultation required. However Call for evidence : online and via postboxes at Idea Stores Focus groups and partner engagement with statutory and VCS partners Community researcher workshops led by Toynbee hall | | |
| Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment? | No | | |
| Contact details for comments or additional information | Sharon Godman (Director, Strategy, Improvement and Transformation) sharon.godman@towerhamlets.gov.uk | | |
| What supporting documents or other information will be available? | 1. Review Scope 2. Overview of review process 3. LBTH poverty interventions 4. Poverty Profile 5. Resident and stakeholder engagement findings | | |
| Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why? | No, Unrestricted | | |
| Title of Report | IT Recurring Contracts | Ward | Key Decision? |

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| | | All Wards | Yes |
| Summary of Decision | The Council holds a large number of contracts for IT applications and other services where the cost of change is likely to exceed any saving from re-procurement and needs to agree an appropriate way of managing these following the end of its strategic partnership which previously managed these arrangements. | | |

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| Decision maker Date of decision | Cabinet 08/09/21 | | |
| Community Plan Theme | A dynamic outcomes-based Council using digital innovation and partnership working | | |
| Cabinet Member | Cabinet Member for Resources and the Voluntary Sector | | |
| Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place | Digital Portfolio Board Discussion at Digital Portfolio Board | | |
| Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment? | No | | |
| Contact details for comments or additional information | Adrian Gorst (Divisional Director, IT) adrian.gorst@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? | Fully Exempt (the whole report will be exempt) | | |
| Title of Report | Report on the outcome of public representations received in response to the statutory Notice on the proposal to amalgamate Harry Roberts Nursery and Ben Jonson Primary School | Ward All Wards | Key Decision? Yes |
| Summary of Decision | This report informs the council of the outcome of the four week period of public representation in response to the statutory notice on the proposal for the amalgamation (merger) of Harry Roberts Nursery and Ben Jonson Primary School from 1 January 2022. This would require the closure of Harry Roberts Nursery School and extending the age range of Ben Jonson Primary School, to establish a three form entry | | |

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| | <p>(3FE), all-through 3-11 Primary School with 60 FTE Nursery</p> <p>It recommends for the Mayor in cabinet to consider a decision on whether or not to formally proceed with plans for the schools' merger that would take effect from the 1st January 2022. Harry Roberts Nursery School would therefore officially close on 31st December 2021</p> <p>The report includes a summary of representations received and any responses made; risk and opportunities; officer's recommendations; decisions available to the Mayor in Cabinet</p> |
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| Decision maker Date of decision | Cabinet 22/09/21 |
| Community Plan Theme | TH Plan 1: A better deal for children and young people: aspiration, education and skills |
| Cabinet Member | Deputy Mayor for Children, Youth Services and Education |
| Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place | <p>Along with the general public, the following stakeholders will be invited to make representations: Parents and carers, students, Roman Catholic and Church of England Dioceses, Council of Mosques, Head Teachers, school staff, school governors, neighbouring Local Authorities, the National Education Union. Secretary of State for Education</p> <p>A stage one consultation held from 8th February to 19th March 2021, was followed by Cabinet on 28 April 2021 agreeing to publish a statutory notice and proposal, for a four week formal consultation in the Summer Term. During this statutory consultation period all interested stakeholders will be invited to send any comments and/or objections to the Council. The statutory notice will be published at the schools' and on the Council website and advertised in the Docklands & East London Advertiser.</p> |
| Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment? | EIA has been carried out |
| Contact details for comments or additional information | Steve Nyakatawa (Director of Education) steve.nyakatawa@towerhamlets.gov.uk |
| What supporting documents or other information will be available? | EIA Carried out as per the FP1 |
| 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 Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic Inequalities Commission Action Plan | Ward All Wards | Key Decision? No |
| Summary of Decision | <p>This report submits the action plan response to the findings of the Tower Hamlets Black, Asian & Minority Ethnic Inequalities Commission.</p> <p>The Commission made 23 recommendations across areas of community leadership, health, education, and employment. The action plan details what the council, and the wider partnership, will do to respond to the recommendations and improve outcomes for the borough's Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic communities.</p> | | |

