

NOTICE OF MEETING

FULL COUNCIL

Monday, 15th July, 2019, 7.30 pm - Civic Centre, High Road, Wood Green, N22 8LE

Members: Councillors Sheila Peacock, Dana Carlin, Gina Adamou, Charles Adje, Peray Ahmet, Kaushika Amin, Dawn Barnes, Dhiren Basu, Patrick Berryman, John Bevan, Barbara Blake, Mark Blake, Zena Brabazon, Gideon Bull, Vincent Carroll, Nick da Costa, Luke Cawley-Harrison, Seema Chandwani, Sakina Chenot, James Chiriyankandath, Pippa Connor, Eldridge Culverwell, Julie Davies, Mahir Demir, Paul Dennison, Isidoros Diakides, Josh Dixon, Erdal Dogan, Joseph Ejiofor, Scott Emery, Ruth Gordon, Makbule Gunes, Mike Hakata, Bob Hare, Kirsten Hearn, Justin Hinchcliffe, Emine Ibrahim, Sarah James, Adam Jogee, Peter Mitchell, Liz Morris, Khaled Moyeed, Lucia das Neves, Felicia Opoku, Tammy Palmer, Reg Rice, Viv Ross, Alessandra Rossetti, Yvonne Say, Anne Stennett, Daniel Stone, Preston Tabois, Elin Weston, Noah Tucker, Sarah Williams and Matt White

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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

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- 5. TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 20 MAY 2019 (PAGES 1 - 10)**
- 6. TO RECEIVE SUCH COMMUNICATIONS AS THE MAYOR MAY LAY BEFORE THE COUNCIL**
- 7. TO RECEIVE THE REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE (PAGES 11 - 16)**

Noting an urgency decision on Outside Body appointments.

- 8. TO RECEIVE THE REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER AND HEAD OF LEGAL SERVICES (PAGES 17 - 154)**
- 9. TO CONSIDER REQUESTS TO RECEIVE DEPUTATIONS AND/OR PETITIONS AND, IF APPROVED, TO RECEIVE THEM**
- 10. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM THE FOLLOWING BODIES**

- a) The Cabinet
- b) Overview and Scrutiny
- c) Standards Committee

- (a) Adoption of Community Safety Strategy
- (b) Annual report from Overview and Scrutiny
- (c) Standards Committee report on Changes to Constitution - Section K

To follow

- 11. HARINGEY DEBATE - THE IMPACTS OF AUSTERITY ON COMMUNITIES IN HARINGEY**
- 12. TO ANSWER QUESTIONS, IF ANY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH COUNCIL RULES OF PROCEDURE NOS. 9 & 10**

Oral Questions

1. Cllr Hakata to Cllr Bull:

How is the New Cabinet Member for Local Investment and Economic Growth pushing forward this Community Wealth Building agenda here in Haringey?

2. Cllr da Costa to Cllr Ejiofor:

In light of the Leader's recent column in the Ham & High, does he now regret proposing an amendment to a motion on Brexit put forward by this Group, so that it no longer mentioned "remaining" in the EU?

3. Cllr Say to Cllr M Blake:

What is the Cabinet Member doing to stop young people growing up in Haringey from falling into crime?

4. Cllr Emery to Cllr Hearn:

What specific measures to combat Climate Change has the Council taken since declaring a Climate Emergency?

5. Cllr Stone to Cllr Amin:

What is the Council doing to promote healthier lifestyles in Haringey?

