

Annual Meeting of the Council of the London Borough of Barnet

TO BE HELD ON

TUESDAY 23RD MAY, 2023 AT 7.00 PM

VENUE

HENDON TOWN HALL, THE BURROUGHS, LONDON NW4 4BQ

SUMMONS AND AGENDA



All Councillors are hereby summoned to attend the Council Meeting for the transaction of the business set out.

Agenda and Timetable
Tuesday 23rd May, 2023

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Andrew Charlwood, Head of Governance
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Minutes

OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE LONDON BOROUGH OF BARNET
held at Hendon Town Hall, The Burroughs, London NW4 4BQ, on 28 February 2023

AGENDA ITEM 4

PRESENT:-

The Worshipful the Mayor (Councillor Alison Moore)
The Deputy Mayor (Councillor Nagus Narenthira)

Councillors:

Richard Barnes	Rohit Grover	Simon Radford
Zahra Beg	Lachhya Gurung	Barry Rawlings
Andrea Bilbow OBE	Haylett	Danny Rich
Rishikesh Chakraborty	Ross Houston	Tim Roberts
Pauline Coakley Webb	Anne Hutton	Ella Rose
Dean Cohen	Giulia Innocenti	Gill Sargeant
Philip Cohen	Humayune Khalick	Alan Schneiderman
Joshua Conway	Paul Lemon	Mark Shooter
Sara Conway	David Longstaff	Elliot Simberg
Geof Cooke	Linda Lusingu	Caroline Stock
Alison Cornelius	Kath McGuirk	Daniel Thomas
Richard Cornelius	Nick Mearing-Smith	Liron Woodcock-
Edith David	Michael Mire	Velleman
Val Duschinsky	Arjun Mittra	Tony Vourou
Shuey Gordon	Ammar Naqvi	Emma Whysall
Eva Greenspan	Matthew Perlberg	Nigel Young
Jennifer Grocock	Alex Prager	Peter Zinkin

Apologies for Absence

Councillor Ernest Ambe	Councillor Laithe Jajeh
Councillor Anne Clarke	Councillor Giulia Monasterio
Councillor Paul Edwards	Councillor Lucy Wakeley
Councillor Claire Farrier	Councillor Sarah Wardle
Councillor Kamal Gurung	Councillor Zakia Zubairi
Councillor Andreas Ioannidis	

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Ambe, Clarke, Edwards, Farrier, K Gurung, Ioannidis, Laithe, Monasterio, Wakeley, Wardle, Whysall and Zubairi.

2. ELECT A MEMBER TO PRESIDE IF THE MAYOR IS ABSENT

The Worshipful the Mayor was present.

3. WORDS FROM YOUNG PEOPLE IN BARNET

The Worshipful the Mayor invited Miki Weisfish, Michal Faith, Rimona Jacobson and Rina Serfarty to say a few words.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Whysall declared a pecuniary interest in Item 11 – ‘Referral of Report from Policy & Resources Committee Business planning - Budget 2023/24 and Medium-Term Financial Strategy 2023-27’ by virtue of having provided advice to trade unions. She would leave the chamber for the duration of the debate.

Councillor Zinkin declared a pecuniary interest in Item 11.1 – ‘Referral of Report from Policy & Resources Committee Business Planning - Budget 2023/24 and Medium-Term Financial Strategy 2023-27’ by virtue of being a Director of London Energy. Councillor Zinkin had been granted a dispensation by the Monitoring Officer.

5. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 24 January 2023 be agreed as a correct record.

6. OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Worshipful the Mayor invited officers and Councillors to attend the opening ceremony of the Civic Room in Hendon Town Hall for refreshments after the meeting.

7. ANY BUSINESS REMAINING FROM LAST MEETING

None.

8. RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION

The Deputy Mayor moved the following resolution:

‘That we the Members of the Council of the London Borough of Barnet, hereby express to The Worshipful the Mayor, Councillor Alison Moore, our appreciation of the excellent service she has rendered to the London Borough of Barnet as its Mayor during the period May 2022 to May 2023, and for the friendly and conscientious way in which she has performed the duties of that office.

We offer her our sincere gratitude for the concern that she has shown at all times in promoting the welfare of the Borough and its residents, particularly for her willingness to support the many organisations and individuals who called on her time and services during her Mayoralty.

We congratulate her on the success of her appeals for her charities Homeless Action in Barnet (HAB), the Barnet Food Hub and the Space2Grow Children and Young Peoples Fund’.

This was duly agreed, with the foregoing resolution to be engrossed over the Common Seal of the corporation and presented to the Worshipful Mayor at the Annual Meeting.

9. THE MAYORALTY FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2023 - 2024

The Worshipful the Mayor called for nominations for election of Mayor of the London Borough of Barnet for the Municipal Year 2023/24. It was noted that there was one nomination for the Mayor Designate;

Councillor Sargeant, duly seconded by Councillor Khalick moved that Councillor Nagus Narenthira be proposed for the appointment of the Mayor of the London Borough of Barnet at the Annual meeting of the Council of the 23 May 2023.

On the nomination being put to the vote, the votes were recorded as follows:

For: 52
Against: 0
Abstain: 0
Absent: 11

RESOLVED that Councillor Nagus Narenthira be nominated as the Mayor designate for the municipal year 2023/24.

