



LONDON BOROUGH OF ENFIELD

**AGENDA FOR THE ANNUAL COUNCIL
MEETING TO BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 13TH
MAY, 2015 AT 7.00 PM**

**THE WORSHIPFUL THE MAYOR
AND COUNCILLORS OF THE
LONDON BOROUGH OF ENFIELD**

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Dear Councillor,

You are summoned to attend the Annual meeting of the Council of the London Borough of Enfield to be held at the Civic Centre, Silver Street, Enfield on Wednesday, 13th May, 2015 at 7.00 pm for the purpose of transacting the business set out below.

Yours sincerely

Armat Hussain

Assistant Director Legal & Corporate Governance

1. MAYOR'S CHAPLAIN TO GIVE A BLESSING

The Mayor's Chaplain to give a blessing.

2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Members of the Council are invited to identify any disclosable pecuniary other pecuniary or non pecuniary interests relevant to items on the agenda.

3. ELECTION OF MAYOR

To elect the Mayor of the London Borough of Enfield for the Municipal Year 2015/2016.

4. APPOINTMENTS

4.1 Appointment of Mayors Consort

The Mayor to announce the appointment of the consorts for the Municipal Year 2015/2016.

4.2 Appointment of Deputy Mayor

To receive the Mayor's written notice of the appointment of a Councillor of the London Borough of Enfield to be Deputy Mayor for the Municipal Year 2015/2016 and record the appointment.

4.3 Appointment of Deputy Leader and Cabinet

To note the appointment by the Leader of the Council of the Deputy Leader and the Cabinet, as detailed under item 10.1 on the agenda.

5. PRESENTATION OF THE PAST MAYOR AND CONSORT BADGES

On behalf of the Council, the Mayor will present past Mayor's and past Mayors Consort badges to Councillor Ali Bakir and Berdan Bakir.

6. MAYORS ANNOUNCEMENTS (IF ANY) IN CONNECTION WITH THE ORDINARY COUNCIL BUSINESS

7. MINUTES (Pages 1 - 26)

To approve, as a correct record, the minutes of the Council meeting held on Wednesday 25 March 2015.

8. APOLOGIES (IF ANY)

9. MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES AND PANELS

To receive the report of the Director of Finance, Resources & Customer Services asking the Council to determine the constitution and political balance of the committees, joint committees and panels that have been set up for discharge of the Council's functions. (Report No.1)

TO FOLLOW

10. APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL BODIES FOR 2015/2016

10.1 To establish Council bodies for the coming Municipal Year and to appoint memberships to these (see list on yellow). **TO FOLLOW**

10.2 To confirm the Terms of Reference of those bodies set out in Part 2 of the Constitution.

11. REPRESENTATIONS ON OTHER BODIES AND ORGANISATIONS 2015/16

To consider the Council's representation on other bodies and organisations as required (see list on green). **TO FOLLOW**

12. COUNCIL SCHEME OF DELEGATION

The Council is asked to agree the authority's Scheme of Delegation as set out in Part 3 (pages 3.2 to 3-13) of the Constitution.

13. COUNCILLORS' QUESTION TIME (TIME ALLOWED - 30 MINUTES) (Pages 27 - 54)

13.1 Urgent Questions (Part 4 - Paragraph 9.2.(b) of Constitution – Page 4-9)

With the permission of the Mayor, questions on urgent issues may be tabled with the proviso of a subsequent written response if the issue requires research or is considered by the Mayor to be minor.

Please note that the Mayor will decide whether a question is urgent or not.

The definition of an urgent question is "An issue which could not reasonably have been foreseen or anticipated prior to the deadline for the submission of questions and which needs to be considered before the next meeting of the Council."

Submission of urgent questions to Council requires the Member when submitting the question to specify why the issue could not have been reasonably foreseen prior to the deadline and why it has to be considered before the next meeting. A supplementary question is not permitted.

13.2 Councillors' Questions (Part 4 – Paragraph 9.2(a) of Constitution – Page 4 - 8)

The list of forty nine questions and their written responses are attached to the agenda.

14. MOTIONS

None received.

15. AMENDMENT TO MEMBERS ALLOWANCES SCHEME

To receive a briefing paper from the Director of Finance, Resources & Customer Services seeking approval to an amendment to the SRA payable under the Members Allowance Scheme in relation to the changes agreed by Council (25 March 2015) around governance of the Council's Pension Fund.

TO FOLLOW

16. MEMBERS STANDARDS FRAMEWORK - EXTENSION OF TERM OF OFFICE OF AN INDEPENDENT PERSON

Under the revised standards framework introduced by the Localism Act 2011 the Council has appointed two Independent Persons.

The Term of Office for one of those Independent Members (Christine Chamberlain) is due to expire on 30 June 2015 and having considered the position the Councillor Conduct Committee (24 March 2015) has agreed to recommend to Council that her term of office should be extended for a further 2 year period.

Council is asked to note there is no statutory limit on the length of time an Independent Person can serve.

Recommendation:

Council is asked to approve the extension of the term of office for Christine Chamberlain as an Independent Person for a further two year period to expire on 30 June 2017.

17. USE OF COUNCIL URGENCY PROCEDURE (Pages 55 - 56)

Council is asked to note the following decision taken by the Leader of the Council (4th May 2015), under the Council Urgent Action Procedure (in accordance with section 30 of the Council Procedure Rules):

Decision:

To agree the scheme of delegation (as detailed in the attached paper) in relation to the newly formed Council Housing and Strategic Services Division within Regeneration & Environment.

Reason for Urgency:

Council (28th January 2015) approved a report from the Director – Regeneration & Environment updating the scheme of delegation for that Department. Following the reintegration of Enfield Homes to the Council and decision to locate the newly formed Council Housing and Strategic Services Division within that Department there has been an urgent need to update the Departmental scheme of delegation to authorise officers within that Division to continue undertaking legal proceedings and attending court on behalf of the Authority.

It was not possible to include these additional powers within the original report to Council as the decision to integrate Council Housing and Strategic Services within Regeneration & Environment was taken after it had been agreed by Council. There is a need to ensure that officers within the newly created Division are authorised to be able to continue undertaking legal action and relevant legal proceedings as a matter of urgency (rather than

awaiting the next ordinary business meeting of Council) in order to ensure continuation of service, avoid duplication of work between housing and legal and minimise the risk of any challenge to ongoing legal proceedings.

18. CALENDAR OF MEETINGS

18.1 To approve the calendar of Council meetings, including the proposed date for the next Council Meeting on Wednesday 24th June 2015 at 7.00 p.m. at the Civic Centre. The calendar has been the subject of consultation with officers and both political groups. **TO FOLLOW**

18.2 The Council is asked to approve the calendar, subject to any further changes/additions being delegated to the Director of Finance, Resources & Customer Services, in consultation with both party groups.

19. CALLED IN DECISIONS

None received.

20. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Members are asked to note that subject to Item 18 above, the next meeting of the Council will be held on Wednesday 24th June 2015 at 7:00pm in the Civic Centre.

21. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

To consider, if necessary, passing a resolution under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 excluding the press and public from the meeting for the item of business listed on the Part 2 agenda on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in those paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act (as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006).

(Please note there is currently no Part 2 Agenda)