6. Cllr Dennison to Cllr Ejiofor:

Given the Council's strained financial situation, why doesn't it merit a stand-alone Cabinet portfolio

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

Motion C

Proposed by: Cllr Cawley-Harrison
Seconded by: Chenot

Supporting LGBT+ inclusive education

Council notes:

1. That under the Equalities Act 2010, Haringey Council has a legal duty to combat discrimination and promote equality.
2. That the Council's Borough Plan 2019-23 establishes the principles that the Council will work *"with residents and employees to create communities which are able to come together, value diversity and challenge discrimination"*.
3. That the number of homophobic hate crimes recorded in Haringey by the Metropolitan Police increased by 24.71% in the 12 months to April 2019 compared to the previous 12 months.¹
4. That a 2017 report by Stonewall on *LGBT in Britain: Hate Crime and Discrimination* noted that their results were *"particularly alarming"* for trans people and that *"Black, Asian and minority ethnic LGBT people are also disproportionately affected, with a third having experienced a hate crime or incident in the last year compared to one in five white LGBT people"*.²
5. That the Department for Education's statutory guidance on Relationships Education, Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) and Health Education which are expected to take effect in September 2020 states that *"we expect all pupils to have been taught LGBT content at a timely point as part of this area of the curriculum"*. It says that schools should *"ensure that this context is fully integrated into their programme of study for this area of the curriculum rather than delivered as a stand-alone unit or lesson"* and that their teaching should be *"sensitive and age appropriate"*.
6. That the attempts to teach an LGBT+ inclusive curriculum at a number of Birmingham schools have been met with protests. The headteacher of one of the affected schools has reported that they had led to *"distress and harassment"* and warned that *"we cannot be a primary school if staff and children are afraid to come to school"*.³
7. That 45% of LGBT+ young people report being bullied at school because of their sexual orientation.⁴
8. That 9% of trans pupils report receiving death threats at school.⁵
9. Only 40% of LGBT+ young people report having someone at home they can talk to about their sexuality.⁶

¹ <https://www.met.police.uk/sd/stats-and-data/met/hate-crime-dashboard/>

² https://www.stonewall.org.uk/system/files/lgbt_in_britain_hate_crime.pdf

³ https://www.huffingtonpost.co.uk/entry/birmingham-lgbt-protests_uk_5cfe920ce4b0aab91c09c9a4?guccounter=1&guce_referrer=aHR0cHM6Ly93d3cuZ29vZ2xlLnNvLnVrLw&guce_referrer_sig=AQAAAGaWQaYuOuDX87kNePfVxUV5ZVJU7HLRopvGjFHBrd1kE56XzBilRsdruBtkewKcfwlySYC0Zf4Td6bsLdJDdEzHD2EQjG1_sJ5CCmvaJlhBhTxuh7n6XUi0pgu9dRZEYeBmtAROkx8d2pdc3IT9fuzMNCb2yD_vsXr2RG7k8Gn6
<https://news.sky.com/story/lgbt-lesson-row-school-staff-have-counselling-over-homophobic-protests-in-birmingham-11737134>

⁴ https://www.stonewall.org.uk/system/files/the_school_report_2017.pdf

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10. Dr Mary Bousted, the general secretary of the Association of Teachers and Lecturers has stated that *“Education professionals want PSHE and RSE to become compulsory in all schools so they can help young people to become resilient, well-rounded and confident adults. Teaching young people about sex and relationships helps them to make well-informed choices. Parents support this, education professionals support this and, most importantly, young people want this. The Education Select Committee also recommends it is taught in schools.”*⁷
11. That of 810 young people aged 16-25 surveyed by the Terrence Higgins Trust 787 (or 97%) wanted Sex and Relationship lessons to be LGBT+ inclusive.⁸
12. That despite this, politicians from major parties continue to argue that it is right for children not to learn about LGBT+ relationships. For example, the Rt Hon Ester McVey (Conservative MP for Tatton) has argued that *“it is down to parents”* whether their children should participate in these lessons and the Hon Roger Godsiff (Labour MP for Birmingham Hall Green) has stated he has *“concerns about the age appropriateness of children of four and five being introduced to these ideas”*.⁹

Council believes:

1. In the equality of all people regardless of their sexual orientation or gender identity.
2. That prejudice against LGBT+ people frequently interacts with and worsens other forms of prejudice including that aimed at people on the basis of their gender, ethnicity, religion and socio-economic status. Therefore, countering anti-LGBT prejudice will help reduce other forms of hatred and discrimination.
3. That relationship education should be a compulsory part of the curriculum at all schools and for every child.
4. That the age appropriateness of sex and relationship education is not affected by recognising the existence of differing sexual orientations and gender identities.
5. It is not realistic nor desirable for any parent to expect their child’s school to keep them in ignorance of LGBT+ relationships.
6. That most of the arguments offered against LGBT+ inclusive education fails to distinguish between sex and relationship education and/or do not recognise that schools are required to ensure lessons on these topics are age appropriate.
7. That teaching an LGBT+ inclusive curriculum in schools will foster attitudes among citizens that promote an inclusive and cohesive society in which homophobic hate crimes are rarer.

Council, therefore, welcomes:

⁷ <https://www.tht.org.uk/sites/default/files/2018-07/Shh%20No%20talking%20LGBT%20inclusive%20SRE%20in%20the%20UK.pdf> p.17

⁸ <https://www.tht.org.uk/sites/default/files/2018-07/Shh%20No%20talking%20LGBT%20inclusive%20SRE%20in%20the%20UK.pdf> p.30

⁹ <https://www.birminghammail.co.uk/news/showbiz-tv/moment-esther-mcvey-doubles-down-16371454>
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Roger_Godsiff

1. The inclusion of LGBT+ content in the draft guidance on Relationships Education, Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) and Health Education. Council resolves:

1. To ask the Cabinet Member for Children, Education and Families to write to the governing bodies, proprietors, headteachers and principals of every school in the borough to offer the Council's support with delivering an LGBT+ inclusive curriculum.
2. That in the event any schools in Haringey are subject to demonstrations as a result of teaching an LGBT+ inclusive curriculum, then Haringey Council will not tolerate the disruption of children's education nor the intimidation of pupils, staff or parents. If it proves necessary in order to prevent these negative outcomes, the Council will seek Public Space Protection Orders, injunctions or other appropriate legal measures with a similar effect.

Motion D

Ending immigration detention

Proposer: Cllr Adam Jogee

Secunder: Cllr Elin Weston

This council notes:

- That the UK has one of the largest immigration detention systems in Europe, and is the only country in the region without a statutory time limit on length of detention. This means people can be held for months or years at a time, with no certainty about when they may be released or deported.
- At any one time, there may be up to 3,500 people in the eight detention centres that exist across the UK.
- Every year around 30,000 people enter immigration detention centres in the UK. Half of those in detention centres have sought asylum in the UK, fleeing conflict and persecution; others include visitors, workers, family members and students.
- That the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Refugees and Migration published a report following their inquiry into the use of immigration detention in the UK and concluded that the UK uses detention "disproportionately and inappropriately" and that detention is "expensive, inefficient and unjust".
- That the Home Office has agreed to an independent inquiry into abuse in detention facilities within the UK
This Council believes:
- Detention negatively impacts individuals' physical and mental health wellbeing and there have been reports of widespread abuse in detention centres. The majority of people held in detention are eventually released, if they are able to access the right support.
- That the government must end immigration detention now.

- Haringey has a duty to speak out against detention practices that breach basic human rights and negatively impact the mental and physical well-being of individuals subjected to it.
- That the 'hostile environment' policies are designed to make the UK an unwelcoming place for migrants, and have been condemned as 'rotten' and 'destroying the lives' of ethnic minority communities in Britain by Tendayi Achiume, a United Nations special rapporteur on racism.

This Council resolves:

- To endorse the These Walls Must Fall Campaign
- To call on the government to implement the recommendations of the All Party Parliamentary Inquiry into detention
- To ask our local MPs to support the spirit of the motion, to continue to raise the matter in the House of Commons, and to support changes in current laws and procedures to introduce alternatives to detention
- To seek further support for the motion via the Local Government Association, and by encouraging other Councils in the UK to raise the issue.

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