Annual Meeting of the Council of the London Borough of Barnet

TO BE HELD ON

TUESDAY 24TH MAY, 2022 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.



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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 1 March 2022

AGENDA ITEM 5

PRESENT:-

The Worshipful the Mayor (Councillor Alison Cornelius)
The Deputy Mayor (Councillor Saira Don)

Councillors:

Helene Richman Golnar Bokaei Ross Houston Jess Brayne Anne Hutton Tim Roberts Felix Byers Laithe Jajeh Gabriel Rozenberg Anne Clarke **David Longstaff** Lisa Rutter Pauline Coakley Webb John Marshall Shimon Ryde Gill Sargeant Dean Cohen Kath McGuirk Alan Schneiderman Melvin Cohen Nick Mearing-Smith Sara Conway Alison Moore Mark Shooter Richard Cornelius Ammar Nagvi Elliot Simberg Val Duschinsky Nagus Narenthira Stephen Sowerby Reema Patel Paul Edwards Caroline Stock Claire Farrier Alex Prager Julian Teare Wendy Prentice Nizza Fluss **Daniel Thomas** Sachin Rajput Reuben Thompstone Eva Greenspan Jennifer Grocock Barry Rawlings Sarah Wardle Rohit Grover Danny Rich Roberto Weeden-Sanz Lachhya Gurung Nicole Richer Peter Zinkin

1. THE WORSHIPFUL THE MAYOR TO READ THE NOTICE OF THE MEETING

The Worshipful the Mayor thanked all Members for attending the meeting. She advised Council that the required notice had been given.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Cooke, Councillor Freedman, Councillor Hart, Councillor Levine, Councillor Mittra, Councillor O-Macauley, Councillor Smith, Councillor Williams and Councillor Zubairi.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

4. REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER (IF ANY)

None.

5. MOTION IN THE NAMES OF THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL, LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION AND LEADER OF THE LIBERAL DEMOCRAT GROUP - CONFERRING THE HONORARY FREEDOM OF THE LONDON BOROUGH OF BARNET

The Worshipful the Mayor thanked all Members for attending the Extraordinary Council meeting to confer the Honorary Freedom of the London Borough of Barnet.

Upon being put to the vote, Council unanimously agreed the Conferring of the Honorary Freedom of the London Borough of Barnet to Councillor John Marshall.

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL:

Confer the Honorary Freedom of the London Borough of Barnet on Councillor John Marshall.

In pursuance of Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972, the Council of the London Borough of Barnet hereby do confer upon John Leslie Marshall the Honorary Freedom of the London Borough of Barnet (being the most honourable award it is in the Council's privilege to bestow) in recognition of the eminent services rendered by John Marshall to residents over four decades.

John Marshall has devoted over four decades of his life as a public servant to the people of Barnet in the following roles:

1979 - 1989 Member of the European Parliament (North London);

1987 - 1997 Member of Parliament (Hendon South);

1998 - 2022 Councillor (Garden Suburb Ward).

During his service as a Councillor, John Marshall served as Mayor of Barnet during the municipal year 2008 - 2009, as a Cabinet Member and also as a Committee Chairman.

Conferring the Freedom of the London Borough of Barnet to John Marshall recognises his steadfast dedication to the many Barnet residents he served at three levels of Government, his contribution to local civic life and his efforts to improve local services.

Councillors gave their tributes and Councillor Marshall thanked them for all the support he had received throughout his political life.

The Worshipful the Mayor congratulated Councillor Marshall and thanked him for his friendship and support throughout the years that she had served with him on the Council. The Worshipful the Mayor also noted Councillor Marshall's support for the annual sponsored walk on behalf of the North London Hospice which he always took part in and sent out individual, personal letters asking for sponsorship for a cause he passionately believed in.

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

The Worshipful the Mayor was present.

3. PRAYER

Reverend Nigel Taylor was called upon by the Worshipful the Mayor to speak to Council and say prayers.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

5. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on the 25th January 2022 were agreed as a correct record.

6. OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Worshipful the Mayor informed Council that at the previous Council Meeting she had announced the death of Bridget Perry, former Councillor for High Barnet Ward, and that she had subsequently attended her funeral in Chesterfield on Thursday 24 February together with , Councillor Richard Cornelius and Councillor Prentice.

The Worshipful the Mayor informed Council of the sad passing of Councillor Anthony Finn on the 21 February 2022.

Councillor Anthony Finn was educated at Hasmonean Grammar School, Gateshead Talmudical College and the London School of Economics where he gained a degree, a BSc in Economics. He became a Chartered Accountant and a senior partner in a West Hampstead firm.

He became a Councillor in 1990 and represented Hendon Ward for 32 years until his death.. During his years on the Council, he served as Deputy Leader of the Council from 2002 to 2005 whilst holding the Cabinet portfolio for Resources, and from 2005 to 2009 he was the Cabinet Member for Regeneration. Councillor Finn was also the Chairman of the Budget and Performance Overview and Scrutiny Committee and more recently the Chairman of the Audit Committee.

He also served as a Governor of Hasmonean High School and was a Governor of Pardes House Primary School when he died.

On 17 May 2010, Councillor Finn was elected as the 46th Mayor of Barnet with his wife, Anita, as his Mayoress.

During his Mayoral year, Councillor Finn supported two charities: Noah's Ark Children's Hospice, a local vibrant charity providing practical support to life-limited children and their families and Camp Simcha, a Hendon based charity aimed at improving the quality of life for children with cancer and other life-threatening illnesses.

The Worshipful the Mayor commented that Councillor Finn would be remembered as an extremely diligent Councillor who served his residents faithfully and that his sense of humour, dedication and expertise would be greatly missed.

The Worshipful the Mayor invited Councillor Shooter, Councillor Fluss, Councillor Richard Cornelius, Councillor Rajput, Councillor Thompstone, Councillor Rozenberg, Councillor Rawlings, Councillor Moore and Councillor Thomas to speak in memory of Councillor Finn.

The Worshipful the Mayor invited Council to join in a minute's silence to reflect on the achievements of his life and to remember his wife Anita, his son Zalmi and all of his family and friends.

The Worshipful the Mayor paid tribute to Her Royal Majesty the Queen on the 70th

anniversary of her accession to the throne. Her Royal Majesty acceded to the throne on the 6 February 1952 following the death of her father, King George VI. On the 6 February 2022 she became the longest reigning Monarch, not only of the United Kingdom, but in the world. The Worshipful the Mayor announced that she had written to Her Majesty on behalf of the residents of the Borough

The Worshipful the Mayor asked Council to join her in standing for the national anthem.

7. ANY BUSINESS REMAINING FROM LAST MEETING

None.

8. RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION

The Deputy Mayor moved the following resolution:

"At a meeting of the Council held at Hendon Town Hall on Tuesday 1 March 2022, it was resolved that we, the Members of the Council of the London Borough of Barnet, hereby express to The Worshipful the Mayor, Councillor Alison Cornelius, our appreciation of the excellent service she has rendered to the London Borough of Barnet as its Mayor during the period May 2021 to May 2022, 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 and empathy she has shown at all times in promoting the welfare of the Borough and its residents and 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 Unitas Barnet Youth Zone and Darlands Conservation Trust."

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 MAYORALITY FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2022-2023

The Worshipful the Mayor called for the nominations for election of Mayor of the London Borough of Barnet for the Municipal Year 2022/23. She noted there were two nominations for the Mayor Designate.

Conservative Group Nomination:

Councillor Jajeh, duly seconded by Councillor Simberg, moved that Councillor Gurung be proposed for the appointment of the Mayor of the London Borough of Barnet at the Annual meeting of the Council on 24 May 2022.

Labour Group Nomination:

Councillor Farrier, duly seconded by Councillor Hutton, moved that Councillor Moore be proposed for the appointment of the Mayor of the London Borough of Barnet at the Annual meeting of the Council on 24 May 2022.

On the Conservative nomination for the Mayor Designate 2022/23 being put to the vote, the votes were recorded as follows:

For: 34 Against: 17 Abstain: 2 Absent: 9 Total: 62

RESOLVED that Councillor Gurung be nominated as Mayor Designate for the municipal year 2022/23.

The Mayor Designate, Councillor Gurung, nominated Councillor Grocock as the Deputy Mayor Designate for the municipal year 2022/23.

RESOLVED that Council note that Councillor Grocock be nominated as the Deputy Mayor Designate for the municipal year 2022/23.

10. VOTE OF THANKS

The Leader of the Conservative Group, Leader of the Labour Group and Leader of the Liberal Democrat Group, moved the motion to thank all Councillors who would not be standing in the Local Elections on the 5 May 2022.

Councillor Prentice, Councillor Weeden-Sanz and Councillor Ryde all gave speeches as retiring Councillors.

The Worshipful the Mayor moved to vote on the motion of thanks, which was unanimously agreed by Council.

RESOLVED that:

Council note that:

- 1. Not all Councillors will be standing as candidates in the forthcoming Local Election.
- 2. These Councillors have devoted years, and in some cases decades, of their lives to their Wards and to the Borough.

Council believes that:

- 1. Councillors make many sacrifices within their personal lives to fulfil their public duties.
- 2. Each Councillor has worked to make Barnet a better place to live and work.

Council resolves to:

1. Recognise the public service provided by those Councillors not seeking reelection, for which the Council is sincerely grateful.

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11. PETITIONS FOR DEBATE (20 MINUTES)

None.

12. REPORTS FROM THE LEADER

None.

13. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

13.1 REPORT FROM POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE - BUSINESS PLANNING

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, 8 minutes for the Labour Group and 7 minutes for the Liberal Democrat Group.

Councillor Thomas, Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee, then moved the reception and adoption of the recommendations in the report. Councillor Rawlings moved the Labour Group alternative budget in his name. 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 Labour Group amendment being put to the vote, the votes were recorded as follows:

Cou	uncillor		For	Against	Not Voting	Absent
1.	Golnar	BOKAEI		Х		
2.	Jess	BRAYNE		X		
3.	Felix	BYERS		X		
4.	Anne	CLARKE	X			
5.	Pauline	COAKLEY WEBB	Х			
6.	Dean	COHEN		X		
7.	Melvin	COHEN		X		
8.	Sara	CONWAY	X			
9.	Geof	COOKE				X
10.	Richard	CORNELIUS		X		
11.	Val	DUSCHINSKY		X		
12.	Paul	EDWARDS	X			
13.	Claire	FARRIER	X			
14.	Nizza	FLUSS		X		
15.	Linda	FREEDMAN				X
16.	Eva	GREENSPAN		Х		
	Jennifer	GROCOCK		X		
	Rohit	GROVER		Х		
	Lachhya	GURUNG		Х		
	John	HART				Х

Cou	ncillor		For	Against	Not Voting	Absent
21.	Ross	HOUSTON	Х	James		
22.	Anne	HUTTON	Х			
23.	Laithe	JAJEH		Х		
24.	Kathy	LEVINE				Х
25.	David	LONGSTAFF		Х		
26.	John	MARSHALL		Х		
27.	Kath	McGUIRK	Х			
28.	Nick	MEARING-SMITH		Х		
29.	Arjun	MITTRA				X
30.	Alison	MOORE	Х			
31.	Ammar	NAQVI	Х			
32.	Nagus	NARENTHIRA	Х			
33.	Charlie	O-MACAULEY				X
34.	Reema	PATEL	Х			
35.	Alex	PRAGER		Х		
36.	Wendy	PRENTICE		Х		
37.	Sachin	RAJPUT		Х		
38.	Barry	RAWLINGS	Х			
39.	Danny	RICH	Х			
40.	Nicole	RICHER		Х		
41.	Helene	RICHMAN		Х		
42.	Tim	ROBERTS	Х			
43.	Gabriel	ROZENBERG		Х		
44.	Lisa	RUTTER		Х		
45.	Shimon	RYDE		X		
46.	Gill	SARGEANT	Х			
47.	Alan	SCHNEIDERMAN	X			
48.	Mark	SHOOTER		X		
49.	Elliot	SIMBERG		Х		
50.	Thomas	SMITH				Х
51.	Stephen	SOWERBY		Х		
52.	Caroline	STOCK		Х		
53.	Julian	TEARE		Х		

Cou	ncillor		For	Against	Not Voting	Absent
54.	Daniel	THOMAS		X		
55.	Ruben	THOMPSTONE		Х		
56.	Sarah	WARDLE		Χ		
57.	Roberto	WEEDEN-SANZ		Χ		
58.	Laurie	WILLIAMS				X
59.	Peter	ZINKIN		X		
60.	Zakia	ZUBAIRI				X
61.	DEUTY MAYOR Saria	DON		Х		
62.	MAYOR Alison	CORNELIUS		Х		
		TOTAL: 62	17	36	9	62

RESOLVED that the Labour group amendment in the name of Councillor Rawlings is therefore LOST.

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

Cou	ıncillor		For	Against	Not Voting	Absent
1.	Golnar	BOKAEI	Х			
2.	Jess	BRAYNE		X		
3.	Felix	BYERS	Х			
4.	Anne	CLARKE		X		
5.	Pauline	COAKLEY WEBB		X		
6.	Dean	COHEN	X			
7.	Melvin	COHEN	X			
8.	Sara	CONWAY		X		
9.	Geof	COOKE				X
10.	Richard	CORNELIUS	Х			
11.	Val	DUSCHINSKY	Х			
12.	Paul	EDWARDS		X		
13.	Claire	FARRIER		X		
14.	Nizza	FLUSS	X			
15.	Linda	FREEDMAN				Х
16.	Eva	GREENSPAN	Х			

Cou	ıncillor		For	Against	Not Voting	Absent
17.	Jennifer	GROCOCK	X	/ tgamet		
	Rohit	GROVER	X			
	Lachhya	GURUNG	X			
20.	John	HART				Х
21.	Ross	HOUSTON		Х		
22.	Anne	HUTTON		Х		
23.	Laithe	JAJEH	Х			
	Kathy	LEVINE				Х
	David	LONGSTAFF	Х			
26.	John	MARSHALL	Х			
27.	Kath	McGUIRK		Х		
28.	Nick	MEARING-SMITH	X			
29.	Arjun	MITTRA				X
30.	Alison	MOORE		X		
31.	Ammar	NAQVI		X		
32.	Nagus	NARENTHIRA		Х		
33.	Charlie	O-MACAULEY				X
34.	Reema	PATEL		Х		
35.	Alex	PRAGER	Х			
36.	Wendy	PRENTICE	Х			
37.	Sachin	RAJPUT	Х			
38.	Barry	RAWLINGS		X		
39.	Danny	RICH		X		
40.	Nicole	RICHER	X			
41.	Helene	RICHMAN	X			
42.	Tim	ROBERTS		Х		
43.	Gabriel	ROZENBERG		Х		
44.	Lisa	RUTTER	Х			
45.	Shimon	RYDE	Х			
46.	Gill	SARGEANT		X		
47.	Alan	SCHNEIDERMAN		X		
	Mark	SHOOTER	X			
	Elliot	SIMBERG	Х			

Cou	Councillor		For	Against	Not Voting	Absent
50.	Thomas	SMITH				Х
51.	Stephen	SOWERBY	X			
52.	Caroline	STOCK	X			
53.	Julian	TEARE	X			
54.	Daniel	THOMAS	X			
55.	Ruben	THOMPSTONE	Х			
56.	Sarah	WARDLE	Х			
57.	Roberto	WEEDEN-SANZ	X			
58.	Laurie	WILLIAMS				Х
59.	Peter	ZINKIN	X			
60.	Zakia	ZUBAIRI				X
61.	DEUTY MAYOR Saria	DON	Х			
62.	MAYOR Alison	CORNELIUS	X			
		TOTAL: 62	34	19	9	62

RESOLVED that Council:

In respect of The Barnet Plan:

1. Approves The Barnet plan, included as Appendix A, to ensure alignment of resources to corporate and strategic priorities;

In respect of the Budget and Council Tax for 2022/23 and the MTFS 2022-26, that Council:

- 2. Approves the Medium-Term Financial Strategy (MTFS), attached as Appendix B and the detailed revenue budgets in Appendix D, including the proposed savings and funding for pressures in 2022/23;
- 3. Approves that the budget 2022/23 is prepared on the basis of a 0% increase for the general element of Council Tax in 2022/23 as discussed in paragraph 1.3.9 to 1.3.16;
- 4. Approves that the budget for 2022/23 is prepared on the basis of an increase of 1% for the Social Care Precept, to help fund social care as detailed in paragraph 1.3.12 to 1.3.16;
- 5. Approves the resolutions relating to Council Tax contained within Appendix C;
- 6. Approves, on the advice of the Chief Finance Officer, that it determines that the Council's basic amount of Council Tax for 2022/23 as set out in Council Tax resolution Appendix C, 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 2022/23;
- 7. Approves in accordance with Section 38(2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 that 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;
- 8. Notes within Section 1.6 and 1.7 that the financial position in 2021/22 remains stable despite the pressures on the Council arising from the pandemic, and that an overall breakeven position is currently anticipated for this year (after making some targeted contributions to reserves);
- 9. Considers the issues that have emerged from the consultation discussed in Appendix G when making their decisions. That Council makes the decisions outlined in this report being mindful of the consultation responses and equalities impact assessments including the cumulative equalities impact assessments.
- 10. Notes the fees and charges as detailed in Appendix F;

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

- 11. Approves of the Capital Strategy as set out in Appendix J1;
- 12. Approves the Capital Programme as set out in Appendix J2 and set out in paragraph 1.9;
- 13. Approves delegation to the Chief Finance Officer to adjust capital programme and financing in 2022/23 in line with the 2021/22 outturn position;

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

- 14. Approves the TMSS for 2022/23 as set out in Appendix K1;
- 15. Notes the mid-year review report for 2021/22 as set out in Appendix K2;

In respect of the Housing Revenue Account (HRA):

- 16. Approves Council dwelling rents increases as set out in section 2.5.3-2.5.8;
- 17. Approves Temporary accommodation rents increases in line with Local Housing Allowance (LHA) rate as set out in paragraphs 2.5.9-2.5.13,
- 18. Approves services charge and garages increases as set out in paragraph 2.5.14-2.5.25.

In respect of the Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG):

- 19. Approves the Gross Schools Budget of £393.947m for 2022/23 as set out in paragraph 1.4.6-1.4.16;
- 20. Approves that any changes to the schools Budget reasonably required as a result of the final 2022/23 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 appointment of an external auditor for 2023/24 to 2027/28, that Council:

21. As set out in 1.12, accepts the Public Sector Audit Appointments (PSAA) invitation to 'opt in' to the sector led option for the appointment of external auditors for five financial years commencing 1 April 2023;

22. Delegates authority to the Executive Director of Resources to respond to the invitation and take the necessary steps to finalise the appointment itself following the PSAA procurement process; and

In respect of the recent Government announcements around the cost of energy bills:

23. As set out in section 1.13, delegates authority to the Executive Director of Resources to design, implement and manage a Council Tax Rebate Scheme upon receipt of full guidance from Government.

13.2 REFERRAL FROM POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE - NORTH LONDON WASTE PLAN (ADOPTION)

Councillor Thomas, Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee, moved the reception and adoption of the recommendations in the report. Debate ensued.

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

For: 34 Against: 19 Abstain: 0 Absent: 9 Total: 62

RESOLVED that Council:

- 1. Notes the contents of the report (Annex 1) and the Inspector's Report on the North London Waste Plan (set out in Appendix A).
- 2. Agrees to the adoption of the North London Waste Plan (Appendix B).

13.3 REFERRAL FROM CONSTITUTION AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE - PAY POLICY STATEMENT

Councillor Melvin Cohen, Chairman of the Constitution & General Purposes Committee, moved the reception and adoption of the recommendation in the report.

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

For: 53 Against: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 9 Total: 62

RESOLVED that Council approves the Annual Pay Policy Statement for the financial year 2022/23 (Appendix A).

