

MINUTES OF A CABINET MEETING Council Chamber - Town Hall Wednesday, 15 October 2025 (Times Not Specified)

Present:

Councillor Ray Morgon (Leader of the Council), Chairman

	Cabinet Member responsibility:
Councillor Gillian Ford (Vice-Chair)	Lead Member for Adults & Wellbeing
Councillor Oscar Ford	Lead Member for Children & Young People
Councillor Paul McGeary	Lead Member for Housing & Property
Councillor Natasha Summers	Lead Member for Housing Need & Climate Change
Councillor Christopher Wilkins	Lead Member for Finance
Councillor Graham Williamson	Lead Member for Regeneration

In attendance: Councillor Viddy Persaud (CON), Councillor Keith Darvill (LAB), Councillor Martin Goode (EHRG)

27 **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

On behalf of the Chair, there was an announcement about the arrangements in case of fire or other events that might require the meeting room or building's evacuation.

28 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received from Councillor Paul Middleton and Councillor Barry Mugglestone.

29 **DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

30 MINUTES

The minutes of the meetings held on 17th September 2025, were agreed as a correct record and the Chair signed them.

31 ADULTS JOINT COMMISSIONING STRATEGY

Report Title: Interim Adults Commissioning Strategy

Presented by: Councillor Gillian Ford, Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Care Services

Summary:

This report provides an overview of the Interim Adults Commissioning Strategy 2025-26 which sets out the London Borough of Havering's approach to planning and commissioning adult services over the next 12 months.

The focus is on responding to identified local needs, with an emphasis on prevention and enabling individuals to live healthy, independent lives for as long as possible.

The strategy covers

- Commissioning principles
- Overarching priorities
- Key commissioning intentions for 2025/2026

Cabinet:

Noted the contents of the report and the accompanying strategy

Approved the interim adults commissioning strategy

32 OUTDOOR PLAY AREAS CONTRACT TENDER

Report Title: Outdoor Play Areas Contract Award

Presented by: Councillor Ray Morgon (Leader of the Council) on behalf of Councillor Barry Mugglestone, Cabinet Member - Environment

Summary:

A decision is required to award a 5-year play contract (by way of a framework) to a single supplier for all improvements in parks and open spaces across the Borough. This will be a call-off contract with a minimum spend of £0 and maximum of £3 million over the term.

Cabinet:

- 1. **Approved** the procurement for a 5-year call-off contract via the Eastern Shires Purchasing Organisation (ESPO) Framework, which will cover all improvement works in parks play areas when required for up to a total value of up to £3 million. The procurement will be by way of mini-competition.
- 2. **Agreed** to waive the Council's standard 70:30 (price: quality) evaluation scoring in favour of 40:60 (price: quality) for the reasons set out in this report.
- 3. **Agreed** to award the contract to the bidder as selected by way of the framework with an estimated commencement date in January 2026
- 4. **Agreed** to authorise the Director of Environment to complete all necessary documentation required to give effect to recommendations 1-3.

Chairman