

Overview & Scrutiny

Scrutiny Panel Scrutiny Commission

Rolling Work Programme May 2023 – April 2024

All meetings take place at 7.00 pm and will be virtual until further notice. This rolling work programme report is updated and published on the agenda for each meeting of the Panel.

Dates	Proposed Item	Directorate and officer contact	Comment and Action
Thurs 13th Jul 2023 Papers deadline: Mon 3 rd July	Mayor Cabinet Question Time	Mayor's Office	Mayor Philip Glanville Cabinet Question Time - CQT session with the Mayor of Hackney.
	Budget Scrutiny	Finance and Corporate Resources Directorate Group Director Finance and Corporate Resources, Ian Williams	Review of the Council's Budget, Spend and Priorities for 2023/2024 and Update on the savings proposals implemented for 2022/23. Information presented to cover: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Directorate budget for 2023/2024 • Directorate planned spend and priorities for 2023/2024 • Directorate budget service pressures • Update on the progress of budget savings that were agreed for implementation year 2022/2023.
	Overview of Scrutiny Commission Work	Chief Executive Directorate Chair Councillor Margaret Gordon	A review of the O&S public and stakeholder consultation response and an outline of the suggestions received for the scrutiny commissions.

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	Programmes for 2023-2024		
Thurs 12th Oct 2023 Papers deadline: Mon 2 nd Oct	Quarterly Finance Update	Finance and Corporate Resources Directorate Group Director Jackie Moylan	TBC
	Hackney Council Complaints and Enquires Annual Report 2022/2023	Chief Executive's Directorate Business Intelligence, Elections & Member Services Bruce Devile	Annual report of the Council's Complaints and Members Enquires for 2022/23.
	Poverty Reduction	Hackney Council Cabinet Members Cllr Chris Kennedy, Cabinet Member Health, adult social care, voluntary sector and culture Cllr Rob Chapman, Cabinet Member Finance, insourcing and other services Cllr Caroline Woodley, Cabinet Member Families, early years, parks and play	Policy Update over 2 sessions. Session 1 1. Case studies and information about the impact of the Council's poverty reduction work in practice. 2. Governance, accountability structures and how the work is being embedded across the Council. Session 2 Update from the Council on its poverty reduction work to meet the needs of residents.

Meeting moved due to Purdah

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		<p>Cllr Carole Williams, Cabinet Member Employment Skills and Human Resources</p> <p>Chief Executive's Directorate Policy and Strategic Delivery Sonia Khan, Head of Policy and Strategic Delivery</p>	
<p>Mon 4th Dec 2023</p> <p>Papers deadline: Thurs 23rd Nov</p>	<p>Hackney Council Complaints and Enquires Annual Report 2022/2023</p>	<p>Chief Executive's Directorate Business Intelligence, Elections & Member Services Bruce Devile</p>	<p>Annual report of the Council's Complaints and Members Enquires for 2022/23.</p>
	<p>Quarterly Finance Update</p>	<p>Finance and Corporate Resources Directorate Group Director Jackie Moylan</p> <p>Cllr Rob Chapman, Cabinet Member</p> <p>Cllr Anna Lynch, Chair of Audit Committee</p>	<p>Finance Budget reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overall Financial Position • Capital Update and Property Disposals and Acquisitions Report <p>Finance update to include information about the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Council's communication / engagement plans with residents about the Council's budget 2. Update on the budget setting progress and budget gap 3. Update on the Audit Committee work looking at Section 114 notices

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			4. Update on the Audit Committee Task Group for Fees and Charges.
	Executive Response to the Net Zero Scrutiny Panel Report	Scrutiny Panel Chair Cllr Margaret Gordon	Executive response to scrutiny report recommendations
	Executive Response to the Council Tax Reduction Scheme Review Report	Scrutiny Panel Chair Cllr Margaret Gordon	Executive response to scrutiny report recommendations
Tues 30th Jan 2024 Papers deadline: Thurs 18 th Jan	Quarterly Finance Update	Finance and Corporate Resources Directorate Group Director Jackie Moylan	The latest MTFP and OFT report to cabinet and a written update giving an overview about the local government settlement. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overall Financial Position • Capital Update and Property Disposals and Acquisitions Report • Written report about the local government settlement (<i>To follow</i>).
Chief Executive Question Time	Chief Executive's Directorate Interim Chief Executive Dawn Carter-McDonald	Question time session with the Chief Executive. This item will cover: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Update on the Independent Governance Review commissioned by the Council. 2) Information about how the Council will ensure that residents continue to receive 	

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		John Henderson (Independent Reviewer for Governance Review)	high quality and efficiently run services despite our budgetary challenge. 3) Following the recent changes to the senior and political leadership. We have asked for information about the Interim Chief Executive's succession planning and approach to ensure across the organisation there is stability and robust decision making by the senior leadership team.
	Hackney's Equality Plan	Cllr Carole Williams, Cabinet Member Employment Skills and Human Resources Chief Executive's Directorate Policy and Strategic Delivery Sonia Khan, Assistant Director of Policy and Strategic Delivery	Update on the formal consultation for the Equality Plan including the Anti-Racism Action Plan.
	Poverty Reduction	Cabinet Members Cllr Chris Kennedy, Cabinet Member Health, adult social care, voluntary sector and culture	Update on the Council's poverty reduction work and right to food manifesto commitment. The Scrutiny Panel discussion is to review how the Council's Poverty Reduction Strategic Framework is working in practice, the impact it is having and how it has been embedded across council services. This update has been held over 2 sessions.

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		<p>Cllr Rob Chapman, Cabinet Member Finance, insourcing and customer services</p> <p>Mayor of Hackney Caroline Woodley (covering families, early years, parks and play).</p> <p>Cllr Carole Williams, Cabinet Member Employment Skills and Human Resources.</p> <p>Chief Executive's Directorate Policy and Strategic Delivery Sonia Khan, Assistant Director of Policy and Strategic Delivery.</p> <p>Jenny Zienau, Strategic Lead Tackling poverty and inequality.</p> <p>Rob Miller, Strategic Director Customer & Workplace</p> <p>Zoe Tyndall, Head of Here to Help</p>	<p>Session 1 - April 2023 Information from voluntary sector partners to understand how the council is working in partnership with key local stakeholders in the voluntary sector to meet the needs of residents.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Case studies and information about the impact of the Council's poverty reduction work in practice. <p>Session 2 - Jan 2024 Update from the Council on its poverty reduction work to meet the needs of residents.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Governance, accountability structures and how the work is being embedded across the Council. <p>The Scrutiny Panel is seeking to understand how Hackney Council's Poverty Reduction Framework is working in practice and any innovative work by the Council or other boroughs. LBH to provide an update covering the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Poverty reduction <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Information about how the Council's strategic framework has guided or facilitated service providers and council services to transition their support to meet the needs of residents? b. How has the Council's strategic framework has been embedded across all council services? c. How the Council is working with local partners (particularly HCVS) and the spend on poverty reduction

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> d. Governance and accountability structures for poverty reduction work. 2. Information about the Money Hub and how the work has supported residents.
<p>Mon 15th Apr 2024</p> <p>Papers deadline: Wed 3rd Apr</p>	<p>Work Programme Planning</p>	<p>Overview and Scrutiny Scrutiny Panel Chair Cllr Margaret Gordon</p>	<p>The Panel will make suggestions for the new municipal year work program.</p>
	<p>Quarterly Finance Update</p>	<p>Finance and Corporate Resources Directorate Group Director Jackie Moylan</p>	<p>TBC</p>