13.4 REFERRAL FROM CONSTITUTION AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE - CONSTITUTION REVIEW

Councillor Melvin Cohen, Chairman of the Constitution & General Purposes Committee, moved the reception and adoption of the recommendation in the report.

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

For: 53 Against: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 9 Total: 62

RESOLVED that Council:

- 1. Notes the report to the Constitution & General Purposes Committee on 7 February 2022 as set out in Annex 1.
- 2. Approves the Constitution amendments as set out in Appendices A and B.
- 3. Authorises the Monitoring Officer to implement these revisions and publish a revised Constitution.

13.5 REFERRAL FROM PENSION FUND COMMITTEE - LOCAL PENSION BOARD ANNUAL REPORT

Councillor Mark Shooter, Chairman of the Pension Fund Committee, moved the reception and adoption of the recommendation in the report.

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

For: 53 Against: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 9 Total: 62

RESOLVED that Council notes the Annual Report of the Local Pension Board, as outlined in Annex 1 and Appendices A-C.

14. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

14.1 REPORT OF THE HEAD OF GOVERNANCE - MEMBERS ALLOWANCES SCHEME

The Worshipful the Mayor introduced the report. Councillor Rawlings and Councillor Thomas spoke in relation to the report.

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

For: 34 Against: 19 Abstain: 0

Absent: 9 Total: 62

RESOLVED that:

- 1. Council has regard to the recommendations of the Independent Panel on the Remuneration of Councillors in London as attached as Appendix A.
- 2. Council approves the Members' Allowances Scheme 2022/23 attached as Appendix B with effect from 1 April 2022 and agree that if the national pay award is not agreed at 1.75% then the Scheme will be amended to reflect the final nationally agreed pay award.
- 3. Council notes that following approval of the scheme, a notice will be advertised pursuant to Regulation 16 of the Local Authorities (Member's Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003 (as amended).

14.2 REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE - MONITORING OFFICER APPOINTMENT

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: 53 Against: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 9 Total: 62

RESOLVED that Council designates Jessica Farmer as the Council's Monitoring Officer for the purposes of Section 5 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 for a period to be co-terminus with the agreement with the London Borough of Harrow for a shared legal service.

14.3 REPORT OF THE HEAD OF GOVERNANCE - ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

The Head of Governance introduced the report, outlining various constitutional and administrative matters for Council's agreement.

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

For: 53 Against: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 9 Total: 62

RESOLVED that:

- 1. Council agrees the changes to the calendar of meetings as outlined in Appendix A and Appendix A2.
- 2. Council agrees the changes to Committee Memberships as outlined in Appendix B.

14.4 REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER - CALCULATION OF POLITICAL BALANCE

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: 53 Against: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 9 Total: 62

RESOLVED that:

- 1. Council notes the political balance of the Council is:
 - a. 36 Members of the Conservative Group;
 - b. 23 Members of the Labour Group;
 - c. 2 Members of the Liberal Democrat Group and
 - d. 1 Independent Member.
- 2. Council agrees the allocation of seats as set out in the tables in Appendix A in order to comply with the political regulations requiring seats to be allocated proportionately to the political groups on the Council.

14.5 REPORT OF THE DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE - BARNET COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY CHARGING SCHEDULE REVIEW - APPROVAL OF CHARGING SCHEDULE AND INFRASTRUCTURE PAYMENTS POLICY

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: 53 Against: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 9 Total: 62

RESOLVED that Council:

- 1. Notes the Examiner's Report dated 15 February 2022 at Appendix B.
- 2. Approves the new Community Infrastructure Levy Charging Schedule as set out in Appendix A subject to the recommended modification by the Examiner with effect from 1 April 2022 (the Commencement Date').
- 3. Approves the Infrastructure Payments Policy as set out in Appendix C and if approved to allow infrastructure payments with effect from 1 April 2022.

The meeting finished at 9.34pm.





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Title	Results of the Local Government Elections on 5 May 2022
Report of	Chief Executive and Returning Officer
Wards	All
Status	Public
Urgent	No
Key	No
Enclosures	Appendix 1: Election Results from Local Government elections on 5 May 2022 for each ward of the Borough.
Officer Contact Details	John Bailey, Head of Electoral Services, john.e.bailey@barnet.gov.uk, 0208 359 3008

Summary

This report sets out details of the number of votes recorded for each candidate, the turnout for the ward and the names of the persons elected as Councillors at the Local Government elections held on 5 May 2022.

Officers Recommendations

- 1. That the return of Councillors elected at the Borough Council elections held on Thursday 5 May 2022 as set out in Appendix 1 be noted.
- 2. Council note the political balance of the Council is:
 - > 41 Members of the Labour Group; and
 - 22 Members of the Conservative Group

1. Why this report is needed

1.1 The Returning Officer for the Authority reports the names of those persons who have been elected to the London Borough of Barnet at the Local Government Elections held on 5 May 2022.

2. Reasons for recommendations

2.1 Following the Local Government Elections on 5 May 2022 the Returning Officer reports the results to Full Council

3. Alternative options considered and not recommended

3.1 None in the context of this report.

4. Post decision implementation

4.1 None in the context of this report.

5. Implications of decision

5.1 Corporate Priorities and Performance

- 5.1.1 None in the context of this report.
- 5.2 Resources (Finance & Value for Money, Procurement, Staffing, IT, Property, Sustainability)
 - 5.2.1 None in the context of this report

5.3 Legal and Constitutional References

5.3.1 None in the context of this report.

5.4 Insight

5.4.1 None in the context of this report.

5.5 **Social Value**

5.5.1 None in the context of this report.

5.6 Risk Management

5.6.1 None in the context of this report.

5.7 Equalities and Diversity

5.7.1 None in the context of this report.

5.8 Corporate Parenting

5.8.1 None in the context of this report.

5.9 Consultation and Engagement

5.9.1 None in the context of this report.

5.10 Environmental Impact

5.10.1 None in the context of this report.

6. Background papers

6.1 None in the context of this report.



Election of Councillors for Barnet Vale Ward of London Borough of Barnet on Thursday 5th May 2022.

	0
Stephen David BARBER (Lib)	693
Richard Jeronym BARNES (Lab)	2054
Simon COHEN (Lib)	747
Marianne HAYLETT (Lab)	2192
William Alexander KUMAR (Con)	1971
David LONGSTAFF (Con)	2080
Benjamin James PAPWORTH (Lib)	415
Robert Iqbal Imrit PERSAD (Lab)	1836
Robert Daniel Julian TEARE (Con)	2015
Charles Edward Kell WICKSTEED (Grn)	732

Elected: *Marianne HAYLETT (Lab)*

David LONGSTAFF (Con)

Richard Jeronym BARNES (Lab)

Election of Councillors for Brunswick Park Ward of London Borough of Barnet on Thursday 5th May 2022.

Luigi BILLE (Lib)	321
David Samuel FARBEY (Grn)	524
Paul David LEMON (Lab)	2353
Josh MASTIN-LEE (Con)	1805
Giulia Margarita MONASTERIO (Lab)	2381
Nicole Alison RICHER (Con)	1829
Lisa RUTTER (Con)	1918
Jonti STERN (Lib)	247
Tony VOUROU (Lab)	2193
Glyn WILLIAMS (Lib)	262

Elected: Giulia Margarita MONASTERIO (Lab)

Paul David LEMON (Lab)

Tony VOUROU (Lab)

Election of Councillors for Burnt Oak Ward of London Borough of Barnet on Thursday 5th May 2022.

Sara Tracey CONWAY (Lab)	2545
Kamal Bahadur GURUNG (Lab)	2377
Ruth Carline Alexandra HART (Con)	962
Timothy James Matthew Weng Ho McGEEVER (Con)	861
Ammar NAQVI (Lab)	2105
Rashina SHAH (Grn)	520
Samuel SHUPAC (Con)	736

Elected: Sara Tracey CONWAY (Lab)

Kamal Bahadur GURUNG (Lab)

Ammar NAQVI (Lab)

Election of Councillors for Childs Hill Ward of London Borough of Barnet on Thursday 5th May 2022.

9	-
Sam COHEN (Lib)	627
Toby Edward DAVIS (Lib)	502
Karen Anne DOLBY (Grn)	451
Rebecca Nizza FLUSS (Con)	1740
Adam Mohammed GHEASUDDIN (Con)	1497
Giulia INNOCENTI (Lab)	2061
Matthew Karl Pierre PERLBERG (Lab)	1936
Emma Samantha ROZENBERG (Lib)	597
Nigel Herbert YOUNG (Lab)	1844
Peter John Louis ZINKIN (Con)	1746

Elected: Giulia INNOCENTI (Lab)

Matthew Karl Pierre PERLBERG (Lab)

Nigel Herbert YOUNG (Lab)

Election of Councillors for Colindale North Ward of London Borough of Barnet on Thursday 5th May 2022.

Maggie CURATI (Grn)	172
Andreas IOANNIDIS (Lab)	1156
Ben MARGUILES (Con)	360
Marcin Jozef NOCEK (Ind)	243
Joseph PRAGER (Con)	333
Sabriye Halane WARSAME (Ind)	91
Zakia ZUBAIRI (Lab)	1102

Elected: Andreas IOANNIDIS (Lab)

Zakia ZUBAIRI (Lab)

Election of Councillors for Colindale South Ward of London Borough of Barnet on Thursday 5th May 2022.

Adam Alexander COLLINS (Con)	945
Shivaji GHOSH (Con)	807
Humayune Rasheed KHALICK (Lab)	1888
Nagus NARENTHIRA (Lab)	1936
Nigel SAIDLER (Con)	775
Gillian Wendy SARGEANT (Lab)	2008
Rajul SHAH (Grn)	437

Elected: Gillian Wendy SARGEANT (Lab)

Nagus NARENTHIRA (Lab)

Humayune Rasheed KHALICK (Lab)

Election of Councillors for Cricklewood Ward of London Borough of Barnet on Thursday 5th May 2022.

Anne Marie Bates CLARKE (Lab)	1314
Yosef Hayeem DAVID (Con)	415
Charles Patrick LAWTON (Lib)	106
Sophie Clare LEIGHTON (Lib)	131
Danielle Rene POLLASTRI (Grn)	192
Alan SCHNEIDERMAN (Lab)	1109
Ajantha Tharindra Kumari TENNAKOON (Con)	356

Elected: Anne Marie Bates CLARKE (Lab)

Alan SCHNEIDERMAN (Lab)

Election of Councillors for East Barnet Ward of London Borough of Barnet on Thursday 5th May 2022.

Felix Alexander BYERS (Con)	2229
Philip COHEN (Lab)	2547
Edith Ngozi DAVID (Lab)	2514
Judith Eleanor Harriet ECHLIN (Grn)	628
Sean James HOOKER (Lib)	374
David Jeremy KEECH (Lib)	243
David Alexander Giles NOWELL (Lib)	280
Pavan PAVANAKUMAR (Con)	2055
Simon Wyn RADFORD (Lab)	2342
Paul Anthony ROBERTS (Con)	2023

Elected: Philip COHEN (Lab)

Edith Ngozi DAVID (Lab)

Simon Wyn RADFORD (Lab)

Election of Councillors for East Finchley Ward of London Borough of Barnet on Thursday 5th May 2022.

Robert Owen BUCKWELL (Con)	671
Claire FARRIER (Lab)	2895
Julia Elizabeth Maryke HINES (Lib)	924
Lesley Ruth McILMOYLE (Con)	643
Arjun Kumar MITTRA (Lab)	3122
Alison MOORE (Lab)	3001
David Julian NOBLE (Lib)	783
Steve PARSONS (Grn)	592
Sachin PATEL (Lib)	729
Megan TUCKER (Con)	627

Elected: Arjun Kumar MITTRA (Lab)

Alison MOORE (Lab)

Claire FARRIER (Lab)

Election of Councillors for Edgwarebury Ward of London Borough of Barnet on Thursday 5th May 2022.

Lachhya Bahadur GURUNG (Con)	1691
Samuel MURRAY (Grn)	284
Nila PATEL (Lab)	1582
Josh TAPPER (Lab)	1649
Sarah Jane WARDLE (Con)	1749

Elected: Sarah Jane WARDLE (Con)

Lachhya Bahadur GURUNG (Con)

Election of Councillors for Edgware Ward of London Borough of Barnet on Thursday 5th May 2022.

Lisa Nicole BARD (Wom)	453
Nikhilesh CHAKRABORTY (Lab)	1671
Sora Lea GLUCK (Lab)	1372
Shuey GORDON (Con)	2746
Ryan Blake JACKSON (Lab)	1478
Nick MEARING-SMITH (Con)	3007
Dudley Robert Alexander MILES (Grn)	510
Lucy Emma WAKELEY (Con)	3110

Elected: Lucy Emma WAKELEY (Con)

Nick MEARING-SMITH (Con)

Shuey GORDON (Con)

Election of Councillors for Finchley Church End Ward of London Borough of Barnet on Thursday 5th May 2022.

75	
Dominic AUBREY-JONES (Lib)	1387
Suzanne BAKER (Lab)	1464
Hilary Frances BURRAGE (Lab)	1339
Daniel Ken FENESAN (Lib)	1291
Eva GREENSPAN (Con)	2357
Jennifer Anne GROCOCK (Con)	2155
Sarah HOYLE (Lib)	1465
Nina Bryony JACOBY OWEN (Grn)	464
Mary Patricia McGUIRK (Lab)	1226
Daniel THOMAS (Con)	2140

Elected: Eva GREENSPAN (Con)

Jennifer Anne GROCOCK (Con)

Daniel THOMAS (Con)

Election of Councillors for Friern Barnet Ward of London Borough of Barnet on Thursday 5th May 2022.

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Pauline COAKLEY WEBB (Lab)	3030
Graham CRAIG (Lib)	367
Kishar Kevin GHATEH (Con)	1026
Lavinia JESSUP (Lib)	350
Linda LUISINGU (Lab)	2880
Zoe Anne MYERSON (Lib)	350
Barry John RAWLINGS (Lab)	2779
Kate SALINGER (Con)	1137
Anila SKEJA (Con)	991
Ed TYTHERLEIGH (Grn)	550

Elected: Pauline COAKLEY WEBB (Lab)

Linda LUISINGU (Lab)

Barry John RAWLINGS (Lab)

Election of Councillors for Garden Suburb Ward of London Borough of Barnet on Thursday 5th May 2022.

Altan Richard AKBIYIK (Lib)	496
Nicolas James Alexander CAESAR (Grn)	369
Rohit Roshyan GROVER (Con)	1895
Brian Joe INGRAM (Ind)	311
Adam KAYANI (Lab)	878
Kathleen LEVINE (Lab)	1052
Daniel MERMELSTEIN (Lib)	622
Michael Edward Francis MIRE (Con)	1878

Elected: Rohit Roshyan GROVER (Con)

Michael Edward Francis MIRE (Con)

Election of Councillors for Golders Green Ward of London Borough of Barnet on Thursday 5th May 2022.

Debbie BRAZIL (Wom)	113
Dean Simon COHEN (Con)	2171
Melvin COHEN (Con)	2146
Penny GOSTYN (Lib)	190
Simon Bradley SHAER (Lib)	156
Karen Sarah WALKDEN (Lab)	650
Susan Ann WALLER (Lab)	613
Gillian Adele WARD (Grn)	205

Elected: Dean Simon COHEN (Con)

Melvin COHEN (Con)

Election of Councillors for Hendon Ward of London Borough of Barnet on Thursday 5th May 2022.

Joshua Aaron CONWAY (Con)	2632
Charlotte Elizabeth DAUS (Lab)	1427
David Jonathan DUNITZ (Lab)	1329
Christopher Jon FORDYCE (Grn)	429
Michael James HUGHES (Lib)	277
Franca Mina Anna OLIFFE (Ind)	568
Eunice PHILLIPS (Lib)	240
Alex PRAGER (Con)	2545
Mark Richard SHOOTER (Con)	2436
Janice TURNER (Lib)	276
Viljo George Rafiq WILDING (Lab)	1018

Elected: Joshua Aaron CONWAY (Con)

Alex PRAGER (Con)

Mark Richard SHOOTER (Con)

Election of Councillors for High Barnet Ward of London Borough of Barnet on Thursday 5th May 2022.

Lara AYODEJI-AKINDIJI (Con)	1504
Paul Joseph EDWARDS (Lab)	2044
Richard John Howard HEWISON (Rej)	116
Dan KING (Con)	1459
Peter Anthony LUSHER (Lib)	212
Joan Lillian WATERSON (Grn)	359
Michael Henry Calvert WEST (Lib)	182
Emma Felicity Maude WHYSALL (Lab)	2051

Elected: Emma Felicity Maude WHYSALL (Lab)
Paul Joseph EDWARDS (Lab)

Election of Councillors for Mill Hill Ward of London Borough of Barnet on Thursday 5th May 2022.

Rachel Megan BARKER (Lab)	1565
Val DUSCHINSKY (Con)	2010
Pascale Chiara FANNING-TICHBORNE (Lab)	1390
Frankie GRANT (Lab)	1413
Laithe Benjamin JAJEH (Con)	1783
Kay Simon LAUER (Wom)	262
Richard Joseph LOGUE (Lib)	713
Donna Joanne PICKUP (Lib)	672
Elliot Keith SIMBERG (Con)	1909
Roger Martin TICHBORNE (Lib)	735
Elizabeth Rosalind WARDLE (Grn)	441

Elected: Val DUSCHINSKY (Con)

Elliot Keith SIMBERG (Con)

Laithe Benjamin JAJEH (Con)

Election of Councillors for Totteridge and Woodside Ward of London Borough of Barnet on Thursday 5th May 2022.

Jack Bernard COHEN (Lib)	555
Alison Jane CORNELIUS (Con)	2041
Richard Alan CORNELIUS (Con)	1975
Vanessa DAVID (Lab)	1435
Brendan Patrick DONNELLY (Rej)	213
Oliver Reuben RODWELL (Lib)	403
Parmodh Kumar SHARMA (Lab)	1310
Tanya Scofield SPENSLEY (Lib)	443
Caroline STOCK (Con)	1986
Fabio VOLLONO (Grn)	455
Laurie WILLIAMS (Lab)	1283

Elected: Alison Jane CORNELIUS (Con)

Caroline STOCK (Con)

Richard Alan CORNELIUS (Con)

Election of Councillors for Underhill Ward of London Borough of Barnet on Thursday 5th May 2022.

Zahra Parveen BEG (Lab)	2082
Victor Peter CORNEY (Lib)	224
Patrick Brendan DALY (Lib)	209
Andrew Martin DOLBY (Grn)	332
Taiye Oghosho GARRICK (Con)	1165
Ben REND (Rej)	136
Tim ROBERTS (Lab)	1991
Reuben Francis THOMPSTONE (Con)	1173

Elected: Zahra Parveen BEG (Lab)
Tim ROBERTS (Lab)

Election of Councillors for West Finchley Ward of London Borough of Barnet on Thursday 5th May 2022.

John COLMANS (Grn)	637
Clareine ENDERBY (Lib)	1203
Robert Joseph FUCILLA (Con)	1106
Ross Semple HOUSTON (Lab)	2916
Kath MCGUIRK (Lab)	2952
Danny RICH (Lab)	2724
Gabriel Simon ROZENBERG (Lib)	1289
Gregory RUBACK (Lib)	992
Linda Rose SAVIN (Con)	1160
Thomas Simon SHEPPARD (Con)	1081
Ruth Olivia VINCENTI (Wom)	331

Elected: Kath MCGUIRK (Lab)

Ross Semple HOUSTON (Lab)

Danny RICH (Lab)

Election of Councillors for West Hendon Ward of London Borough of Barnet on Thursday 5th May 2022.

Ernest Azenkeang Forlemu AMBE (Lab)	1791
Andrea Lesley BILBOW (Lab)	1901
Rishikesh CHAKRABORTY (Lab)	1761
Tye HUNTER (Grn)	436
Pauline LEWIS (Con)	1027
Harvey ODZE (Con)	870
Helene Pines RICHMAN (Lib)	650
Jeremy Michael ROSS (Con)	931

Elected:

Andrea Lesley BILBOW (Lab) Ernest Azenkeang Forlemu AMBE (Lab) Rishikesh CHAKRABORTY (Lab)

Election of Councillors for Whetstone Ward of London Borough of Barnet on Thursday 5th May 2022.