The Mayor designate Councillor Nagus Narenthira thanked those present for her nomination and nominated Councillor Tony Vourou as the Deputy Mayor designate for the municipal year 2023/24.

RESOLVED that Council note Councillor Tony Vourou as Deputy Mayor Designate for the municipal year 2023/24.

10. REPORTS FROM THE LEADER

None.

11. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

11.1 REPORT FROM POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE BUSINESS PLANNING - BUDGET 2023/24 AND MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY 2023/27

Having declared an interest, Councillor Whysall left the chamber.

The Worshipful the Mayor moved suspension of Council Procedure Rule 17.7 to allow the initial speeches on the Budget to be up to the following lengths:
10 minutes for the Leader and 8 minutes for the Leader of the Opposition.

Councillor Rawlings, Chair of the Policy and Resources Committee moved the reception and adoption of the recommendations in the report. Councillor Thomas moved the Conservative Group alternative budget. Debate ensued.

The Head of Governance informed Council that the Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 and Council Procedure Rule 12.4 requires that voting decisions relating to the budget and Council Tax be recorded.

On the Conservative Group amendment being put to the vote, the votes were recorded as follows:

Councillor			For	Against	Not Voting	Absent
1	Ernest	AMBE				x
2	Richard	BARNES		x		
3	Zahra	BEG		x		
4	Andrea	BILBOW		x		
5	Rishikesh	CHAKRABORTY		x		
6	Anne	CLARKE				x
7	Pauline	COAKLEY WEBB		x		
8	Dean	COHEN	x			
9	Philip	COHEN		x		
10	Joshua	CONWAY	x			
11	Sara	CONWAY		x		
12	Geof	COOKE		x		
13	Alison	CORNELIUS	x			
14	Richard	CORNELIUS	x			
15	Edith	DAVID		x		
16	Val	DUSCHINSKY	x			
17	Paul	EDWARDS				x
18	Claire	FARRIER				x
19	Shuey	GORDON	x			
20	Eva	GREENSPAN	x			
21	Jennifer	GROCOCK	x			
22	Rohit	GROVER	x			
23	Kamal	GURUNG				x
24	Lachhya	GURUNG	x			
25	Marianne	HAYLETT		x		
26	Ross	HOUSTON		x		
27	Anne	HUTTON		x		
28	Giulia	INNOCENTI		x		
29	Andreas	IOANNIDIS				x
30	Laithe	JAJEH				x
31	Humayune	KHALICK		x		
32	Paul	LEMON		x		
33	David	LONGSTAFF	x			
34	Linda	LUSINGU		x		
35	Kath	MCGUIRK		x		
36	Nick	MEARING-SMITH	x			
37	Michael	MIRE	x			
38	Arjun	MITTRA		x		
39	Giulia	MONASTERIO				x
40	Ammar	NAQVI		x		
41	Matthew	PERLBERG		x		
42	Alex	PRAGER	x			
43	Simon	RADFORD		x		
44	Barry	RAWLINGS		x		
45	Danny	RICH		x		
46	Tim	ROBERTS		x		
47	Ella	ROSE		x		

48	Gill	SARGEANT		x		
49	Alan	SCHNEIDERMAN		x		
50	Mark	SHOOTER	x			
51	Elliot	SIMBERG	x			
52	Caroline	STOCK	x			
53	Daniel	THOMAS	x			
54	Liron	VELLEMAN- WOODCOCK		x		
55	Tony	VOUROU		x		
56	Lucy	WAKELEY				x
57	Sarah	WARDLE				x
58	Emma	WHYSALL				X
59	Nigel	YOUNG		x		
60	Peter	ZINKIN	x			
61	Zakia	ZUBAIRI				x
62	Deputy Mayor Nagus	NARENTHIRA		x		
63	Mayor Alison	MOORE		x		
Total			19	32	0	12

RESOLVED that the Conservative Group amendment in the name of Councillor Thomas is therefore LOST.

On the Labour Group proposal being put to the vote the votes were recorded as follows:

Councillor			For	Against	Not Voting	Absent
1	Ernest	AMBE				x
2	Richard	BARNES	x			
3	Zahra	BEG	x			
4	Andrea	BILBOW	x			
5	Rishikesh	CHAKRABORTY	x			
6	Anne	CLARKE				x
7	Pauline	COAKLEY WEBB	X			
8	Dean	COHEN		x		
9	Philip	COHEN	x			
10	Joshua	CONWAY		x		
11	Sara	CONWAY	x			
12	Geof	COOKE	x			
13	Alison	CORNELIUS		x		
14	Richard	CORNELIUS		x		
15	Edith	DAVID	x			
16	Val	DUSCHINSKY		x		
17	Paul	EDWARDS				x
18	Claire	FARRIER				x
19	Shuey	GORDON		x		
20	Eva	GREENSPAN		x		
21	Jennifer	GROCOCK		x		

