

HOUSING SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, 14 NOVEMBER 2023 AT 6.30 PM
COMMITTEE ROOM 1, TOWN HALL, JUDD STREET, LONDON WC1H 9JE

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Councillors Sagal Abdi-Wali (L), Richard Cotton (L), Nasrine Djemai (L), Tommy Gale (L), Eddie Hanson (L), Nancy Jirira (LD), Samata Khatoun (L),

C-opted Members

Bev Chambers, Ifrac Mahamoud and 1 vacancy

SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

Councillors Nina De Ayala Parker (L), Edmund Frondigoun (L), Lloyd Hatton (L), Lorraine Revah (L), Tom Simon (LD) and Jonathan Simpson (L)

L = Labour, C = Conservative, LD = Liberal Democrat,

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THERE ARE NO PRIVATE REPORTS

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AGENDA

Wards

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To consider any apologies for absence

2. DECLARATIONS BY MEMBERS OF STATUTORY DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS, COMPULSORY REGISTERABLE NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND VOLUNTARY REGISTERABLE NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS IN MATTERS ON THIS AGENDA

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS

4. NOTIFICATION OF ANY ITEMS OF BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIR DECIDES TO TAKE AS URGENT

5. MINUTES

To consider the minutes of the meeting held on 11th September 2023.

(Pages 7 -
16)

6. DEPUTATIONS

Requests to speak at the Committee on a matter within its terms of reference must be made in writing to the clerk named on the front of this agenda by 5pm two working days before the meeting.

7. APPOINTMENT OF A CO-OPTED MEMBER

Report of the Director of Property Management.

All Wards

(Pages 17 -
18)

This report provides information on the process for filling the vacant co-opted members position on the Housing Scrutiny Committee

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| 8. HOUSING ASSOCIATIONS ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT | All Wards |
| Report of the Director of Housing | (Pages 19 - 26) |
| This report provides annual performance information for the four housing associations (HAs) with the majority of HA stock in the borough and a summary of HAs' performance in the delivery of new homes. | |
| 9. HOUSING PERFORMANCE REPORT | All Wards |
| Report of the Director of Housing | (Pages 27 - 36) |
| This report provides an update on performance for various aspects of the Housing service. | |
| 10. PROPERTY MANAGEMENT UPDATE | All Wards |
| Report of the Director of Property Management | (Pages 37 - 48) |
| This report provides an update on a range of property management services: repairs including damp and mould; building and fire safety; planned maintenance and retrofit; the Asset Management Strategy and roll out of the CCTV network across Camden's estates. It also provides the November 2023 update on fire risk assessment actions. | |
| The work outlined in this report supports a number of the ambitions set out in We Make Camden, in particular making sure Camden has enough decent, safe, warm, and family-friendly housing to support its communities. | |
| 11. UPDATE FROM CABINET MEMBER FOR BETTER HOMES | All Wards |
| To consider the report from the Cabinet Member Better Homes who has provided an update to the Committee regarding housing rent arrears, voids, and repairs. | (Pages 49 - 56) |
| 12. WORK PROGRAMME AND FORWARD PLAN | All Wards |
| Report of the Director of Property Management | (Pages 57 - 68) |

This report suggests a possible work programme for the scrutiny committee

13. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT

AGENDA ENDS

The date of the next meeting will be Monday, 18 December 2023 at 6.30 pm in Committee Room 1, Town Hall, Judd Street, London WC1H 9JE.