Andrew John NEWBY (Grn)	456
Sachin RAJPUT (Con)	1308
Ella Rachel ROSE (Lab)	1898
Thomas Roger SMITH (Con)	1336
Liron Mark VELLEMAN (Lab)	1625

Elected:

Ella Rachel ROSE (Lab)
Liron Mark VELLEMAN (Lab)

Election of Councillors for Woodhouse Ward of London Borough of Barnet on Thursday 5th May 2022.

Golnar BOKAEI (Con)	980
David Hillel BURNS (Grn)	395
Geof COOKE (Lab)	1917
Gerard Edward FITZGERALD (Lib)	318
James Simon GOLDMAN (Lib)	314
Anne Cecilia HUTTON (Lab)	1900
Shaan OWUSU AFRIYIE (Con)	891

Elected:

Geof COOKE (Lab)
Anne Cecilia HUTTON (Lab)

ELECTION OF THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

AGENDA ITEM 9

Council Constitution – Article 6, Section 6.1 and Full Council Procedure Rules, Section 1. (e) provide that the Leader will be elected for a four-year period.

The previous Leader was elected for a four-year term on 22 May 2018.

RECOMMEND that Council make an appointment to the position of Leader of the Council for a four-year period.





Annual Council AGENDA ITEM 12 24 May 2022

UNITAS EFFICIT MINISTERIUM	
Title	Report of the Leader of the Labour Group
Report of	Leader of the Council
Wards	All
Status	Public
Urgent	No
Key No	
	Appendix A – Council Constitution, Article 7 (Committees, Forums, Working Groups and Partnerships)
	Appendix B – Council Constitution, Article 7 (Committees, Forums, Working Groups and Partnerships) (Tracked Changes)
Enclosures	Appendix C – Article 3 (Residents and Public Participation)
	Appendix D – Article 3 (Residents and Public Participation) (Tracked)
	Appendix E – Members Allowances Scheme 2022/23
	Appendix F – Members Allowances Scheme 2022/23 (Tracked)
Officer Contact Details	Andrew Charlwood, Head of Governance, 020 8359 2014, andrew.charlwood@barnet.gov.uk

Summary

The Labour Group won a majority of seats at the Local Election on 5 May 2022. Following the election, the Leader of the Labour Group has indicated that the Group would like to make several changes to the Constitution, details of which are set out in the report and appendices.

Officers Recommendations

That the Council approve the amendments to the Constitution and as set out in Appendix A (Article 7), Appendix C (Article 3) and Appendix E (Members Allowances Scheme 2022/23).

1. Why this report is needed

- 1.1 The Labour Group won a majority of seats at the Local Election on 5 May 2022. Following the election, the Leader of the Labour Group has indicated that the Group would like to make several changes to the Constitution, details of which are set out in the appendices.
- 1.2 Full Council is responsible for adopting and changing the Constitution.

2. Reasons for recommendations

2.1 As set out above.

3. Alternative options considered and not recommended

3.1 None in the context of this report.

4. Post decision implementation

4.1 Subject to Council approving the changes, the Monitoring Officer will ensure that a revised version of the Constitution is published online.

5. Implications of decision

5.1 Corporate Priorities and Performance

- 5.1.1 None in the context of this report.
- 5.2 Resources (Finance & Value for Money, Procurement, Staffing, IT, Property, Sustainability)
 - 5.2.1 None in the context of this report

5.3 Legal and Constitutional References

- 5.3.1 Council Constitution, Article 4 states that "The Full Council is a formal meeting of all Councillors and is required by law to take certain important decisions as set out below. Full Council also approves a number of key plans and strategies, which together form the Policy Framework:....
 - Adopting and changing the Constitution (unless delegated).

• Adopting a Members' Allowance Scheme"

5.4 Insight

5.4.1 None in the context of this report.

5.5 Social Value

5.5.1 None in the context of this report.

5.6 Risk Management

5.6.1 None in the context of this report.

5.7 Equalities and Diversity

5.7.1 None in the context of this report.

5.8 Corporate Parenting

5.8.1 None in the context of this report.

5.9 **Consultation and Engagement**

5.9.1 None in the context of this report.

5.10 Environmental Impact

5.10.1 None in the context of this report.

6. Background papers

6.1 None in the context of this report.



fArticle 7 - Committees, Forums, Working Groups and Partnerships

Committees

7.1 The Council will appoint the committees set out below at 7.5 to discharge the functions described.

Sub-Committees and Working Groups

7.2 Following the Annual Meeting of the Council, and at any time during the year, committees may appoint: sub-committees and/or working groups and, if appropriate, agree their terms of reference, a Chair and, if considered necessary, a Vice-Chair and substitute members of the sub-committee or working group.

Appointment of Members to Committees

7.3 The Council will appoint the Members, Chair and Vice Chair to serve on the Committee subject to the right of a political group within the meaning of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and any regulations made under that Act to make nominations for those appointments at the meeting that makes the appointments before the appointments are made.

Local Strategic Partnership

7.4 A Local Strategic Partnership is an advisory Committee which brings together the key public, private and voluntary organisations within the borough to identify and articulate the needs and aspirations of Barnet's local communities and to provide a forum to assist the Council by collectively reviewing and steering public resources, through identifying priorities in Sustainable Community Strategies. In Barnet, the functions of a Local Strategic Partnership are discharged by the Barnet Partnership Board

7.5 Responsibility for Functions*

*If any report appears to come within the remit of more than one committee, to avoid the report being discussed at several committees, the report will be presented and determined at the most appropriate committee as indicated by the Chair of the relevant committees in consultation with the Leader. If there is no indication from the committee chairs, then the report will be discussed and determined by the Policy and Resources Committee.

Body responsible	Functions	Membership
Policy and Resources Committee	 (1) To be responsible for: Strategic policy, finance and corporate risk management including recommending: Capital and Revenue Budget (including all fees and charges); Medium Term Financial Strategy; and Corporate Plan to Full Council Finance including: Treasury management Local taxation Insurance Corporate procurement Grants Writing-off debt Virements Effective use of resources Procurement Forward Plan Local Plans (except for matters reserved to Full Council) Information Technology Strategic Partnerships Customer Services and Resident Engagement Emergency Planning Equalities (2) To be responsible for the oversight of: (a) the overall financial performance of the council (b) the performance of services other than those which are the responsibility of the: 	Membership 13 Chair, Vice Chair, Members and substitutes to be appointed by Council. 7 substitutes Quorum 3
	(b) the performance of services other than	
	(c) the council's major strategic contracts (Customer Support Group, Development and Regulatory Services, The Barnet	

Article 7 - Committees, Forums, Working Groups and Partnerships

Group Ltd (Barnet Homes) and HB Public Law) including (but not limited to): Analysis of performance Contract variations Undertaking deep dives to review specific issues Monitoring the trading position and financial stability of external providers Making recommendations to theme committees on issues arising from the monitoring of external providers (4) Consider for approval budget and business plan of the Barnet Group Ltd (5) To be responsible for those matters not specifically allocated to any other committee affecting the affairs of the Council. Children, (1) Responsibility for all matters relating to 11 Education and children, schools and education. Safeguarding Chair, Vice Chair, Committee Members and substitutes (2) To submit to the Policy and Resources Committee proposals relating to the to be appointed by Committee's budget (including fees and Council. charges) for the following year in accordance with the budget timetable. Requirement to have a (3) To make recommendations to Policy and Lead Member for Resources Committee on issues relating to Children's Services. the budget for the Committee, including virements or underspends and overspends on the budget. No decisions which result in 6 substitutes amendments to the agreed budget may be Quorum 3 made by the Committee unless and until the amendment has been agreed by Policy and Resources Committee. (4) To receive reports on relevant performance information and risk on the services under the remit of the Committee (including Barnet Education & Learning Service). (5) To receive and consider reports as appropriate from the Corporate Parenting Advisory Panel.

(6) Receive regular updates from the Lead Member for Children's Services (Chair of Children, Education and Safeguarding Committee) covering key matters. (7) Receive an annual report from the Safeguarding Children's Board. (8) Determining arrangements for making nominations to the governing bodies of Local Authority administered schools. Adults and 11 (1) Responsibility for all matters relating to vulnerable adults, adult social care and Safeguarding Committee leisure services. Chair, Vice Chair, Members and substitutes (2) Work with partners on the Health and appointed by Council. Well Being Board to ensure that social care. interventions are effectively and seamlessly 7 substitutes joined up with public health and healthcare and promote the Health and Well Being Quorum 3 Strategy and its associated sub strategies. (3) To submit to the Policy and Resources Committee proposals relating to the Committee's budget (including fees and charges) for the following year in accordance with the budget timetable. (4) To make recommendations to Policy and Resources Committee on issues relating to the budget for the Committee, including virements or underspends and overspends on the budget. No decisions which result in amendments to the agreed budget may be made by the Committee unless and until the amendment has been agreed by Policy and Resources Committee. (5) To receive reports on relevant performance information (including The The Barnet Group Ltd (Your Choice Barnet) performance) and risk on the services under the remit of the Committee.

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Environment and Climate Change Committee	 (1) Responsibility for all borough-wide or cross-constituency matters relating to the street scene including, parking, road safety, lighting, street cleaning, littering, fly-tipping, fly-posting, graffiti, transport, waste, waterways, refuse, recycling, allotments, parks, trees, crematoria and mortuary, trading standards and environmental health. (2) To submit to the Policy and Resources Committee proposals relating to the Committee's budget (including fees and charges) for the following year in accordance with the budget timetable. (3) To make recommendations to Policy and Resources Committee on issues relating to the budget for the Committee, including virements or underspends and overspends on the budget. No decisions which result in amendments to the agreed budget may be made by the Committee unless and until the amendment has been agreed by Policy and Resources Committee. (4) To receive reports on relevant performance information and risk on the services under the remit of the Committee. 	Chair, Vice Chair, Members and substitutes appointed by Council. 6 substitutes Quorum 3
Housing and Growth Committee	 (1) Responsibility for: housing matters including housing strategy, homelessness, social housing and housing grants, commissioning of environmental health functions for private sector housing. regeneration strategy and oversee major regeneration schemes, asset management, employment strategy, business support and engagement. (2) To submit to the Policy and Resources Committee proposals relating to the Committee's budget (including fees and charges) for the following year in accordance with the budget timetable. (3) To make recommendations to Policy and Resources Committee on issues relating to 	Chair, Vice Chair, Members and substitutes appointed by Council. 6 substitutes Quorum 3

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	the budget for the Committee, including virements or underspends and overspends on the budget. No decisions which result in amendments to the agreed budget may be made by the Committee unless and until the amendment has been agreed by Policy and Resources Committee. (4) To receive reports on relevant performance information (excluding The Barnet Group Ltd (Barnet Homes) performance) and risk on the services under the remit of the Committee.	
Community Leadership & Libraries Committee	(1) Responsibility for libraries, culture, civic events, the mayoralty, voluntary, community and faith sector strategy and engagement, community safety, environmental crime (excluding littering, fly-tipping, fly-posting and graffiti), registration and nationality service, food security and Covid-19 enforcement. (2) To act as the Crime and Disorder Scrutiny Committee in accordance with the Police and Justice Act 2006 (Crime and Disorder (Overview and Scrutiny Regulations) 2009 (3) To receive nominations and determine applications for buildings / land to be listed as an Asset of Community Value (Community Right to Bid) (4) To submit to the Policy and Resources Committee proposals on the Committee's budget for the following year (including fees and charges) in accordance with the budget timetable and make recommendations on issues relating to virements, underspends or overspends. No decisions which result in amendments to the agreed budget may be made by the Committee unless and until the amendment has been agreed by Policy and Resources Committee. (4) To receive reports on relevant performance information and risk on the services under the remit of the Committee.	Chair, Vice Chair, Members and substitutes appointed by Council. 6 substitutes Quorum 3

Community Leadership & Libraries Sub- Committee	To receive nominations and determine applications for buildings / land to be listed as an Asset of Community Value (Community Right to Bid) when there is no scheduled meeting of the full Committee which falls within the eight week statutory deadline for determining applications	Chair, Vice-Chair and Opposition Spokesperson Appointed by Community Leadership and Libraries Committee 3 substitutes Quorum 2
Area Committees:	In relation to the area covered:	8
Area Committee North (East Barnet, Barnet Vale, High Barnet, Underhill,	1) Provide an opportunity for any resident to raise matters affecting the area (except matters relating to licensing and planning applications).	Chairman, Vice Chairman, Members and substitutes appointed by Council.
Totteridge and Woodside, Mill Hill, Edgwarebury and Whetstone);	2) Responsibility for all constituency specific matters relating to the street scene including parking, road safety, transport, allotments, parks and trees.	Committee members must represent a ward in the Area Committee area. All members in the Area Committee area
Area Committee West (Burnt Oak,	3) Consider constituency specific matters as agreed with the Chair.	can act as substitutes in that area
Edgware, Colindale North, Colindale South, West Hendon,	4) Consider matters relating to Town Centre regeneration and designating conservation areas.	Quorum 3
Hendon, Cricklewood and Childs Hill); and	5) Determine the allocation of Community Infrastructure Levy funding within the constituency subject to sufficient of the budget allocated to the committee being unspent.	
Area Committee East (Brunswick Park, Friern Barnet,		
Woodhouse, West Finchley, Finchley Church End, Golders Green, East Finchley and Garden Suburb)		

Licensing Committee	(1) All policy matters relating to licensing, with licencing hearings concerning all licencing matters delegated to sub-committees.	Chair, Vice Chair, Members No substitute members Quorum 3
Licensing Sub- Committees	All functions in relation to licensing as delegated by the Licensing Committee. Members appointed from the membership of the Licensing Committee	3 Quorum 3 Chair appointed at each meeting of a Sub-Committee.
Audit Committee	To provide independent assurance of the adequacy of the risk management framework and the associated control environment, independent scrutiny of the authority's financial and non-financial performance to the extent that it affects the authority's exposure to risk and weakens the control environment, and to oversee the financial reporting process. Anti-Fraud Activity To monitor the effective development and operation of the Council's Corporate Anti-Fraud Team (CAFT). Regulatory Framework. To review any issue referred to it by the Chief Executive and to oversee the production of the authority's Annual Governance Statement and to recommend its adoption. Accounts To review and approve the annual statement of accounts and consider the external auditor's report to those charged with governance on issues arising from the audit of the accounts.	Chair, Vice Chair, Members and substitutes appointed by Council. The membership should also include two independent, non-voting Members with a period of appointment of four years. 6 substitutes Quorum 3

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	Annual Report The Audit Committee shall prepare a report to Full Council on annual basis on its activity and effectiveness. Treasury Management To review the implementation of the Treasury Management Strategy.	
Strategic Planning Committee	To determine Applications for Planning Permission, including permissions in principle, made under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 where the recommendation is for approval and the development: • is within the categories which must be referred to the Mayor of London under the London Mayor Order; • does not accord with the provisions of the Development Plan and, in the opinion of the Chief Planning Officer, constitutes a significant departure; or • is by or on behalf of the Council and, in the opinion of the relevant Chief Planning Officer], it is a significant development The confirmation of Directions under Article 4 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015. The confirmation of Town and Village Green Registration Applications under the Commons Act 2006, including considering the recommendations of a non-statutory inquiry chaired by an independent person. Designating neighbourhood areas and neighbourhood forums for the purposes of neighbourhood planning. Consider for approval and confirmation Neighbourhood Development Orders and Community Right to Build Orders. Recommending the creation of Conservation Areas to Full Council	Chair, Vice Chair, Members and substitutes appointed by Council. 11 substitutes Quorum 3

Consider approving Article 4 Directions for consultation Take action under Part 8 of the Anti-Social Behaviour Act 2003 relating to high hedges Any decision on an application that will result in the Council being liable for the payment of compensation, except where that compensation is as a result of an Article 4 Direction. Any other planning application or planning matter referred to this Committee by relevant Chief Planning Officer acting in his or her discretion, after consultation with the Chair. Reports on all matters reserved to the Committee shall be made direct to the Committee and not through a Planning Committee. Any Planning Committee agenda item referred to this Committee for consideration and determination. To consider additions, deletions or amendments to the entries in the Council's Brownfield Land Register, including any referrals from the Planning Committees, and conduct any other functions related to the Brownfield Land Register. **Planning** To determine the following application types, 6 for each Committee Committees A and except where they are referable under the Constitution to the Strategic Planning В 6 substitutes Committee: Quorum 3 Applications for Planning Permission made under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990; Applications for Listed Building Consent made under the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990; Applications for Consent to Display an Advertisement made under the Town and Country Planning (Control of

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Advertisements) (England) Regulations 2007;

Applications for permissions in principle made under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and any application to add, delete or amend any entries in the Council's Brownfield Land Register" after the words "To determine the following application types, except where they are referable under the Constitution to the Planning Committee"

Where the recommendation is for:

- approval and there is significant local public objection (defined as 5 or more objectors who have objected in writing in response to a planning application)
- approval or refusal and there is a Councillor referral of an application which affects their Ward which has been 'calledin' to committee identifying a planning consideration.

Any decision on an application that will result in the Council being liable for the payment of compensation, except where that compensation is as a result of an Article 4 Direction.

Any other application or planning matter referred to this Committee by the relevant Chief Planning Officer acting in his or her discretion, after consultation with the Chair.

Applications to undertake treatment to trees included within a Tree Preservation Order

Applications for a Hedgerow removal notice made under the Hedgerow Regulations 1997.

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Applications to demolish buildings on the Council's Local List.

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Constitution and General Purposes Committee

Keep under review all aspects of the Council's Constitution so as to ensure that it remains current and fit for purpose, and to make recommendations thereon to the Council.

To consider and make recommendations to the Council on:

- (i) how it can satisfy the continuing duty to promote and maintain high standards of conduct by Members;
- (ii) on the Code of Conduct for Members;
- (iii) on ethical standards in general across the authority.

To have responsibility for overseeing the Council's governance arrangements including:

- Electoral Services including: elections and electoral registration performance; and polling places and polling district boundaries
- Determine Members requests for noncommittee information as specified in the Members Information Management Policy
- Endorsing the calendar of meetings prior to Council approval
- Health and Safety Strategy and Performance
- Member Development
- Staff matters generally (other than those within the remit of Chief Officer Appointment Panel) including:
 - salaries and terms and conditions;
 - approval of staffing restructures involving 20 or more employees:
 - deciding on chief officer salary or severance packages over £100,000;
 - approving the chief officer structure:
 - pay and reward strategy;
 - HR policies which go over and above statutory requirements;
 - develop the annual pay policy statement for Full Council approval

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Chair, Vice Chair, Members and substitutes appointed by Council.

