

DECISION NOTICE OF THE Cabinet Member Signing HELD ON Monday, 19th January, 2026.

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the Cabinet Member Signing held on Monday, 19 January 2026.

If you have any queries about any matters referred to in this decision sheet please contact Richard Plummer Committees Manager.

6. GARAGE ALLOCATIONS POLICY

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FOR THIS ITEM:

There were none

Recommendation:

That the Cabinet Member for Housing and Planning, and Deputy Leader of the Council:

2.1 Adopted the draft Garage Allocations Policy at Appendix 1 to come into effect from xx 2025.

Reasons for decision

3.1 This newly drafted clear and accessible policy provides guidance (including enforcement) on how Haringey Council manages the common areas of its council housing

3.2 The new policy will help the Council meet the Social Housing Regulator's consumer standards, specifically the Tenancy Standard and the Transparency, Influence and Accountability Standard.

Alternative options considered

4.1 We could have continued with an out-of-date policy for the allocation of the Council's garages. This option was rejected because it would not meet the Council's needs to produce a clearer, more transparent policy or the needs of its tenants. Introducing this new policy will assist the Council to meet the Social Housing Regulator's safety and quality standard to take all reasonable steps to ensure the health and safety of tenants in their homes and associated communal areas. This option would also not meet our commitment to introduce updated policies in the Housing Strategy 2024 – 2029 and the Housing Improvement Plan 2023

7. CLEAR COMMUNAL AREAS POLICY

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FOR THIS ITEM:

There were none

Recommendation:

The Cabinet Member for Housing and Planning, and Deputy Leader of the Council:

2.1 Adopted the Clear Communal Areas Policy to come into effect from xx 2025.

Reasons for decision

3.1 This newly drafted clear and accessible policy provided guidance (including enforcement) on how Haringey Council manages the common areas of its council housing

3.2 The new policy will help the Council meet the Social Housing Regulator's consumer standards, specifically the Tenancy Standard and the Transparency, Influence and Accountability Standard.

Alternative options considered

4.1 We could have continued with an out-of-date policy for the Council's communal areas or not had a policy at all. These options were rejected because it would not meet the Council's needs or those of its tenants. Introducing this new policy will assist the Council to meet the Social Housing Regulator's safety and quality standard to take all reasonable steps to ensure the health and safety of tenants in their homes and associated communal areas. This option would also not meet our commitment to introduce updated policies in the Housing Strategy 2024 – 2029 and the Housing Improvement Plan 2023.