

# Cabinet



Wednesday, 10 July 2024 at 5.30 p.m.

Council Chamber - Town Hall, Whitechapel

## Agenda

### Mayor Lutfur Rahman

### Cabinet Members

Councillor Maium Talukdar	(Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member for Education, Youth and Lifelong Learning (Statutory Deputy Mayor))
Councillor Kabir Ahmed	(Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Inclusive Development and Housebuilding)
Councillor Musthak Ahmed	(Cabinet Member for Jobs, Enterprise, Skills and Growth)
Councillor Saied Ahmed	(Cabinet Member for Resources and the Cost of Living)
Councillor Shafi Ahmed	(Cabinet Member for Environment and the Climate Emergency)
Councillor Kamrul Hussain	(Cabinet Member for Culture and Recreation)
Councillor Gulam Kibria Choudhury	(Cabinet Member for Health, Wellbeing and Social Care)
Councillor Abu Chowdhury	(Cabinet Member for Safer Communities)
Councillor Abdul Wahid	(Cabinet Member for Customer Service, Equalities and Social Inclusion)

[The quorum for Cabinet is 3 Members]

### Further Information

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## A Guide to CABINET

### Decision Making at Tower Hamlets

As Tower Hamlets operates the Directly Elected Mayor system, **Mayor Lutfur Rahman** holds Executive powers and takes decisions at Cabinet or through Individual Mayoral Decisions. The Mayor has appointed nine Councillors to advise and support him and they, with him, form the Cabinet. Their details are set out on the front of the agenda.

### Which decisions are taken by Cabinet?

Executive decisions are all decisions that aren't specifically reserved for other bodies (such as Development or Licensing Committees). In particular, Executive Key Decisions are taken by the Mayor either at Cabinet or as Individual Mayoral Decisions.

The constitution describes Key Decisions as an executive decision which is likely

- a) to result in the local authority incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, above £1million; or
- b) to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards in the borough.

Upcoming Key Decisions are published on the website on the 'Forthcoming Decisions' page through [www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/committee](http://www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/committee)

### Published Decisions and Call-Ins

Once the meeting decisions have been published, any 5 Councillors may submit a Call-In to the Service Head, Democratic Services requesting that a decision be reviewed. This halts the decision until it has been reconsidered.

- The decisions will be published on: **Friday, 12 July 2024**
- The deadline for call-ins is: **Friday, 19 July 2024**

Any Call-Ins will be considered at the next meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee. The Committee can reject the call-in or they can agree it and refer the decision back to the Mayor, with their recommendations, for his final consideration.

### Public Engagement at Cabinet

The main focus of Cabinet is as a decision-making body. However there is an opportunity for the public to contribute through making submissions that specifically relate to the reports set out on the agenda.

Members of the public may make written submissions in any form (for example; Petitions, letters, written questions) to the Clerk to Cabinet (details on the previous page) by 5 pm the day before the meeting.

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### **PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION**

There will be an opportunity (up to 15 minutes) for members of the public to put questions to the Mayor and Cabinet Members before the Cabinet commences its consideration of the substantive business set out in the agenda.

#### **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

To receive any apologies for absence.

#### **2. DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND OTHER INTERESTS**

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Members are reminded to consider the categories of interest, identified 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, see the attached note from the Monitoring Officer.

Members are also reminded to declare the nature of the interest at the earliest opportunity and the agenda item it relates to. Please note that ultimately it is the Members' responsibility to identify any interests and also update their register of interests form as required by the Code.

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

#### **3. UNRESTRICTED MINUTES**

To Follow

The unrestricted minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on Wednesday 16 May 2024 are presented for approval.

#### **4. ANNOUNCEMENTS (IF ANY) FROM THE MAYOR**

#### **5. OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

##### **5.1 Chair's Advice of Key Issues or Questions**

Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Committee (OSC) to report on any issues raised by the OSC in relation to unrestricted business to be considered.

## 5.2 Any Unrestricted Decisions "Called in" by the Overview & Scrutiny Committee

(Under provisions of Section 30, Rule 59 of the Constitution).

