



COUNCIL

All Members of the Council are
HEREBY SUMMONED

to attend a meeting of the Council
to be held on:

Wednesday, 21st July 2021
at 7.00pm

Hackney Town Hall,
Mare Street, London,
E8 1EA

This meeting will be live streamed and can be viewed here:

<https://youtu.be/htCbq1vj6ZY>

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ORDER OF BUSINESS AND INDICATIVE TIMINGS

Agenda Item No.	Agenda Item	Minutes NOT EXCEEDING
1- 4.	Preliminaries	20 minutes
5.	The Mayor's Civic Awards	30 minutes
6.	Questions from Members of the Public	30 minutes
7.	Questions from Members of the Council	30 minutes
8.	Elected Mayor's Statement	20 minutes
9.	Annual Update On Progress With Decarbonisation Commitments	10 minutes
10.	Renaming Gardens Formerly Known As Cassland Road Gardens	10 minutes
11.	Corporate Plan Update	10 minutes
12.	Appointment Of The Chief Executive, Head Of Paid Service And Returning Officer	5 minutes
13.	Section 85 Local Government Act 1972 - Resolution to Extend Six Month Rule	5 minutes
14.	Motion: The Future of Planning	30 minutes
15.	Dates of Future Meetings	2 minutes
	TOTAL	3:22

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WEDNESDAY, 21 JULY 2021
AGENDA

- 1. Apologies for Absence**
- 2. Speaker's Announcements**
- 3. Declarations of Interest - Members to declare as appropriate**

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:

- must disclose the interest at the start of the meeting or when or when the interest becomes apparent, and
- may not participate in any discussion or vote on the matter and must withdraw from the meeting proceedings in person or virtually.

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 8.1 - 15.2 of Section 2 of Part 5 of the constitution and Appendix A of the Members' Code of Conduct.

- 4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting - 30 June 2021**
- 5. The Mayor's Civic Awards**
- 6. Questions from Members of the Public**

[Question from Mr Christopher Sills to the Mayor](#)

Are you aware that I have reluctantly decided to refer Adult Social Care to the Care Quality Commission because of failures to deal with problems related to people who are seriously ill?

7. Questions from Members of the Council

7.1 Question from Cllr Richard Lufkin to the Mayoral Adviser for Older People

It was my great pleasure to second the motion regarding the Aging Well Strategy at Full Council last year and I think we are all aware of the great work that Councillor Maxwell has been doing on this. As part of that Strategy, a Hackney Older Citizens Committee was set up, could Cllr Maxwell update us on the progress of their work?

7.2 Question from Cllr Kam Adams to the Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member for Education, Young People and Children's Social Care

Could the Cabinet Member share with us, how many children have missed out on their top choice of secondary school this year compared to last year?

7.3 Question from Cllr Sophie Conway to the Cabinet Member for Health, Adult Social Care and Leisure

Please could you outline whether there are any health inequalities or disparities relating to the diagnosis and treatment of postnatal depression and postpartum psychosis in the borough and if so, what is being done to address these?

7.4 Question from Cllr Gilbert Smyth to the Cabinet Member for Energy, Waste, Transport and Public Realm

How have the introduction of the emergency Lower Traffic Neighbourhood's and the rollout of our School Streets programme affected or impacted:-

1. Local bus routes, including journey times along perimeter roads and routes through the targeted neighbourhood?
2. The cycling network in terms of safety, connectivity and inclusiveness across Hackney and further afield?
3. The quality of our walking environment through road space reallocation schemes?
4. Air pollution levels on perimeter roads and outside schools with school streets?
5. Safe access to schools?
6. Traffic reduction and car journey times?
7. Demographics, deprivation and inequalities/equalities?
8. Community space enhancement?
9. Access for freight workers and people that require cars, vans etc?
10. Local active travel opportunities?

7.5 Question from Cllr Ian Rathbone to the Cabinet Member for Health, Adult Social Care and Leisure

Could the Cabinet Member for Health, Adult Social Care and Leisure please provide an update on what is happening about the takeover of some GP surgeries by privatising companies like Operose?

7.6 Question from Cllr Soraya Adejare to the Cabinet Member for Community Safety

Over the past few months Gillett Square in Dalston has again experienced high level incidents including a shooting resulting in the tragic death of a young man, alongside a stabbing. We are in a space where vulnerable people are targeted by criminals who service the multiplicity of drug users in, or who visit, the area. The resulting Anti Social Behaviour is a long standing concern of residents. Could the Cabinet Member please advise as to the steps being taken to tackle these problems?

