



THE FORWARD PLAN

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Tower Hamlets Council **Forthcoming Decisions Plan**

What is this document?

The Forthcoming Decisions Plan (or 'Forward Plan') contains information on significant decisions that the Council expects to take over the next few months.

As a minimum this will include notice of:

- All Key Decisions to be taken by the Mayor or Cabinet.
 - This could include decisions taken at public meetings or taken individually at other times.
- Budget and Policy Framework Decisions (for example the Budget Report itself and major policies to be agreed by Council as set out in the Constitution)

In addition the Council aims to publish all other decisions to be taken by the Mayor and/or Cabinet.

Key Decisions

The Council is required to publish notice of all key decisions at least 28 days before they are taken by the Executive. Key decisions are all those decisions which involve major spending, or savings, or which have a significant impact on the local community. The precise definition of a key decision adopted by Tower Hamlets is contained in Section 3 of the [Constitution](#). Key Decisions can be taken by the Mayor, the Mayor in Cabinet or an officer if it has been expressly delegated.

Publication of Forthcoming Decisions

Individual notices of new Key Decisions will be published on the website as they are known on the 'Forthcoming Decisions' page, whilst this 'Forthcoming Decisions Plan' collating these decisions will be published regularly, as a minimum at least, 28 days before each Cabinet meeting. The Plan will be published on the Council's website and will also be available to view at the Town Hall and Libraries, Ideas Centres and One Stop Shops if required.

Urgency

If, due to reasons of urgency, a Key Decision has to be taken where 28 days' notice have not been given. Notice will be published (on the website) as early as possible and Urgency Procedures as set out in the Constitution have to be followed.

Make your views known

The most effective way for the public to make their views known about a Forthcoming Decisions is to contact the lead officer, or Cabinet Member (where stated), listed. You can also view the Council's [Consultation Calendar](#), which lists all the issues on which the Council and its partners are consulting.

Information about the Decision Makers

Further information on the Mayor and Members of the Cabinet can be found on the Council's [website](#).

Notice of Intention to Conduct Business in Private

The Council is also required to give at least 28 days' notice if it wishes to consider any of the reports on the agenda of an Executive meeting (such as Cabinet) in private session. The last row of each item below will indicate any proposal to consider that item in private session. Should you wish to make any representations in relation to item being considered in private please contact Democratic Services on the contact details listed on the front page.

The notice may reference a paragraph of Section 12A of the 1972 Local Government Act. In summary those paragraphs refer to the following types of exempt information (more information is available in the Constitution):

1. Information relating to any individual
2. Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual
3. Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority handling the information)
4. Information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matters arising between the authority or a Minister of the Crown and employees of, or office holders under, the authority.
5. Information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings.
6. Information which reveals that the authority proposes:-
 - a) to give under any enactment a notice under or by virtue of which requirements are imposed on a person; or
 - b) to make an order or direction under any enactment.
7. Information relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime.

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Title of Report	Tower Hamlets Healthier Advertising Policy	Ward All Wards	Key Decision? Yes
Summary of Decision	<p>Tower Hamlets has very high levels of child excess weight. Evidence shows that advertisements for unhealthy food and drink products directly and indirectly impact what we eat. Young people who recall seeing junk food adverts every day are more likely to be obese.</p> <p>The paper considers how we can protect children and young people from the advertising of unhealthy food and drinks (foods and drinks that are high in fat, salt and sugar), in order to contribute towards our priority to promote children's healthy weight and healthy life expectancy. This is part of a wider programme of work to support child healthy weight in the borough.</p>		