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| Decision maker Date of decision | Cabinet 22/09/21 |
| Community Plan Theme | All Priorities |
| Cabinet Member | Statutory Deputy Mayor for Community Safety, Faith and Equalities |
| Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place | <p>Council services including: HR, SPP, Communications, Public Health, Procurement, Integrated Commissioning, Growth & Economic Development, Education & Partnership.</p> <p>Tower Hamlets Partnership Executive Group, Health & Wellbeing Board, Children's & Families Partnership, and Growth & Economic Development Board,</p> <p>The actions set out in this plan are in response to evidence based recommendations made by the Commission. To provide an adequate, well rounded response services across the council and the wider Tower Hamlets Partnership Executive Group have been engaged to understand what actions can be delivered</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 | Sharon Godman (Director, Strategy, Improvement and Transformation) sharon.godman@towerhamlets.gov.uk |
| What supporting documents or other information will be available? | Tower Hamlets Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic Inequalities Commission Report |
| Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so | No, Unrestricted |

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| Title of Report | Understanding the impact of Covid-19 in Tower Hamlets – follow-up | Ward All Wards | Key Decision? No |
| Summary of Decision | This report identifies and quantifies the wider impact of Covid-19 pandemic on Tower Hamlets, looking at a number of key areas. It predicts the future impact on residents and businesses over the medium and long term, identifying challenges and opportunities going forward. This report is a follow-up to an impact assessment presented to Cabinet in July 2020. | | |

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| Decision maker Date of decision | Cabinet 22/09/21 | | |
| Community Plan Theme | All Priorities | | |
| Cabinet Member | Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member for Adults, Health and Wellbeing | | |
| Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place | None None | | |
| Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment? | No | | |
| Contact details for comments or additional information | Sharon Godman, Denise Radley (Director, Strategy, Improvement and Transformation) sharon.godman@towerhamlets.gov.uk, (Corporate Director, Health, Adults & Community) denise.radley@towerhamlets.gov.uk | | |
| What supporting documents or other information will be available? | n/a – the report will consist of a covering report and the Impact Assessment | | |
| Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why? | No, Unrestricted | | |
| Title of Report | Contracts Forward Plan 2021/22 – Quarter Two | Ward All Wards | Key Decision? Yes |
| Summary of Decision | This report presents the contracts being procured during quarter two. The report also sets out the Contracts Forward Plan at Appendix 2 to the report. 2. The report asks for confirmation that all contracts can proceed to contract | | |

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| Decision maker Date of decision | Cabinet 22/09/21 | | |
| Community Plan Theme | All Priorities | | |
| Cabinet Member | Cabinet Member for Resources and the Voluntary Sector | | |
| Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place | As above Necessary consultation will be undertaken in accordance with the council's policies and procedures. Where required, consultation with service users and stakeholders will be undertaken as part of the project and budget approval process | | |
| Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment? | No. Contact specific EQIA is expected to be completed by respective contract owners as part of the Directorate approval | | |
| Contact details for comments or additional information | Hitesh Jolapara (Interim Divisional Director, Finance, Procurement & Audit) hitesh.jolapara@towerhamlets.gov.uk | | |
| What supporting documents or other information will be available? | Report and appendices include details of all contracts to be awarded | | |
| Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why? | No, Unrestricted | | |
| Title of Report | Strategic delivery and performance reporting – Q1 2021/22 | Ward All Wards | Key Decision? No |
| Summary of Decision | This report provides the Mayor in Cabinet with an update on the delivery and implementation of the council's Strategic Plan | | |

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| Decision maker Date of decision | Cabinet 22/09/21 |
| Community Plan Theme | A borough that our residents are proud of and love to live in |
| Cabinet Member | Mayor |