7.7 Question from Cllr Ian Rathbone to the Mayor

Can the Mayor please give an update on the progress of discussions with the City of London and London Borough of Waltham Forest regarding redevelopment proposals of New Spitalfields market site and the surrounding area, and its impact on Hackney Marshes and the Lea Bridge Road/Eastway areas?

7.8 Question from Cllr Vincent Stops to the Cabinet Member for Energy, Waste, Transport and Public Realm

Since the early 2000s, the Labour administration has sought to remove the giant J.C. Decaux hoardings from Hackney's pavements. Following extensive work by officers, the Council negotiated an end date of August 2021 for the contract. Members were promised they would be removed. Tim Shields wrote to me to confirm this as part of a further variation of the contract a few years back. As recently as March this year he wrote that he and I "hold the history" and "they need to be removed". Can you assure me this commitment will be kept and these boards, that are an eyesore and obstruction of the pavement, will be removed?

7.9 Question from Cllr Peter Snell to the Cabinet Member for Energy, Waste, Transport and Public Realm

What are the initial findings of the impact of Lower Traffic Neighbourhoods (LTNs) on private car use in Hackney both within LTNs and on boundary routes? Since such use is clearly depressed at the moment by Covid restrictions, how long will it take before we are able to measure the final impact?

8. Elected Mayor's Statement

9. Annual Update On Progress With Decarbonisation Commitments

Appendix 2 - to follow. This will be circulated as a late item after consideration by Cabinet on 19 July 2021.

10. Renaming Gardens Formerly Known As Cassland Road Gardens

11. Corporate Plan Update

12. Appointment Of The Chief Executive, Head Of Paid Service And Returning Officer

13. Section 85 Local Government Act 1972 - Resolution to Extend Six Month Rule
This report has an Exempt Appendix, by Virtue of Paragraphs using Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 the appendix is exempt because it contains information relating to an individual.

14. Motion: The Future of Planning

Hackney Council this year approved and adopted its new inclusive and sustainable Local Plan (LP33) after a lengthy period of community consultation. LP33 sits alongside a range of supporting policy documents that includes our ambitious community-led Area Plans for Shoreditch, Dalston, Hackney Central, and Stamford Hill, and a portfolio of progressive supplementary planning documents (SPD); the most recent SPD adopted by the Council, guides new development to create Child Friendly Places.

Hackney Council believes the Government's proposed Planning Reform white paper is fundamentally flawed. The proposals undermine the local democratic place-making and determination process, restricts residents' participation in the Planning process, and centralises all Planning gain, to be redistributed by central Government.

We believe that Planning works best when local communities, Councillors, Councils, and developers work together to shape local neighbourhoods to deliver much-needed new homes and workspaces, alongside coordinating the funding and delivery of neighbourhood-based infrastructure.

We believe that the benefits of Section 106 and the Community Infrastructure Levy Planning gain must remain locally-held by the Council for, and on behalf of, the community the Council serves. This means funding can be effectively targeted at and respond to the infrastructure needs created by the demand brought about by new development, and not handed over to central Government to distribute as it sees fit.

Council therefore resolves:

- To call on the Government to review the Planning Reform white paper to protect the right of local communities to object to individual planning applications and protect the right to engage with all aspects of the Planning process.
- To ensure that locally-collected Planning gain remains local.
- To ensure that future development is led by local planning and place-making.
- To ensure that local democratically accountable determination remains at the heart of Hackney's sustainable and inclusive Planning process
- That the Mayor, Deputy Mayor for Planning and Chair of Planning Committee write to the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities & Local Government outlining the Council's concerns about the Planning Reform white paper, copying in Hackney's MPs, the Minister for Planning and the Shadow Secretary of State for Communities & Local Government.

Proposed by: Cllr Steve Race

Seconded by: Cllr Katie Hanson

15. Dates of Future Meetings

All meetings of Full Council will commence at 7.00pm and are scheduled as follows:

- 20 October 2021
- 26 January 2022
- 23 February 2022

Public Attendance

The Town Hall is not presently open to the general public, and there is limited capacity within the meeting rooms. However, the High Court has ruled that where meetings are required to be 'open to the public' or 'held in public' then members of the public are entitled to have access by way of physical attendance at the meeting. The Council will need to ensure that access by the public is in line with any Covid-19 restrictions that may be in force from time to time and also in line with public health advice.

Those members of the public who wish to observe a meeting are still encouraged to make use of the live-stream facility in the first instance. You can find the link on the agenda front sheet.