Decision maker Date of decision	Cabinet 24/05/23
Community Plan Theme	Invest in public services
Cabinet Member	Cabinet Member for Health, Wellbeing and Social Care
Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place	<p>Internal: Directorates: •Children's Services •Place •Resources (Financial) •Governance (Legal, Communications BAME; Older People: and Women's networks</p> <p>Consultation with a broad audience has been undertaken using a mixed methods approach, with a combination of both quantitative and qualitative methods.</p> <p>A meeting with the Youth Board will take place in March 2023, followed by a short survey to invite their views.</p> <p>Parents/Carers have been engaged with through primary school visits, speaking at Healthy Families Programme sessions, and through attendance and presentation at the Festival of Family Health on 15th March.</p> <p>Meetings and presentations are being arranged with the following equalities groups: BAME network, Older people and Women's network.</p> <p>A meeting with Dr Sam Everington, Bromley by Bow centre, took place on the 4th November 2022.</p> <p>We have shared a short survey with local businesses to invite their views on the policy.</p> <p>We have liaised with council staff in Greenwich, Southwark, Merton and Haringey, who have overseen the policy development and implementation in their councils.</p> <p>We have liaised with Dr Penny Breeze, one of the researchers at the University of Sheffield, who, alongside researchers at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, developed an advanced mathematical method to estimate the health and economic benefits that restricting junk food advertising on the</p>

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	<p>Transport for London network had in 2019.</p> <p>A public consultation by the Greater London Authority, launched in May 2018, found 82% of Londoners support a junk food advertising restriction.</p> <p>As part of the Transport for London advertising policy process, large multinational companies including JCD Decaux were extensively consulted with, to ensure they were aware of the policy and what it would mean for their advertising. Since then, these companies have utilised the nutrient profiling model and have switched out their unhealthy products for healthier ones and have continued to advertise.</p>		
Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment?	NA		
Contact details for comments or additional information	Dr Somen Banerjee (Director of Public Health) somen.banerjee@towerhamlets.gov.uk		
What supporting documents or other information will be available?			
Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why?	No, Unrestricted		
Title of Report	Housing Capital Strategy 2023/24: Delivering at pace to increase the supply of new homes	Ward All Wards	Key Decision? Yes
Summary of Decision	<p>The three-year Housing Revenue Account Capital Programme for 2023-26 of £389.625m, of which £311.357m is allocated to the new council homes programme, was approved by Full Council on 1st March 2023. The available budget has been allocated to the named schemes, which form the Approved Housing Capital Programme and is expected to deliver 1,080 new homes. However, there is a pipeline of further schemes that is currently unfunded.</p> <p>This report sets out the approach to enabling the delivery of new homes on the currently unfunded sites, through alternative delivery routes, to ensure that supply of new homes continues to be increased at pace to address overcrowding and the high levels of housing need in the borough.</p>		

Decision maker Date of decision	Cabinet 24/05/23
Community Plan Theme	Homes for the future
Cabinet Member	Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Inclusive Development and Housebuilding

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Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place	Targeted consultation has been undertaken in accordance with the information provided in the PIDs.		
Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment?	Initial EIAs form part of the PID approval process for individual capital programme areas		
Contact details for comments or additional information	Stephen Shapiro (Acting Director of Property and Major Programmes) Stephen.Shapiro@towerhamlets.gov.uk		
What supporting documents or other information will be available?	The Council's 2023-26 Approved Capital Programme – Cabinet 27th January 2023		
Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why?	No, Unrestricted		
Title of Report	Recommendations for the delivery of Universal Free School Meals (UFSM) to all Secondary School Pupils	Ward All Wards	Key Decision? Yes
Summary of Decision	In May 2022 Mayor Rahman made a manifesto pledge to provide Universal Free School Meals (UFSM's) to all KS3 & KS4 Secondary Pupils. This commitment has since been reflected in LBTH's Strategic Plan 2022-26 with implementation from September 2023. This report sets out the recommendations for the delivery of Universal Free School Meals (UFSM) to all Secondary School Pupils.		

Decision maker Date of decision	Cabinet 24/05/23
Community Plan Theme	Accelerate Education
Cabinet Member	Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member for Education and Lifelong Learning (Statutory Deputy Mayor)
Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place	Children and Culture Directorate leads, Secondary Schools Head Teachers, Contract Caterers, Pupils and Parents A Project Initiation Board was established with representatives from LBTH Finance, Public Health, Legal, Comms, Secondary School HT's, Caterers & External Consultants.