6 substitutes

Quorum 3

	When considering a report on staffing matters, a representative of the trade unions may submit a request to speak which requires the consent of the Chair, or be questioned by the Committee before a decision is made. Each representative will have up to 3 minutes to address the committee. (3) To consider any decisions of the West London Economic Prosperity Board which have been called in, in accordance with this Article	
Standards Committee	To investigate and determine allegations of a breach of the Code of Conduct for Members in the context of satisfying the Council's continuing duty to promote and maintain high standards of conduct for Members.	4 (2 Members each from the Administration and the Opposition) and an Independent Person) 2 substitutes each from the Administration and the Opposition. Quorum 2
Pension Fund Committee	To have responsibility for all aspects of the governance, investment and administration of the LB Barnet Pension fund, including, but not limited to the following: (1) To ensure compliance with all Local Government Pension Scheme statutes, regulations and best practice. (2) To consider approval and act in accordance with statutory Pension Fund documents: • Investment Strategy Statement • Funding Strategy Statement • Governance Policy Statement • Pension Administration Strategy • Communication Policy Statement. To review the above documents at least triennially, or more frequently if advised by the Chief Finance Officer of the need to do so.	Chair, Vice Chair, Members and substitutes appointed by Council. To invite a recognised representative from the trades unions and a representative from Middlesex University (the largest scheduled / admitted body) to committee meetings These representatives are appointed to advise the committee on behalf of the interests they represent, but are not to have any voting rights. Further invites to scheduled/admitted bodies to be decided by

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	(3) If required, to appoint and monitor:	the chair of the
	Investment advisors	committee.
	Pension Fund investment managers	
	Pension Fund actuaries	6 substitutes – 3 from
	Performance management company	each political group
	Custodians	
	Pension Administrator	Quorum 3
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	(4) To review and challenge at least quarterly the performance of the Pension Fund's investments taking into consideration the benchmarks and targets set out in the Investment Strategy Statement and investment management contracts and to consider advice from the investment advisor(s).	
	(5) To monitor the administration of the Pension Fund.	
	(6) To approve admissions agreements with any admission body.	
	(7) To consider actuarial valuations and their impact on the Pension Fund.	
	(8) To review and consider approval of the Pension Fund's Annual Report and Statement of Accounts, together with recommendations from external and internal auditors.	
	(9) To consider recommendations from the Local Pension Board.	
	(10) To determine how the various administering authority discretions are operated for the fund.	
Local Pension Board	The Board is responsible for assisting with:	7 Members comprising:
Boald	 securing compliance with Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) Government regulations and any other legislation relating to the governance and administration of the LGPS securing compliance with the requirements imposed in relation to the PGPS by the 	3 employers side representatives (1 councillor and 2 employer representatives from an admitted body
	Pensions Regulator.	3 employee side representatives (1 active

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	 such other matters that the LGPS regulations may specify 	member and 2 deferred member)
	Ensure the effective and efficient governance and administration of the LGPS for the LBB Pension Fund.	1 independent member/advisor
	The Local Pension Board maintain separate detailed terms of reference which are approved annually	
Chief Officer Appointment Panel	To deal with Chief Officer Appointments, Discipline and Capability matters.	5 Chair, Vice Chair,
	Members comprise: Chairman – Leader of the Council	Members and substitutes appointed by Council.
	Deputy Leader of the Council. One Administration Member	One substitute from each political group
	Leader of the Opposition One Opposition Member	Quorum 3
Health and Wellbeing Board	(1) To jointly assess the health and social care needs of the population with NHS	12
Wolldenig Board	commissioners, and use the findings of a Barnet Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) to inform all relevant local strategies and policies across partnership.	Chair, Vice Chair, Members and substitutes appointed by Council.
	(2) To agree a Health and Wellbeing Strategy (HWBS) for Barnet taking into account the	Vice Chair is Chair of Barnet CCG Governing Body
	findings of the JSNA and strategically oversee its implementation to ensure that improved population outcomes are being delivered.	Three Members of the Council
	(3) To work together to ensure the best fit	Director of Public Health
	between available resources to meet the health and social care needs of the whole population of Barnet, by both improving services for health and social care and	Strategic Director for Children & Young People
	helping people to move as close as possible to a state of complete physical, mental and social wellbeing. Specific resources to be overseen include money for social care being	Strategic Director for Adults, Communities & Health
	allocated through the NHS; dedicated public health budgets; the Better Care Fund; and	Barnet Clinical Commissioning Group- Board members x 3

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	Section 75 partnership agreements between the NHS and the Council. (4) To provide collective leadership and enable shared decision making, ownership and accountability (5) To promote partnership and, as appropriate, integration, across all necessary areas, including joined-up commissioning plans and joined-up approach to securing external funding across the NHS, social care, voluntary and community sector and public health. (6) To explore partnership work across North Central London where appropriate. (5) Specific responsibilities for: Overseeing public health and promoting prevention agenda across the partnership Developing further health and social care integration.	Barnet Clinical Commissioning Group- Chief Officer Barnet Healthwatch representative Barnet voluntary and community sector representative Independent Chair of the Adults and Children's Safeguarding Boards (Non-Voting Member) Each member may nominate a substitute if they cannot attend. Requirement for proportionality is waived and voting rights allowed to members other than Members of the Council. Quorum 3 The Quorum should consist of at least one Councillor and one health representative
Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee	(1) To perform the overview and scrutiny role in relation to health issues which impact upon the residents of the London Borough of Barnet and the functions services and activities of the National Health Service and NHS bodies located within the London Borough of Barnet and in other areas.	9 Chair, Vice-Chair, Members and substitutes to be appointed by Council
	(2) To make reports and recommendations to Council, Health and Well Being Board, the Secretary of State for Health and/or other relevant authorities on health issues which affect or may affect the borough and its residents.	

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	(3) To recommend to Council entering into or appointing to joint overview and scrutiny committees that include the London Borough of Barnet and other boroughs for the purpose of responding to consultations by NHS bodies on proposals for substantial variation or development in the provision of health services as required by The Local Authority (Public Health and Wellbeing Boards and Health Scrutiny) Regulations 2013.	
Urgency Committee	To consider any item of business which needs a decision as a matter of urgency and where a meeting of the relevant Committee is not scheduled to take place within the time period within which the decision is required.	3 Appointed by Council Quorum 2

Local Strategic Partnership (Barnet Partnership Board)	A Local Strategic Partnership is an advisory committee which brings together the key public, private and voluntary organisations within the borough to identify and articulate the needs and aspirations of Barnet's local communities and to provide a forum to assist the Council by collectively reviewing and steering public resources, through identifying priorities in Sustainable Community Strategies	Leader of the Council Council representatives to be appointed by Annual Council Senior representatives from: Met Police Middlesex University Barnet Clinical Commissioning Group Community Barnet Brent Cross Shopping Centre Barnet and Southgate College Job Centre Plus
Children's Partnership Board	Barnet's Children's Partnership Board brings together all services for children and young people in the borough, to focus on hearing the voice of children and young people and improving their outcomes.	The Board will be chaired by the Executive Director for Children's Services Members are able to delegate a deputy of suitable authority if they

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Senior representatives from partner organisations make up the Children's Partnership Board which keeps strategic oversight of the Barnet Children and Young People's Partnership Plan. Each organisation has agreed to be responsible for implementing this plan which will be monitored by the Board.

The legal framework underpinning Barnet's Children's Partnership Board arrangements is the 'duty to cooperate' and improve the well-being of children across the Borough, set out in S10 of the Children Act 2004.

The terms of reference and membership will be the subject of annual review to take account of local or national changes and developments.

General Responsibilities and Functions

The Children's Partnership Board is accountable for the following:

- Ensuring the voice of children and young people is heard in Barnet
- Developing and delivering the Children & Young People's Plan.
- Ensuring that the collective resources of the partners are being used to the best effect to meet the priorities in the Children & Young People's Plan.
- Resolving issues that block progress against the priorities.
- Reviewing Plans and Strategies relating to Children and Young People in Barnet prior to consideration by executive groups (e.g. Children, Education & Safeguarding Committee, Health & Wellbeing Board, etc.)
- Working with the Voluntary Sector in a particular approach to enable the best outcomes for children and young people

This includes shared responsibility for:

- Meeting the priorities in the Children & Young People's Plan
- Jointly developing, delivering and resourcing strategies and action plans necessary to meet the priorities

are unable to attend, by agreement with the chair.

Current partners and members are:

- LB Barnet Lead Member for Children's Services: Executive Director for Children's Services: Assistant Director Education Strategy & Partnerships: Commissioning Strategy & Policy Advisor; Assistant Director Commissioning & Strategy; Voice of the Child Participation Officer; Housing Commissioning Lead; Commissioning Lead Growth & Development: Senior Communications & Campaigns Manager; Public Health Consultant:
- North Central London Clinical Commissioning Group (NCL CCG) – Director for Adults Joint Commissioning and CYP Health Commissioning Children's Clinical Lead NHS;
- Metropolitan Police Inspector;
- Schools Three representative headteachers, one each from Barnet primary, secondary and special schools
- Barnet Education & Learning Service – Chief Executive;

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- Addressing barriers to meeting the priorities and to identifying future needs, including communication, information and data sharing
- Keeping Children's workforce informed and involved, providing clear direction, development and training as necessary
- Releasing staff to develop and attend network events
- Clarifying and simplifying governance structures and decision-making
- Ensuring that children, young people and families have a voice in decision making that affects them
- Monitoring performance towards agreed outcomes and taking remedial action where necessary.
- Building upon good practice and developing an evidence-based approach to what works.

The partnerships remit includes the needs of all children and young people in Barnet under the age of 19, young people up to the age of 25 leaving care and young people up to the age of 25 with disabilities and/or learning difficulties. These responsibilities include effective transition arrangements, where necessary.

Roles and Responsibilities of Board Members

All members of the Board are required to agree to undertake the following:

- Attendance at all Board meetings (or representation provided by as senior replacement).
- Members will be responsible for an effective two-way communication system whereby the decisions and aims of the Board are widely disseminated and relevant organisational issues from members' own agencies are communicated to the Board.
- Provide leadership on strategic issues to members of the Board
- Champion the objectives of the Children and Young People's Plan and ensure

- Voluntary Sector –
 Chief Executive,
 Inclusion Barnet;
 Chief Executive,
 Young Barnet
 Foundation;
- Young Persons
 Representatives –
 Member of Barnet
 Youth Parliament 1;
 Member of Barnet
 Youth Parliament 2
- Multi-Faith
 Representative Chair, Barnet Multi Faith Forum;
- Parent / Carer Group Representative – Chair of the Parent Carer Forum

Quorum 5 – must include the following:

- Chair (or deputy)
- At least one representative of the LB Barnet
- At least one representative NCL CCG
- At least one representative of Schools
- At least one member representing the voluntary sector

relevant activities within the plan are implemented by their organisation.

 Contribute to the development of a strategic three to five-year vision

Meetings will be held quarterly and dates for each year will be set in advance.

Safer Communities Partnership Board

The Safer Communities Partnership Board (SCPB) is the inter-agency mechanism in Barnet to reduce crime and anti-social behaviour and reoffending and promote social cohesion. It acts as the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership as defined (and required) by the 1998 Crime and Disorder Act and subsequent amendments including the 2006 Police and Justice Act and the 2009 Policing and Crime Act.

The SCPB operates within the constitutional requirements of Barnet Council, the Metropolitan Police and other partner agencies, who ensure that the Board's approaches to policy formulation and resource allocation are consistent with those of the agencies concerned.

It is taking forward one of the objectives in the strategy to develop an Integrated Offender Management system that brings together the different agencies involved in managing the punishment and rehabilitation of offenders in a much more efficient and joined up way, reducing the risks of reoffending and ensuring far more offenders complete their drug rehabilitation successfully.

Barnet Safer Communities Partnership is an unincorporated body and therefore it does not have a legal personality. Its members work collectively within their own individual legal frameworks.

Meetings will be quarterly and a quorum will comprise four members provided this consists of:

The Chair (Barnet Councillor) and Vice Chair (Metropolitan Police)

At least one other representative each of the Council and the Metropolitan Police.

Other current partners are:

- London Probation Trust
- National Probation Service
- London Fire Brigade
- Barnet Clinical Commissioning Group
- MOPAC (Mayor's Office Policing/Crime
- Barnet Safer Neighbourhood Board
- Middlesex University
- North West London Magistrates' Court
- Inclusion Barnet
- Victim Support, North London Division
- Department for Work and Pensions

Substitute Members - Rules

7.6 A substitute Member may only attend, speak or vote at a meeting in place of a member usually from the same political group who is unable to attend the

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- meeting. In the case of Area Committees, substitutions are made on the basis of ward.
- 7.7 Details of membership substitutions or apologies for absence will be detailed in the formal record of the meeting.

Quorum - Rules

- 7.8 If a Committee or Sub-Committee is inquorate, it cannot transact any business. If there is no quorum at the time the meeting is due to begin, the start of the meeting will be delayed for up to 15 minutes. When 15 minutes have elapsed, the Head of Governance or their representative will count the number of Members present and if there is no quorum, s/he will advise the meeting that no business can be transacted and the meeting will be cancelled.
- 7.9 If the Chair finds that a quorum of Members is not present at any time during the meeting, the Chair must adjourn the meeting until such time as a quorum is returned.

Chairs of Meetings

- 7.10 In exceptional circumstances, the Chair may change the date or start time of any meeting, cancel or postpone any meeting or call any additional meeting by seeking and gaining the agreement of a majority of Members of the Committee.
- 7.11 If the Chair is absent from a meeting the Vice-Chair will take the Chair. If both are absent, the Head of Governance (or their representative) will open the meeting and he/she will seek nominations for the position of Chair. A Chair must be elected for the business of the meeting to be transacted.
- 7.12 Any procedural issues or challenges to the conduct of the meeting that arise during the course of a meeting shall be determined by the person presiding at the meeting.

Minutes

- 7.13 Apologies for absence, declaration of interests and the confirmation of the minutes of previous meetings are the first items of business at the meeting, (other than Licencing Sub-Committees) except when there is a need to elect a Chair.
- 7.14 Minutes can only be amended to correct factual inaccuracy in the record, and not to make any retrospective amendment to the decisions made. The meeting will not proceed further until the minutes are approved, either amended or un-amended. Upon approval as a correct record, the Chair shall sign the minutes.

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Urgent Business

- 7.15 When an urgent matter has arisen after the publication and dispatch of an appropriate agenda the following procedure applies:
- 7.16 The Chair has the authority to agree to take urgent items not on the agenda. The Chair will consult with the Vice-Chair and Opposition Spokesperson for the committee. The Chair (with advice from the Monitoring Officer as appropriate) needs to be satisfied as to the need for urgency under the following criteria:
 - the item has arisen between the compilation of the agenda and the date of the meeting.
 - the item requires an urgent decision in the public interest which cannot be dealt with by other means
- 7.17 In all cases the reason for the urgency shall be clearly stated and recorded in the minutes of the meeting and the urgent item will be taken as the Chairmay decide.
- 7.18 If a decision on an issue is required as a matter of urgency [and there is no meeting scheduled] and if time allows under the provisions of the Access to Information Rules then a Committee comprising of the Leader, the Deputy Leader, and the Leader of the Opposition will be called. The decision may be within the terms of reference of another committee, but this will not invalidate the decision as the arrangements to discharge the function in cases of urgency is through a committee comprising the three specified members. The Committee must consult with the Chair of the relevant Committee.

Six Month Rule

7.19 The Six-Month Rule shall apply whereby matters dealt with cannot be raised again within this period

Constitution and General Purposes Call-in Procedure

- 7.20 The following procedure applies after a decision has been made by the West London Economic Prosperity Board (a Joint Committee in accordance with section 102 of the Local Government Act 2000).
- 7.21 Paragraph 24.4 of the Function and Procedure rules of the West London Economic Prosperity Board read as follows
 - "Any decision called in for scrutiny before it has been implemented shall not be implemented until such time as the call-in procedures of the Participating Borough concerned have been concluded."
- 7.22 Where a decision is made by the Board the decision shall be published. Once the decision is published then it may be implemented on the expiry of 7 working days after publication unless 10 members of the Council wish to call it in.

- 7.23 The notice seeking to invoke the call-in procedure must be communicated to the Head of Governance who will then notify the West London Economic Prosperity Board.
- 7.24 A notice seeking to invoke the call-in procedure must state at least one of the following grounds in support of the request for a call-in of the decision:
 - Inadequate consultation with stakeholders prior to the decision;
 - > The absence of adequate evidence on which to base the decision:
 - The action is not proportionate to the desired outcome;
 - A potential human rights challenge;
 - Insufficient consideration of legal and financial advice;
 - The decision is contrary to the policy framework, or contrary to, or not wholly in accordance with the budget framework of the Council;
- 7.25 A meeting of the Constitution and General Purposes Committee (or Sub-Committee of the Committee created for this purpose), will be convened within 7 clear working days of the request for call-in.
- 7.26 The call-in procedure set out above shall not apply where the decision being taken by the West London Economic Prosperity Board is urgent. For the purposes of this call-in procedure a decision will be urgent if any delay likely to be caused by the call-in process would seriously prejudice the West London Economic Prosperity Board and the interests of Barnet. Reports to the West London Economic Prosperity Board must state that the report is urgent and provide the reasons for urgency.
- 7.27 The Chair of the Constitution and General Purposes Committee must agree that the decision proposed should be treated as a matter of urgency

Suspension of business at Committee and Sub-Committee meetings

- 7.28 No business at any meeting of a Committee or Sub-Committee shall be transacted after three hours after the start time of the meeting and any business transacted after that time shall be null and void. After three hours and without further debate the Chair shall immediately put to the vote any motion or amendment, which has been formally moved and seconded.
- 7.29 At any meeting of the Council, Strategic Planning Committee and Planning Committees, the Mayor or Chair at their sole discretion may extend the period for the transaction of business to three and a half hours after the start time of the meeting. This will be recorded in the Committee's decisions.

Voting and Recording of Votes

7.30 The mode of voting at all meetings of the Council, its Committees, Sub-Committees or Working Groups shall be determined by a show of hands except where otherwise provided by law or in these standing orders.

- 7.31 In cases where a vote is taken, the minutes of the meeting should record the number of votes for and against the matter together with the number of abstentions.
- 7.32 The Chair will always have the right to exercise a casting vote in the event of equality of voting on a motion or amendment,
- 7.33 A Member of any committee can request that his/her vote be recorded in the minutes.

Filming and Recording of Meetings

7.34 Discreet, unlit, non-disruptive filming and recording of Council and Committee meetings by members of the public from the public gallery is allowed.

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Committees

7.1 The Council will appoint the committees set out below at 7.5 to discharge the functions described.

Sub-Committees and Working Groups

7.2 Following the Annual Meeting of the Council, and at any time during the year, committees may appoint: sub-committees and/or working groups and, if appropriate, agree their terms of reference, a Chairman and, if considered necessary, a Vice-Chairman and substitute members of the sub-committee or working group.

Appointment of Members to Committees

7.3 The Council will appoint the Members, Chairman and Vice Chairman_to serve on the Committee subject to the right of a political group within the meaning of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and any regulations made under that Act to make nominations for those appointments at the meeting that makes the appointments before the appointments are made.

Local Strategic Partnership

7.4 A Local Strategic Partnership is an advisory Committee which brings together the key public, private and voluntary organisations within the borough to identify and articulate the needs and aspirations of Barnet's local communities and to provide a forum to assist the Council by collectively reviewing and steering public resources, through identifying priorities in Sustainable Community Strategies. In Barnet, the functions of a Local Strategic Partnership are discharged by the Barnet Partnership Board

7.5 Responsibility for Functions*

*If any report appears to come within the remit of more than one committee, to avoid the report being discussed at several committees, the report will be presented and determined at the most appropriate committee as indicated by the Chairmen of the relevant committees in consultation with the Leader. If there is no indication from the committee chairsmen, then the report will be discussed and determined by the Policy and Resources Committee.

Body responsible	Functions	Membership
Policy and Resources Committee	 (1) To be responsible for: Strategic policy, finance and corporate risk management including recommending: Capital and Revenue Budget (including all fees and charges); Medium Term Financial Strategy; and Corporate Plan to Full Council Finance including: Treasury management 	Membership 13 Chairman, Vice Chairman, Members and substitutes to be appointed by Council. 7 substitutes Quorum 3
	 Local taxation Insurance Corporate procurement Grants Writing-off debt Virements Effective use of resources Procurement Forward Plan 	
	 Local Plans (except for matters reserved to Full Council) 	
	Information Technology	
	Strategic Partnerships	
	 Customer Services and Resident Engagement 	
	Emergency Planning	
	• Equalities	
	(2) To be responsible for the oversight and scrutiny of:	
	(a) the overall financial performance of the council	
	(b) the performance of services other than those which are the responsibility of the: Adults & Safeguarding Committee; Housing & Growth Committee; Children, Education & Safeguarding Committee; Community Leadership & Libraries Committee; or Environment Committee	
	(c) the council's major strategic contracts (Customer Support Group, Development	

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and Regulatory Services, The Barnet
Group Ltd (Barnet Homes) and HB Public
Law) including (but not limited to):

- Analysis of performance
- Contract variations
- Undertaking deep dives to review specific issues
- Monitoring the trading position and financial stability of external providers
- Making recommendations to theme committees on issues arising from the monitoring scrutiny of external providers
- (3) To consider any decisions of the West London Economic Prosperity Board which have been called in, in accordance with this Article.
- (4) Consider for approval budget and business plan of the Barnet Group Ltd
- (5) To be responsible for those matters not specifically allocated to any other committee affecting the affairs of the Council.

