

Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Agenda

**Tuesday, 10 September 2024 at 6.30 p.m.
Council Chamber - Town Hall, Whitechapel**

Members:

Chair: Councillor Jahed Choudhury

Vice Chair: Councillor Bodrul Choudhury

Councillor Suluk Ahmed, Councillor Ahmodur Khan, Councillor Abdul Mannan, Councillor Bellal Uddin, Councillor Amina Ali, Councillor Asma Islam, Councillor Amy Lee, Councillor James King and Councillor Nathalie Bienfait

Co-opted Members:

Jahid Ahmed and Halima Islam

Substitutes: Councillor Ahmodul Kabir, Councillor Saif Uddin Khaled, Councillor Amin Rahman, Councillor Maisha Begum, Councillor Mufeedah Bustin and Councillor Marc Francis

[The quorum for this body is 3 voting Members]

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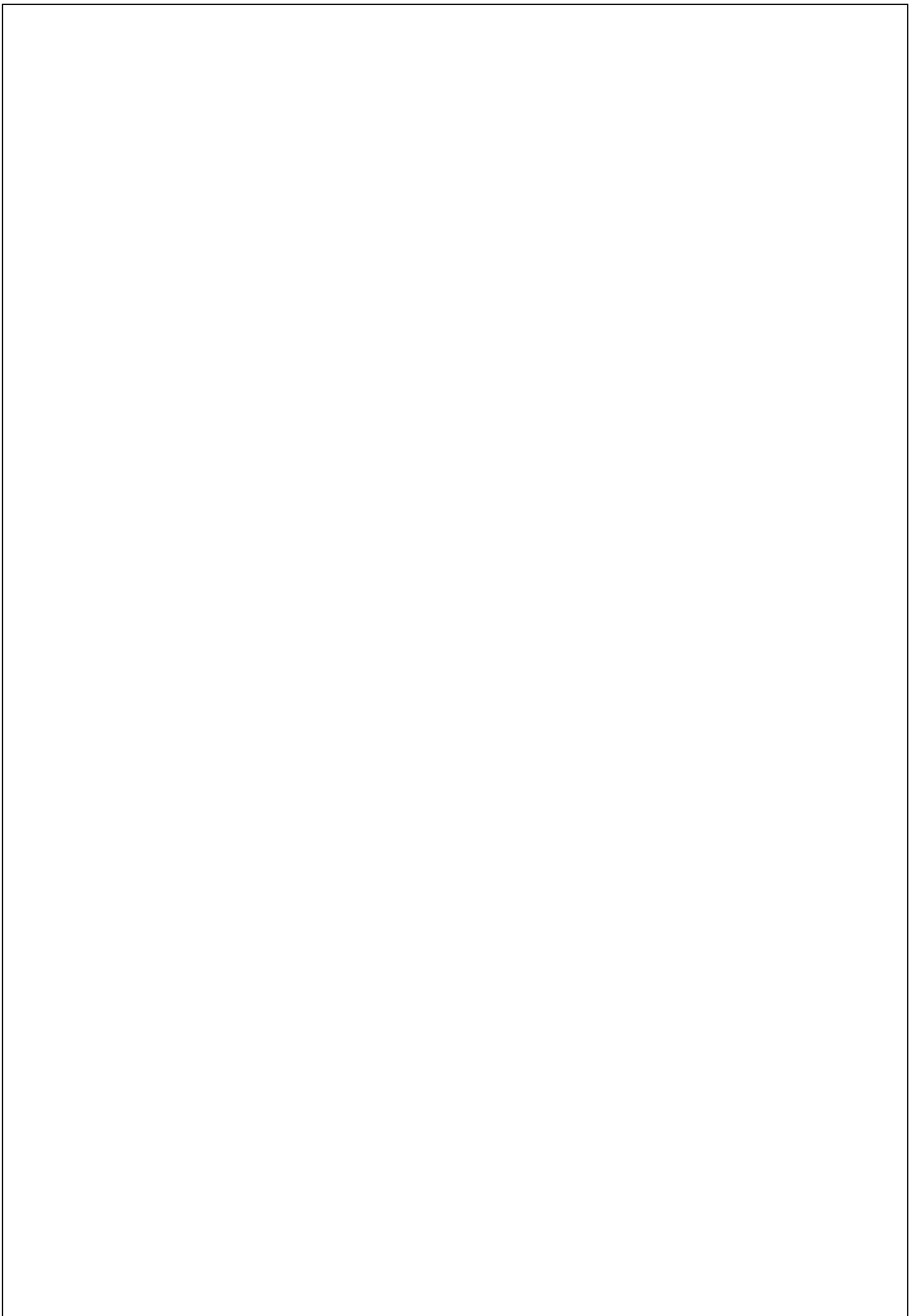
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London Borough of Tower Hamlets

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SECTION ONE

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies for absence.

2. DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST AND OTHER INTERESTS (PAGES 7 - 8)

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

3. UNRESTRICTED MINUTES (PAGES 9 - 22)

To confirm as a correct record of the proceedings the unrestricted minutes of the meetings of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 9 and 23 July 2024.

4. OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE QUERY AND ACTION LOG

5. UNRESTRICTED REPORTS 'CALLED IN'

No decisions of the Mayor in Cabinet in respect of unrestricted reports on the agenda were 'called in'.

6. REQUESTS TO SUBMIT PETITIONS

To receive any petitions (to be notified at the meeting)

7. UNRESTRICTED REPORTS FOR CONSIDERATION

The following items are due to be considered at the Cabinet meeting 11 July 2024. The committee is invited to consider the reports below:

7.1 Budget Monitoring 2024/25 Q1 (Pages 49 - 76)

8. SCRUTINY SPOTLIGHT

8.1 Business Rates Risks (Pages 77 - 90)

8.2 Transport Strategy (Pages 91 - 104)

9. LOCAL GOVERNMENT & SOCIAL CARE OMBUDSMAN FINAL DECISION AND SERVICE ACTION PLAN RESPONSE

10. FINAL OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME 2024-25

11. SCRUTINY ANNUAL REPORT 2023-24

12. SCRUTINY LEADS UPDATES

To hear updates from the Overview and Scrutiny Leads on their work across the Council.

13. PRE-DECISION SCRUTINY OF UNRESTRICTED CABINET PAPERS

To consider the agenda of the 11 July 2024 meeting of Cabinet and agree pre-decision scrutiny questions/comments.

The agenda can be found by following this [link](#).

14. FORTHCOMING DECISIONS (PAGES 231 - 264)

To review forthcoming decisions expected to be taken by the Mayor from the Executive Forward Plan and identify any areas for further Scrutiny for committee.

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

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



16. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

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

17. EXEMPT/ CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES

Nil Items.

18. EXEMPT/ CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS 'CALLED IN'

To consider any decisions of the Mayor in Cabinet in respect of exempt/ confidential reports on the agenda were 'called in'.

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

To consider the exempt/ confidential agenda of the 11 September 2024 meeting of Cabinet and agree pre-decision scrutiny questions/comments.

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

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

Next Meeting of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Tuesday, 15 October 2024 at 6.30 p.m. to be held in Council Chamber - Town Hall, Whitechapel

