

NOTICE OF MEETING

FULL COUNCIL

Monday, 17th July, 2023, 7.30 pm - Tottenham Town Hall, Town Hall Approach Road London N15 4RY (watch the live meeting [Here](#) And watch the recording [here](#))

Councillors: Anna Abela, Gina Adamou, Charles Adje, Peray Ahmet, Ibrahim Ali, Kaushika Amin, Emily Arkell, Dawn Barnes, Nicola Bartlett, John Bevan, Barbara Blake, Mark Blake, Zena Brabazon, Cathy Brennan, Lester Buxton (Mayor), Dana Carlin, Luke Cawley-Harrison, Seema Chandwani, Lotte Collett, Pippa Connor, Eldridge Culverwell, Nick da Costa, Lucia das Neves, Isidoros Diakides, Erdal Dogan, George Dunstall, Sarah Elliott, Scott Emery, Ruth Gordon, Makbule Gunes, Mike Hakata, Harrison-Mullane, Tammy Hymas, Emine Ibrahim, Marsha Isilar-Gosling, Thayahlan Iyngkaran, Sue Jameson, Adam Jogee, Cressida Johnson, Anna Lawton, Ahmed Mahbub, Mary Mason, Khaled Moyeed, Sean O'Donovan, Felicia Opoku, Ajda Ovat, Sheila Peacock, Reg Rice, Alessandra Rossetti, Yvonne Say, Michelle Simmons-Safo, Anne Stennett, Joy Wallace, Elin Weston, Matt White, Sarah Williams and Alexandra Worrell

Quorum: 15

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2. **TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

3. **TO ASK THE MAYOR TO CONSIDER THE ADMISSION OF ANY LATE ITEMS OF BUSINESS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 100B OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972**

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

A member with a disclosable pecuniary interest or a prejudicial interest in a matter who attends a meeting of the authority at which the matter is considered:

- (i) must disclose the interest at the start of the meeting or when the interest becomes apparent, and
- (ii) may not participate in any discussion or vote on the matter and must withdraw from the meeting room.

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5. TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 15 MAY 2023 (PAGES 1 - 14)

Minor clarification to the 2nd of March minutes relating to deputation representation.

6. TO RECEIVE SUCH COMMUNICATIONS AS THE MAYOR MAY LAY BEFORE THE COUNCIL

7. TO RECEIVE THE REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE (PAGES 15 - 18)

Change to Political composition and Appointments to Committees 2023/24 and Committee position changes.

8. TO RECEIVE THE REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER AND HEAD OF LEGAL SERVICES

9. ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE LEADER - CSO 3.1 VII (PAGES 19 - 24)

Update on Special Urgency Decisions

10. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM THE FOLLOWING BODIES (PAGES 25 - 190)

Standards Committee report seeking approval of :

- 1. Amendments to Part Four of the Constitution, Section J Contract Procedure Rules

2. Constitutional related actions arising from the independent review of the Council's arrangements for property negotiations, acquisitions, and disposals or intended transactions, approved at Cabinet on the 18th of April 2023, namely:
 - Guidance on the role of Council appointees to voluntary sector organisations, reminding them of their role as stewards of public funds.
 - Guidance to councillors meeting with landowners, contractors etc when not in their capacity as ward councillors.
 - Protocol for Decision Making to provide consistency and support.
 3. Changes to the Petitions Scheme and Council Standing Order section on Petitions.
 4. Addition of the Licensing Hearing protocol to the Council's Constitution.
 11. **TO CONSIDER REQUESTS TO RECEIVE DEPUTATIONS AND/OR PETITIONS AND, IF APPROVED, TO RECEIVE THEM**
- E – Petition on No to LTN's
12. **HARINGEY DEBATE:EVERYONE WELCOME: PROVIDING A SAFE SPACE FOR MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES IN HARINGEY.**
 13. **TO ANSWER QUESTIONS, IF ANY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH COUNCIL RULES OF PROCEDURE NOS. 9 & 10**

Cllr Cawley-Harrison to Cllr Ahmet

1. A couple of weeks ago you made a decision to allow Festival Republic to run the Wireless Festival in Finsbury Park for the next 5 years, plus allowing them a second weekend of events each year. This decision was taken behind closed doors, and was designated as 'non key', meaning there was no opportunity for Overview & Scrutiny to review the decision. Is this the kind of better listening and sharing of power you were talking about when you launched the Haringey Deal?

Cllr Ahmed Mahbub to Cllr Emily Arkell

2. The Council recently signed a 5-year contract with Festival Republic to hold wireless and other events in Finsbury Park. Can the Cabinet member explain what are the benefits of this deal for residents?

Cllr Barnes to Cllr Williams

3. You will no doubt have seen the report from the housing ombudsman, stating that failure in Haringey's housing service stemmed from a "culture of apathy and an acceptance of poor practice", with emails from as late as December 2022 showing that service leaders' only real motivation seemed to be the

avoiding being ordered to pay compensation by the ombudsman. Given the rejection of the idea of a Service Level Agreement with our tenants and leaseholders, what specific measures is the council taking to change the culture of the organisation?

Cllr Kaushika Amin to Cllr Ruth Gordon

4. Haringey has set out a bold and an ambitious council house building programme with 3000 new homes being built by 2031. Can the Cabinet Member outline what steps are being taken to ensure projects like this will ensure high quality housing stock for residents?

