



Annual Meeting of the

TOWER HAMLETS COUNCIL

Wednesday, 20th May 2015 at 7.30 p.m.

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VENUE

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**TO THE SPEAKER AND COUNCILLORS OF THE LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER
HAMLETS**

You are summoned to attend the Annual Meeting of the Council of the London Borough
of Tower Hamlets to be held in **THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, 1ST FLOOR, TOWN
HALL, MULBERRY PLACE, 5 CLOVE CRESCENT, LONDON, E14 2BG** at **7.30 p.m.**
on **WEDNESDAY, 20TH MAY 2015**

Stephen Halsey
Head of Paid Service

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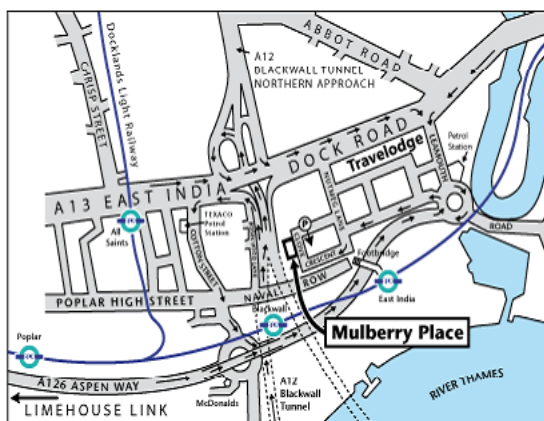
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1. ELECTION OF SPEAKER

To elect a Councillor to serve as Speaker of the Council for the municipal year 2015/16 or until a successor is appointed, whichever is the sooner.

(Note: Section 4 and Schedule 2 of the Local Government Act 1972 provide that the election of the chairman (which post the Council has resolved to title 'Speaker' in Tower Hamlets) shall be the first item of business transacted at the Annual Meeting of the Council and that in the case of an equality of votes, the person presiding at the meeting shall give a casting vote in addition to any vote s/he may have).

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies for absence.

3. DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS

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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 Monitoring Officer.

4. MINUTES

To confirm as a correct record of the proceedings the unrestricted minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Council held on 15th April 2015 (draft minutes to follow)

5. TO RECEIVE ANNOUNCEMENTS (IF ANY) FROM THE SPEAKER OF THE COUNCIL

6. ELECTION OF DEPUTY SPEAKER

To elect a Councillor to serve as Deputy Speaker of the Council for the municipal year 2015/16 or until a successor is appointed, whichever is the sooner.

7. REVIEW OF PROPORTIONALITY AND ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMITTEES AND PANELS OF THE COUNCIL

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To establish committees and panels of the Council for the municipal year 2015/16, to undertake a review of proportionality in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and to allocate places on the committees and panels of the Council accordingly.

The report of the Service Head, Democratic Services is attached.

8. DCLG COMMISSIONERS DECISION MAKING

To note the arrangements for decision-making by the DCLG Commissioners including the establishment of a cross-party member forum to provide advice to the decision-making process.

The report of the Service Head, Democratic Services is to follow.

9. APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES AND PANELS OF THE COUNCIL

To appoint a Chair and members to each of the committees and panels of the Council established at item 7 above, in accordance with the nominations submitted by the political groups (to follow).

10. APPOINTMENT OF CO-OPTED MEMBER TO THE STANDARDS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

To appoint a co-opted member to the vacant position on the Standards Advisory Committee. The report of the Service Head, Democratic Services is to follow.

11. CALENDAR OF MEETINGS 2015/16

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To agree a revised calendar of Council, committee and other meetings for the municipal year 2015/16, taking into account changes pursuant to the forthcoming election on 11th June 2015 for a Mayor of Tower Hamlets and a Councillor for Stepney Green ward.

The report of the Service Head, Democratic Services is attached.

12. COUNCIL SCHEME OF DELEGATION 2015/16

To confirm the parts of the scheme of delegation that the Constitution provides are for the Council to agree.

The report of the Service Head, Democratic Services is to follow.

13. EXECUTIVE SCHEME OF DELEGATION

To note the Executive Scheme of Delegation that is in place pending the election on 11th June 2015 of a Mayor of Tower Hamlets.

The report of the Service Head, Democratic Services is to follow.