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	<p>An external catering specialist was commissioned in December 2022 to conduct feasibility studies to determine the implications and capacity of the 22 secondary schools to feed every student a healthy lunch every day. The findings of the feasibility exercise will be presented to the Board on 10th March 2023. The feasibility studies will inform the Council's approach and will include an assessment of current uptake, meal prices, food offer, kitchen production capacity, counter flow and number of tills, restaurant seating and options for additional service points.</p> <p>A Catering Logistics Forum was set up made up of School Head Teachers and Contract Caterers to consult/discuss/plan the logistics of the project.</p> <p>A survey will be conducted on Survey Monkey with x students to establish and understand pupil's eating habits at school and how the offer of free meals would impact them?</p> <p>A survey will be conducted on Survey Monkey with parents of Secondary school pupils to understand the impact of UFSM on families and the cost-of-living crisis Conditions of the Grant – A working Group will be set up Schools to consider and debate the proposed conditions of the Grant. The working group was lead by an external consultant and included representatives from LBTH Healthy Lives Team, Public Health, Finance, School Business Manager and Catering Contractors.</p>		
<p>Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment?</p>	<p>N/A</p>		
<p>Contact details for comments or additional information</p>	<p>Steve Nyakatawa (Director of Education) steve.nyakatawa@towerhamlets.gov.uk</p>		
<p>What supporting documents or other information will be available?</p>	<p>N/A</p>		
<p>Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why?</p>	<p>Fully Exempt (the whole report will be exempt) Some details of the survey – not for public viewing?</p>		
<p>Title of Report</p>	<p>Response to Overview & Scrutiny Committee's Recommendations on Increasing Female Sports Participation</p>	<p>Ward All Wards</p>	<p>Key Decision? No</p>
<p>Summary of Decision</p>	<p>This is a proposed response to the Overview and Scrutiny recommendations on Increasing women and girls' participation in sports provision and physical activities</p>		

<p>Decision maker Date of decision</p>	<p>Cabinet 24/05/23</p>
<p>Community Plan</p>	<p>Boost culture, business, jobs and leisure</p>

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Theme			
Cabinet Member	Cabinet Member for Culture and Recreation		
Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place	Consultation with Women and girls, stakeholders and key partners will be undertaken as part of the Youth Service & Leisure Insourcing consultation programmes, consultations with schools. Consultation methods will include online surveys and in person workshops		
Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment?	N/A		
Contact details for comments or additional information	Matthew Eady (Director of Commissioning and Culture) matthew.eady@towerhamlets.gov.uk		
What supporting documents or other information will be available?	N/A		
Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why?	No, Unrestricted		
Title of Report	Record of Corporate Directors Actions 2022/23 Q4	Ward All Wards	Key Decision? No
Summary of Decision	This report sets out, for noting by Cabinet, the Corporate Director's Actions taken under Rule 10 (section 50 Record of Corporate Director's Actions (RCDA) - Waiving of Procurement Procedures) in Part C – Codes and Protocols of the Council's constitution. The section states that Corporate Director's Actions in respect of contracts over £100,000 must be reported to Cabinet for noting and this report fulfils this requirement.		

Decision maker Date of decision	Cabinet 24/05/23
Community Plan Theme	All Priorities
Cabinet Member	Cabinet Member for Resources and the Cost of Living
Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place	N/A

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Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment?	N/A		
Contact details for comments or additional information	Nisar Visram (Director of Finance, Procurement & Audit) nisar.visram@towerhamlets.gov.uk		
What supporting documents or other information will be available?	N/A		
Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why?	No, Unrestricted		
Title of Report	Neighbourhood Planning: Determination of Roman Road Bow Neighbourhood Forum Redesignation Application	Ward Bow East; Bow West	Key Decision? Yes
Summary of Decision	Neighbourhood forum designations expire five years after they are initially granted. The Roman Road Bow Neighbourhood Forum designation expired on 16 August 2022. The Forum has submitted an application for the designation to be renewed. This report assesses the application against the relevant legislation and guidance.		

