

# **JOINT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

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**WEDNESDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER 2015 AT 6.30 PM  
COUNCIL CHAMBER, TOWN HALL, JUDD STREET, LONDON WC1H 9JE**

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## **MEMBERS**

**Councillors Danny Beales (L), Jenny Headlam-Wells (L), Alison Kelly (L),  
Awale Olad (L) and Don Williams (C)**

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

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- 9am on the day before the meeting for *Development Control Committee*
- 5.00pm, two working days before the meeting for *Cabinet*,
- 12.00 noon, five calendar days prior to the meeting for full *Council*
- Two clear days before the meeting for *Audit and Corporate Governance Committee, Pension Committee, Licensing Committee and Scrutiny Committees*
- NB *Licensing Panels* do not receive deputations

If you require special assistance to enable you to address a meeting, please contact the Committee Officer as soon as possible and s/he will make arrangements to assist you. Please note that if insufficient notice is provided it may not be possible to help you.

Apart from the full *Council*, Camden has a *Cabinet*, five *Scrutiny Committees*, an *Audit and Corporate Governance Committee and sub-committees*; a *Pension Committee*, a *Standards Committee*, a *Development Control Committee and a Licensing Committee with Licensing Panels*, as well as allowing decisions to be taken by individual *Cabinet Members* in a public meeting setting. All of these bodies are formed of Councillors, and although Council officers attend the meeting to present reports and give advice, only Councillors make decisions. The officers represent the departments which are presenting items for the meeting. There may also be co-opted (non-Councillor) members who also participate in the meetings.

The Chair of the meeting controls the debate. Those present discuss the business by addressing the Chair; this helps to keep the debate in an orderly manner. The Chair takes each item in turn and when s/he considers there has been sufficient debate, s/he will call for a decision on the item. At this stage, a vote may be taken on the recommendations, which are either found at the front of each report or put forward by Councillors. The reports are usually taken in the order on the agenda. Please note that it is not possible for you to take part in the discussion (unless you are invited to make representations) and smoking is not allowed on Council premises.

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If you have any views or questions about meetings at Camden Council please call Committee Services on 020 7974 1915.

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THERE ARE NO PART II REPORTS

## AGENDA

Wards

### 1. ELECTION OF CHAIR

To elect a Chair for the meeting.

### 2. APOLOGIES

### 3. DECLARATIONS BY MEMBERS OF PECUNIARY, NON-PECUNIARY AND ANY OTHER INTERESTS IN RESPECT OF ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA

### 4. DEPUTATIONS (IF ANY)

### 5. ANNOUNCEMENTS (IF ANY)

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

### 7. TERMS OF REFERENCE

‘To discuss the Leader’s Annual Statement to the Council and other relevant cross-cutting matters arising from the business of the Cabinet.’

The membership of the Joint Chairs of Scrutiny Committee will comprise the chairs of the five scrutiny committees, with the Chair being appointed by the Committee. The Leader and Deputy Leader of the Council will attend each meeting of the Committee to discuss issues arising from the Leader’s Annual Statement to the Council.

The Joint Chairs of Scrutiny Committee shall meet annually. The Leader and Deputy Leader of the Council shall attend this meeting to discuss issues arising from the Statement.

### 8. MINUTES

To consider the minutes of the meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> October 2014.

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**9. THE LEADER'S ANNUAL STATEMENT TO FULL COUNCIL**

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Report of the Leader of the Council

To consider the Leader of the Council's Annual Statement to Full Council.

**10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT**

**AGENDA ENDS**

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