Financial Performance and Contracts Committee

- (1) Responsible for the oversight and scrutiny of:
- (a) the overall financial performance of the council
- (b) the performance of services other than those which are the responsibility of the: Adults & Safeguarding Committee; Housing & Growth Committee; Children, Education & Safeguarding Committee; Community Leadership & Libraries Committee; or Environment Committee
- (c) the council's major strategic contracts
 (Customer Support Group, Development
 and Regulatory Services, The Barnet
 Group Ltd (Barnet Homes) and HB Public
 Law) including (but not limited to):
 - Analysis of performance
 - Contract variations
 - Undertaking deep dives to review specific issues
 - Monitoring the trading position and financial stability of external providers
 - Making recommendations to the Policy & Resources Committee and/or theme committees on issues arising from the scrutiny of external providers
- (2) At the request of the Policy & Resources Committee and/or theme committees consider matters relating to contract or supplier performance and other issues and making recommendations to the referring committee
- (3) To consider any decisions of the West London Economic Prosperity Board which have been called in, in accordance with this Article.

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Chairman, Vice Chairman, Members and substitutes to be appointed by Council.

6 substitutes

Quorum 3

Children, Education and Safeguarding Committee

- (1) Responsibility for all matters relating to children, schools and education.
- (2) To submit to the Policy and Resources Committee proposals relating to the Committee's budget (including fees and charges) for the following year in accordance with the budget timetable.
- (3) To make recommendations to Policy and Resources Committee on issues relating to the budget for the Committee, including virements or underspends and overspends on the budget. No decisions which result in amendments to the agreed budget may be made by the Committee unless and until the amendment has been agreed by Policy and Resources Committee.
- (4) To receive reports on relevant performance information and risk on the services under the remit of the Committee (including Barnet Education & Learning Service).
- (5) To receive and consider reports as appropriate from the Corporate Parenting Advisory Panel.
- (6) Receive regular updates from the Lead Member for Children's Services (Chairman of Children, Education and Safeguarding Committee) covering key matters.
- (7) Receive an annual report from the Safeguarding Children's Board.
- (8) Determining arrangements for making nominations to the governing bodies of Local Authority administered schools.

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Chairman, Vice Chairman, Members and substitutes to be appointed by Council.

Requirement to have a Lead Member for Children's Services.

6 substitutes Quorum 3

Adults and Safeguarding Committee

- (1) Responsibility for all matters relating to vulnerable adults, adult social care and leisure services.
- (2) Work with partners on the Health and Well Being Board to ensure that social care, interventions are effectively and seamlessly joined up with public health and healthcare and promote the Health and Well Being Strategy and its associated sub strategies.
- (3) To submit to the Policy and Resources Committee proposals relating to the Committee's budget (including fees and charges) for the following year in accordance with the budget timetable.
- (4) To make recommendations to Policy and Resources Committee on issues relating to the budget for the Committee, including virements or underspends and overspends on the budget. No decisions which result in amendments to the agreed budget may be made by the Committee unless and until the amendment has been agreed by Policy and Resources Committee.
- (5) To receive reports on relevant performance information (including The The Barnet Group Ltd (Your Choice Barnet) performance) and risk on the services under the remit of the Committee.

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Chairman, Vice Chairman, Members and substitutes appointed by Council.

7 substitutes

Quorum 3

Environment and
Climate Change
Committee

- (1) Responsibility for all borough-wide or cross-constituency matters relating to the street scene including, parking, road safety, lighting, street cleaning, littering, fly-tipping, fly-posting, graffiti, transport, waste, waterways, refuse, recycling, allotments, parks, trees, crematoria and mortuary, trading standards and environmental health.
- (2) To submit to the Policy and Resources Committee proposals relating to the Committee's budget (including fees and charges) for the following year in accordance with the budget timetable.
- (3) To make recommendations to Policy and Resources Committee on issues relating to the budget for the Committee, including virements or underspends and overspends on the budget. No decisions which result in amendments to the agreed budget may be made by the Committee unless and until the amendment has been agreed by Policy and Resources Committee.
- (4) To receive reports on relevant performance information and risk on the services under the remit of the Committee.

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6 substitutes

Quorum 3

Housing and Growth Committee

(1) Responsibility for:

- housing matters including housing strategy, homelessness, social housing and housing grants, commissioning of environmental health functions for private sector housing.
- regeneration strategy and oversee major regeneration schemes, asset management, employment strategy, business support and engagement.
- (2) To submit to the Policy and Resources Committee proposals relating to the Committee's budget (including fees and charges) for the following year in accordance with the budget timetable.
- (3) To make recommendations to Policy and Resources Committee on issues relating to

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6 substitutes

Quorum 3

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	the budget for the Committee, including virements or underspends and overspends on the budget. No decisions which result in amendments to the agreed budget may be made by the Committee unless and until the amendment has been agreed by Policy and Resources Committee. (4) To receive reports on relevant performance information (excluding The Barnet Group Ltd (Barnet Homes) performance) and risk on the services under the remit of the Committee.	
Community Leadership & Libraries Committee	(1) Responsibility for libraries, culture, civic events, the mayoralty, voluntary, community and faith sector strategy and engagement, community safety, environmental crime (excluding littering, fly-tipping, fly-posting and graffiti), registration and nationality service, food security and Covid-19 enforcement. (2) To act as the Crime and Disorder Scrutiny Committee in accordance with the Police and Justice Act 2006 (Crime and Disorder (Overview and Scrutiny Regulations) 2009 (3) To receive nominations and determine applications for buildings / land to be listed as an Asset of Community Value (Community Right to Bid) (4) To submit to the Policy and Resources Committee proposals on the Committee's budget for the following year (including fees and charges) in accordance with the budget timetable and make recommendations on issues relating to virements, underspends or overspends. No decisions which result in amendments to the agreed budget may be made by the Committee unless and until the amendment has been agreed by Policy and Resources Committee. (4) To receive reports on relevant performance information and risk on the services under the remit of the Committee.	Chairman, Vice Chairman, Members and substitutes appointed by Council. 6 substitutes Quorum 3

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Community Leadership &	To receive nominations and determine applications for buildings / land to be listed as	3
Leadership & Libraries Sub- Committee	an Asset of Community Value (Community Right to Bid) when there is no scheduled meeting of the full Committee which falls within the eight week statutory deadline for determining applications	Chairman, Vice- Chairman and Opposition Spokesperson Appointed by Community Leadership and Libraries Committee
		3 substitutes Quorum 2
Area Committees	In relation to the area covered:	7 <u>8</u>
Finchley & Golders Green North (East Barnet, Barnet Vale, High Barnet,	1) Provide an opportunity for any resident to raise matters affecting the area (except matters relating to licensing and planning applications).	Chairman, Vice Chairman, Members and substitutes appointed by Council.
Underhill, Totteridge and Woodside, Mill Hill, Edgwarebury and Whetstone);	2) Responsibility for all constituency specific matters relating to the street scene including parking, road safety, transport, allotments, parks and trees.	One Member and one substitute member for each Ward.Committee members must represent a ward in the Area
Chipping Barnet West (Burnt Oak,	3) Consider constituency specific matters as agreed with the Chairman.	Committee area. All members in the Area Committee area can act
Edgware, Colindale North, Colindale South, West Hendon,	4) Consider matters relating to Town Centre regeneration and designating conservation areas.	as substitutes in that area Quorum 3
Hendon, Cricklewood and Childs Hill); and	4) Consider matters referred from Residents Forums and determine how they are to be taken forward in consultation with the relevant Area Committee Lead Officer and subject to	Quorum 3
Hendon East (Brunswick Park, Friern Barnet,	any Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) funding requirement being agreed by the Committee.	
Woodhouse, West Finchley, Finchley Church End, Golders Green,	5) Determine the allocation of Community Infrastructure Levy funding within the constituency subject to sufficient of the budget allocated to the committee being	

East Finchley and

Garden Suburb)

unspent.

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Licensing Committee	(1) All policy matters relating to licensing, with licencing hearings concerning all licencing matters delegated to sub-committees.	Chair man , Vice Chai <u>rman</u> , Members No substitute members Quorum 3
Licensing Sub- Committees	All functions in relation to licensing as delegated by the Licensing Committee. Members appointed from the membership of the Licensing Committee	3 Quorum 3 Chairman appointed at each meeting of a Sub-Committee.
Audit Committee	To provide independent assurance of the adequacy of the risk management framework and the associated control environment, independent scrutiny of the authority's financial and non-financial performance to the extent that it affects the authority's exposure to risk and weakens the control environment, and to oversee the financial reporting process. Anti-Fraud Activity To monitor the effective development and operation of the Council's Corporate Anti-Fraud Team (CAFT). Regulatory Framework. To review any issue referred to it by the Chief Executive and to oversee the production of the authority's Annual Governance Statement and to recommend its adoption. Accounts To review and approve the annual statement of accounts and consider the external auditor's report to those charged with governance on issues arising from the audit of the accounts.	Chairman, Vice Chairman, Members and substitutes appointed by Council. The membership should also include two independent, non-voting Members with a period of appointment of four years. 6 substitutes Quorum 3

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	Annual Report The Audit Committee shall prepare a report to Full Council on annual basis on its activity and effectiveness. Treasury Management To review the implementation of the Treasury Management Strategy.	
Strategic Planning Committee	To determine Applications for Planning Permission, including permissions in principle, made under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 where the recommendation is for approval and the development: • is within the categories which must be referred to the Mayor of London under the London Mayor Order; • does not accord with the provisions of the Development Plan and, in the opinion of the Chief Planning Officer, constitutes a significant departure; or • is by or on behalf of the Council and, in the opinion of the relevant Chief Planning Officer], it is a significant development The confirmation of Directions under Article 4 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015. The confirmation of Town and Village Green Registration Applications under the Commons Act 2006, including considering the recommendations of a non-statutory inquiry chaired by an independent person. Designating neighbourhood areas and neighbourhood forums for the purposes of neighbourhood planning. Consider for approval and confirmation Neighbourhood Development Orders and Community Right to Build Orders. Recommending the creation of Conservation Areas to Full Council	Chairman, Vice Chairman, Members and substitutes appointed by Council. 11-9_substitutes Quorum 3

	Consider approving Article 4 Directions for consultation Take action under Part 8 of the Anti-Social Behaviour Act 2003 relating to high hedges Any decision on an application that will result in the Council being liable for the payment of compensation, except where that compensation is as a result of an Article 4 Direction. Any other planning application or planning matter referred to this Committee by relevant Chief Planning Officer acting in his or her discretion, after consultation with the Chairman. Reports on all matters reserved to the Committee shall be made direct to the Committee and not through a Planning Committee. Any Planning Committee agenda item referred to this Committee for consideration and determination. To consider additions, deletions or amendments to the entries in the Council's Brownfield Land Register, including any referrals from the Planning Committees, and	
Planning	conduct any other functions related to the Brownfield Land Register. To determine the following application types,	7-6 for each Committee
Committees A, and B and C	 except where they are referable under the Constitution to the Strategic Planning Committee: Applications for Planning Permission made under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990; 	6 substitutes Quorum 3
	 Applications for Listed Building Consent made under the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990; Applications for Consent to Display an Advertisement made under the Town and Country Planning (Control of 	

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Advertisements) (England) Regulations 2007;

 Applications for permissions in principle made under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and any application to add, delete or amend any entries in the Council's Brownfield Land Register" after the words "To determine the following application types, except where they are referable under the Constitution to the Planning Committee"

Where the recommendation is for:

- approval and there is significant local public objection (defined as 5 or more objectors who have objected in writing in response to a planning application)
- approval or refusal and there is a Councillor referral of an application which affects their Ward which has been 'calledin' to committee identifying a planning consideration.

Any decision on an application that will result in the Council being liable for the payment of compensation, except where that compensation is as a result of an Article 4 Direction.

Any other application or planning matter referred to this Committee by the relevant Chief Planning Officer acting in his or her discretion, after consultation with the Chairman.

Applications to undertake treatment to trees included within a Tree Preservation Order

Applications for a Hedgerow removal notice made under the Hedgerow Regulations 1997.

Applications to demolish buildings on the Council's Local List.

Constitution and General Purposes Committee

Keep under review all aspects of the Council's Constitution so as to ensure that it remains current and fit for purpose, and to make recommendations thereon to the Council.

To consider and make recommendations to the Council on:

- (i) how it can satisfy the continuing duty to promote and maintain high standards of conduct by Members;
- (ii) on the Code of Conduct for Members;
- (iii) on ethical standards in general across the authority.

To have responsibility for overseeing the Council's governance arrangements including:

- Electoral Services including: elections and electoral registration performance; and polling places and polling district boundaries
- Determine Members requests for noncommittee information as specified in the Members Information Management Policy
- Endorsing the calendar of meetings prior to Council approval
- Health and Safety Strategy and Performance
- Member Development
- Staff matters generally (other than those within the remit of Chief Officer Appointment Panel) including:
 - salaries and terms and conditions;
 - approval of staffing restructures involving 20 or more employees;
 - deciding on chief officer salary or severance packages over £100,000;
 - > approving the chief officer structure:
 - pay and reward strategy;
 - HR policies which go over and above statutory requirements;
 - develop the annual pay policy statement for Full Council approval

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6 substitutes

Quorum 3

	When considering a report on staffing matters, a representative of the trade unions may submit a request to speak which requires the consent of the Chairman, or be questioned by the Committee before a decision is made. Each representative will have up to 3 minutes to address the committee. (3) To consider any decisions of the West London Economic Prosperity Board which have been called in, in accordance with this Article	
Standards Committee	To investigate and determine allegations of a breach of the Code of Conduct for Members in the context of satisfying the Council's continuing duty to promote and maintain high standards of conduct for Members.	4 (2 Members each from the Administration and the Opposition) and an Independent Person 2 substitutes each from the Administration and the Opposition. Quorum 2
Pension Fund Committee	To have responsibility for all aspects of the governance, investment and administration of the LB Barnet Pension fund, including, but not limited to the following: (1) To ensure compliance with all Local Government Pension Scheme statutes, regulations and best practice. (2) To consider approval and act in accordance with statutory Pension Fund documents: • Investment Strategy Statement • Funding Strategy Statement • Governance Policy Statement • Pension Administration Strategy • Communication Policy Statement. To review the above documents at least triennially, or more frequently if advised by the Chief Finance Officer of the need to do so.	Chairman, Vice Chairman, Members and substitutes appointed by Council. To invite a recognised representative from the trades unions and a representative from Middlesex University (the largest scheduled / admitted body) to committee meetings These representatives are appointed to advise the committee on behalf of the interests they represent, but are not to have any voting rights.

	 (3) If required, to appoint and monitor: • Investment advisors • Pension Fund investment managers • Pension Fund actuaries • Performance management company • Custodians • Pension Administrator 	Further invites to scheduled/admitted bodies to be decided by the chairman of the committee. 6 substitutes – 3 from each political group
	(4) To review and challenge at least quarterly the performance of the Pension Fund's investments taking into consideration the benchmarks and targets set out in the Investment Strategy Statement and investment management contracts and to consider advice from the investment advisor(s).	Quorum 3
	(5) To monitor the administration of the Pension Fund.	
	(6) To approve admissions agreements with any admission body.	
	(7) To consider actuarial valuations and their impact on the Pension Fund.	
	(8) To review and consider approval of the Pension Fund's Annual Report and Statement of Accounts, together with recommendations from external and internal auditors.	
	(9) To consider recommendations from the Local Pension Board.	
	(10) To determine how the various administering authority discretions are operated for the fund.	
Local Pension Board	The Board is responsible for assisting with:	7 Members comprising:
Board	 securing compliance with Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) Government regulations and any other legislation relating to the governance and administration of the LGPS securing compliance with the requirements imposed in relation to the PGPS by the Pensions Regulator. 	3 employers side representatives (1 councillor and 2 employer representatives from an admitted body

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	 such other matters that the LGPS regulations may specify Ensure the effective and efficient governance and administration of the LGPS for the LBB Pension Fund. The Local Pension Board maintain separate detailed terms of reference which are approved annually 	3 employee side representatives (1 active member and 2 deferred member) 1 independent member/advisor
Chief Officer Appointment Panel	To deal with Chief Officer Appointments, Discipline and Capability matters. Members comprise: Chairman – Leader of the Council Deputy Leader of the Council. One Administration Member Leader of the Opposition One Opposition Member	Chairman, Vice Chairman, Members and substitutes appointed by Council. One substitute from each political group Quorum 3
Health and Wellbeing Board	 (1) To jointly assess the health and social care needs of the population with NHS commissioners, and use the findings of a Barnet Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) to inform all relevant local strategies and policies across partnership. (2) To agree a Health and Wellbeing Strategy (HWBS) for Barnet taking into account the findings of the JSNA and strategically oversee its implementation to ensure that improved population outcomes are being delivered. (3) To work together to ensure the best fit between available resources to meet the health and social care needs of the whole population of Barnet, by both improving services for health and social care and helping people to move as close as possible to a state of complete physical, mental and social wellbeing. Specific resources to be overseen include money for social care being allocated through the NHS; dedicated public health budgets; the Better Care Fund; and 	Chairman, Vice Chairman, Members and substitutes appointed by Council. Vice Chairman is Chair of Barnet CCG Governing Body Three Members of the Council Director of Public Health Strategic Director for Children & Young People Strategic Director for Adults, Communities & Health

	Section 75 partnership agreements between the NHS and the Council. (4) To provide collective leadership and enable shared decision making, ownership and accountability (5) To promote partnership and, as appropriate, integration, across all necessary areas, including joined-up commissioning plans and joined-up approach to securing external funding across the NHS, social care, voluntary and community sector and public health. (6) To explore partnership work across North Central London where appropriate. (5) Specific responsibilities for: • Overseeing public health and promoting prevention agenda across	Barnet Clinical Commissioning Group- Board members x 3 Barnet Clinical Commissioning Group- Chief Officer Barnet Healthwatch representative Barnet voluntary and community sector representative Independent Chair of the Adults and Children's Safeguarding Boards (Non-Voting Member)
	the partnership Developing further health and social care integration.	Each member may nominate a substitute if they cannot attend. Requirement for proportionality is waived and voting rights allowed to members other than Members of the Council. Quorum 3 The Quorum should consist of at least one Councillor and one health representative
Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee	 (1) To perform the overview and scrutiny role in relation to health issues which impact upon the residents of the London Borough of Barnet and the functions services and activities of the National Health Service and NHS bodies located within the London Borough of Barnet and in other areas. (2) To make reports and recommendations to Council, Health and Well Being Board, the Secretary of State for Health and/or other relevant authorities on health issues which 	Chai <u>rman</u> , Vice-Chairman, Members and substitutes to be appointed by Council

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	affect or may affect the borough and its residents. (3) To recommend to Council entering into or appointing to joint overview and scrutiny committees that include the London Borough of Barnet and other boroughs for the purpose of responding to consultations by NHS bodies on proposals for substantial variation or development in the provision of health services as required by The Local Authority (Public Health and Wellbeing Boards and Health Scrutiny) Regulations 2013.	
Urgency Committee	To consider any item of business which needs a decision as a matter of urgency and where a meeting of the relevant Committee is not scheduled to take place within the time period within which the decision is required.	3 Appointed by Council Quorum 2
Residents Forums Chipping Barnet Residents Forum Underhill, High Barnet, East Barnet, Oakleigh, Brunswick Park, Coppetts and Totteridge Wards. Hendon Residents Forum Hale, Edgware, Burnt Oak, West Hendon, Colindale, Hendon and Mill Hill Wards	Residents Forums provide an opportunity for any resident to raise matters affecting the area except matters relating to licensing and planning applications.	A Chairman and Vice- Chairman of each appointed by the Council.
Finchley and Golders Green Residents Forum Woodhouse, West Finchley, Finchley Church End, Garden Suburb, Golders Green, Childs Hill and East Finchley Wards		

Local Strategic Partnership (Barnet Partnership Board) A Local Strategic Partnership is an advisory committee which brings together the key public, private and voluntary organisations within the borough to identify and articulate the needs and aspirations of Barnet's local communities and to provide a forum to assist the Council by collectively reviewing and steering public resources, through identifying priorities in Sustainable Community Strategies

Leader of the Council

Council representatives to be appointed by Annual Council

Senior representatives from:

- Met Police
- Middlesex University
- Barnet Clinical Commissioning Group
- Community Barnet
- Brent Cross Shopping Centre
- Barnet and Southgate College
- Job Centre Plus

Children's Partnership Board

Barnet's Children's Partnership Board brings together all services for children and young people in the borough, to focus on hearing the voice of children and young people and improving their outcomes.

