

Meeting of the

# OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

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Tuesday, 7 February 2006 at 7.30 p.m.

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## A G E N D A

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### VENUE

Committee Room C1, 1st Floor, Town Hall, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove  
Crescent, London, E14 2BG

Members:	Deputies (if any):
Chair: Councillor Alan Amos Vice-Chair: Councillor A A Sardar	
Councillor Marian Williams Councillor Louise Alexander Councillor Khaled R Khan Councillor Salim Ullah Councillor Julian Sharpe Councillor Simon Rouse	Councillor John Griffiths, (Designated Deputy for Councillor Marian Williams) Councillor Janet Ludlow, (Designated Deputy for Councillor Louise Alexander)
<b>[Note: The quorum for this body is 4 voting Members].</b>	

Co-opted Members:
Mr C Iyobhebhe – Parent Governor Representative
Mr H Mueenuddin – Muslim Community Representative
Ms F Simmons – Parent Governor Representative
Reverend Prebendary R Swan – Church of England Representative
Mr D McLaughlin – Roman Catholic Diocese of Westminster Representative

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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 INTEREST

To note any declarations of interest made by Members, including those restricting Members from voting on the questions detailed in Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act, 1992.

#### Note from the Chief Executive

In accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct, Members must declare any **personal interests** they have in any item on the agenda or as they arise during the course of the meeting. Members must orally indicate to which item their interest relates. If a Member has a personal interest he/she must also consider whether or not that interest is a **prejudicial personal interest** and take the necessary action. When considering whether or not they have a declarable interest, Members should consult pages 181 to 184 of the Council's Constitution. Please note that all Members present at a Committee meeting (in whatever capacity) are required to declare any personal or prejudicial interests.

A **personal interest** is, generally, one that would affect a Member (either directly or through a connection with a relevant person or organisation) more than other people in London, in respect of the item of business under consideration at the meeting. If a member of the public, knowing all the relevant facts, would view a Member's personal interest in the item under consideration as so substantial that it would appear likely to prejudice the Member's judgement of the public interest, then the Member has a **prejudicial personal interest**.

#### Consequences:

- If a Member has a **personal interest**: he/she must declare the interest but can stay, speak and vote.
- If the Member has **prejudicial personal interest**: he/she must declare the interest, cannot speak or vote on the item and must leave the room.

When declaring an interest, Members are requested to specify the nature of the interest, the particular agenda item to which the interest relates and to also specify whether the interest is of a personal or personal and prejudicial nature. This procedure is designed to assist the public's understanding of the meeting and is also designed to enable a full entry to be made in the Statutory Register of Interests which is kept by the Head of Democratic Renewal and Engagement on behalf of the Monitoring Officer.

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<b>3. UNRESTRICTED MINUTES</b>	<b>1 - 8</b>	
To confirm, as a correct record of the proceedings, the unrestricted minutes of the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 10 January, 2006.		
<b>4. REQUESTS TO SUBMIT PETITIONS</b>		
To be notified at the meeting.		
<b>5. REQUESTS FOR DEPUTATIONS</b>		
To be notified at the meeting.		
<b>6. SECTION ONE REPORTS 'CALLED IN'</b>		
There were no Section One reports 'called in' from the meeting of Cabinet held on 11 January, 2006.		
<b>7. SCRUTINY SPOTLIGHT - HOUSING MANAGEMENT</b>		
The Executive Member for Housing and the Director of Housing Management will attend to make a presentation. There will be opportunities for questions and discussion.		
(Time allocated – 30 Minutes)		
<b>8. REPORTS FOR CONSIDERATION</b>		
<b>8 .1 GENERAL FUND REVENUE BUDGET 2006/2007 - BUDGET REQUIREMENT AND COUNCIL TAX</b>	<b>9 - 242</b>	<b>All Wards</b>
(Time allocated – 20 minutes)		
<b>8 .2 EQUALITIES ACTION PLAN - SIX MONTHLY MONITORING REPORT</b>	<b>243 - 324</b>	<b>All Wards</b>
(Time allocated – 15 minutes)		
<b>8 .3 TOWER HAMLETS INDEX AND STRATEGIC PLAN - MONITORING REPORT</b>	<b>325 - 386</b>	<b>All Wards</b>
<b>8 .4 "A PARTNERSHIP SUCCESS"; SCRUTINY REVIEW OF THE ROLE OF WARD COUNCILLORS IN THE TOWER HAMLETS PARTNERSHIP</b>	<b>387 - 412</b>	<b>All Wards</b>
(Time allocated – 15 minutes)		

**9. VERBAL UPDATES FROM SCRUTINY LEADS**

(Time allocated – 10 minutes)

**10. PRE-DECISION SCRUTINY OF SECTION ONE (UNRESTRICTED) CABINET PAPERS**

(Time allocated – 5 minutes).

**11. ANY OTHER SECTION ONE (UNRESTRICTED) BUSINESS WHICH THE CHAIR CONSIDERS TO BE URGENT**

**12. 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.”

**EXEMPT/CONFIDENTIAL SECTION (Pink Papers)**

The exempt 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.

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<b>13. EXEMPT MINUTES</b>	<b>413 - 416</b>	
To confirm, as a correct record of the proceedings, the exempt minutes of the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 10 January, 2006.		

**14. SECTION TWO REPORTS 'CALLED IN'**

<b>14 .1 RICH MIX CULTURAL CENTRE</b>	<b>417 - 436</b>	<b>All Wards</b>
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(Time allocated – 40 minutes)

**15. PRE-DECISION SCRUTINY OF SECTION TWO (RESTRICTED) CABINET PAPERS**

(Time allocated 5 minutes).

16. **ANY OTHER SECTION TWO (RESTRICTED)  
BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIR CONSIDERS  
URGENT**