22	Rohit	GROVER		x		
23	Kamal	GURUNG				x
24	Lachhya	GURUNG		x		
25	Marianne	HAYLETT	x			
26	Ross	HOUSTON	x			
27	Anne	HUTTON	x			
28	Giulia	INNOCENTI	x			
29	Andreas	IOANNIDIS				x
30	Laithe	JAJEH				x
31	Humayune	KHALICK	X			
32	Paul	LEMON	x			
33	David	LONGSTAFF		x		
34	Linda	LUSINGU	x	x		
35	Kath	MCGUIRK	x	x		
36	Nick	MEARING-SMITH		x		
37	Michael	MIRE		x		
38	Arjun	MITTRA	x			
39	Giulia	MONASTERIO				x
40	Ammar	NAQVI	x			
41	Matthew	PERLBERG	x			
42	Alex	PRAGER		x		
43	Simon	RADFORD	x			
44	Barry	RAWLINGS	x			
45	Danny	RICH	x			
46	Tim	ROBERTS	x			
47	Ella	ROSE	x			
48	Gill	SARGEANT	x			
49	Alan	SCHNEIDERMAN	x			
50	Mark	SHOOTER		x		
51	Elliot	SIMBERG		x		
52	Caroline	STOCK		x		
53	Daniel	THOMAS		x		
54	Liron	VELLEMAN- WOODCOCK	x			
55	Tony	VOUROU	x			
56	Lucy	WAKELEY				x
57	Sarah	WARDLE				x
58	Emma	WHYSALL				X
59	Nigel	YOUNG	x			
60	Peter	ZINKIN		x		
61	Zakia	ZUBAIRI				x
62	Deputy Mayor Nagus	NARENTHIRA	x			
63	Mayor Alison	MOORE	x			
Total			32	19	0	12

RESOLVED that Council:

In respect of the Budget and Council Tax for 2023/24 and the MTFs 2024-27, that Council:

- 1. Approve the Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS), attached as Appendix A, and the detailed revenue budgets in Appendix C, including the proposed savings and funding for pressures in 2023/24;**
- 2. Approve that the budget 2023/24 is prepared on the basis of a 1.80% increase for the general element of Council Tax in 2023/24 as discussed in paragraph 1.3.12 to 1.3.19;**
- 3. Approve that the budget for 2023/24 is prepared on the basis of an increase of 2% for the Social Care Precept, to help fund social care as detailed in paragraph 1.3.12 to 1.3.19;**
- 4. Approve the resolutions relating to Council Tax contained within Appendix B;**
- 5. Approve, on the advice of the Chief Finance Officer, that it determines that the council's basic amount of Council Tax for 2023/24 as set out in Council Tax resolution Appendix B, 2(iv) is not excessive in accordance with the principles approved under section 52ZB and 52ZC of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, set out in the Referendums relating to Council Tax increases (Principles)(England) Report 2023/27;**
- 6. Approve in accordance with Section 38(2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 the Chief Executive be instructed to place a notice in the local press of the amounts set under recommendation 5 above within a period of 21 days following the Council's decision; and**
- 7. Considers the issues that have emerged from the consultation discussed in Appendix G when making their decisions. That Council make the decisions outlined in this report being mindful of the consultation responses and equalities impact assessments including the cumulative equalities impact assessments; and**
- 8. Note and have due regard to the opinion of the Chief Finance Officer as set out in section 1.7 of this report.**

In respect of Capital Strategy and proposed capital expenditure that Council:

- 9. Approve of the Capital Strategy as set out in Appendix I1;**
- 10. Approve the Capital Programme as set out in Appendix I2 and set out in paragraph 1.8; and**
- 11. Approve delegation to Chief Finance Officer to adjust capital programme and financing in 2023/24 in line with the 2022/23 outturn position;**

In respect of the Treasury Management Strategy Statement (TMSS):

12. Approve the TMSS for 2023/24 as set out in Appendix J.

In respect of the Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG):

13. Approve the Gross Schools Budget of £426.879m for 2023/24 as set out in Section 1.5; and

14. Approve that any changes to the Schools Budget reasonably required as a result of the final 2023/24 DSG and Post-16 settlement are delegated for decisions to the Executive Director – Children’s & Family Services in consultation with the Executive Director of Resources;

In respect of the Housing Revenue Account (HRA):

15. Approve Council dwelling rents increases as set out in paragraphs 1.6.3-1.6.8;

16. Approve Temporary accommodation rents increases in line with Local Housing Allowance (LHA) rate as set out in paragraphs 1.6.9-1.6.13; and

17. Approve services charge and garages increases as set out in paragraph 1.6.14-1.6.28.

Councillor Whysall re-joined the meeting.

Councillor Grocock left the meeting.

11.2 REPORT FROM POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE - CORPORATE PLAN

The Worshipful the Mayor introduced the report. Councillor Rawlings moved the reception and adoption of the recommendations in the report. Debate ensued.

On the recommendations on the report being put to the vote, the votes were as follows:

For: 33
Against: 0
Abstain: 18
Absent: 12
Total: 63

RESOLVED that Council:

Notes and approves the Corporate Plan 2023-2026 ‘Caring for people, our places and the planet: our plan for Barnet 2023-2026’.

12. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

12.1 REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE - BY-ELECTION RESULTS

The Worshipful the Mayor introduced the report.

On the recommendations in the report being put to the vote, the votes were recorded as follows:

For: 51
Against: 0
Abstain: 0
Absent: 12
Total: 63

RESOLVED that:

Council notes the councillor elected at the Golders Green By Election held on Thursday 16 February as set out in Appendix 1 of the report.