Senior representatives from partner organisations make up the Children's Partnership Board which keeps strategic oversight of the Barnet Children and Young People's Partnership Plan. Each organisation has agreed to be responsible for implementing this plan which will be monitored by the Board.

The legal framework underpinning Barnet's Children's Partnership Board arrangements is the 'duty to cooperate' and improve the well-being of children across the Borough, set out in S10 of the Children Act 2004.

The terms of reference and membership will be the subject of annual review to take account of local or national changes and developments.

General Responsibilities and Functions

The Board will be chaired by the Executive Director for Children's Services

Members are able to delegate a deputy of suitable authority if they are unable to attend, by agreement with the chairman.

Current partners and members are:

LB Barnet – Lead
 Member for
 Children's Services;
 Executive Director for
 Children's Services;
 Assistant Director
 Education Strategy &
 Partnerships;
 Commissioning
 Strategy & Policy
 Advisor; Assistant
 Director
 Commissioning &
 Strategy; Voice of the

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The Children's Partnership Board is accountable for the following:

- Ensuring the voice of children and young people is heard in Barnet
- Developing and delivering the Children & Young People's Plan.
- Ensuring that the collective resources of the partners are being used to the best effect to meet the priorities in the Children & Young People's Plan.
- Resolving issues that block progress against the priorities.
- Reviewing Plans and Strategies relating to Children and Young People in Barnet prior to consideration by executive groups (e.g. Children, Education & Safeguarding Committee, Health & Wellbeing Board, etc.)
- Working with the Voluntary Sector in a particular approach to enable the best outcomes for children and young people

This includes shared responsibility for:

- Meeting the priorities in the Children & Young People's Plan
- Jointly developing, delivering and resourcing strategies and action plans necessary to meet the priorities
- Addressing barriers to meeting the priorities and to identifying future needs, including communication, information and data sharing
- Keeping Children's workforce informed and involved, providing clear direction, development and training as necessary
- Releasing staff to develop and attend network events
- Clarifying and simplifying governance structures and decision-making
- Ensuring that children, young people and families have a voice in decision making that affects them
- Monitoring performance towards agreed outcomes and taking remedial action where necessary.
- Building upon good practice and developing an evidence-based approach to what works.

- Child Participation
 Officer; Housing
 Commissioning Lead;
 Commissioning Lead
 Growth &
 Development; Senior
 Communications &
 Campaigns Manager;
 Public Health
 Consultant:
- North Central London
 Clinical
 Commissioning
 Group (NCL CCG) –
 Director for Adults
 Joint Commissioning
 and CYP Health
 Commissioning
 Children's Clinical
 Lead NHS:
- Metropolitan Police Inspector;
- Schools Three representative headteachers, one each from Barnet primary, secondary and special schools
- Barnet Education & Learning Service – Chief Executive:
- Voluntary Sector Chief Executive, Inclusion Barnet; Chief Executive, Young Barnet Foundation;
- Young Persons
 Representatives –
 Member of Barnet
 Youth Parliament 1;
 Member of Barnet
 Youth Parliament 2
- Multi-Faith
 Representative Chair, Barnet Multi Faith Forum;
- Parent / Carer Group Representative –

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The partnerships remit includes the needs of all children and young people in Barnet under the age of 19, young people up to the age of 25 leaving care and young people up to the age of 25 with disabilities and/or learning difficulties. These responsibilities include effective transition arrangements, where necessary.

Roles and Responsibilities of Board Members

All members of the Board are required to agree to undertake the following:

- Attendance at all Board meetings (or representation provided by as senior replacement).
- Members will be responsible for an effective two-way communication system whereby the decisions and aims of the Board are widely disseminated and relevant organisational issues from members' own agencies are communicated to the Board.
- Provide leadership on strategic issues to members of the Board
- Champion the objectives of the Children and Young People's Plan and ensure relevant activities within the plan are implemented by their organisation.
- Contribute to the development of a strategic three to five-year vision

Meetings will be held quarterly and dates for each year will be set in advance.

Chair of the Parent Carer Forum

Quorum 5 – must include the following:

- Chairman (or deputy)
- At least one representative of the LB Barnet
- At least one representative NCL CCG
- At least one representative of Schools
- At least one member representing the voluntary sector

Safer Communities Partnership Board

The Safer Communities Partnership Board (SCPB) is the inter-agency mechanism in Barnet to reduce crime and anti-social behaviour and reoffending and promote social cohesion. It acts as the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership as defined (and required) by the 1998 Crime and Disorder Act and subsequent amendments including the 2006 Police and Justice Act and the 2009 Policing and Crime Act.

The SCPB operates within the constitutional requirements of Barnet Council, the

Meetings will be quarterly and a quorum will comprise four members provided this consists of:

The Chairman (Barnet Councillor) and Vice Chairman (Metropolitan Police)

At least one other representative each of

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Metropolitan Police and other partner agencies, who ensure that the Board's approaches to policy formulation and resource allocation are consistent with those of the agencies concerned.

It is taking forward one of the objectives in the strategy to develop an Integrated Offender Management system that brings together the different agencies involved in managing the punishment and rehabilitation of offenders in a much more efficient and joined up way, reducing the risks of reoffending and ensuring far more offenders complete their drug rehabilitation successfully.

Barnet Safer Communities Partnership is an unincorporated body and therefore it does not have a legal personality. Its members work collectively within their own individual legal frameworks.

the Council and the Metropolitan Police.

Other current partners are:

- London Probation Trust
- National Probation Service
- London Fire Brigade
- Barnet Clinical Commissioning Group
- MOPAC (Mayor's Office Policing/Crime
- Barnet Safer Neighbourhood Board
- Middlesex University
- North West London Magistrates' Court
- Inclusion Barnet
- Victim Support, North London Division
- Department for Work and Pensions

Substitute Members - Rules

- 7.6 A substitute Member may only attend, speak or vote at a meeting in place of a member usually from the same political group who is unable to attend the meeting. In the case of Area Committees, substitutions are made on the basis of ward.
- 7.7 Details of membership substitutions or apologies for absence will be detailed in the formal record of the meeting.

Quorum - Rules

- 7.8 If a Committee or Sub-Committee is inquorate, it cannot transact any business. If there is no quorum at the time the meeting is due to begin, the start of the meeting will be delayed for up to 15 minutes. When 15 minutes have elapsed, the Head of Governance or their representative will count the number of Members present and if there is no quorum, s/he will advise the meeting that no business can be transacted and the meeting will be cancelled.
- 7.9 If the Chairman finds that a quorum of Members is not present at any time during the meeting, the Chairman must adjourn the meeting until such time as a quorum is returned.

Chairsman of Meetings

- 7.10 In exceptional circumstances, the Chairman may change the date or start time of any meeting, cancel or postpone any meeting or call any additional meeting by seeking and gaining the agreement of a majority of Members of the Committee.
- 7.11 If the Chairman is absent from a meeting the Vice-Chairman will take the Chair. If both are absent, the Head of Governance (or their representative) will open the meeting and he/she will seek nominations for the position of Chairman. A Chairman must be elected for the business of the meeting to be transacted.
- 7.12 Any procedural issues or challenges to the conduct of the meeting that arise during the course of a meeting shall be determined by the person presiding at the meeting.

Minutes

- 7.13 Apologies for absence, declaration of interests and the confirmation of the minutes of previous meetings are the first items of business at the meeting, (other than Licencing Sub-Committees) except when there is a need to elect a Chairman.
- 7.14 Minutes can only be amended to correct factual inaccuracy in the record, and not to make any retrospective amendment to the decisions made. The meeting will not proceed further until the minutes are approved, either amended or un-amended. Upon approval as a correct record, the Chairman shall sign the minutes.

Urgent Business

- 7.15 When an urgent matter has arisen after the publication and dispatch of an appropriate agenda the following procedure applies:
- 7.16 The Chairman has the authority to agree to take urgent items not on the agenda. The Chair will consult with the Vice-Chairman and Opposition Spokesperson for the committee. The Chairman (with advice from the Monitoring Officer as appropriate) needs to be satisfied as to the need for urgency under the following criteria:
 - the item has arisen between the compilation of the agenda and the date of the meeting.
 - the item requires an urgent decision in the public interest which cannot be dealt with by other means
- 7.17 In all cases the reason for the urgency shall be clearly stated and recorded in the minutes of the meeting and the urgent item will be taken as the Chairman may decide.

7.18 If a decision on an issue is required as a matter of urgency [and there is no meeting scheduled] and if time allows under the provisions of the Access to Information Rules then a Committee comprising of the Leader, the Deputy Leader, and the Leader of the Opposition will be called. The decision may be within the terms of reference of another committee, but this will not invalidate the decision as the arrangements to discharge the function in cases of urgency is through a committee comprising the three specified members. The Committee must consult with the Chairman of the relevant Committee.

Six Month Rule

7.19 The Six-Month Rule shall apply whereby matters dealt with cannot be raised again within this period

<u>Constitution and General Purposes</u> <u>Financial Performance and Contracts</u> <u>Committee</u> Call-in Procedure

- 7.20 The following procedure applies after a decision has been made by the West London Economic Prosperity Board (a Joint Committee in accordance with section 102 of the Local Government Act 2000).
- 7.21 Paragraph 24.4 of the Function and Procedure rules of the West London Economic Prosperity Board read as follows
 - "Any decision called in for scrutiny before it has been implemented shall not be implemented until such time as the call-in procedures of the Participating Borough concerned have been concluded."
- 7.22 Where a decision is made by the Board the decision shall be published. Once the decision is published then it may be implemented on the expiry of 7 working days after publication unless 10 members of the Council wish to call it in.
- 7.23 The notice seeking to invoke the call-in procedure must be communicated to the Head of Governance who will then notify the West London Economic Prosperity Board.
- 7.24 A notice seeking to invoke the call-in procedure must state at least one of the following grounds in support of the request for a call-in of the decision:
 - Inadequate consultation with stakeholders prior to the decision;
 - The absence of adequate evidence on which to base the decision;
 - > The action is not proportionate to the desired outcome;
 - > A potential human rights challenge;
 - > Insufficient consideration of legal and financial advice:
 - > The decision is contrary to the policy framework, or contrary to, or not wholly in accordance with the budget framework of the Council;
- 7.25 A meeting of the Constitution and General Purposes Financial Performance and Contracts Committee (or Sub-Committee of the Committee created for this purpose), will be convened within 7 clear working days of the request for callin.

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- 7.26 The call-in procedure set out above shall not apply where the decision being taken by the West London Economic Prosperity Board is urgent. For the purposes of this call-in procedure a decision will be urgent if any delay likely to be caused by the call-in process would seriously prejudice the West London Economic Prosperity Board and the interests of Barnet. Reports to the West London Economic Prosperity Board must state that the report is urgent and provide the reasons for urgency.
- 7.27 The Chairman of the <u>Constitution and General Purposes</u> <u>Financial Performance</u> and <u>Contracts</u> Committee must agree that the decision proposed should be treated as a matter of urgency

Suspension of business at Committee and Sub-Committee meetings

- 7.28 No business at any meeting of a Committee or Sub-Committee shall be transacted after three hours after the start time of the meeting and any business transacted after that time shall be null and void. After three hours and without further debate the Chairman shall immediately put to the vote any motion or amendment, which has been formally moved and seconded.
- 7.29 At any meeting of the Council, Strategic Planning Committee and Planning Committees, the Mayor or Chairman at their sole discretion may extend the period for the transaction of business to three and a half hours after the start time of the meeting. This will be recorded in the Committee's decisions.

Voting and Recording of Votes

- 7.30 The mode of voting at all meetings of the Council, its Committees, Sub-Committees or Working Groups shall be determined by a show of hands except where otherwise provided by law or in these standing orders.
- 7.31 In cases where a vote is taken, the minutes of the meeting should record the number of votes for and against the matter together with the number of abstentions.
- 7.32 The Chairman will always have the right to exercise a casting vote in the event of equality of voting on a motion or amendment,
- 7.33 A Member of any committee can request that his/her vote be recorded in the minutes.

Filming and Recording of Meetings

7.34 Discreet, unlit, non-disruptive filming and recording of Council and Committee meetings by members of the public from the public gallery is allowed.

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Article 3 – Residents and Public Participation

3.1 Residents' Rights

Residents have a number of rights. The following list is a general summary of rights in terms of information, the opportunity to participate and the ability to make complaints.

- (a) (i) **Petition scheme.** Residents who are concerned about a Council service or a decision that is about to be made may send the Council a petition which shall be considered and responded to in accordance with the Petition Scheme as outlined below.
- (b) **Information.** Residents have the right to:
 - Attend meetings of the Council and its committees, except where confidential or exempt information is likely to be disclosed, and that part of the meeting is therefore held in private;
 - (ii) See agendas, reports and background papers, except where confidential or exempt information is likely to be disclosed, and any records of decisions made by the Council and its committees; and
 - (iii) Inspect the Council's accounts and make their views known to the external auditor.
- (c) **Treatment.** Residents have the right to:
 - (i) Be treated with understanding and respect;
 - (ii) Have equal opportunity with other residents; and
 - (iii) Receive quality services provided to Best Value principles.
- (d) **Public Engagement.** Residents have the right to ask questions and receive answers at committee meetings in accordance with the following rules.

Residents can participate in Committee meetings as follows:

- By asking a public question
- By submitting a petition
- By submitting a public comment

3.2 Questions to a Committee

Questions must specify the item of business on the agenda which they relate to. Committee agendas are usually published on the Council's website five clear working days prior to the meeting. Residents should state their address when submitting questions. Each question is limited to 100 words.

Questions should be submitted to the relevant Governance Officer by 10am on the third working day prior to the meeting. Any questions submitted after this time will not be considered.

A resident may ask one question per agenda item. A maximum of two questions from residents may be asked per agenda item. These will be accepted in order of receipt. Any additional questions received will be not be accepted.

Written responses to public questions will be circulated to the questioner in advance or at the meeting. Residents can ask the committee chair one supplementary question per question asked at the committee meeting, which will be answered without discussion. The supplementary question must be relevant to the original question put to the chair.

Residents submitting questions are able to send a substitute to ask their supplementary question if they are unable to attend the committee meeting. The Governance Officer supporting the meeting should be made aware of this prior to the meeting commencing.

3.3 Written Comments to Committees

Written comments must specify the item of business on the agenda which they relate to. Committee agendas are published on the Council's website five clear working days prior to the meeting. Residents should state their address when submitting comments. Each written comment is limited to 100 words.

Written comments should be submitted to the relevant Governance Officer by 10am on the third working day prior to the meeting. Any written comments received after this time will not be considered.

A resident may submit one written comment per agenda item.

Written comments will be reported to the committee and published alongside the agenda papers for the meeting.

3.4 Procedure for Questions at Committees

At committee meetings a time period of up to 30 minutes is available for public questions in total. Supplementary questions will be asked in order of receipt.

Public questions or comments are not permitted:

- If they don't relate to a substantive item on the agenda
- If they are defamatory, abusive or offensive.
- If submitted from Council employees or trade unions on employment matters; there are avenues available for these to be addressed via the Terms of Reference of the Constitution & General Purposes Committee.
- If they would result in the release of confidential information, or which may prejudice enforcement.
- If they relate to a matter where there is a right of appeal against any decision of the Council.

- If they have been submitted by someone who has been deemed to be subject to the Management of Unreasonable Complainant Behaviour Policy;
- If they are received from people who are not Barnet residents;
- At the Strategic Planning Committee and Planning Committees on Town and Country Planning applications (a separate procedure is detailed in section 3.7). Public questions are permitted at the Strategic Planning Committee on planning policy matters;
- If they relate to the making / confirmation of Tree Preservation Orders, as the procedure for making objections or representations is prescribed by the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and the Town and Country Planning (Tree Preservation) (England) Regulations 2012.

The Chair of the relevant Committee or Sub-Committee, in consultation with the Head of Governance, shall decide whether any particular question, comment or issue will be permitted.

3.5 Issues for Area Committees

Issues must be received by the Governance Service by 10am on the fifth working day prior to the meeting for the item to be discussed at the Area Committee. Written responses to local matters will be provided by 5pm the working day before the Area Committee take place. Residents should state their address when submitting a forum issue.

The Area Committee Chair has the discretion to accept issues with less than five days' notice if they deem the matter to be urgent. Responses to urgent matters will be responded to verbally by officers at the Area Committee meeting.

The Six Month Rule shall apply whereby matters dealt with cannot be raised again within this period. The Six Month Rule means that an Area Committee will not reconsider any issues discussed at a or any decision taken by a committee in the last six months preceding the date of the committee. An exception is that where the Chair has agreed that an issue raised at a previous Area Committeemeeting should be reported back with a detailed response in which case the resident who raised the original issue (or their nominated deputy) will be invited to address the Committee for up to 3 minutes. The Area Committee may also be a forum for certain consultations from the Council as decided by the Chair.

Area Committee issues will be considered in order of receipt. Where a resident has submitted more than one issue, their second item or question will be considered after all other residents have presented their first item. Issues will continue to be determined in this way until all issues have been considered.

The Area Committee will determine issues in the following way:

- 1. Residents will have the opportunity to address the Committeeon for up to 3 minutes on the issue they have previously raised
- 2. Chairs, Chief Officers or other relevant officers may respond to the issues raised
- Having considered the issue the Committee can take the following actions:

- note the issue and take no action
- instruct that an appropriate named officer contact the resident within 20 working days to provide an additional response and that this response be published in the meeting documents available on the website.
- instruct that Ward Members are notified of the issue.
- decide that a Road Safety and Parking issue be referred to the Director of Highways & Transport

When determining issues in accordance with the options detailed above, the Committee must give reasons for their decision.

3.6 Petitions

Petitions must have a minimum of 25 signatures and be relevant to the functions of the authority. The petition will be presented to the Governance Service who will forthwith present it to the relevant Director and/or the relevant Committee Chair for information.

Petitions can either be submitted in hard copy to the Head of Governance or by using the authority's e-petitions facility. It is acceptable to combine paper petitions and e-petitions, providing the action the Council is being requested to take in the petitions are the same.

The address of the Head of Governance is as follows:

Head of Governance London Borough of Barnet 2 Bristol Avenue Colindale London NW9 4EW

The authority's e-petition facility can be found here: https://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/mgEPetitionListDisplay.aspx?bcr=1

E-petitions submitted on external websites can be accepted by the council. However, petitions hosted on external websites will need to be submitted by the lead petitioner to the Head of Governance in order for the petition to be accepted.

Petition signatures must be from Barnet residents otherwise they will not count towards the overall signature total. Petitions signatories must provide addresses to enable them to be verified.

