

Cabinet



Wednesday, 11 September 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

Reports for consideration, meeting contact details, public participation and more information on Cabinet decision-making is available on the following pages.



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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

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, 13 September 2024**
- The deadline for call-ins is: **Friday, 20 September 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

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The unrestricted minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on xxxxxx 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

6.1 Free Swimming Programme	27 - 44
Report Summary: This report updates MAB on the details of the introduction of a Free Swimming Programme targeted at women and girls over 16 and men over 55.	
Wards: All Wards	
Lead Member: Cabinet Member for Culture and Recreation	
Corporate Priority: Boost culture, business, jobs and leisure	
6.2 Be Well Leisure In-sourcing Capital Programme Update	45 - 54
Report Summary: Following the in-sourcing of the Be Well Leisure Service on 1st May 2024, the report identifies the capital funding required to carry out priority short-term improvements to Mile End Leisure Centre 3G outdoor sports pitches and York Hall Spa both of which provide a significant income contribution to the 10-year revenue model for the service.	
Wards: All Wards	
Lead Member: Cabinet Member for Culture and Recreation	
Corporate Priority: All Priorities	
6.3 Time Banded Collections (Waste Services)	55 - 102
Report Summary: Introduce time-banded collections of waste and recycling on selected high streets, town centres, and main commercial areas in the borough. This will require businesses and residents to present their waste for collection within specified time periods.	
Wards: All Wards	
Lead Member: Cabinet Member for Environment and the Climate Emergency	
Corporate Priority: A clean and green future	



6 .4	Whitechapel Market Stalls – Production and Installation Contract	103 - 116
<p>Report Summary: Approval is being sought to continue with the production and installation of new market stalls on Whitechapel Road following a successful trial period.</p> <p>The total cost of the contract is £3.8M with funding provided as part of the Levelling Up Fund</p> <p>Wards: Whitechapel Lead Member: Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Inclusive Development and Housebuilding Corporate Priority: Boost culture, business, jobs and leisure</p>		

6 .5	Serious Violence and Exploitation Strategy	117 - 224
<p>Report Summary: The Serious Violence Duty came into effect in Jan 2023, requiring police, councils and local services to work together to share information and target interventions to prevent and reduce serious violence. The authorities responsible were responsible for forming a relevant partnership, agreeing a local definition of serious violence, producing a serious violence needs assessment for the borough and using this to inform a strategic delivery plan for the partnership to tackle serious violence. The serious violence and exploitation strategy group is a sub-group of the Community Safety Partnership.</p> <p>This item presents the Draft Serious Violence and Exploitation Strategic Plan: formulated using the findings from the Serious Violence needs assessment, recommendations, engagement with professionals and wider consultation with our local residents (including children, young people and young adults).</p> <p>The Serious Violence Plan on a Page, produced in Jan 2024, has been used to consult the public and professionals on the proposed approach to tackling violence and exploitation: contributing to the development of the full strategic delivery plan.</p> <p>Wards: All Wards Lead Member: Cabinet Member for Safer Communities Corporate Priority: Empower Communities and Fight Crime</p>		

6 .6	Budget monitoring report 2024-25 – Quarter 1	225 - 272
<p>Report Summary: Budget monitoring report 2024-25 Quarter 1</p> <p>Wards: All Wards Lead Member: Cabinet Member for Resources and the Cost of Living Corporate Priority: All Priorities</p>		

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6 .7 Spitalfields & Banglatown masterplan SPD **273 - 344**

Report Summary:

Cabinet will be asked to approve the Spitalfields further informal engagement in November 2023 which consisted of two in-person workshops and a webinar.

Preparation of a draft document was carried out over December 2023 and January 2024. Formal public consultation took place from early-May to mid-June 2024. A wide range of community groups, residents, landowners, and other stakeholders have so far engaged with and will continue to be consulted on the SPD.

Adopting the Spitalfields

Wards: Spitalfields & Banglatown
Lead Member: Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Inclusive Development and Housebuilding
Corporate Priority: All Priorities

6 .8 Contracts Forward Plan – Q1 – FY 2024-2025 Addendum **345 - 356**

Report Summary:

This report presents the contracts being procured during quarter one. The report also sets out the Contracts Forward Plan at appendix 2 to this report.

The report asks for confirmation that all contracts can proceed to contract award after tender.

Wards: All Wards
Lead Member: Cabinet Member for Resources and the Cost of Living
Corporate Priority: All Priorities

6 .9 Council Housing Acquisitions Programme (CHAP) and Local Authority Housing Fund (LAHF R3) **To Follow**

Report Summary:

To approve the inclusion of two capital schemes, with external grant funding into the Council's housing capital programme.

External funding has been made available via the GLA for its Council Housing Acquisition Programme (CHAP), and MHCLG for its Local Authority Housing Fund Round 3 programme

Wards: All Wards
Lead Member: Cabinet Member for Resources and the Cost of Living
Corporate Priority: Homes for the future



Report Summary:

This report proposes changes to nominees to outside bodies for the Mayor to consider.

Wards: All Wards

Lead Member: Mayor

Corporate Priority: A council that works for you and listens to you

7. ANY OTHER UNRESTRICTED BUSINESS CONSIDERED TO BE URGENT

8. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

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”.

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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

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10 .2 Any Exempt / Confidential Decisions "Called in" by the Overview & Scrutiny Committee

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

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

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

Next Meeting of Cabinet:

Wednesday, 16 October 2024 at 5.30 p.m. in Council Chamber - Town Hall, Whitechapel



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