12.2 REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER - CONSTITUTION REVIEW

The Monitoring Officer introduced the report outlining changes following the Constitution Review. Debate ensued.

On the recommendations in the report being put to the vote, the votes were recorded as follows:

For: 33
Against: 18
Abstain: 0
Absent: 12
Total: 63

RESOLVED that Council:

- 1. Considers and approves the second tranche of the Constitution as set out in the Appendices A to M of the report.**
- 2. Agrees that the Constitution sections attached as Appendices A to M of the report will come into effect at Annual Council in May 2023.**
- 3. Authority be delegated to the Monitoring Officer to make 'housekeeping changes' to the Constitution such as terminology to ensure consistency, numbering and formatting changes.**
- 4. Notes the Public Participation Consultation findings report and Equalities Impact Assessment as set out in Appendices N and O of the report.**

12.3 REPORT OF THE HEAD OF GOVERNANCE - MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES SCHEME 2023/24

The Head of Governance introduced the report on the Members' Allowances Scheme 2023-24

On the recommendations in the report being put to the vote, the votes were recorded as follows:

For: 33

Against: 18
Abstain: 0
Absent:12
Total: 63

RESOLVED that Council:

- 1. Have regard to the recommendations of the Independent Panel on the Remuneration of Councillors in London as attached at Appendix A.**
- 2. Approve the Members' Allowances Scheme 2023/24 attached at Appendix B, with effect from 1 April 2023.**
- 3. Notes that a revised Members' Allowances Scheme for 2023/24 will need to be adopted at Annual Council on 23 May 2023 to reflect the new governance arrangements coming into effect at that meeting (i.e., move from a Committee System to an Executive system)**
- 4. Notes that following approval of the Scheme, a notice will be advertised pursuant to Regulation 16 of the Local Authorities (Members' Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003 (as amended).**

12.4 REPORT OF THE HEAD OF GOVERNANCE - POLITICAL PROPORTIONALITY

The Head of Governance introduced the report on Political Proportionality.

On the recommendations in the report being put to the vote, the votes were recorded as follows:

For: 33
Against: 18
Abstain: 0
Absent:12
Total: 63

RESOLVED that Council:

- 1) Note the political balance of the Council is:
 - > 40 Members of the Labour Group;**
 - > 22 Members of the Conservative Group**
 - > 1 Independent Member****
- 2) Agreed the allocation of seats as set out in the tables in Appendix A of the report in order to comply with the political balance regulations requiring seats to be allocated proportionately to the political groups on Council.**

12.5 REPORT OF THE HEAD OF GOVERNANCE - ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

The Head of Governance introduced the report on Administrative Matters

On the recommendations in the report being put to the vote, the votes were recorded as follows:

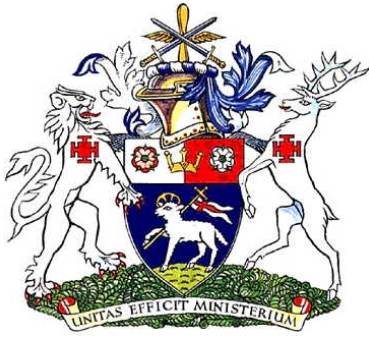
For: 33
Against: 18
Abstain: 0
Absent: 12
Total: 63

RESOLVED that Council:

- 1. Notes and approves the appointments to Outside Bodies in Appendix A of the report.**
- 2. Notes and approves the calendar of meetings for 2023/24 in Appendix B of the report.**
- 3. Notes and approves the changes to committee memberships as detailed in Appendix C of the report.**

The meeting finished at 9.11pm

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Annual Council

23 May 2023

Title	Report of Leader – Appointment of Cabinet Members
Report of	Head of Governance
Wards	All
Status	Public
Enclosures	Appendix A – Cabinet Member Appointments
Officer Contact Details	Andrew Charlwood, Head of Governance, 020 8359 2014, andrew.charlwood@barnet.gov.uk

Summary

This item presents the information on the appointment of Cabinet members by the Leader.

Recommendations

That the Council note the appointment of Executive (Cabinet) members by the Leader as outlined in Appendix A.

1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

- 1.1 Council are requested to note the appointment of Executive (Cabinet) Members by the Leader as set in Appendix A.

1.2 Cabinet Members role and remits include:

- To represent the Council;
- Make recommendations to Cabinet on key decisions, and make proposals relating to the budget and policy framework;
- Take decisions on matters within portfolio (that are not key decisions); and
- Ensure services are being delivered within the approved budget.

2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 The Leader must appoint between two and nine Cabinet Members to the Executive to give effect to the new Executive system which will come into effect after Annual Council on 23 May 2023. The terms of reference on the Portfolio Holders was agreed for inclusion in the constitution at Council on 2nd May 2023.

3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED

3.1 None.

4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION

4.1 Details of the Cabinet Members and their roles and responsibilities will be made available to the public via the committee papers website.

5. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION

5.1 Corporate Priorities and Performance

5.1.1 None specifically arising from this report.

5.2 Resources (Finance & Value for Money, Procurement, Staffing, IT, Property, Sustainability)

5.2.1 Details of the basic and special responsibility allowances payable to Cabinet Members is detailed in the Members Allowances Scheme reported to Extraordinary Council on 2 May 2023.