A petition will not be accepted if:

- it is vexatious or abusive;
- it relates to any enactment or statutory provision;
- it relates to a safeguarding matter;
- it does not contain the address of signatories;
- it relates to a named individual or could reveal the identity of a person;
- it does not relate to the functions of the council:
- it is not clear what it is asking the council to do;

- it deals with an issue that has previously been resolved;
- it is repetitive, vexatious, or requires action which is unlawful or for which another council procedure is available

The Head of Governance will make a ruling on whether or not to accept a petition, taking into consideration grounds for rejection as laid out above.

On such an occasion where a petition is rejected, the Head of Governance (or his/her representative) will write to the lead petitioner and explain the reasons for rejection.

Petitions relating to planning or licensing applications, appeals or reviews will be treated as letters of representation and will be dealt with by the relevant service area and will be taken into consideration in dealing with the relevant application, appeal or review. For petitions falling within these categories, the reporting procedures below will not apply.

Petitions which have been submitted in response to a consultation process initiated by a specific committee should be reported back to that committee.

Petitions will be acknowledged within 10 working days. The acknowledgement will include information on how the petition will be progressed.

Petitions will be reported as follows:

Signatures	Forum and Procedure	
0-24	No action required.	
25 – 6,999 Signatures	Where the petition relates to the functions and responsibilities of an Area Committee it will be reported to the relevant Area Committee.	
	Where the petition relates to the matters outside the functions and responsibilities outside of the remit of an Area Committee, the petition will be reported to the relevant Theme Committee.	
	The Lead Petitioner will be given five minutes to present the petition to the committee.	
	Following the presentation, the Chair and Committee Members have an opportunity to ask the Lead Petitioner questions. After the debate the Committee will decide to:	
	Take no action	

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	 Refer the matter to a chief officer to provide a written respond to Lead Petitioner within 20 working days; or Instruct an officer to prepare a report for a future meeting of the Committee on the issue(s) raised with a recommended course of action 	
7,000 plus Signatures	The petition will be considered by Full Council and the following process will be followed:	
	 Lead Petitioner is given five minutes to present the petition; Council Members have an opportunity to ask questions of the Lead Petitioner then debate the item. The relevant Committee Chair will respond to the issues raised in the petition and outline the decision route (if any) he/she proposes to take 	

Petitions are required to be received seven working days before the Residents Forum, relevant committee meeting or Full Council.

Any hard copy petition received will be published on the Council's website via the Council's e-petition facility and processed by the Council as documented in this section. Updates or responses to petitions will be published on the epetitions section of the website once an officer has responded or a Forum, Committee or Full Council has received a petition.

3.7 Requests to speak at Planning Committees

Requests to speak about an application on the planning committee agenda should be submitted to the relevant Planning Case Officer by 10am on the third working day prior to the meeting.

In addition to any Councillor and the Applicant (or their representative) two residents may speak. Such speakers shall be one for and one against the application unless there is no resident wishing to speak for the application in which case two residents may speak against the application, or no resident in objection in which case two residents may speak in support of the application.

At the meeting, each speaker will have a time period of up to 3 minutes to address the committee. Committee members will then have the opportunity to question the speaker.

Residents who have requested to speak are able to send a substitute to make their representation if they are unable to attend the committee meeting. The Governance Officer supporting the meeting should be made aware of this prior to the meeting commencing.

Where an application being considered by a Planning Committee is referred to the Strategic Planning Committee for determination, the speaking rights of members of the public who have registered to speak on the application or item will automatically transfer to the Strategic Planning Committee.

Speaking rights will also automatically transfer where an application has been deferred or adjourned to a future meeting of planning committee, but only if the speakers have not already addressed the committee on the deferred or adjourned item. In cases where the membership of the committee which considers the deferred or adjourned application is different from the committee which originally heard the application, then the application should be fully re-heard including speakers.

Public speaking arrangements do not apply to an item relating to the making / confirmation of a Tree Preservation Order as this would be contrary to the legislative procedure for making objections and/or representations.

3.8 Requests to speak on Assets of Community Value listings

Requests to speak about an application to list an Asset of Community Value should be submitted to the relevant Governance Officer by 10am on the third working day prior to the meeting.

In addition to any Councillor, the Asset Owner (or their representative) and a representative from the nominating body, up to two residents may speak. Such speakers shall be one for and one against the listing application unless there is no resident wishing to speak against the listing application in which case two residents may speak in favour of the listing, or no resident in favour in which case two residents may speak against the listing application.

At the meeting, each speaker will have a time period of up to 3 minutes to address the committee or sub-committee. Committee or sub-committee members will then have the opportunity to question the speaker.

3.9 Complaints

Residents have the right to complain to:

- (i) the Council itself under its complaints scheme;
- (ii) the Local Government Ombudsman (after using the Council's own complaints scheme);
- (iii) the Monitoring Officer about a breach of the Members Code of Conduct.

3.10 **Disorderly Conduct**

If a member(s) of the public or press (or a Councillor) interrupts the proceedings at any meeting, the Mayor or Chair may warn him/her. If s/he continues the interruption and a warning has previously been given, the Mayor or Chair may order his/her removal from the meeting place. In the event that the meeting is disrupted the Mayor or the Chair may adjourn the meeting and if required clear the public gallery. The meeting will then reconvene to consider the remaining business without the public.



Article 3 - Residents and Public Participation

3.1 Residents' Rights

Residents have a number of rights. The following list is a general summary of rights in terms of information, the opportunity to participate and the ability to make complaints.

- (a) (i) **Petition scheme.** Residents who are concerned about a Council service or a decision that is about to be made may send the Council a petition which shall be considered and responded to in accordance with the Petition Scheme as outlined below.
- (b) **Information.** Residents have the right to:
 - Attend meetings of the Council and its committees, except where confidential or exempt information is likely to be disclosed, and that part of the meeting is therefore held in private;
 - (ii) See agendas, reports and background papers, except where confidential or exempt information is likely to be disclosed, and any records of decisions made by the Council and its committees; and
 - (iii) Inspect the Council's accounts and make their views known to the external auditor.
- (c) **Treatment.** Residents have the right to:
 - (i) Be treated with understanding and respect;
 - (ii) Have equal opportunity with other residents; and
 - (iii) Receive quality services provided to Best Value principles.
- (d) **Public Engagement.** Residents have the right to ask questions and receive answers at committee meetings in accordance with the following rules. Residents can also raise issues at Residents Forum.

Residents can participate in Committee meetings as follows:

- By asking a public question
- By submitting a petition
- By submitting a public comment

3.2 Questions to a Committee

Questions must specify the item of business on the agenda which they relate to. Committee agendas are usually published on the Council's website five clear working days prior to the meeting. Residents should state their address when submitting questions. Each question is limited to 100 words.

Questions should be submitted to the relevant Governance Officer by 10am on the third working day prior to the meeting. Any questions submitted after this time will not be considered.

A resident may ask one question per agenda item. A maximum of two questions from residents may be asked per agenda item. These will be accepted in order of receipt. Any additional questions received will be not be accepted.

Written responses to public questions will be circulated to the questioner in advance or at the meeting. Residents can ask the committee chairman one supplementary question per question asked at the committee meeting, which will be answered without discussion. The supplementary question must be relevant to the original question put to the chairman.

Residents submitting questions are able to send a substitute to ask their supplementary question if they are unable to attend the committee meeting. The Governance Officer supporting the meeting should be made aware of this prior to the meeting commencing.

3.3 Written Comments to Committees

Written comments must specify the item of business on the agenda which they relate to. Committee agendas are published on the Council's website five clear working days prior to the meeting. Residents should state their address when submitting comments. Each written comment is limited to 100 words.

Written comments should be submitted to the relevant Governance Officer by 10am on the third working day prior to the meeting. Any written comments received after this time will not be considered.

A resident may submit one written comment per agenda item.

Written comments will be reported to the committee and published alongside the agenda papers for the meeting.

3.4 Procedure for Questions at Committees

At committee meetings a time period of up to 30 minutes is available for public questions in total. Supplementary questions will be asked in order of receipt.

Public questions or comments are not permitted:

- If they don't relate to a substantive item on the agenda
- If they are defamatory, abusive or offensive.
- If submitted from Council employees or trade unions on employment matters; there are avenues available for these to be addressed via the Terms of Reference of the Constitution & General Purposes Committee.
- If they would result in the release of confidential information, or which may prejudice enforcement.
- If they relate to a matter where there is a right of appeal against any decision of the Council.

- If they have been submitted by someone who has been deemed to be subject to the Management of Unreasonable Complainant Behaviour Policy;
- If they are received from people who are not Barnet residents;
- At the Strategic Planning Committee and Planning Committees on Town and Country Planning applications (a separate procedure is detailed in section 3.7). Public questions are permitted at the Strategic Planning Committee on planning policy matters;
- If they relate to the making / confirmation of Tree Preservation Orders, as the procedure for making objections or representations is prescribed by the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and the Town and Country Planning (Tree Preservation) (England) Regulations 2012.

The Chairman of the relevant Committee or Sub-Committee, in consultation with the Head of Governance, shall decide whether any particular question, comment or issue will be permitted.

3.5 Issues for Residents Forum Area Committees

Issues must be received by the Governance Service by 10am on the fifth working day prior to the meeting for the item to be discussed at the ForumArea Committee. Written responses to local matters will be provided by 5pm the working day before the Area Committee Residents Forums take place. Residents should state their address when submitting a forum issue.

The <u>Area Committee</u> Forum_Chairman has the discretion to accept issues with less than five days' notice if they deem the matter to be urgent. Responses to urgent matters will be responded to verbally by officers at the <u>Area Committee</u> Forum meeting.

Councillors, MPs and Assembly Members are not permitted to submit items and questions for Residents Forum, but may be called on to comment on issues. Such comments will be invited entirely at the discretion of the <u>Area CommitteeResidents Forum chairman</u>.

The Six Month Rule shall apply whereby matters dealt with cannot be raised again within this period. The Six Month Rule means that an Area CommitteeResidents Forum will not reconsider any issues discussed at a resident's forum or any decision taken by a committee in the last six months preceding the date of the forumcommittee. An exception is that where the Chairman has agreed that an issue raised at a previous Area CommitteeForum meeting should be reported back with a detailed response in which case the resident who raised the original issue (or their nominated deputy) will be invited to address the Forum Committee for up to 3 minutes. The Area CommitteeResidents Forum may also be a forum for certain consultations from the Council as decided by the Chairman.

At-Area Committee Residents Forum_issues will be considered in order of receipt. Where a resident has submitted more than one issue, their second item or question will be considered after all other residents have presented their first item. Issues will continue to be determined in this way until all issues have been considered.

The Area Committee Chairman will determine issues in the following way:

- 1. Residents will have the opportunity to address the CommitteeForum on for up to 3 minutes on the issue they have previously raised
- Chai<u>rsrman</u>, Chief Officers or other relevant officers may respond to the issues raised
- 3. Having considered the issues the Chairman Committee can take the following actions:
 - note the issue and take no action
 - instruct that an appropriate named officer contact the resident within 20 working days to provide an additional response and that this response be published in the meeting documents available on the website.
 - instruct that Ward Members are notified of the issue.
 - decide that a Road Safety and Parking issue be referred to the Executive Director, EnvironmentDirector of Highways & Transport
 - decide that the issue (except a Road Safety and Parking issue) be referred to the next meeting of an Area Committee for consideration, subject to the issue being within the terms of reference of an Area Committee

When determining issues in accordance with the options detailed above, the Committee Chairman must give reasons for their decision.

3.6 **Petitions**

Petitions must have a minimum of 25 signatures and be relevant to the functions of the authority. The petition will be presented to the Governance Service who will forthwith present it to the relevant Director and/or the relevant Committee Chairman for information.

Petitions can either be submitted in hard copy to the Head of Governance or by using the authority's e-petitions facility. It is acceptable to combine paper petitions and e-petitions, providing the action the Council is being requested to take in the petitions are the same.

The address of the Head of Governance is as follows:

Head of Governance London Borough of Barnet 2 Bristol Avenue Colindale London NW9 4EW

The authority's e-petition facility can be found here: https://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/mgEPetitionListDisplay.aspx?bcr=1

E-petitions submitted on external websites can be accepted by the council. However, petitions hosted on external websites will need to be submitted by the lead petitioner to the Head of Governance in order for the petition to be accepted.

Petition signatures must be from Barnet residents otherwise they will not count towards the overall signature total. Petitions signatories must provide addresses to enable them to be verified.

A petition will not be accepted if:

- it is vexatious or abusive;
- it relates to any enactment or statutory provision;
- it relates to a safeguarding matter;
- it does not contain the address of signatories;
- it relates to a named individual or could reveal the identity of a person;
- it does not relate to the functions of the council;
- it is not clear what it is asking the council to do;
- it deals with an issue that has previously been resolved;
- it is repetitive, vexatious, or requires action which is unlawful or for which another council procedure is available

The Head of Governance will make a ruling on whether or not to accept a petition, taking into consideration grounds for rejection as laid out above.

On such an occasion where a petition is rejected, the Head of Governance (or his/her representative) will write to the lead petitioner and explain the reasons for rejection.

Petitions relating to planning or licensing applications, appeals or reviews will be treated as letters of representation and will be dealt with by the relevant service area and will be taken into consideration in dealing with the relevant application, appeal or review. For petitions falling within these categories, the reporting procedures below will not apply.

Petitions which have been submitted in response to a consultation process initiated by a specific committee should be reported back to that committee.

Petitions will be acknowledged within 10 working days. The acknowledgement will include information on how the petition will be progressed.

Petitions will be reported as follows:

Signatures 0-24	Forum and Procedure No action required.
25 – 1,999 Signatures	The petition will be reported to Residents Forum to which the issue relates. Where the petition relates to a borough-wide issue, the matter will be reported to the Residents Forum for the constituency area in which the lead petitioner resides.

	The Lead Petitioner will be given three minutes to present the petition to the Forum. Following the presentation the Residents Forum Chairman will decide to: Take no action; Refer the matter to a chief officer to respond to within 20 working days; or Refer the matter to the relevant Area Committee (if funding is required)
2,000 <u>25</u> – 6,999 Signatures	Where the petition relates to the functions and responsibilities of an Area Committee it will be reported to the relevant Area Committee. Where the petition relates to the matters outside the functions and responsibilities outside of the remit of an Area Committee, the petition will be reported to the relevant Theme Committee. The Lead Petitioner will be given five minutes to present the petition to the committee. Following the presentation, the Chairman and Committee Members have an opportunity to ask the Lead Petitioner questions. After the debate the Committee will decide to: Take no action Refer the matter to a chief officer to provide a written respond to Lead Petitioner within 20 working days; or Instruct an officer to prepare a report for a future meeting of the Committee on the issue(s) raised with a recommended course of action
7,000 plus Signatures	 The petition will be considered by Full Council and the following process will be followed: Lead Petitioner is given five minutes to present the petition; Council Members have an opportunity to ask questions of the Lead Petitioner then debate the item. The relevant Committee Chairman will respond to the issues raised in the petition and outline the decision route (if any) he/she proposes to take

Petitions are required to be received seven working days before the Residents Forum, relevant committee meeting or Full Council.

Any hard copy petition received will be published on the Council's website via the Council's e-petition facility and processed by the Council as documented in this section. Updates or responses to petitions will be published on the epetitions section of the website once an officer has responded or a Forum, Committee or Full Council has received a petition.

3.7 Requests to speak at Planning Committees

Requests to speak about an application on the planning committee agenda should be submitted to the relevant Planning Case Officer by 10am on the third working day prior to the meeting.

In addition to any Councillor and the Applicant (or their representative) two residents may speak. Such speakers shall be one for and one against the application unless there is no resident wishing to speak for the application in which case two residents may speak against the application, or no resident in objection in which case two residents may speak in support of the application.

At the meeting, each speaker will have a time period of up to 3 minutes to address the committee. Committee members will then have the opportunity to question the speaker.

Residents who have requested to speak are able to send a substitute to make their representation if they are unable to attend the committee meeting. The Governance Officer supporting the meeting should be made aware of this prior to the meeting commencing.

Where an application being considered by a Planning Committee is referred to the Strategic Planning Committee for determination, the speaking rights of members of the public who have registered to speak on the application or item will automatically transfer to the Strategic Planning Committee.

Speaking rights will also automatically transfer where an application has been deferred or adjourned to a future meeting of planning committee, but only if the speakers have not already addressed the committee on the deferred or adjourned item. In cases where the membership of the committee which considers the deferred or adjourned application is different from the committee which originally heard the application, then the application should be fully re-heard including speakers.

Public speaking arrangements do not apply to an item relating to the making / confirmation of a Tree Preservation Order as this would be contrary to the legislative procedure for making objections and/or representations.

3.8 Requests to speak on Assets of Community Value listings

Requests to speak about an application to list an Asset of Community Value should be submitted to the relevant Governance Officer by 10am on the third working day prior to the meeting.

In addition to any Councillor, the Asset Owner (or their representative) and a representative from the nominating body, up to two residents may speak.

Such speakers shall be one for and one against the listing application unless there is no resident wishing to speak against the listing application in which case two residents may speak in favour of the listing, or no resident in favour in which case two residents may speak against the listing application.

At the meeting, each speaker will have a time period of up to 3 minutes to address the committee or sub-committee. Committee or sub-committee members will then have the opportunity to question the speaker.

3.9 Complaints

Residents have the right to complain to:

- (i) the Council itself under its complaints scheme;
- (ii) the Local Government Ombudsman (after using the Council's own complaints scheme);
- (iii) the Monitoring Officer about a breach of the Members Code of Conduct.

3.10 **Disorderly Conduct**

If a member(s) of the public or press (or a Councillor) interrupts the proceedings at any meeting, the Mayor or Chairman may warn him/her. If s/he continues the interruption and a warning has previously been given, the Mayor or Chairman may order his/her removal from the meeting place. In the event that the meeting is disrupted the Mayor or the Chairman may adjourn the meeting and if required clear the public gallery. The meeting will then reconvene to consider the remaining business without the public.

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- 3.1 Allowances are payable to recognise the special responsibilities attached to certain positions to which councillors may be appointed. The allowances are graded in 5 bands.
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4.1 An allowance of £10 per hour for a maximum of 8 hours (subject to extension in special circumstances) shall be payable to any councillor or co-opted member or member of an appeals committee established under the Education Act 1996

who incurs expenditure for the care of dependent relatives or children whilst undertaking the approved duties listed in section 4.3 below.

- 4.2 Dependent relatives and children are defined as:-
 - children aged 15 years or less
 - elderly relatives requiring full-time care
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- 4.3 The approved duties referred to in section 4.1 above are:-
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 - (b) The attendance at any other meeting, the holding of which is authorised by the authority, or a committee or sub-committee of the authority, or a joint committee of the authority and at least one other local authority within the meaning of section 270(1) of the Local Government Act 1972, or a sub-committee of such a joint committee, provided that
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 - (c) The attendance at a meeting of any association of authorities of which the authority is a member;
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 - (h) The carrying out of any other duty approved by the authority, or any duty of a class so approved, for the purposes of, or in connection with, the discharge of the functions of the authority or any of its committees or subcommittees.
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9.1 A councillor or co-opted member may decline to receive any part of his or her entitlement to an allowance under this scheme by notifying the Head of Governance in writing.

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- 10.1 This section regulates councillors' entitlement to allowances if during the year:
 - the scheme is amended
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 - the councillor ceases to be a councillor

- the councillor accepts or gives up a position eligible for a special responsibility allowance.
- 10.2 If the scheme is amended so as to change the basic allowance or the special responsibility allowance then the annual amount to be paid to each councillor shall be re-calculated. The councillor will be paid a proportion of the old allowance and a proportion of the new allowance. The proportions will reflect the number of days in the year before and after (starting with the day on which the change takes effect) the change. Further amendments will be treated in the same way.