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| Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place | N/A No | | |
| Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment? | No | | |
| Contact details for comments or additional information | Sharon Godman (Director, Strategy, Improvement and Transformation) sharon.godman@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 | | |
| Title of Report | Fees and Charges 2022-23 | Ward All Wards | Key Decision? Yes |
| Summary of Decision | Fees and charges are reviewed annually as part of the financial and business planning process. This ensures that they are set at the appropriate level for the prevailing economic circumstances and represent good practice in terms of the Council's aim to provide value for money. | | |

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| Decision maker Date of decision | Cabinet 27/10/21 |
| Community Plan Theme | A borough that our residents are proud of and love to live in |
| Cabinet Member | Cabinet Member for Resources and the Voluntary Sector |
| Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place | The Mayor, Lead Member for Resources and Voluntary Sector; and the Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Committee will be consulted. The Mayor, Lead Member for Resources and Voluntary Sector; and the Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Committee will be consulted. |
| Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment? | EIAs are being carried out for any new charges and where charges have increased above inflation. |
| Contact details for | Hitesh Jolapara |

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| comments or additional information | (Interim Divisional Director, Finance, Procurement & Audit) hitesh.jolapara@towerhamlets.gov.uk | | |
| What supporting documents or other information will be available? | N/A | | |
| Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why? | No, Unrestricted | | |
| Title of Report | Review of the Licensing Act Cumulative Impact Assessments | Ward Bethnal Green; Spitalfields & Banglatown; St Peter's; Weavers | Key Decision? No |
| Summary of Decision | A review of the consultation on the cumulative impact assessment for licensed premises within Brick Lane and Bethnal Green. | | |

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| Decision maker Date of decision | Council 17/11/21 |
| Community Plan Theme | A borough that our residents are proud of and love to live in; TH Plan 3: Strong, resilient and safe communities |
| Cabinet Member | Cabinet Member for Environment and Public Realm (Job Share) - Lead on Public Realm |
| Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place | A full 12 week open consultation has been undertaken and is submitted as part of the report |
| Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment? | No |
| Contact details for comments or additional information | Dan Jones (Divisional Director, Public Realm) dan.jones@towerhamlets.gov.uk |
| What supporting documents or other information will be available? | |
| 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 Digital Inclusion Strategy and Action Plan | Ward All Wards | Key Decision? No |
| Summary of Decision | A strategy and action plan to improve digital inclusion across Tower Hamlets in partnership | | |

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| Decision maker Date of decision | Cabinet 27/10/21 | | |
| Community Plan Theme | A borough that our residents are proud of and love to live in | | |
| Cabinet Member | Cabinet Member for Planning and Social Inclusion (Job Share) - Lead on Planning | | |
| Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place | <p>The Mayor and Cabinet, Senior officers and service managers Key Partners (PEG), community groups and residents</p> <p>A cross-organisational steering group will develop the strategy and action plan consulting a range of organisations and residents through surveys, one to one conversations, community researchers and evidence gathered in steering group meetings</p> | | |
| Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment? | The Equality Impact Assessment of the strategy and action plan will be completed as part of the drafting process and will be finalised before draft report goes to CLT | | |
| Contact details for comments or additional information | Sharon Godman (Director, Strategy, Improvement and Transformation) sharon.godman@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 | | |
| Title of Report | Medium Term Financial Strategy Refresh 2022-25 | Ward All Wards | Key Decision? No |
| Summary of Decision | <p>A refresh of the Council's Medium Term Financial Strategy from 2022-23 to 2024-25.</p> <p>Setting out issues and actions which inform the development of the Council's MTFs for 2022-2025 including timescales and next steps.</p> | | |