## 6. UNRESTRICTED REPORTS FOR CONSIDERATION

<b>6.1</b>	<b>Budget Monitoring 2023/24 Provisional Outturn</b>	<b>13 - 78</b>
<b>Report Summary:</b> Budget Monitoring 2023/24 Provisional Outturn		
<b>Wards:</b> All Wards		
<b>Lead Member:</b> Cabinet Member for Resources and the Cost of Living		
<b>Corporate Priority:</b> All Priorities		
<b>6.2</b>	<b>Record of Corporate Directors Actions 2023/24 Q4</b>	<b>79 - 86</b>
<b>Report Summary:</b> This report sets out, for noting by Cabinet, the Corporate Director's Actions taken under Rule 10 (section 50 Record of Corporate Director's Actions (RCDA) - Waiving of Procurement Procedures) in Part C – Codes and Protocols of the Council's constitution. The section states that Corporate Director's Actions in respect of contracts over £100,000 must be reported to Cabinet for noting and this report fulfils this requirement.		
<b>Wards:</b> All Wards		
<b>Lead Member:</b> Cabinet Member for Resources and the Cost of Living		
<b>Corporate Priority:</b> All Priorities		



6 .3 Procurement Transformation Programme	To Follow
<b>Report Summary:</b>	
<p>This report provides a progress update on the Procurement Transformation Programme. The proposed changes respond to significant procurement failures and historical challenges that have left the Council exposed to undue risk and service failure and ensures full and exemplary compliance with the new Procurement Act 2023 that comes into force in October 2024, and the NHS Provider Selection Regime (PSR) which came into effect in January 2024. The proposed transformation programme includes an accelerated delivery plan for the upcoming changes. Those changes will ensure the Mayoral commitment to sound competitive processes providing opportunities for local and small business to trade with the council are realised quickly. This is aligned to the underlying principles of the new Procurement Act 2023.</p>	
<b>Wards:</b>	All
<b>Lead Member:</b>	Cabinet Member for Resources, and the Cost of Living
<b>Corporate Priority:</b>	All Priorities

6 .4 Annual Strategic Delivery & Performance Report 23/24	To Follow
<b>Report Summary:</b>	
<p>This report provides the Mayor in Cabinet with a Quarter 4 monitoring update of the Year 2 Annual Delivery Plan 2023-24 performance measures and annual deliverables.</p>	
<p>The delivery status of operations relevant to the council's strategic objectives is reported with the intention to give a clear understanding of the council's current performance.</p>	
<p>This data is provided to inform any necessary decisions or actions arising from current operational delivery.</p>	
<b>Wards:</b>	All Wards
<b>Lead Member:</b>	Mayor
<b>Corporate Priority:</b>	All Priorities

6 .5 Tower Hamlets Local Plan 2038 – Proposed Submission Version	87 - 100
<b>Report Summary:</b>	
<p>This report seeks approval to publish the proposed submission version of the Local Plan and associated documents and undertake the statutory Regulation 19 consultation on those documents.</p>	
<b>Wards:</b>	All Wards
<b>Lead Member:</b>	Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Inclusive Development and Housebuilding





**Corporate Priority:** Homes for the future  
Boost culture, business, jobs and leisure  
A clean and green future  
A council that works for you and listens to you

**6 .6 Approval of the council's revised Homelessness Accommodation Placement Policy 101 - 158**

**Report Summary:**

The Mayor and Cabinet are asked to approve:

- The council's revised Homelessness Accommodation Placement Policy

In addition, permission is sought from the Mayor and Cabinet, should any further amendments be required as a result of legislation or case law, to delegate approval of subsequent amendments to the document to the council's Corporate Director of Housing and Regeneration.

The council's revised Homelessness Accommodation Placement Policy clearly sets out the council's approach as to how officers will use available housing stock to discharge the council's statutory homelessness duties and responsibilities. The policy will ensure that the council follows current legislation and provides a reference point for Housing Options staff to make their decisions.

**Wards:** All Wards  
**Lead Member:** Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Inclusive Development and Housebuilding  
**Corporate Priority:** Homes for the future

**6 .7 Improving our homelessness services - update To Follow**

**Report Summary:**

This report provides an update made on the Mayoral decisions taken in Cabinet on 16 May 2024 to improve our Homelessness services. The focus in the past weeks has been on achieving immediate improvements and includes actions to improve the customer experience, enhance staff wellbeing and meet the increase in demand.

**Wards:** All Wards.  
**Lead Member:** Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Inclusive Development and Housebuilding  
**Corporate Priority:** A clean and green future

**6 .8 Annual Report on School Performance for 2022-2023 159 - 176**



**Report Summary:**

This report provides an overview of education performance in the school year 2022/23.