5.3 Social Value

5.3.1 N/A

5.4 Legal and Constitutional References

5.4.1 Meetings of the Council on 24 January, 28 February and 2 May 2023 have agreed the constitution sections to come into effect after Annual Council on 23 May 2023. The new Article 6 (The Executive) details the following regarding the appointment of Executive Members:

1. The Council will appoint the Leader of the Council.
2. The Leader will determine the size and membership of the Executive, will appoint Members to the Executive and appoint one of those Members as the Deputy

Leader.

3. When determining the allocation of responsibilities (see Part 2 of the Constitution) the Leader will also determine any delegations to individual Members (of the Executive) who will be known as Portfolio Holders.
4. The Executive will consist of the Executive Leader together with at least two but not more than nine other Councillors.
5. The Terms of Reference set out the Executive's functions.
6. The Rules of Procedure set out and determine how the Executive will operate and include arrangements for meetings, individual decision-making, and the Allocation of Responsibilities.
7. There may be no co-optees, deputies nor substitution of Executive Members.
8. Neither the Mayor nor Deputy Mayor of the Council may be appointed to the Executive. No member of the Audit committee may be an executive member.
9. The Chair of any planning committee may not be an executive member. No member of the Strategic Planning Committee may be an executive member.
10. Members of the Executive may not be Members of the Overview or Scrutiny Committee or one of its sub-committees.
11. Part 3B of the Constitution includes a full description of the responsibilities of Portfolio Holders.

5.4.2 Section 9E of the LGA 2000 provides as follows:

9E Discharge of functions: general

*(1) ... any functions which, under executive arrangements, are the responsibility of—
... (b) a leader and cabinet executive are to be discharged in accordance with this section.*

(2) The senior executive member [who is defined as the leader in subs (8)]—

(a) may discharge any of those functions, or

(b) may arrange for the discharge of any of those functions— (i) by the executive, (ii) by another member of the executive, (iii) by a committee of the executive, (iv) by an area committee, or (v) by an officer of the authority.

The Leader chooses initially whether s/he discharges the functions, or arranges some other organ of the Executive to do so.

5.5 Risk Management

5.5.1 None specifically arising from this report.

5.6 Equalities and Diversity

5.6.1 Decision makers should have due regard to the public sector equality duty in making their decisions. The equalities duties are continuing duties they are not duties to secure a particular outcome. Consideration of the duties should precede the decision. It is important that Council has regard to the statutory grounds in the light of all available

material such as consultation responses.

5.7 Corporate Parenting

5.7.1 None specifically arising from the report.

5.8 Consultation and Engagement

5.8.1 None specifically arising from the report.

5.9 Insight

5.9.1 None specifically arising from the report.

5.10 Environmental Impact

5.10.1 There are no direct environmental implications arising from the recommendations.

6 BACKGROUND PAPERS

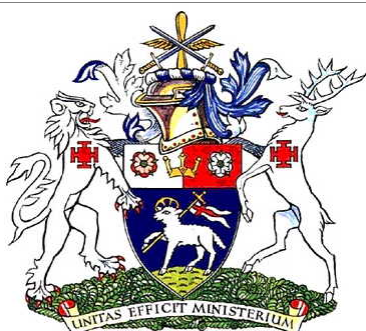
- 6.1 Council, 26 July 2022, Item 14.5, Administration Motion in the name of Councillor Barry Rawlings – Barnet’s Governance Arrangements: [Agenda for Council on Tuesday 26th July, 2022, 7.00 pm \(moderngov.co.uk\)](#)
- 6.2 Council, 24 January 2023, Item 12.1, Report of the Monitoring Officer – Constitutional Review: [Agenda for Council on Tuesday 24th January, 2023, 7.00 pm \(moderngov.co.uk\)](#)
- 6.3 Council, 28 February 2023, Item 12.2, Report of the Monitoring Officer – Constitutional Review: [Agenda for Council on Tuesday 28th February, 2023, 7.00 pm \(moderngov.co.uk\)](#)
- 6.4 Extraordinary Council, 2 May 2023, Item 6, Report of the Monitoring Officer – Constitutional Review: [Agenda for Council on Tuesday 2nd May, 2023, 7.00 pm \(moderngov.co.uk\)](#) Appendix G details the terms of reference and delegation of duties to Cabinet
- 6.5 Extraordinary Council, 2 May 2023, Item 7, Members Allowances Scheme 2023/24: [Agenda for Council on Tuesday 2nd May, 2023, 7.00 pm \(moderngov.co.uk\)](#)

Appendix A

Cabinet Member Appointments (as appointed by the Leader of the Council)

Portfolio	Portfolio Holder
Resources & Effective Council	Leader of the Council, Councillor Barry Rawlings
Homes & Regeneration	Councillor Ross Houston
Equalities & the Voluntary & Community Sector	Councillor Zahra Beg
Adults & Social Care	Councillor Paul Edwards
Environment & Climate Change	Councillor Alan Schneiderman
Culture, Leisure, Arts & Sports	Councillor Ammar Naqvi
Community Wealth Building	Councillor Anne Clarke
Community Safety Participation	Councillor Sara Conway
Family Friendly Barnet	Councillor Pauline Coakley-Webb
Health & Wellbeing	Councillor Alison Moore

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Annual Council

23 May 2023

Title	Waiver Regarding Sickness, Pregnancy and Maternity
Report of	Monitoring Officer
Wards	All
Status	Public
Enclosures	None
Officer Contact Details	Jessica Farmer, Monitoring Officer jessica.farmer@harrow.gov.uk 020 8424 1889

Summary

At Annual Council on 24 May 2022 Council agreed to grant a waiver for all Members of the authority to May 2024 should they be unable to attend a meeting of the Authority for 6 months due to illness, pregnancy or maternity. Council is asked if they wish to extend this dispensation for a further year to the end of May 2024.