10.3 If during the year:

- a councillor is newly elected or ceases to be a councillor,
- a councillor accepts or gives up a position eligible for a special responsibility allowance, or
- a councillor becomes or ceases to be eligible to a special responsibility allowance because of an amendment to the scheme

then the annual amount to be paid to the councillor will be altered. The alteration will discount a proportion of the relevant allowance, to reflect the number of days in the year that the councillor was not a councillor, or was not eligible for the special responsibility allowance, as the case may be. If the scheme is amended during the year as set out in 10.2 above, then the alteration will be calculated separately for the periods before and after each amendment, in accordance with the Regulations.

11. Claims, Payments, Repayments, Restriction to Entitlement

- 11.1 Payments of basic allowance and Special Responsibility Allowance will be made in twelve equal monthly instalments at the end of each month.
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- 11.4 Where a member of the authority is also a member of another authority that member may not receive allowances from more than one authority in respect of the same duties.

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		Environment and Climate Change Committee
		Housing & Growth
		Health and Well-Being Board
		Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee
		Leader of: Major Opposition Group
2	9,029	Chairs of:
		Finchley and Golders Green Area Committee
		Chipping Barnet Area Committee
		Hendon Area Committee
		Strategic Planning Committee
		Planning Committee A
		Planning Committee B
		Audit Committee
		Constitution and General Purposes Committee Pension Fund Committee

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		Constitution and General Purposes Committee
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		Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee
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2	9,1879,029	Chairsmen of:
		Licensing Committee
		Finchley and Golders Green Area Committee

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		Chipping Barnet Area Committee
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		Finchley and Golders Green Residents Forum
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		Vice-Chairmen of:
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Calculation of Political Balance (Proportionality)

The Council must allocate seats on Committees and other prescribed bodies to give effect to the political balance rules. The rules for the allocation of seats are set out in Sections 15 and 16 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and Local Government Regulation 13 1990.

Section 15(5) of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 sets out the principles as follows:

- a) that not all the seats on the body are allocated to the same political group;
- b) that the majority of the seats on the body is allocated to a particular political group if the number of persons belonging to that group is a majority of the authority's membership;
- c) subject to paragraphs (a) and (b) above, that the number of seats on the ordinary committees of a relevant authority which are allocated to each political group bears the same proportion to the total of all the seats on the ordinary committees of that authority as is borne by the number of members of that group to the membership of the authority; and
- d) subject to paragraphs (a) to (c) above, that the number of the seats on the body which are allocated to each political group bears the same proportion to the number of all the seats on that body as is borne by the number of members of that group to the membership of the authority.

For political balance, a group is required to have at least two members in order to be formally constituted as a political group.

The Council can only depart from these rules by passing a resolution with no member voting against the resolution.

The political proportionality rules also apply to those outside bodies dealing with local government matters to which the Council representatives.

This proportionality report is based on the principles described above. This report is requested to be agreed by Council to ensure the seats are allocated using the appropriate principles as based in law.

When calculating political balance, to comply with sections (c) and (d) of Section 15(5) of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 it is usual practice to round up the seat allocation when the strict allocation comes above 0.5 and round down when the strict allocation comes below 0.5.

The political composition of the Council is as follows:

	Council	Labour	Conservative
Members	63	41	22
Percentage	100%	65.08%	34.92%

Non-Politically Proportionate Bodies

Bodies to which proportionality does not or need not apply:

- ➤ Health and Wellbeing Boards Section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (and Section 16 and Schedule 1), namely the duty to allocate seats on committees on a proportional basis to political groups, does not apply to Health and Wellbeing Boards under regulation 7 Part 2 of the Local Authority (Public Health, Health and Wellbeing Boards and Health Scrutiny Regulations 2013 SI 2013/218.
- ➤ Standards Committee Council agreed on 8 December 2015 to waive the requirements under the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 for political balance for the Standards Committee, and that each of the two political Groups on the Council shall have two seats on the Committee (with two substitute members for each Group)
- Consultative bodies established for consultation with staff are not regarded as council committees subject to the political balance rules. Each has a special composition.
- ➤ The Council appoints or nominates Members to a variety of special statutory bodies, or informal or consultative bodies that are not council committees of the Council. The political balance rules do not apply to these bodies.

Regulation 16A Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990 SI 1553/1990 provides an exception from the political balance requirements where a committee is established to discharge functions of the authority or to advise the authority or another committee of the authority in respect of any part of the area of the authority, and –

- (i) the authority is a county, district or London borough council; and
- (ii) the voting members of the committee consist solely of persons who are elected for electoral divisions or wards which are wholly or partly within that part; and
- (iii) the area of that part does not exceed two-fifths of the total area of the authority; or
- (iv) the population of that part, as estimated by the authority, does not exceed two-fifths of the total population of the area of the authority as so estimated.

This allows the Area Committees to be constituted on a Ward Member basis.

Achieving Political Balance:

An allocation of seats is set out in the table below. The number of Members, and any specific requirements of membership, are taken from the Council's Constitution, Article 7 (Committees, Forums, Working Groups and Partnerships):

Seat Allocations on Politically Proportional Bodies

COMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEMBERS	LABOUR	CONSERVATIVE
Policy &	12	8	4
Resources		(7.80)	(4.19)
Children,	11	7	4
Education and		(7.16)	(3.84)
Safeguarding			
Environment and	11	7	4
Climate Change		(7.16)	(3.84)
Housing & Growth	11	7	4
		(7.16)	(3.84)
Community	11	7	4
Leadership &		(7.16)	(3.84)
Libraries			
Adults and	11	7	4
Safeguarding		(7.16)	(3.84)
Licensing	12	8	4
		(7.80)	(4.19)
Audit	9	6	3
		(5.86)	(3.14)
Strategic Planning	9	6	3
		(5.86)	(3.14)
Planning A	6	4	2
_		(3.90)	(2.10)
Planning B	6	4	2
		(3.90)	(2.10)
Health Overview &	9	6	3
Scrutiny		(5.86)	(3.14)
Constitution &	9	6	3
General Purposes		(5.86)	(3.14)
Pension Fund	9	6	3
		(5.86)	(3.14)
Urgency	3	2	1
Committee		(1.95)	(1.05)
Chief Officer	5	3	2
Appointment Panel		(3.25)	(1.74)
Total	144	94	50
Percentages	100%	65.27%	34.72%

Seat Allocations on Non-Politically Proportional Bodies

Area Based Committees

Committee	Membership	Seat Allocations		
		Lab	Cons	
North	8	5	3	
East	8	5	3	
West	8	6	2	

Bodies where the political balance requirements have been waived

Committees
Local Pension Board
Local Strategic Partnership (Barnet Partnership Board)
Children's Partnership Board
Safer Communities Partnership Board

Special statutory bodies or informal or consultative bodies that are not council committees – Membership requirements as detailed in Article 7.

Committee	Membership	Seat Allocations		
		Lab	Con	
Standards	4	2	2	

Committee	Membership	Seat Allocations		
		Lab	Con	
Health & Wellbeing Board	3	3	0	

RECOMMEND that:

- 1. Council note the political balance of the Council is:
 - > 41 Members of the Labour Group;
 - > 22 Members of the Conservative Group
- 2. Council agree the allocation of seats as set out in the tables above in order to comply with the political balance regulations requiring seats to be allocated proportionately to the political groups on Council.

AGENDA ITEM 16



Annual Council 24 May 2022

Title	Report of Head of Governance
Report of	Head of Governance
Wards	All
Status	Public
Enclosures	Appendix A – Calendar of Meetings 2022/23 (Month-By-Month) Appendix B – Calendar of Meetings 2022/23 (Collated)
Officer Contact Details	Andrew Charlwood, Head of Governance, 020 8359 2014, andrew.charlwood@barnet.gov.uk

Summary

This item presents changes to the published calendar of meetings 2022/23 for Council approval.

Recommendation

That Council agree the changes to the calendar of meetings 2022/23 as set out in Appendices A and B.

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.

2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 Subject to changes outlined in the Report of the Leader of the Labour Group (agenda item 12), various committee dates have been deleted or re-scheduled, including the rescheduling of Planning A and Planning B Committee cycles.
- 2.2 It has also been requested that the date of Budget Council in March 2023 be brought forward due to a clash with a religious holiday.

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 N/A
- 5.3 Social Value
- 5.3.1 N/A
- 5.4 Legal and Constitutional References
- 5.4.1 Council Constitution, Article 14, Full Council Procedure rules states that "Council will agree the calendar of meetings including for ordinary meetings of the Council."
- 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.



June 2022				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
30 Half Term	31 Half Term	1 Half Term	2 Bank Holiday	3 Bank Holiday
Adults and Safeguarding Committee	7 Children, Education and Safeguarding Committee	8 Planning Committee A	9 Environment and Climate Change Committee	10
Housing and Growth Committee	14	15	16 Strategic Planning Committee	17
Community Leadership and Libraries Committee	Constitution and General Purposes Committee	Planning B Committee	23 Local Pension Board	24
27 Hendon Area Committee	28 Chipping Barnet Area Committee	Finchley and Golders Green Area Committee	Policy and Resources Committee	1

July 2022				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
27	28	29	30	1
4	5 Corporate Parenting Advisory Panel	6 Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee	7 Planning A Committee	8
Pension Fund Committee	12 Strategic Planning Committee	Barnet Children's Partnership Board	Health and Wellbeing Board (9.30am)	15
18 Licensing Committee	19 Audit Committee	Planning B Committee	21 Party Group Meetings	Safer Communities Partnership Board 10am
25 School holidays begin	26 Council	Welsh Harp Joint Consultative Committee (Barnet Provisional)	28	29

August 2022						
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		
1	2	3	4	5		
8	9	10	11	12		
15	16	17	18	19		
22	23	24	25	26		

September 202	September 2022					
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		
29	30	31	1	2		
		School holidays end	Planning Committee A			
5	6	7	8	9		
Housing and Growth Committee	Environment and Climate Change Committee	Strategic Planning Committee	Local Pension Board			
12	13	14	15	16		
Children, Education and Safeguarding Committee	Adults and Safeguarding Committee	Planning B Committee				
19	20	21	22	23		
Finchley and Golders Green		Planning Committee A	Hendon Area Committee	Lib Dem Party Conference TBC		
Area Committee			Chipping Barnet Area Committee			
26	27	28	29	30		
Rosh Hashana	Rosh Hashana	Labour Party Conference TBC	Health and Wellbeing Board (9.30am)			
Labour Party Conference TBC	Labour Party Conference TBC		Policy and Resources Committee			

October 2022				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3	4	5	6	7
Corporate Parenting Advisory Panel	Yom Kippur	Yom Kippur	Constitution and General Purposes Committee	
Conservative	Conservative	Conservative		
Party	Party	Party		
Conference TBC	Conference TBC	Conference TBC		
10	11	12	13	14
Sukkot	Sukkot		Planning B Committee	
17	18	19	20	21
Sukkot	Sukkot	Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee		
24	25	26	27	28
Half Term Diwali	Half Term	Half Term	Half Term	Half Term
		Planning A Committee	Party Group Meetings	Safer Communities Partnership Board 10am

November 2022	November 2022					
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		
31	1	2	3	4		
Community Leadership and Libraries Committee	Council	Audit Committee				
7	8	9	10	11		
Licensing Committee	Strategic Planning Committee	Barnet Children's Partnership Board	Pension Fund Committee			
14	15	16	17	18		
Adults and Safeguarding Committee	Planning B Committee	Housing and Growth Committee	Children, Education and Safeguarding Committee			
21	22	23	24	25		
Environment and Climate Change Committee			Strategic Planning Committee Welsh Harp Joint Consultative Committee (Provisional)			
28	29	30	1	2		
		Planning Committee A				

December 2022				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
5	6 Local Pension Board	7	8 Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee	9
12	Policy and Resources Committee	14 Planning B Committee	15 Strategic Planning Committee	16
School holidays Begin Chanukah	20 Chanukah	21 Chanukah	22 Chanukah	23 Chanukah
26 Bank Holiday Chanukah	27 Bank Holiday	28	29	30

January 2023				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 School holidays End (TBC)	3	4	5	6
9	10	11 Planning Committee A	Constitution and General Purposes Committee	13
Audit Committee	Housing and Growth Committee	18 Strategic Planning Committee	Health and Wellbeing Board (9.30am) Party Group Meetings	Safer Communities Partnership Board 10am
Planning B Committee	24 Council	Environment and Climate Change Committee	Finchley and Golders Green Area Committee Chipping Barnet Area Committee	27

30	31	1	2	3
Hendon Area Committee	Pension Fund Committee	Corporate Parenting Advisory Panel		

February 2023							
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Wednesday Thursday F				
6	7	8	9	10			
	Community Leadership and Libraries Committee	Planning A Committee					
13	14	15	16	17			
Half Term	Half Term	Half Term	Half Term	Half Term			
	Barnet Children's Partnership Board						
20	21	22	23	24			
Licensing Committee	Planning B Committee	Ash Wednesday Policy and Resources Committee	Party Group Meetings				
27	28	1	2	3			
Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Budget Council		Strategic Planning Committee				

March 2023				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
27	28	1	2	3
	Budget Council	Local Pension Board	Party Group Meetings	
6	7	8	9	10
Purim	Purim			
13	14	15	16	17
Adults and Safeguarding Committee	Safeguarding and Climate		Health and Wellbeing Board (9.30am)	
			Welsh Harp Joint Consultative Committee (TBC)	
20	21	22	23	24
Children, Education and Safeguarding Committee	Planning B Committee	Pension Fund Committee	Housing and Growth Committee	
27	28	29	30	31
	Chipping Barnet Area Committee Finchley & Golders Green Area Committee	Strategic Planning Committee	Hendon Area Committee	

April 2023						
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		
3	4	5	6	7		
School Holiday	School Holiday Planning Committee A	School Holiday Pesach	School Holiday Pesach Maundy	School Holiday Pesach Good Friday		
			Thursday			
10	11	12	13	14		
School Holiday	School Holiday	School Holiday	School Holiday	School Holiday		
Easter Monday	Pesach	Pesach	Pesach	Vaisakhi		
17	18	19	20	21		
Corporate Parenting Advisory Panel	Planning B Committee	Strategic Planning Committee	Policy and Resources Committee			
24	25	Audit Committee	Barnet Children's Partnership Board	Safer Communities Partnership Board 10am		

May 2023						
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		
1	2	3	4	5		
Bank Holiday		Planning A Committee				
8	9	10	Community Leadership and Libraries Committee	12		
15	16 Planning Committee B	17 Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee	18 Party Group Meetings	19		
22	23 Annual Council	24	25 Shavuot	26 Shavuot		
29	30	31	1	2		
School Holiday Spring Bank Holiday	School Holiday	School Holiday	School Holiday	School Holiday		

CALENDAR BY NUMBER OF MEETINGS (June 2022 – May 2023)

Committee	Jun	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Total
	2022							2023					
Council		26				1		24	28			23	5
									(B/C)			(A/C)	
Party Group		21			27			19	23			18	5
Adults & Safeguarding Committee	6			13		14				13			4
Audit Committee		19				2		16			26		4
Barnet Children's Partnership Board		13				9			14		27		4
Children, Education & Safeguarding Committee	7			12		17				20			4
Chipping Barnet Area Committee	28			22				26		28			4
Community Leadership & Libraries Committee	20				31				7			11	4
Constitution & General Purposes Committee	21				6			12					3
Corporate Parenting Advisory Panel		5			3				1		17		4
Environment and Climate Change Committee	9			6		21		25		14			5
Finchley & Golders Green Area Committee	29			19				26		28			4
Health & Wellbeing Board (9.30am)		14		29				19		16			4
Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee		6			19		8		27			17	5
Hendon Area Committee	27			22				30		30			4
Housing & Growth Committee	13			5		16		17		23			5
Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee - TBC													
Licensing Committee		18				7			20				3
Local Pension Board	23			8			6			1			4
Pension Fund Committee		11				10		31		22			4
Planning Committee A	8	7		1 21	26	30		11	8	15	4	3	11
Planning Committee B	22	20		14	13	15	14	23	21	21	18	16	11

Committee	Jun	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Total
	2022							2023					
Policy & Resources Committee	30			29			13		22		20		5
Safer Communities Partnership Board (10am)		22			28			20			28		4
Strategic Planning Committee	16	12		7		8	15	18		2	19		10
						24				29			
Welsh Harp Joint Consultative Committee		27				24				16			3
(Provisional)													



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Constitution of the Consti	
Title	Dispensations and Waiver
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

The Member Code of Conduct contains some general dispensations from disclosable pecuniary interest for Councillors which expire at the end of this month. Council is asked if they wish to extend these for the period of the current administration and include them in the Members Code of Conduct.

Council are requested to agree a waiver for all Members of the authority to May 2023 should they unable to attend a meeting of the Authority for 6 months due to illness pregnancy or maternity.

Recommendations

- 1. That Council agree that the following general dispensations for councillors are granted by the Monitoring Officer up to 23rd May 2026 and are included in the Member Code of Conduct:
 - 1.1 General Dispensations to be granted by the Monitoring Officer:

To enable members to be present, speak and vote where they would otherwise have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest on the grounds that it is appropriate to grant a dispensation to allow all Members to participate fully in the following matters:

- a) Housing: where the Member (or spouse or partner) holds a tenancy or lease with the Council as long as the matter does not only relate to the Member's particular tenancy or lease.
- b) School meals or school transport and travelling expenses where the Member is a parent or guardian of a child in full time education, or is a parent governor of a school, provided that the matter does not only relate to the particular school which the child attends.
- c) Housing Benefit: where the Member (or spouse or partner) directly receives housing benefit in relation to their own circumstances.
- d) Decisions in relation to any Council Tax Benefit if the member or their spouse or partner are in receipt of any such benefit.
- e) Membership of the Local Government Pension Scheme of either the councillor or their spouse or partner.
- 2. That Council authorise the Monitoring Officer to implement these revisions and publish a revised Constitution.
- 3. Council agree a waiver for all members of the Authority until 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.

1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

- 1.1 The following general dispensations were granted by the Monitoring Officer to all Members up to 23rd May 2022. They were granted to enable members to be present, speak and vote where they would otherwise have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest on the grounds that it is appropriate to grant a dispensation to allow all Members to participate fully in the following matters:
 - a) Housing: where the Member (or spouse or partner) holds a tenancy or lease with the Council as long as the matter does not only relate to the Member's particular tenancy or lease.
 - b) School meals or school transport and travelling expenses where the Member is a parent or guardian of a child in full time education, or is a parent governor of a school, provided that the matter does not only relate to the particular school which the child attends.
 - c) Housing Benefit: where the Member (or spouse or partner) directly receives housing benefit in relation to their own circumstances.
 - d) Decisions in relation to any Council Tax Benefit if the member or their spouse or partner are in receipt of any such benefit.
 - e) Membership of the Local Government Pension Scheme of either the Councillor or their spouse or partner

- 1.2. Council is asked to agree that the Monitoring Officer grant these for the period of the new administration until the 23rd May 2026 and that they should be included in the Member Code of Conduct.
- 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 These general dispensations allow members to stay in the room, speak and vote on general matters that may impact on many members.
- 2.2 The waiver from the 6-month rule means that members who are taken ill or cannot attend meeting de to pregnancy of 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 these dispensations. In which case Members with Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in the above matters would need to leave the room for these items.

4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION

4.1 The Monitoring Officer will make arrangements for any changes agreed to be actioned, together with minor drafting and housekeeping changes. The revised Constitution will be published online.

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 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 Council Constitution, Article 4 states that "The Full Council is a formal meeting of all Councillors and is required by law to take certain important decisions as set out below. Full Council approves any changes to the Constitution
- 5.3.2 Council Constitution, Article 9 states that "The Monitoring Officer will maintain an up-to-date version of the Constitution and will ensure that it is available for consultation by Members, staff and the public".
- 5.3.3 Localism Act 2011, Section 33 provides that a proper officer may grant dispensations to Members in relation to pecuniary interests. These are time limited and the period may not exceed four years.
- 5.3.4 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, need 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