

Policy and Oversight Board Agenda

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If you would like to ask a question about any of the items on the agenda please email <u>David.Abbott@lbhf.gov.uk</u> by: 12 noon on the 8th of December 2023

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

If a Councillor has a disclosable pecuniary interest in a particular item, whether or not it is entered in the Authority's register of interests, or any other significant interest which they consider should be declared in the public interest, they should declare the existence and, unless it is a sensitive interest as defined in the Member Code of Conduct, the nature of the interest at the commencement of the consideration of that item or as soon as it becomes apparent.

At meetings where members of the public are allowed to be in attendance and speak, any Councillor with a disclosable pecuniary interest or other significant interest may also make representations, give evidence or answer questions about the matter. The Councillor must then withdraw immediately from the meeting before the matter is discussed and any vote taken.

Where Members of the public are not allowed to be in attendance and speak, then the Councillor with a disclosable pecuniary interest should withdraw from the meeting whilst the matter is under consideration. Councillors who have declared other significant interests should also withdraw from the meeting if they consider their continued participation in the matter would not be reasonable in the circumstances and may give rise to a perception of a conflict of interest.

Councillors are not obliged to withdraw from the meeting where a dispensation to that effect has been obtained from the Standards Committee.

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

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To approve the minutes of the previous meeting as an accurate record and note any outstanding actions.

4. UPDATE ON YOUTH VOICE

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This report provides an update to Policy and Oversight Board on recent developments to strengthen the reach and impact of youth voice in Hammersmith & Fulham. It explains the approach adopted by the Youth Council (with support from officers and community partners) to research, define, and action the priorities of our young people on their key areas of focus:

- Inclusion
- Mental health and emotional wellbeing

- Life skills (preparation for adulthood)
- Staying safe
- Work experience and work readiness

The report also outlines progress to date and next steps.

CONTINUING RESPONSE TO THE COST-OF-LIVING CRISIS 5.

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This report shows the continued priority the Council is giving to supporting residents and businesses through the Cost-of-Living crisis. It describes the range of new and continued statutory, discretionary and partner schemes that form part of our response programme under a sixpoint plan. This includes building blocks to develop a longer-term strategic approach to prevent poverty and its impacts, one of the key priorities in the Council's new Corporate Plan for 2023-26.

6. POLICY AND ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEES' UPDATE REPORT

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This report outlines the areas of work and reports considered by each of the Council's six Policy and Accountability Committees at their meetings in November 2023.

7. **WORK PROGRAMME**

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For the Board to note the draft work programme and suggest any amendments.

8. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

To note the following dates of future meetings:

- 23 Jan 2024
- 29 Apr 2024