Recommendation

Council agree a waiver for all members of the Authority until the end of May 2024 should they be unable to attend a meeting of the Authority for 6 months due to illness, pregnancy or maternity.

1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

- 1.1. Council agreed a waiver (at Annual Council on 24th May 2022) for all Members of the authority to the end of May 2023 should they be unable to attend a meeting of the Authority for 6 months due to illness pregnancy or maternity. Council is asked if they wish to extend this waiver for a further year to the end of May 2024.
- 1.3. Section 85(1) of the Local Government Act 1972 states that “if a member of a Local Authority fails, throughout a period of 6 consecutive months from the

date of their last attendance, to attend any meeting of the Authority they will, unless the failure was due to some good reason approved by the Authority before the expiry of that period, cease to be a member of the Authority.”

- 1.4. Attendance can be at any committee or sub-committee, or any joint committee, joint board or other body where the functions of the Authority are discharged or who were appointed to advise the Authority on any matter relating to the discharge of their functions.

2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 The waiver from the 6-month rule means that members who are taken ill or cannot attend meeting due to pregnancy or maternity will not fall foul of the 6-month rule.

3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED

- 3.1 There is an option not to continue to agree to this waiver.

4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION

- 4.1 N/A.

5. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION

5.1 Corporate Priorities and Performance

- 5.1.1 Barnet Council is responsible for ensuring that its business is conducted in accordance with the law and proper standards, and that public money is safeguarded, properly accounted for, and used economically, efficiently and effectively. By keeping the Constitution and member issues under review, it ensures that the framework in which the Council is governed supports the delivery of corporate priorities and performance.

5.2 Resources (Finance & Value for Money, Procurement, Staffing, IT, Property, Sustainability)

- 5.2.1 None.

5.3 Legal and Constitutional References

- 5.3.1 Section 85(1) of the Local Government Act 1972 states that “if a member of a Local Authority fails, throughout a period of 6 consecutive months from the date of their last attendance, to attend any meeting of the Authority they will, unless the failure was due to some good reason approved by the Authority before the expiry of that period, cease to be a member of the Authority.”

5.4 Risk Management

- 5.4.1 The process of managing changes to the constitution through Council ensures that the proposals are developed through Member participation and

consideration.

5.5 Equalities and Diversity

5.5.1 The decision-making processes of the Council, as enshrined within the Constitution, needs to be transparent and accessible to all sectors of the community.

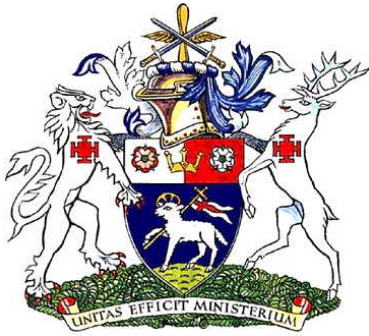
5.6 Consultation and Engagement

5.6.1 None in context of this decision

6. BACKGROUND PAPERS

6.1 None

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Annual Council

23 May 2023

Title	Report of Head of Governance
Report of	Head of Governance
Wards	All
Status	Public
Enclosures	Appendix A – Updated collated Calendar of Meetings for 2023/24
Officer Contact Details	Andrew Charlwood, Head of Governance, 020 8359 2014, andrew.charlwood@barnet.gov.uk

Summary

This item presents various constitutional and administrative matters for Council's agreement. Full details are as set out in the appended reports.

Recommendations

That the Council note and approve the updated calendar of meetings for 2023/24 in Appendix A.

1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

- 1.1 The Head of Governance report seeks Council's approval for various matters of business relating to the Council's statutory and constitutional functions.
- 1.2 Since the approval of the Calendar of Meetings 2023/24 at Council on 28 February 2023, requests have been received to change the date of meetings as follows:
 - Move Licensing & General Purposes Committee from Thursday 9th November 2023 to Wednesday 8th November 2023; and

- Move North Area Committee from: Thursday 15th June 2023 to Thursday 22nd June 2023; and Thursday 21st March 2024 to Thursday 28th March 2024.

2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 As set out in the attached appendix.

3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED

3.1 N/A

4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION

4.1 Council decisions will be minuted and implemented through the Head of Governance.

5. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION

5.1 Corporate Priorities and Performance

5.1.1 None specifically arising from this report.

5.2 Resources (Finance & Value for Money, Procurement, Staffing, IT, Property, Sustainability)

5.2.1 There are no specific financial implications from the changes in the appendices. All changes will be funded from the Council's budget.