Decision maker Date of decision	Cabinet 21/06/23
Community Plan Theme	A council that works for you and listens to you
Cabinet Member	Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Inclusive Development and Housebuilding
Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place	<p>All people who have asked to be added to the planning policy database have been sent an email regarding the consultation; all local councillors have also been contacted. A public notice has been placed in the East End Advertiser to reach further stakeholders.</p> <p>A public consultation is taking place between 17 November 2022 and 12 January 2023. This is beyond the statutorily required six weeks, to account for the holiday period. There is a statutory timeframe which means a decision on the designation must be made within 13 weeks of the consultation beginning. Because of this, and the internal Tower Hamlets reporting timeframes, it is not possible to wait until the consultation has finished to bring this issue to DLT. At the DLT and CLT stages, this report therefore recommends that the decision be moved to the next stage of reporting, and that the final decision will be conditional on an assessment of the consultation responses. The CAB report will be accompanied by a consultation statement as an appendix.</p>

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Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment?	Screening tool completed - no further action required.		
Contact details for comments or additional information	Jennifer Peters (Divisional Director, Planning and Building Control, Place) Jennifer.Peters@towerhamlets.gov.uk		
What supporting documents or other information will be available?	Appendix 1: Roman Road Bow Neighbourhood Forum Application Form Appendix 2: Roman Road Bow Neighbourhood Area Map Appendix 3: Roman Road Bow Neighbourhood Forum Constitution Appendix 4: Basic Conditions Statement Appendix 5: Equalities Impact Assessment Screening Appendix 6: Consultation Statement (to be appended for CAB)		
Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why?	No, Unrestricted		
Title of Report	Liveable Streets Review	Ward Bethnal Green West; Spitalfields & Banglatown; St Katharine's & Wapping; Weavers	Key Decision? Yes
Summary of Decision	Review of proposed removal of traffic management schemes implemented under the Liveable Streets programme.		

Decision maker Date of decision	Cabinet 21/06/23
Community Plan Theme	A clean and green future
Cabinet Member	Cabinet Member for Environment and the Climate Emergency
Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place	Relevant internal and external stakeholders including, but not limited to, emergency services, local schools and Transport for London have also been consulted. Surveys on the proposals have been issued to residents in the areas directly affected. The survey is also available for the general public to complete.
Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment?	Yes
Contact details for	Dan Jones

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comments or additional information	(Director, Public Realm) dan.jones@towerhamlets.gov.uk		
What supporting documents or other information will be available?	N/A		
Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why?	No, Unrestricted		
Title of Report	Mudchute Farm, Park and Allotments, Pier Road E14; Variation of Lease Terms	Ward Blackwall & Cubitt Town; Island Gardens	Key Decision? Yes
Summary of Decision	<p>Cabinet approval was granted in June 2019 to surrender the existing Mudchute Association lease and grant a new 99 year term.</p> <p>The new lease has yet to complete, and the Mayor has requested that the lease term be reconsidered, therefore this requires a new Cabinet approval to vary the existing Cabinet decision.</p>		

Decision maker Date of decision	Cabinet 21/06/23
Community Plan Theme	A clean and green future
Cabinet Member	Cabinet Member for Resources and the Cost of Living
Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place	None
Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment?	N/A
Contact details for comments or additional information	Stephen Shapiro (Acting Director of Property and Major Programmes) Stephen.Shapiro@towerhamlets.gov.uk
What supporting documents or other information will be available?	June 2019 Cabinet Paper
Is there an intention to consider this report in	No, Unrestricted

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private session and if so why?			
Title of Report	Corporate Equalities Plan 2023-2026	Ward All Wards	Key Decision? No
Summary of Decision	This report sets out the Council's corporate equality priorities over the next three years to achieve our vision to build a strong, inclusive and fair borough addressing inequalities through the services we provide, the money we spend, the people we employ and working effectively with our partners to ensure better outcomes for those living, working and studying here. Working in parallel to ensure our workforce reflects the community.		

