

NOTICE OF MEETING

FULL COUNCIL

Monday, 22nd July, 2024, 7.30 pm - Tottenham Town Hall, Town Hall Approach Road N15 4RY (watch the live [Here](#) and watch the recording [here](#))

Councillors: Anna Abela, Gina Adamou, Peray Ahmet, Ibrahim Ali, Kaushiak Amin, Emily Arkell, Dawn Barnes, Nicola Bartlett, John Bevan, Barbara Blake, Mark Blake, Zena Brabazon, Cathy Brennan, Lester Buxton, Dana Carlin, Liam Carroll, 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, Mark Grosskopf, Makbule Gunes, Mike Hakata, Holly Harrison-Mullane, Tammy Hymas, Emine Ibrahim, Marsha Isilar-Gosling, Thayahlan lyngkaran, Sue Jameson (Mayor), Cressida Johnson, Anna Lawton, Ahmed Mahbub, Mary Mason, Khaled Moyeed, Sean O'Donovan, Felicia Opoku, Ajda Ovat, Sheila Peacock, Reg Rice, Alessandra Rossetti, Simmons-Safo, Adam Small, 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.

A member who discloses at a meeting a disclosable pecuniary interest which is not registered in the Register of Members' Interests or the subject of a pending notification must notify the Monitoring Officer of the interest within 28 days of the disclosure.

Disclosable pecuniary interests, personal interests and prejudicial interests are defined at Paragraphs 5-7 and Appendix A of the Members' Code of Conduct

5. TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 20TH OF MAY 2024 (PAGES 1 - 8)

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

7. TO RECEIVE THE REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Report on Proportionality and Appointments to Committees – To follow

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

9. CSO 3.1(VI) RECEIVE ANY ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

Mid -Term Achievements – Verbal Item

10. TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES (PAGES 9 - 16)

11. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM THE FOLLOWING BODIES

- a) The Audit Committee – To follow
- b) Alexandra Palace and Park Board – To follow
- c) Standards Committee – Appointment of Independent Persons – To follow

12. **TO CONSIDER REQUESTS TO RECEIVE DEPUTATIONS AND/OR PETITIONS AND, IF APPROVED, TO RECEIVE THEM**
13. **TO ANSWER QUESTIONS, IF ANY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH COUNCIL RULES OF PROCEDURE NOS. 9 & 10**

1.Cllr Gunes to Cllr Gordon

Can you explain what the Council is doing to ensure that council-owned properties are being used for the benefit of the community.

2.Cllr Rossetti to Cllr Gordon

What is the current projection for finances for the redevelopment of the Civic Centre, and is there a risk of escalation of the contract price?

3.Cllr Abela to Cllr Ahmet

The Council took part in a Corporate Peer Challenge, the last visit taking place in June. Can the Leader of the Council provide an update on the progress the Council has made on adopting and implementing the team's recommendations, including the progress of the council's Borough Vision 2035?

4.Cllr Cawley-Harrison to Cllr Carlin

Recent data from the local government watchdog, Oflog, compiled into a ranking by the Times, have shown Haringey to be the 8th worst council in the country when it comes to finance, behind even councils like Nottingham who have been forced to issue a S114 notice. How are you working to rectify this worrying situation?

5.Cllr Ali to Cllr Hakata

Can you explain how we are tackling the climate crisis in Haringey?

6.Cllr Connor to Cllr Carlin

A number of reports have come forward to Cabinet or Cabinet Member signings in recent months re-awarding contracts after those contractors who were originally awarded them have gone bust, most recently in the case of Canning Crescent. What assurances can you give that sufficient due diligence is being carried out on contractors given the challenging financial circumstances for businesses?

7.Cllr Brennan to Cllr das Neves

Can you explain the work being done by the Council to prevent the impact of gambling harms in Haringey?

8.Cllr Mason to Cllr Williams

In the fire tragedy at Grenfell Tower in 2017, the death toll amongst disabled residents was far higher than for those without disabilities.

But the then Conservative government defied the recommendations of Phase One of the Grenfell Enquiry and refused to make the provision of Personal Emergency Evacuation Plans (PEEPs) mandatory for disabled residents in high rise buildings.

Will the Cabinet Member for Housing ensure the safety of disabled residents by undertaking to provide emergency evacuation plans for all disabled residents within our high-rise council blocks?

9.Cllr Buxton to Cllr Arkell

Can you explain what steps the Council has taken in the last year to ensure our parks are accessible for all during the summer and throughout the year?