5.3 Social Value

5.3.1 N/A

5.4 Legal and Constitutional References

5.4.1 None specifically arising from this report.

5.5 Risk Management

5.5.1 None specifically arising from this report.

5.6 Equalities and Diversity

5.6.1 None specifically arising from the report.

5.7 Corporate Parenting

5.7.1 None specifically arising from the report.

5.8 Consultation and Engagement

5.8.1 None specifically arising from the report.

5.9 **Insight**

5.9.1 None specifically arising from the report.

6. **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

6.1 None.

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Barnet Schedule of Meetings 2023/2024 – May 2023 to July 2024

	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	
MAY	1	2	3	4	5	8	9	10	11	12	15	16	17	18	19	22	23	24	25	26	29	30	31			MAY
MAY	BANK HOLIDAY	Extra Council							CLLC HWBB				HOSC	Group Meeting			Annual Council									2023
				1	2	5	6	7	8	9	12	13	14	15	16	19	20	21	22	23	26	27	28	29	30	JUN
JUN						Planning A	O&S Ctte	A&S Sub-Ctte	C&E Sub-Ctte			Strategic Planning				West Area	East Area	Planning B	North Area		JHOSC Cabinet		Local Pension			2023
	3	4	5	6	7	10	11	12	13	14	17	18	19	20	21	24	25	26	27	28	31					JULY
JUL Y		Pension Fund	CPAP	Group Meeting		Planning A	Council		HWBB		GARMS	Cabinet	Strategic Planning	Lic & Gen Purp	SCPB	BCP		Planning B	Welsh Harp						2023	
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AUG																										2023
					1	4	5	6	7	8	11	12	13	14	15	18	19	20	21	22	25	26	27	28	29	SEPT
SEP T						O&S Ctte	Cabinet	Planning A			JHOSC	Strategic Planning		North Area		West Area	East Area	A&S Sub-Ctte	C&E Sub-Ctte			Local Pension	Planning B	HWBB		2023
	2	3	4	5	6	9	10	11	12	13	16	17	18	19	20	23	24	25	26	27	30	31				OCT
OCT	Cons Conf	Cons Conf	Cons Conf CPAP	Planning A		Lab Conf	Lab Conf	Lab Conf	Group Meeting		GARMS	Council	Cabinet					Planning B		SCPB		Strategic Planning				2023
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DEC						Planning A						Cabinet	Strategic Planning			Planning B										2023
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JAN						Planning A		CPAP	Pension Fund		C&E Sub-Ctte	Cabinet	Strategic Planning	HWBB GARMS	SCPB	North & East Area	O&S Ctte	A&S Sub-Ctte	Group Meeting		JHOSC West Area	Council	Planning B			2024
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FEB						Planning A	Cabinet		Lic & Gen Purp								Strategic Planning	CPAP	Group Meeting			Budget Council	Planning B	BCP		2024
					1	4	5	6	7	8	11	12	13	14	15	18	19	20	21	22	25	26	27	28	29	MAR
MAR						Planning A	O&S Ctte	A&S Sub-Ctte	C&E Sub-Ctte		Local Pension	Cabinet	Strategic Planning	HWBB Welsh Harp		JHOSC					West Area	East Area	Planning B	North Area	BANK HOLIDAY	2023
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APR						Planning A	O&S Ctte		BCP		GARMS	Cabinet	Strategic Planning	Pension Fund					Planning B	SCPB						2024
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MAY			CPAP	GLA Elections			Planning A		HWBB			Cabinet	A&S Sub-Ctte	Group Meeting			Annual Council	Planning B								2024
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	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	

Please see overleaf for explanatory notes and key to abbreviations. Some meetings are not public meetings and are for Members and Officers. Orange shading: school holidays. Diagonal shading: religious holiday.

Barnet Schedule of Meetings 2023/2024 – May 2023 to July 2024

Committee	May 2023	Jun	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan 2024	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Total
Council	(AC) 23		11			17			30	(B) 27			(AC) 21		16	7
Group Meetings	18		6			12			25	22			16		11	7
Cabinet		26	18		5	18	14	12	16	6	12	16	14	18	23	13
Overview & Scrutiny Committee		6			4		7		23		5	9		4		7
Children & Education Overview & Scrutiny Sub-Committee		8			21				15		7			6		5
Adults & Health Overview & Scrutiny Sub-Committee		7			20				24		6		15	5		6
Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee (<i>expires 23 May 2023</i>)	17															1
Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee		26			11		13		29		18					5
East Area Committee		20			19				22		26			25		5
North Area Committee		22			14				22		28			20		5
West Area Committee		19			18				29		25			24		5
Governance, Audit, Risk Management & Standards			17			16	27		18			15			1	6
Licensing & General Purposes Committee			20				8			8				27		4
Local Pensions Board		28			26		20				11				15	5
Pension Fund Committee			4				2		11			18			4	5
Planning Committee A		5	10		6	5	6	4	8	5	4	8	7	3	8	13
Planning Committee B		21	26		27	25	22	18	31	28	27	25	22	26	24	13
Strategic Planning Committee		13	19		12	31	15	13	17	20	13	17		19	17	12
Community, Leadership and Libraries Committee (<i>expires 23 May 2023</i>)	11															
Barnet Children's Partnership Board			24				16			29		11			25	5
Health & Wellbeing Board	11		13		28				18		14		9		11	7
Local Strategic Partnership TBC																
Safer Communities Partnership Board			21			27			19			26			26	5
<i>Welsh Harp Joint Consultative Forum</i>			27				23				14					3
West London Economic Prosperity Board TBC																
Corporate Parenting Advisory Panel			5			4			10	21			1			5
Schools Forum TBC																
Conservative Conference						2/3/4										
Labour Conference						9/10/11										
Total	5	12	14		13	9	12	4	18	9	14	9	8	11	12	149