Members of the public who would ordinarily attend a meeting to ask a question, make a deputation or present a petition will be able to attend if they wish. They may also let the relevant committee support officer know that they would like the Chair of the meeting to ask the question, make the deputation or present the petition on their behalf (in line with current Constitutional arrangements).

In the case of the Planning Sub-Committee, those wishing to make representations at the meeting should attend in person where possible.

Regardless of why a member of the public wishes to attend a meeting, they will need to advise the relevant committee support officer of their intention in advance of the meeting date. You can find contact details for the committee support officer on the agenda front page. This is to support track and trace. The committee support officer will be able to confirm whether the proposed attendance can be accommodated with the room capacities that exist to ensure that the meeting is covid-secure.

As there will be a maximum capacity in each meeting room, priority will be given to those who are attending to participate in a meeting rather than observe.

Members of the public who are attending a meeting for a specific purpose, rather than general observation, are encouraged to leave the meeting at the end of the item for which they are present. This is particularly important in the case of the Planning Sub-Committee, as it may have a number of items on the agenda involving public representation.

Before attending the meeting

The public, staff and councillors are asked to review the information below as this is important in minimising the risk for everyone.

If you are experiencing covid symptoms, you should follow government guidance. Under no circumstances should you attend a meeting if you are experiencing covid symptoms.

Anyone experiencing symptoms of Coronavirus is eligible to book a swab test to find out if they have the virus. You can register for a test after checking your symptoms [through the NHS website](#). If you do not have access to the internet, or have difficulty with the digital portals, you are able to call the 119 service to book a test.

If you're an essential worker and you are experiencing Coronavirus symptoms, you can apply for priority testing through GOV.UK by following the [guidance for essential workers](#). You can also get tested through this route if you have symptoms of coronavirus and live with an essential worker.

Availability of home testing in the case of people with symptoms is limited, so please use testing centres where you can.

Even if you are not experiencing covid symptoms, you are requested to take an asymptomatic test (lateral flow test) in the 24 hours before attending the meeting.

You can do so by visiting any lateral flow test centre; details of the rapid testing sites in Hackney can be found [here](#). Alternatively, you can obtain home testing kits from pharmacies or order them [here](#).

You must not attend a lateral flow test site if you have Coronavirus symptoms; rather you must book a test appointment at your nearest walk-through or drive-through centre.

Lateral flow tests take around 30 minutes to deliver a result, so please factor the time it will take to administer the test and then wait for the result when deciding when to take the test.

If your lateral flow test returns a positive result then you must follow Government guidance; self-isolate and make arrangements for a PCR test. Under no circumstances should you attend the meeting.

Attending the Town Hall for meetings

To make our buildings Covid-safe, it is very important that you observe the rules and guidance on social distancing, one-way systems, hand washing, and the wearing of masks (unless you are exempt from doing so). You must follow all the signage and measures that have been put in place. They are there to keep you and others safe.

To minimise risk, we ask that Councillors arrive fifteen minutes before the meeting starts and leave the meeting room immediately after the meeting has concluded. The public will be invited into the room five minutes before the meeting starts.

Members of the public will be permitted to enter the building via the front entrance of the Town Hall no earlier than ten minutes before the meeting is scheduled to start. They will be required to sign in and have their temperature checked as they enter the building. Security will direct them to the Chamber or Committee Room as appropriate.

Seats will be allocated, and people must remain in the seat that has been allocated to them.

Refreshments will not be provided, so it is recommended that you bring a bottle of water with you.

RIGHTS OF PRESS AND PUBLIC TO REPORT ON MEETINGS

Where a meeting of the Council and its committees are open to the public, the press and public are welcome to report on meetings of the Council and its committees, through any audio, visual or written methods and may use digital and social media providing they do not disturb the conduct of the meeting and providing that the person reporting or providing the commentary is present at the meeting.

Those wishing to film, photograph or audio record a meeting are asked to notify the Council's Monitoring Officer by noon on the day of the meeting, if possible, or any time prior to the start of the meeting or notify the Chair at the start of the meeting.

The Monitoring Officer, or the Chair of the meeting, may designate a set area from which all recording must take place at a meeting.

The Council will endeavour to provide reasonable space and seating to view, hear and record the meeting. If those intending to record a meeting require any other reasonable facilities, notice should be given to the Monitoring Officer in advance of the meeting and will only be provided if practicable to do so.

The Chair shall have discretion to regulate the behaviour of all those present recording a meeting in the interests of the efficient conduct of the meeting. Anyone acting in a disruptive manner may be required by the Chair to cease recording or may be excluded from the meeting.