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

Motion A - Working with a Labour Government

Proposer: Cllr Peray Ahmet

Seconder: Cllr Liam Carroll

The Council notes that

Following a General Election held on 4th July 2024, the Labour Party formed a majority government following a landslide election victory in which 412 Labour MPs were elected to Parliament, and 72 Liberal Democrat MPs were elected to Parliament.

Haringey now has 4 Labour MPs representing the borough in Parliament: Tulip Siddiq (Hampstead and Highgate), David Lammy (Tottenham), Catherine West (Hornsey and Friern Barnet) and Bambos Charalambous (Southgate and Wood Green).

The new Labour government's commitment to fixing the damage caused by the Conservative Party's mismanagement of our economy and neglect for public services is unwavering and put forward a credible and costed plan in their 2024 Election Manifesto.

The Labour government is firmly committed to being fiscally responsible and will implement policies like the Fiscal Lock and spending rules to ensure public finances are protected, spent effectively and not wasted.

The Labour government has promised to rethink Council funding by exploring multiyear funding settlements, end wasteful competitive bidding and overhauling the local audit system.

The Labour government plans to work in closer partnership with nations, regions and local authorities and widen devolution to more areas, encouraging local authorities to come together and take on new powers.

The Labour government have committed to asking local authorities to begin preparatory work to join together on economic geographies and take on a new suite of powers through an enhanced devolution framework to benefit local residents.

The Labour government has already scrapped the inhumane Rwanda Plan and begun work on overhauling the planning system to help speed up an ambitious house building programme of building 1.5m homes over this parliament and introduced mandatory housing targets for local areas.

Local authorities are still under severe financial pressure, facing a funding gap of nearly £6bn over the next two years and 1 in 5 local authorities in England are at risk of being served Section 114 Notices.

Despite years of underfunding from central government, Haringey Council has achieved and delivered on many key commitments through the Haringey Deal & Corporate Delivery Plan by working with residents to co-produce and co-design a fairer, greener Haringey.

The Council believes that

The Labour government offers a welcome change in direction towards sensible governance, growing our economy, improving the public services residents need most, and supporting and protecting the most vulnerable in society.

We know our local communities and our borough best and welcome the government's plans to devolve further powers so that we can work to deliver for and with local people.

The Labour government faces an uphill challenge in power as a result of the Conservative government's failed legacy, with public services struggling, demand for services rising and a stagnated economy.

The Labour government's commitment to being fiscally responsible is the right thing to do at this time of economic instability and will ensure any use of public money is used responsibly and is focused on supporting the most vulnerable.

A Labour government and a Labour Mayor of London will help us to deliver our transformative plan for change and help us to continue our progress in making a Haringey a fairer, greener borough.

The Local Growth Plan, the Green Prosperity Plan, the Warmer Homes Plan, Great British Energy, the National Wealth Fund, a New Deal for Working People are welcome commitments that will help to renew our country and will have a sustained and real impact on Haringey residents.

This Council resolves to:

Work collaboratively with our new Labour government and Labour Mayor of London to deliver change for residents in Haringey.

Write to the Prime Minister congratulating him and his government on winning the election and reaffirm our commitment to working with the government to deliver for residents in Haringey.

Write to the Deputy Prime Minister and Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, congratulating her in her new role, reaffirm our commitment to work collaboratively with her department on issues that impact Haringey, and invite her to visit the borough and discuss our progress in making Haringey a fairer, greener borough.

Write to our 4 Members of Parliament to congratulate them on their elections and reaffirm our commitment to working with them to deliver for all residents.

Motion B

Proportional Representation

Proposer: Councillor Dawn Barnes

Seconder: Councillor Scott Emery

Council notes:

- First Past the Post originated when land-owning aristocrats dominated parliament and voting was restricted to property-owning men;
- In Europe, only the UK and authoritarian Belarus still use archaic single-round First Past the Post for general elections;
- That the recent General Election produced the most disproportionate result ever in terms of translating votes to seats;
- The Labour Party conference in 2022 voted overwhelmingly in favour of introducing Proportional Representation, and polling has shown that over 80% of Labour Party members are in favour of its introduction;
- The Liberal Democrats have a long term commitment to introducing a Proportional Representation system;
- Proportional Representation is already used to elect the Scottish and Welsh Parliaments and the Northern Ireland and London Assemblies;
- PR ensures all votes count, have equal value, and that seats won match votes cast.

Council believes that:

- First Past the Post is not a fair system;

- Turnout would be higher under a proportional system where people felt like their votes mattered;
- Proportional Representation would improve the quality of decision-making, thereby benefiting all residents.

Council resolves to:

- Join the 'Councils for PR' campaign
- Write to H.M. Government calling for a change in our outdated electoral laws and to enable Proportional Representation to be used for UK general and local elections.

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