Barnet Schedule of Meetings 2023/2024 – May 2023 to July 2024

Key to Abbreviations		Bank Holidays <small>Source: https://www.gov.uk/bank-holidays</small>		Other Notable Dates				
Meetings start at 7pm unless otherwise stated		Holiday	2023	2024	Holiday	2023	2024	Religion
* are not open to the public, ^ are virtual		New Year's Day Holiday	Monday 2 January (NYD falls on a Sunday)	Monday 1 January	Holocaust Memorial Day	27 January (Fri)	27 January (Sat)	**
Council	= Full Council	Good Friday	7 April	29 March	Pesach (Passover)	Apr 5-7 Wed-Fri Apr 8-11 Sat-Tue Apr 11-13 Tu-Th	Apr 22-24 Mo-We Apr 25-28 Th-Su Apr 28-30 Su-Tu	Jewish*
Group Meetings	= Party Group Meetings for Council	Easter Monday	10 April	1 April	Shavuot (Pentecost)	May 25-27 Th-Sa	Jun 11-13 Tu-Th	Jewish*
CLLC	= Community, Leadership and Libraries Committee (<i>expires 23 May 2023</i>)	May Day	1 May 8 May (Kings Coronation)	6 May	Rosh Hashana (Jewish New Year)	Sep 15-17 Fr-Su	Oct 2-4 We-Fr	Jewish*
HWBB	= Health and Wellbeing Board	Spring Holiday	29 May	27 May	Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement)	Sep 24-25 Su-Mo	Oct 11-12 Fri-Sa	Jewish*
HOSC	= Health, Overview and Scrutiny Committee (<i>expires 23 May 2023</i>)	Summer	28 August	26 August	Sukkot (Tabernacles)	Sep 29-Oct 1 Fr-Su Oct 2-6 Mo-Fri	Oct 16-18 We-Fri Oct 19-23 Sa-We	Jewish*
O&S Ctte	= Overview & Scrutiny Committee	Christmas	Monday 25 December	Wednesday 25 December	Shmini Atzeret	Oct 6-7 Fr-Sa	Oct 23-24 Th-Fr	Jewish*
A&S Sub-Ctte	= Adults & Health Overview & Scrutiny sub-Committee		Tuesday 26 December Boxing Day	Thursday 26 December	Simchat Torah	Oct 8 Su	Sat 25 Oct	Jewish*
C&E Sub-Ctte	= Children & Education Overview & Scrutiny sub-Committee	Party Conferences	2023-2024*		Eid ul Fitr (Eid)	Apr 22 Sat	Apr 10 Wed	Muslim
JHOSC	North Central London Joint Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee	Party conference dates to be avoided where possible.			Eid al-Adah	Jun 29 Thu	Jun 17 Mon	Muslim
CPAP	= Corporate Parenting Advisory Panel	Conservative (Start of October)	1 October to 4 October 2023		Diwali/Deepavali	Nov 12 Sun	Nov 1 Fri	Hindu
Lic & Gen Purp	= Licensing & General Purposes Committee	Labour & Co-Operative (End of September)	8 October to 11 October 2023		Religious dates where meetings can be held, but should be avoided			
BCP	= Barnet Children's Partnership Board	Liberal Democrat (Mid-September)	23 September to 26 September 2023		Maundy Thursday	Apr 6 Thu	Mar 28 Thu	Christian
SCPB	= Safer Communities Partnership Board	LGA Annual Conference (Early July)	4 July to 6 July 2023		Purim	Mar 6-7 Mon-Tue	Mar 23-24 Sat-Sun	Jewish*
GARMS	= Governance, Audit, Risk Management & Standards Committee	School Term Dates	2023-2024	2024-2025	Chanukah	Dec 8-15 Fri-Fri	Dec 26-Jan 2 Thu-Thu	Jewish*
		Summer	17 April to 21 July 2023 (Half Term: 29 May - 2 June 2023)	15 April to 24 July 2024 (Half Term: 27 May - 31 May 2024)	*Holidays begin at sundown on the first date specified and end at nightfall on the last date specified. Dates listed first are <i>yom tov</i> , so they have similar obligations and restrictions to Shabbat in the sense that normal "work" is forbidden.			
		Autumn	4 September to 21 December (Half term: 23 October - 27 October 2023)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jewish holidays: https://bod.org.uk/ Non-Jewish: https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/uk/2024 			
		Spring	8 January to 28 March 2024 (Half term: 12 February - 16 February 2024)	<small>Source: https://www.barnet.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-term-and-holiday-dates</small>	** Holocaust Memorial Day (HMD) Hertsmere Borough Council does not hold our event on a Friday, Saturday or Sunday. It is held on either the Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday nearest to the date.			

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