Decision maker Date of decision	Cabinet 21/06/23		
Community Plan Theme	All Priorities		
Cabinet Member	Cabinet Member for Equalities and Social Inclusion		
Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place	None		
Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment?	No		
Contact details for comments or additional information	Sharon Godman (Director, Strategy, Improvement and Transformation) sharon.godman@towerhamlets.gov.uk		
What supporting documents or other information will be available?	N/A		
Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why?	No, Unrestricted		
Title of Report	Tower Hamlets Council Strategic Plan : 2023/24 Annual Delivery Plan	Ward All Wards	Key Decision? Yes
Summary of Decision	The Strategic Plan 2022 to 2026 is the council's main corporate business plan. The plan embeds the Mayor's vision and the administration's manifesto into a high level policy framework and demonstrates how they will be delivered alongside the		

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	<p>council’s statutory duties. The plan sets a framework for performance monitoring and reporting. It is supported by and aligned with the Medium Term Financial Strategy.</p> <p>Each year the council publishes an Annual Delivery Plan. The 2023/24 Annual Delivery Plan describes the key actions the council will take this year to deliver the Strategic Plan, and how we will measure progress.</p>
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Decision maker Date of decision	Cabinet 21/06/23		
Community Plan Theme	All Priorities		
Cabinet Member	Mayor		
Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place	None		
Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment?	N/A		
Contact details for comments or additional information	Sharon Godman (Director, Strategy, Improvement and Transformation) sharon.godman@towerhamlets.gov.uk		
What supporting documents or other information will be available?	None		
Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why?	No, Unrestricted		
Title of Report	Growth Funding Request for Care Technology Transformation	Ward All Wards	Key Decision? Yes
Summary of Decision	This paper will seek growth funding for the Care Technology service (currently called the telecare service) to enable the delivery of a transformation project with the aim of supporting more residents to manage their care needs through the use of innovative care technology. By implementing a transformed approach we aim to prevent, reduce and delay health and social care needs, thereby promoting people’s independence for longer and reducing the costs to the Council.		

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Decision maker Date of decision	Cabinet 21/06/23		
Community Plan Theme			
Cabinet Member	Cabinet Member for Health, Wellbeing and Social Care		
Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place	N/A		
Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment?	N/A		
Contact details for comments or additional information	Katie O'Driscoll, Warwick Tomsett (Director of Adult Social Care) Katie.O'Driscoll@towerhamlets.gov.uk, Joint Director, Integrated Commissioning warwick.tomsett@towerhamlets.gov.uk		
What supporting documents or other information will be available?	N/A		
Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why?	Partly Exempt (Part of the report will be exempt)		
Title of Report	South Quay College site lease	Ward All Wards	Key Decision? Yes
Summary of Decision	The council seeks approval to enter a short-term lease with the developer for the accommodation of South Quay College. The current provision is being closed by the DFE in July 23 and there remains a continued need to ensure adequate provision for these pupils with Tower Hamlets, which cannot be accommodated in existing LBTH sites. Whilst this lease is a temporary occupation, there is an intended wider long-term solution for students with additional needs which is anticipated to address the physical site accommodation past 2024.		

Decision maker Date of decision	Cabinet 21/06/23		
Community Plan Theme	Accelerate Education		
Cabinet Member	Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member for Education and Lifelong Learning (Statutory Deputy Mayor)		

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Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place	N/A		
Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment?	No		
Contact details for comments or additional information	Steve Nyakatawa (Director of Education) steve.nyakatawa@towerhamlets.gov.uk		
What supporting documents or other information will be available?	N/A		
Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why?	No, Unrestricted		
Title of Report	Neighbourhood Community Infrastructure Levy (NCIL)	Ward All Wards	Key Decision? Yes
Summary of Decision	The report sets out the details of the review of the Local Infrastructure Fund (LIF) Programme and new approach to NCIL in the borough moving forward.		