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| Decision maker Date of decision | Cabinet 27/10/21 | | |
| Community Plan Theme | A borough that our residents are proud of and love to live in | | |
| Cabinet Member | Cabinet Member for Resources and the Voluntary Sector | | |
| Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place | The Mayor, Lead Member for Resources and Voluntary Sector; and the Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Committee will be consulted. Consultation will take place during CLT and MAB meetings. | | |
| 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 | Hitesh Jolapara (Interim Divisional Director, Finance, Procurement & Audit) hitesh.jolapara@towerhamlets.gov.uk | | |
| What supporting documents or other information will be available? | N/A | | |
| Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why? | No, Unrestricted | | |
| Title of Report | Delivery Report – Local Economic Support | Ward All Wards | Key Decision? No |
| Summary of Decision | This report sets out the Council's delivery activity in the area of local economic support (including employment & skills, and business support) | | |

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| Decision maker Date of decision | Cabinet 27/10/21 | | |
| Community Plan Theme | A borough that our residents are proud of and love to live in | | |
| Cabinet Member | Cabinet Member for Work and Economic Growth | | |
| Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place | N/A N/A | | |
| Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the | N/A | | |

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| result of this Assessment? | | | |
| Contact details for comments or additional information | Vicky Clark (Divisional Director for Growth and Economic Development) vicky.clark@towerhamlets.gov.uk | | |
| What supporting documents or other information will be available? | N/A | | |
| Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why? | No, Unrestricted | | |
| Title of Report | Progress of the Homelessness Transformation Programme seeking the approval of the revised Homelessness Accommodation Placement Policy and the introduction of a 'Non-cooperation' Procedure | Ward All Wards | Key Decision? Yes |
| Summary of Decision | <p>Cabinet are asked to note the scope and progress made by the Homelessness Transformation Programme to date.</p> <p>In addition, approval is sought from Cabinet to update the council's Accommodation Placement policy to take into account the provisions of the Homelessness Reduction Act (2017) and how the council as a local housing authority will procure and allocate accommodation in the private rented sector to prevent and relieve homelessness.</p> <p>Further, approval is also sought from Cabinet to introduce a procedure for officers to follow in the instance where an applicant, who is homeless, or threatened with homelessness, deliberately and unreasonably refuses to co-operate with reasonable steps taken to prevent or relieve their homelessness. This procedure will be followed where an officer wants to discharge duty where the applicant deliberately and unreasonably refuses cooperate (sections 193B and 193C Housing Act 1996).</p> <p>This report also cites proposals currently under consideration by officers, which intend to align the council's Common Housing Register Allocations Scheme with upstream homelessness prevention. The proposals will be developed further and brought forward by officers to members in due course.</p> | | |

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| Decision maker | Cabinet |
| Date of decision | 27/10/21 |
| Community Plan Theme | A borough that our residents are proud of and love to live in |
| Cabinet Member | Cabinet Member for Housing |

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| Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place | N/A N/A | | |
| 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 | Karen Swift (Divisional Director, Housing and Regeneration) Karen.Swift@towerhamlets.gov.uk | | |
| What supporting documents or other information will be available? | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Homelessness Accommodation Placement Policy - Deliberate and unreasonable refusal to co-operate procedure | | |
| Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why? | No, Unrestricted | | |
| Title of Report | 2022-23 Budget Consultation Outcome | Ward All Wards | Key Decision? No |
| Summary of Decision | This report presents the outcome of the 2022-23 budget consultation with businesses, residents and key stakeholders. | | |

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| Decision maker Date of decision | Cabinet 24/11/21 |
| Community Plan Theme | A borough that our residents are proud of and love to live in |
| Cabinet Member | Cabinet Member for Resources and the Voluntary Sector |
| Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place | Businesses, Residents & Key Stakeholders Public Consultation - 10 September 2021 to 22 October 2021 |
| 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 | Kevin Bartle (Interim Corporate Director, Resources and Section 151 Officer) Kevin.Bartle@towerhamlets.gov.uk |

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| What supporting documents or other information will be available? | N/A | | |
| Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why? | No, Unrestricted | | |
| Title of Report | Contracts Forward Plan 2021/22 – Quarter Three | Ward All Wards | Key Decision? Yes |
| Summary of Decision | This report presents the contracts being procured during quarter three. The report also sets out the Contracts Forward Plan at Appendix 2 to the report. 2. The report asks for confirmation that all contracts can proceed to contract award after tender | | |

