

Extraordinary Meeting of the

OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Monday, 30 January 2012 at 7.00 p.m.

A G E N D A

VENUE

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

Members:	Deputies (if any):
<p>Chair: Councillor Ann Jackson Vice-Chair: Councillor Rachael Saunders, Scrutiny Lead, Adults Health & Wellbeing Councillor Tim Archer, Scrutiny Lead, Chief Executive's Councillor Stephanie Eaton Councillor Sirajul Islam, Scrutiny Lead, Resources Councillor Fozol Miah Councillor Zenith Rahman, Scrutiny Lead, Communities Leisure & Culture Councillor Amy Whitelock, Scrutiny Lead, Children Schools & Families Councillor Helal Uddin, Scrutiny Lead, Development & Renewal Councillor Alibor Choudhury, (Cabinet Member for Resources)</p>	<p>Councillor Judith Gardiner, (Designated Deputy representing Sirajul Islam, Ann Jackson, Rachael Saunders, Zenith Rahman, Helal Uddin and Amy Whitelock) □ Councillor Peter Golds, (Designated Deputy representing Councillor Tim Archer) □ Councillor Ahmed Adam Omer, (Designated Deputy representing Ann Jackson, Sirajul Islam, Zenith Rahman, Helal Uddin and Amy Whitelock) □ Councillor Harun Miah, (Designated Deputy representing Councillor Fozol Miah) □ Councillor David Snowdon, (Designated Deputy representing Councillor Tim Archer) □ Councillor Bill Turner, (Designated Deputy representing Ann Jackson, Sirajul Islam, Zenith Rahman, Helal Uddin and Amy Whitelock)</p>
<p>[Note: The quorum for this body is 3 voting Members].</p>	

Co-opted Members:	
Memory Kampiyawo	– (Parent Governor Representative)
Jake Kemp	– (Parent Governor Representative)
Rev James Olanipekun	– (Parent Governor Representative)
Canon Michael Ainsworth	– (Church of England Diocese Representative)
Mr Mushfique Uddin	– (Muslim Community Representative)
1 Vacancy	– Roman Catholic Diocese of Westminster Representative

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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. See attached note from the Chief Executive.

3. REQUESTS FOR DEPUTATIONS

To be notified at the meeting.

4. REPORTS FOR CONSIDERATION

4.1 General Fund and Capital Revenue Budgets and Medium Term Financial Plan 2012-2015

To consider the General Fund, Capital and Revenue Budgets and Medium Term Financial Plan 2012-2015 in accordance with the Council's Budget and Policy Framework.

Members are advised that the report and appendices concerning this item have been previously circulated to all Members as a Supplemental Cabinet Agenda (11 January 2012) "Budget 2012/2013 Document Pack"

Please bring the document pack to the meeting.

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Agenda Item 2

DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS - NOTE FROM THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE FOR MEMBERS OF THE OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

This note is guidance only. Members should consult the Council's Code of Conduct for further details. Note: Only Members can decide if they have an interest therefore they must make their own decision. If in doubt as to the nature of an interest it is advisable to seek advice **prior** to attending at a meeting.

Declaration of interests for Members

Where Members have a personal interest in any business of the authority as described in paragraph 4 of the Council's Code of Conduct (contained in part 5 of the Council's Constitution) then s/he must disclose this personal interest as in accordance with paragraph 5 of the Code. Members must disclose the existence and nature of the interest at the start of the meeting and certainly no later than the commencement of the item or where the interest becomes apparent.

You have a **personal interest** in any business of your authority where it relates to or is likely to affect:

- (a) An interest that you must **register**
- (b) An interest that is not on the register, but where the well-being or financial position of you, members of your family, or people with whom you have a close association, is likely to be affected by the business of your authority more than it would affect the majority of inhabitants of the ward affected by the decision.

Where a personal interest is declared a Member may stay and take part in the debate and decision on that item.

What constitutes a prejudicial interest? - Please refer to paragraph 6 of the adopted Code of Conduct.

Your personal interest will also be a prejudicial interest in a matter if (a), (b) and either (c) or (d) below apply:-

- (a) A member of the public, who knows the relevant facts, would reasonably think that your personal interests are so significant that it is likely to prejudice your judgment of the public interests; AND
- (b) The matter does not fall within one of the exempt categories of decision listed in paragraph 6.2 of the Code; AND EITHER
- (c) The matter affects your financial position or the financial interest of a body with which you are associated; or
- (d) The matter relates to the determination of a licensing or regulatory application

The key points to remember if you have a prejudicial interest in a matter being discussed at a meeting:-

- i. You must declare that you have a prejudicial interest, and the nature of that interest, as soon as that interest becomes apparent to you; and
- ii. You must leave the room for the duration of consideration and decision on the item and not seek to influence the debate or decision unless (iv) below applies; and

- iii. You must not seek to improperly influence a decision in which you have a prejudicial interest.
- iv. If Members of the public are allowed to speak or make representations at the meeting, give evidence or answer questions about the matter, by statutory right or otherwise (e.g. planning or licensing committees), you can declare your prejudicial interest but make representations. However, you must immediately leave the room once you have finished your representations and answered questions (if any). You cannot remain in the meeting or in the public gallery during the debate or decision on the matter.

There are particular rules relating to a prejudicial interest arising in relation to Overview and Scrutiny Committees

- You will have a prejudicial interest in any business before an Overview & Scrutiny Committee or sub committee meeting where both of the following requirements are met:-
 - (i) That business relates to a decision made (whether implemented or not) or action taken by the Council's Executive (Cabinet) or another of the Council's committees, sub committees, joint committees or joint sub committees
 - (ii) You were a Member of that decision making body at the time and you were present at the time the decision was made or action taken.
- If the Overview & Scrutiny Committee is conducting a review of the decision which you were involved in making or if there is a 'call-in' you may be invited by the Committee to attend that meeting to answer questions on the matter in which case you must attend the meeting to answer questions and then leave the room before the debate or decision.
- If you are not called to attend you should not attend the meeting in relation to the matter in which you participated in the decision unless the authority's constitution allows members of the public to attend the Overview & Scrutiny for the same purpose. If you do attend then you must declare a prejudicial interest even if you are not called to speak on the matter and you must leave the debate before the decision.