Cllr Rossetti to Cllr Ahmet

5. The current Members Enquiries system is not fit for purpose, with enquiries frequently not being logged, being logged late, and missing deadlines for responses. The new system being put in place will not impact on any of these problems. What are you going to do to improve this failing area of the council?

Cllr Thayahlan Iyngkaran to Cllr Sarah Williams

6. The Council is cracking down on rogue letting agents, protecting Haringey's 90,000 private renters. Can the Cabinet member explain how many penalties have been given since this new policy was introduced?

14. TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING MOTIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH COUNCIL RULES OF PROCEDURE NO. 13

Motion A

Period Poverty

Proposer: Councillor Rossetti

Secunder: Councillor da Costa

Council notes:

- In June 2022, a Plan International UK survey found that nearly one in four girls in London were unable to afford period products since the start of the year;
- The charity found that girls across the country were cutting down on food and school spending in order to afford period products;
- An ActionAid 2022 survey showed that of those who have struggled to afford menstrual products in the last six months, 75% said they had prioritised spending money on food, 49% had prioritised gas/electric, and 31% prioritised fuel;
- Nearly half (46%) of those who struggled to afford sanitary products in the last six months kept sanitary pads or tampons in for longer than recommended or used toilet paper, and 10% doubled up their underwear; and women, girls and others who menstruate are at risk of Toxic Shock Syndrome (TSS) if they do not have access to clean period products;

- The Period Products Scheme for schools and colleges in England has provided free period products to all state maintained schools and 16-19 education organisations in England since 2020;
- Scotland was the first country in the world to make period products free for all;
- Councils such as Sutton, Southwark and Oxford have set up or agreed schemes to provide free period products.

Council believes:

- No-one should experience period poverty.

Council resolves:

- To provide free period products in all of the council's public toilets and buildings including libraries and community centres, including all female, male, disabled and gender-neutral toilets;
- Where possible, to provide sustainable period products for free;
- To ensure there are sanitary waste bins in all of the council's toilets;
- To regularly communicate to residents that free period products are available in council property;
- To monitor whether state-maintained schools and education institutions in Haringey participate in the UK government's period product scheme;
- To call for the UK government to make period products free and available to all those who need them.

Motion B

Withdraw the Illegal Migration Bill

Proposer: Cllr Lucia das Neves, Cabinet Member for Health, Social Care, and Wellbeing

Seconder: Cllr Erdal Dogan

This Council is committed to defending the human rights of all our residents, and to fulfilling its public sector equality duty to eliminate discrimination, advance equality of opportunity and foster good relations between different people.

The Council's Welcome Strategy sets out our ambition to be an inclusive place: for people from all cultures, nationalities, and backgrounds, and to work closely with our communities and voluntary organisations to make Haringey a welcoming borough for everyone who wants to live and work here.

This Council notes that:

- 1) The Government is bringing forward yet another immigration bill, at a time when there are currently no safe routes to the UK for the vast majority of those who seek asylum here, including those with family members in our communities.
- 2) Arriving irregularly is often the only option for asylum seekers, yet the provisions of this Bill mean that they will never be allowed to access the asylum system. Instead, they will be left destitute, without the right to work and in legal limbo indefinitely.
- 3) The Bill seeks to remove vital protections for children, victims of trafficking and those expecting a baby, meaning they could all face detention. Locking up children and people who are about to give birth represents a shocking rollback of human rights.
- 4) This Bill is in direct opposition to the aims and ambitions of our Welcome Strategy, and breaches our human rights obligations.
- 5) On 29 June 2023, the Court of Appeal ruled that it is unlawful to send asylum seekers to Rwanda to have their claims processed; this ruling calls into question the government's whole illegal migration bill. However, government plans to appeal to the supreme court leaves asylum seekers in continued uncertainty about their future.

- 1) This Council believes that: The Illegal Migration Bill, rips up fundamental tenets of international human rights law, and is an all-out assault on migrants' rights.

This Council resolves to:

- 1) Write to the Home Secretary and the Secretary of State for Levelling up, Housing and Communities to express the following:

This Council calls on the Home Secretary to

- a) Withdraw the Illegal Migration Bill
- b) Commit to resourcing an asylum system that can deliver fair and timely asylum decisions
- c) Invest in safe and good quality accommodation for asylum seekers and end the use of temporary, poor quality hotels and hostels

This Council calls on the Home Secretary and the Secretary of State for Levelling up, Housing and

Communities to:

- d) open discussions now with local authorities about the best ways and

resources needed to provide good quality long term accommodation for all those in need, including asylum seekers, within our communities.

- 2) Commit to defending the rights of all our communities to live side by side in dignity, to continuing to welcome those who make our borough their home, and to working with them so that we can all thrive together.
- 3) Meet refugee and migrant communities in our area to discuss what more we can do to make them feel welcome here through the Welcome Advisory Board, in order to renew and refresh our Welcome Strategy
- 4) Continue to work with all our communities to develop and publicise proper reporting mechanisms for hate crime and, with all our partners in our community safety, work to ensure that all reports are followed up and action taken.
- 5) Raise a 'Refugees Welcome' banner in the borough.

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