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| Decision maker Date of decision | Cabinet 24/11/21 |
| Community Plan Theme | All Priorities |
| Cabinet Member | Cabinet Member for Resources and the Voluntary Sector |
| Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place | As above Necessary consultation will be undertaken in accordance with the council's policies and procedures. Where required, consultation with service users and stakeholders will be undertaken as part of the project and budget approval process |
| Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment? | No. Contact specific EQIA is expected to be completed by respective contract owners as part of the Directorate approval |
| Contact details for comments or additional information | Hitesh Jolapara (Interim Divisional Director, Finance, Procurement & Audit) hitesh.jolapara@towerhamlets.gov.uk |
| What supporting documents or other information will be available? | Report and appendices include details of all contracts to be awarded |
| Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so | No, Unrestricted |

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| why? | | | |
| Title of Report | Strategic delivery and performance reporting – Q2 2021/22 | Ward All Wards | Key Decision? No |
| Summary of Decision | This report provides the Mayor in Cabinet with an update on the delivery and implementation of the council's Strategic Plan | | |

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| Decision maker Date of decision | Cabinet 24/11/21 |
| Community Plan Theme | A borough that our residents are proud of and love to live in |
| Cabinet Member | Mayor |
| Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place | N/A N/A |
| Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment? | No |
| Contact details for comments or additional information | Sharon Godman (Director, Strategy, Improvement and Transformation) sharon.godman@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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| <p>Overview and Scrutiny Committee</p> <p>20 September 2021</p> |  |
| <p>Report of: Will Tuckley, Chief Executive</p> | <p>Classification: Unrestricted</p> |
| <p>Strategic performance and delivery reporting – Q1 2021/22</p> | |

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| <p>Originating Officer(s)</p> | <p>Sharon Godman – Divisional Director Strategy, Policy & Performance</p> |
| <p>Wards affected</p> | <p>All wards</p> |

Summary

The report: Strategic performance and delivery reporting – Q1 2021/22 is going to Cabinet on 22 September 2021 , and provides an update on the delivery and implementation of the council’s Strategic Plan throughout 2021/22

Recommendations:

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee is recommended to:

1. To note the Quarter 1 summary status, performance of the strategic measures at the end of Q1, and to note progress in delivering Strategic Plan activities.
2. Consider areas of concern (e.g. poor performance) in developing per-decision scrutiny questions

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| <p>Overview and Scrutiny Committee</p> <p>20 September 2021</p> |  |
| <p>Report of: Kevin Bartle, Interim Corporate Director - Resources</p> | <p>Classification: Unrestricted</p> |
| <p>P3 Budget monitoring report 21/22</p> | |

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| <p>Originating Officer(s)</p> | <p>Filuck Miah</p> |
| <p>Wards affected</p> | <p>All wards</p> |

Summary

P3 budget monitoring report is going to Cabinet on 22 September 2021 and includes details about General Fund revenue, Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG), Housing Revenue Account (HRA) and progress made against savings targets.

Recommendations:

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee is recommended to:

1. To note the Council’s progress and position to date on its P3 budget monitoring report; and
2. Consider areas of concern (e.g. revenue overspends, savings target) in developing scrutiny questions.

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| <p style="text-align: center;">Overview and Scrutiny Committee</p> <p style="text-align: center;">20 September 2021</p> |  |
| <p>Report of: Sharon Godman – Divisional Director Strategy, Policy & Performance</p> | <p>Classification: Unrestricted</p> |
| <p>Digital Inclusion</p> | |

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| Originating Officer(s) | Filuck Miah |
| Wards affected | All wards |

Summary

The presentation outlines a summary of the work undertaken to date for the development of policy to address digital exclusion including working with key stakeholders/ partners, utilising the different resources; approach for upskilling local people.

Recommendations:

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee is recommended to:

1. To note the work undertaken so far in developing its approach to digital inclusion; and
2. Consider gaps and feed into the draft digital inclusion policy.

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