A summary analysis of the 2023 results, compared to previous years, is provided for national average attainment including for Children in Our Care (CIOC). The report highlights successes, challenges and barriers to further progress. The report also highlights THEP support and interventions in primary and secondary schools to raise achievement through system leadership.

**Wards:** All Wards  
**Lead Member:** Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member for Education and Lifelong Learning (Statutory Deputy Mayor)  
**Corporate Priority:** A council that works for you and listens to you

<b>6 .9 Interim use of former Shapla School Site</b>	<b>To Follow</b>
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**Report Summary:**

This report seeks the approval of Cabinet for the former Shapla School site to be allocated as the agreed decant site for the Council services identified in this report from the Professional Development Centre and Commercial Road site until 2030.

We request the site is retained for interim use within the Council rather than meanwhile use. This is a change to the original decision in October 2021 Cabinet that the site be considered for meanwhile use pending disposal

**Wards:** Whitechapel  
**Lead Member:** Cabinet Member for Resources and the Cost of Living  
**Corporate Priority:** Accelerate Education

<b>6 .10 Market Designation (Columbia Road, Watney, Whitechapel)</b>	<b>To Follow</b>
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**Report Summary:**

The proposal is to increase the designated pitch sizes at Columbia Road, Watney and Whitechapel Markets and also designate an additional area at Columbia Road. This is to regularised an established trading pattern

**Wards:** Shadwell; Spitalfields & Banglatown; Weavers  
**Lead Member:** Cabinet Member for Environment and the Climate Emergency  
**Corporate Priority:** A council that works for you and listens to you

<b>6 .11 Market &amp; Street Trading Fees &amp; Charges 2024/25</b>	<b>To Follow</b>
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**Report Summary:**

The proposal is to implement the new fees & charges for Markets & Street Trading for 2024/25

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**Wards:**  
**Lead Member:**  
**Corporate Priority:**

**6 .12 LBTH Productivity Plan**

**To Follow**

**Report Summary:**

The LBTH Productivity Plan is in response to a letter sent to all council chief executives on 19 April 2024 by the Minister for Local Government, Simon Hoare, asking all councils to produce Productivity Plans. These plans are to help the department understand what is working well, common themes and future opportunities.

Councils must hand in their productivity plans by 19 July 2024, as well as uploading the plans on the council's website for residents to see.

**Wards:** All Wards  
**Lead Member:** Mayor  
**Corporate Priority:** All Priorities

**6 .13 Nominations to Outside Bodies**

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**Report Summary:**

It is the responsibility of the Mayor to nominate representatives to certain Outside Bodies on behalf of Tower Hamlets Council.

This report proposes changes to nominees to outside bodies for the Mayor to consider. Although all appointments are reviewed regularly, they are, unless stated elsewhere in this report, valid until such time as they are amended or renewed by a Mayoral decision.

**Wards:** All Wards  
**Lead Member:** Mayor  
**Corporate Priority:** All Priorities

**7. ANY OTHER UNRESTRICTED BUSINESS CONSIDERED TO BE URGENT**

**8. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**



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Should the Mayor in Cabinet consider it necessary, it is recommended that the following motion be adopted to allow consideration of any exempt/restricted documents.

“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”.

### **EXEMPT/CONFIDENTIAL SECTION (PINK)**

The Exempt / Confidential (Pink) Committee papers in the Agenda will contain information, which is commercially, legally or personally sensitive and should not be divulged to third parties. If you do not wish to retain these papers after the meeting, please hand them to the Committee Officer present.

## **9. EXEMPT / CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES**

Nil items.

## **10. OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

### **10.1 Chair's Advice of Key Issues or Questions in Relation to Exempt / Confidential Business**

Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Committee (OSC) to report on any issues raised by the OSC in relation to exempt/confidential business to be considered.

### **10.2 Any Exempt / Confidential Decisions "Called in" by the Overview & Scrutiny Committee**

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## **11. EXEMPT / CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS FOR CONSIDERATION**

## **12. ANY OTHER EXEMPT/ CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS CONSIDERED TO BE URGENT**

### **Next Meeting of Cabinet:**

Wednesday, 24 July 2024 at 5.30 p.m. in Council Chamber - Town Hall, Whitechapel