Decision maker Date of decision	Cabinet 21/06/23
Community Plan Theme	All Priorities
Cabinet Member	Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Inclusive Development and Housebuilding
Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place	N/A
Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment?	No
Contact details for comments or additional information	Jennifer Peters (Divisional Director, Planning and Building Control, Place) Jennifer.Peters@towerhamlets.gov.uk

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What supporting documents or other information will be available?	<p>1. LIF Programme PID July 2019 2. Capital Programme 2020-21 to 22-23 Appendix 2e LIF Programme 2 Allocations 3. LIF Virements to the approved Capital Programme 2021-22 to 2023-24</p>		
Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why?	No, Unrestricted		
Title of Report	Tower Hamlets Reduction and Recycling Plan 2023 - 2025	Ward All Wards	Key Decision? Yes
Summary of Decision	<p>A Reduction and Recycling Plan (RRP) has been developed and produced. RRP's are a requirement set by the Greater London Authority to ensure all London authorities are in general conformity with the London Environment Strategy.</p> <p>The current RRP covers the period April 2023 to the end of March 2025 and comprises environmental metrics drawn from the previous RRP reporting cycle (2018-2022), along with a cross-cutting action plan drawn from our strategies including the Strategic Plan and Waste Strategy.</p>		

Decision maker Date of decision	Cabinet 21/06/23
Community Plan Theme	A clean and green future
Cabinet Member	Cabinet Member for Environment and the Climate Emergency
Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place	None
Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment?	No
Contact details for comments or additional information	Michael Butler (Interim Director Of Environment) michael.butler@towerhamlets.gov.uk
What supporting documents or other information will be available?	Tower Hamlets Reduction and Recycling Plan 2023 - 2025
Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so	No, Unrestricted

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why?			
Title of Report	Change and amendments to the Permit Transfer Scheme (PTS) Criteria	Ward All Wards	Key Decision? Yes
Summary of Decision	<p>To make sure that the PTS continues to be clear, transparent, and fair to our residents, as well as addressing the day-today operational issues.</p> <p>Extend the scheme to residents in under-occupied properties with three or more bedrooms.</p>		

Decision maker Date of decision	Cabinet 26/07/23		
Community Plan Theme	A clean and green future		
Cabinet Member	Cabinet Member for Environment and the Climate Emergency		
Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place	<p>The briefing note was sent to Housing Options for their comments, and we attended their management meetings for Q&A sessions.</p> <p>Internal consultation only</p>		
Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment?	Yes		
Contact details for comments or additional information	Dan Jones (Director, Public Realm) dan.jones@towerhamlets.gov.uk		
What supporting documents or other information will be available?	Data on permits, the housing register, and future developments		
Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why?	No, Unrestricted		
Title of Report	Tower Hamlets Safeguarding Children Partnership Annual Report 2022/23	Ward All Wards	Key Decision? No
Summary of Decision	The report highlights the activity of the Tower Hamlets Safeguarding Children's Partnership within the last financial year.		

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Decision maker Date of decision	Cabinet 26/07/23		
Community Plan Theme	TH Plan 1: A better deal for children and young people: aspiration, education & skills		
Cabinet Member	Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member for Education and Lifelong Learning (Statutory Deputy Mayor)		
Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place	None – The paper is for information, throughout the paper the Children Safeguarding Partnership will be consulted, this includes all key agencies who work with children and young people in Tower Hamlets.		
Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment?	No		
Contact details for comments or additional information	Louise Griffiths Safeguarding Children Partnership Strategy Manager Louise.Griffiths@towerhamlets.gov.uk		
What supporting documents or other information will be available?	N/A		
Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why?	No, Unrestricted		
Title of Report	Corporate Parenting Strategy 2023 - 2028	Ward All Wards	Key Decision? No
Summary of Decision	The Corporate Parenting Strategy sets out how we will work with children in our care and care experienced young people to ensure they are offered every opportunity to develop, realise their aspirations and thrive.		

