

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

7.30 pm Wednesday, 21 May 2025 At Council Chamber - Town Hall

Members of the Council of the London Borough of Havering are hereby summoned to attend the Annual Meeting of the Council at the time and place indicated for the transaction of the following business.

C.M

Gavin Milnthorpe

Monitoring Officer

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Please would all Members and officers attending ensure they sit in their allocated seats as this will enable correct identification of participants on the meeting webcast.



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Members of the public who do not wish to appear in the webcast will be able to sit in the balcony, which is not in camera range. Council, 21 May 2025 - Agenda

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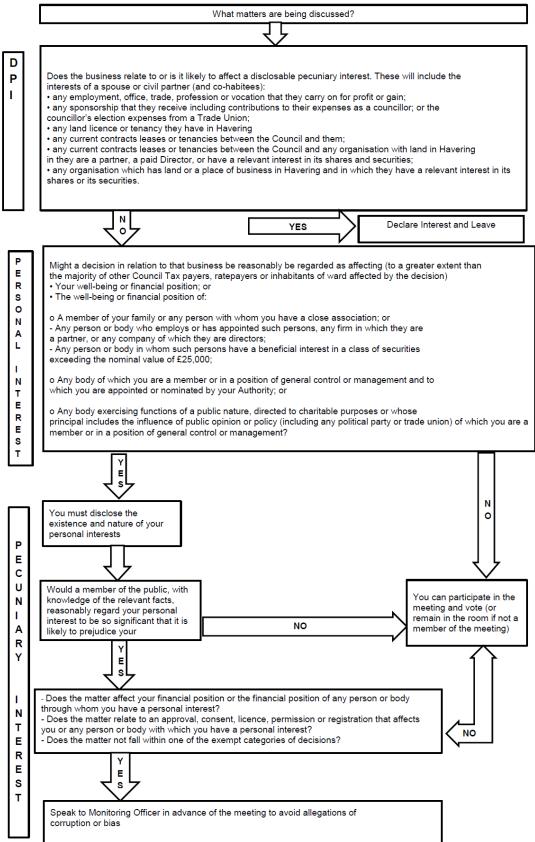
- filming, photographing or making an audio recording of the proceedings of the meeting;
- using any other means for enabling persons not present to see or hear proceedings at a meeting as it takes place or later; or
- reporting or providing commentary on proceedings at a meeting, orally or in writing, so that the report or commentary is available as the meeting takes place or later if the person is not present.

Anyone present at a meeting as it takes place is not permitted to carry out an oral commentary or report. This is to prevent the business of the meeting being disrupted.

Anyone attending a meeting is asked to advise Democratic Services staff on 01708 433076 that they wish to report on the meeting and how they wish to do so. This is to enable employees to guide anyone choosing to report on proceedings to an appropriate place from which to be able to report effectively.

Members of the public are asked to remain seated throughout the meeting as standing up and walking around could distract from the business in hand.

DECLARING INTERESTS FLOWCHART - QUESTIONS TO ASK YOURSELF



Principles of conduct in public office

In accordance with the provisions of the Localism Act 2011, when acting in the capacity of a Member, they are committed to behaving in a manner that is consistent with the following principles to achieve best value for the Borough's residents and to maintain public confidence in the Council.

SELFLESSNESS: Holders of public office should act solely in terms of the public interest. They should not do so in order to gain financial or other material benefits for themselves, their family, or their friends.

INTEGRITY: Holders of public office should not place themselves under any financial or other obligation to outside individuals or organisations that might seek to influence them in the performance of their official duties.

OBJECTIVITY: In carrying out public business, including making public appointments, awarding contracts, or recommending individuals for rewards and benefits, holders of public office should make choices on merit.

ACCOUNTABILITY: Holders of public office are accountable for their decisions and actions to the public and must submit themselves to whatever scrutiny is appropriate to their office.

OPENNESS: Holders of public office should be as open as possible about all the decisions and actions that they take. They should give reasons for their decisions and restrict information only when the wider public interest clearly demands.

HONESTY: Holders of public office have a duty to declare any private interests relating to their public duties and to take steps to resolve any conflicts arising in a way that protects the public interest.

LEADERSHIP: Holders of public office should promote and support these principles by leadership and example.

AGENDA

1 PRAYERS

2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence have been received from Councillors Mandy Anderson and Katharine Tumilty.

To receive any other apologies for absence.

3 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

Members are invited to disclose any interest in any of the items on the agenda at this point of the meeting.

Members may still disclose any interest in an item at any time prior to the consideration of the matter.

4 **RESOLUTION TO EXTEND SIX MONTH ATTENDANCE RULE** (Pages 9 - 12)

Report of Chief Executive (attached).

Note: the deadline for amendments to all reports published with the final agenda is midnight, Monday 19 May.

5 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE MAYOR, BY THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL OR BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

To receive announcements (if any).

6 MAYORALTY 2025/26

(a) To elect the Mayor of the Borough for the municipal year 2025/26.

Motion on behalf of the Havering Residents Association Group

That Councillor Sue Ospreay be elected to the office of Mayor for the municipal year 2025 - 2026.

Motion on behalf of the Labour Group

That Councillor Pat Brown be elected to the office of Mayor for the municipal year 2025 – 2026.

(b) To receive notice of the appointment of Deputy Mayor of the Borough for the municipal year 2025/26.

7 **MINUTES** (Pages 13 - 32)

To sign as a true record the minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 26 March 2025 (attached).

8 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE INCOMING MAYOR

9 ESTABLISHING THE COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL AND CONFIRMING THE SCHEME OF DELEGATION (Pages 33 - 44)

Report of Chief Executive (attached).

10 APPOINTMENT OF THE CHAIRMEN AND VICE-CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES (Pages 45 - 50)

To consider motions (attached) regarding the appointment of Committee Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen.

11 APPOINTMENT OF THE MEMBER CHAMPIONS (Pages 51 - 54)

To consider motions (attached) regarding the appointment of the Member Champions.

12 STATEMENT BY THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

To receive a statement by the Leader of the Council.