Disruptive behaviour may include: moving from any designated recording area; causing excessive noise; intrusive lighting; interrupting the meeting; or filming members of the public who have asked not to be filmed.

All those visually recording a meeting are requested to only focus on recording councillors, officers and the public who are directly involved in the conduct of the meeting. The Chair of the meeting will ask any members of the public present if they have objections to being visually recorded. Those visually recording a meeting are asked to respect the wishes of those who do not wish to be filmed or photographed. Failure by someone recording a meeting to respect the wishes of those who do not wish to be filmed and photographed may result in the Chair instructing them to cease recording or in their exclusion from the meeting.

If a meeting passes a motion to exclude the press and public then in order to consider confidential or exempt information, all recording must cease and all recording equipment must be removed from the meeting. The press and public are not permitted to use any means which might enable them to see or hear the proceedings whilst they are excluded from a meeting and confidential or exempt information is under consideration.

Providing oral commentary during a meeting is not permitted.

ADVICE TO MEMBERS ON DECLARING INTERESTS

Hackney Council's Code of Conduct applies to all Members of the Council, the Mayor and co-opted Members.

This note is intended to provide general guidance for Members on declaring interests. However, you may need to obtain specific advice on whether you have an interest in a particular matter. If you need advice, you can contact:

- Director of Legal and Governance Services
- the Legal Adviser to the committee; or
- Governance Services.

If at all possible, you should try to identify any potential interest you may have before the meeting so that you and the person you ask for advice can fully consider all the circumstances before reaching a conclusion on what action you should take.

You will have a disclosable pecuniary interest in a matter if it:

- relates to an interest that you have already registered in Parts A and C of the Register of Pecuniary Interests of you or your spouse/civil partner, or anyone living with you as if they were your spouse/civil partner;
- relates to an interest that should be registered in Parts A and C of the Register of Pecuniary Interests of your spouse/civil partner, or anyone living with you as if they were your spouse/civil partner, but you have not yet done so; or
- affects your well-being or financial position or that of your spouse/civil partner, or anyone living with you as if they were your spouse/civil partner.

If you have a disclosable pecuniary interest in an item on the agenda you must:

- Declare the existence and nature of the interest (in relation to the relevant agenda item) as soon as it becomes apparent to you (subject to the rules regarding sensitive interests).
- You must leave the meeting when the item in which you have an interest is being discussed. You cannot stay in the meeting whilst discussion of the item takes place and you cannot vote on the matter. In addition, you must not seek to improperly influence the decision.

iii. If you have, however, obtained dispensation from the Monitoring Officer or Standards Committee you may remain in the meeting and participate in the meeting. If dispensation has been granted it will stipulate the extent of your involvement, such as whether you can only be present to make representations, provide evidence or whether you are able to fully participate and vote on the matter in which you have a pecuniary interest.

Do you have any other non-pecuniary interest on any matter on the agenda which is being considered at the meeting?

You will have 'other non-pecuniary interest' in a matter if:

- i. It relates to an external body that you have been appointed to as a Member or in another capacity; or
- ii. It relates to an organisation or individual which you have actively engaged in supporting.

If you have other non-pecuniary interest in an item on the agenda you must:

- i. Declare the existence and nature of the interest (in relation to the relevant agenda item) as soon as it becomes apparent to you.
- ii. You may remain in the meeting, participate in any discussion or vote provided that contractual, financial, consent, permission or licence matters are not under consideration relating to the item in which you have an interest.
- iii. If you have an interest in a contractual, financial, consent, permission or licence matter under consideration, you must leave the meeting unless you have obtained a dispensation from the Monitoring Officer or Standards Committee. You cannot stay in the meeting whilst discussion of the item takes place and you cannot vote on the matter. In addition, you must not seek to improperly influence the decision. Where members of the public are allowed to make representations, or to give evidence or answer questions about the matter you may, with the permission of the meeting, speak on a matter then leave the meeting. Once you have finished making your representation, you must leave the meeting whilst the matter is being discussed.
- iv. If you have been granted dispensation, in accordance with the Council's dispensation procedure you may remain in the meeting. If dispensation has been granted it will stipulate the extent of your involvement, such as whether you can only be present to make representations, provide evidence or whether you are able to fully participate and vote on the matter in which you have a non pecuniary interest.

Further Information

Advice can be obtained from Dawn Carter-McDonald, Director of Legal & Governance Services via email dawn.carter-mcdonald@hackney.gov.uk