Decision maker Date of decision	Cabinet 26/07/23		
Community Plan Theme	TH Plan 1: A better deal for children and young people: aspiration, education & skills		
Cabinet Member	Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member for Education and Lifelong Learning (Statutory Deputy Mayor)		
Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this	Councillors, Senior Managers, children we care for and care experienced young people, staff from across the Supporting Families Directorate, Health colleagues and Foster Carers		

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<p>consultation take place</p>	<p>The Corporate Parenting Board has discussed, and contributed to, plans to develop the strategy during meetings from Summer 2022 onwards.</p> <p>A Corporate Strategy Steering Group is in place to guide the work of developing the strategy, including plans for consultation.</p> <p>The following consultation activities have taken place or are planned.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information & awareness presentations on the development of the strategy, and consultation and involvement opportunities, provided through managers forums, team meetings, foster care support meetings and meetings of Children Living in Care Council meetings (during Jan – Mar 2023). • One to one interviews with key members of staff to gather background information on issues and current work programmes and initiatives (during Feb 2023). • Creative Film Project with children in our care and care experienced young people – workshops and filming throughout the Feb 2023 Half Term. Focused on ‘what matters most’ and ‘what makes life good’ for young people with care experience. • Targeted feedback from children in our care and care experienced young people – professionals gathering feedback from groups who are ‘harder to reach’. • Review of draft key messages from young people – taking place through Children Living in Care Council and follow up session with the film project group (during Mar/April 2023) • Foster Carers Support Groups – two consultation sessions on the strategy to take place on 9th May 2023 • Members Session – a workshop for Councillors has been offered focused on the promotion of corporate parenting across the council (during May 2023) • Stakeholder Workshops – a wide range of representatives who support and work with our young people have been invited. The workshops will focus on what young people are telling us and how we can respond and produce a strategy and action plan that makes a real difference to their lives. • Consultation on the draft strategy – the draft will be shared with all stakeholders during May / June 2023 for further review and amendments as necessary. • The draft strategy will go to the Corporate Parenting Board on 12th July 2023
<p>Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment?</p>	<p>Yes</p>

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What supporting documents or other information will be available?	None		
Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why?	No, Unrestricted		
Title of Report	Corporate Parenting Commitments	Ward All Wards	Key Decision? No
Summary of Decision	This report puts forward proposals for commitments the local authority can make as 'corporate parents' to improve experiences and outcomes for children in our care and care experienced young people. This includes adopting 'Care Experienced' as a Protected Characteristic (as recommended in the Independent Care Review) to tackle inequality for our young people. The proposals within this report align with the Corporate Parenting Strategy for Tower Hamlets which is also scheduled to go to Cabinet in July 2023.		

Decision maker Date of decision	Cabinet 26/07/23
Community Plan Theme	TH Plan 1: A better deal for children and young people: aspiration, education & skills
Cabinet Member	Cabinet Member for Environment and the Climate Emergency, Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member for Education and Lifelong Learning (Statutory Deputy Mayor)
Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place	None
Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment?	No
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What supporting documents or other information will be available?	None

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Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why?	No, Unrestricted		
Title of Report	SEND Improvement Annual Report 2022	Ward All Wards	Key Decision? No
Summary of Decision	The SEND Improvement Annual Report 2022 aims to provide an analysis of progress and impact for work undertaken over the last year in relation to improvement priorities.		

Decision maker Date of decision	Cabinet 26/07/23
Community Plan Theme	Accelerate Education
Cabinet Member	Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member for Education and Lifelong Learning (Statutory Deputy Mayor)
Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place	None
Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment?	No - this is an Annual Report for information only
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What supporting documents or other information will be available?	N/A
Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why?	No, Unrestricted

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