



City of Westminster

# Council Agenda

Title: **Council Meeting**

Meeting Date: **Wednesday 7th March, 2018**

Time: **7.00 pm**

Venue: **Westminster Council House, 97-113 Marylebone Road,  
London, NW1 5PT**

Members: **All Councillors are hereby summoned to attend the Meeting  
for the transaction of the business set out.**

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**1. APPOINTMENT OF RELIEF CHAIRMAN**

To appoint a relief Chairman.

**2. MINUTES**

To sign the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council meeting held on 24 January 2018.

**3. LORD MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS (TO FOLLOW)**

**4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

To receive any Declarations of Interest from Members and Officers of the Council.

**5. PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS, IF ANY**

(a) Councillor Murad Gassanly to present a petition from residents of Churchill Gardens Estate to call on the Council to replace the derelict Balmoral Castle Public House with sheltered accommodation and community style housing.

(b) Any other Petitions or Deputations.

**6. QUESTIONS**

**Note by the Head of Committee and Governance Services**

With the consent of the Chief Whips of both the Majority Party and the Minority Party it is intended that rather than produce an order of questions by draw these will be sought by the Lord Mayor from Members indicating at the meeting that they have a question. The Leader of the Opposition will be entitled to ask up to 3 questions during the 45 minutes set aside for questions.

**7. COUNCILLOR ISSUES**

(a) Councillor Karen Scarborough: Westminster Residents and the London Economy

(b) Councillor Peter Freeman: Education in Westminster

**(Pages 1 - 6)**

**8. STATEMENT ON URGENT MATTERS**

With the approval of the Chairman of the meeting, the Leader of the Council may make a statement on an urgent matter and the Leader of the Opposition will have an equivalent right of reply.

**9. REPORT OF THE CABINET - 19 FEBRUARY 2018**

**(Pages 7 - 288)**

To consider the report of the Cabinet.

1. 2018-2019 Budget and Council Tax **(Appendix A)**
2. Capital Strategy 2018-2019 to 2022-2023: Forecast Position for 2017-2018 and Future Years Forecasts Summarised up to 2031-2032 **(Appendix B)**
3. Treasury Management Statement for 2018-2019 to 2022-2023 **(Appendix C)**
4. Housing Investment Strategy and Housing Revenue Account Business Plan 2018-2019 **(Appendix D)**
5. Integrated Investment Framework **(Appendix E)**
6. Council's Pay Policy **(Appendix F)**

**10. FUTURE POLICY PLAN**

**(Pages 289 - 294)**

To consider items chosen for debate from the attached Future Policy Plan.

**11. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

To receive, consider and debate, if chosen, the following reports which contain a recommendation to the Council for decision:

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Date of Meeting</b>
General Purposes (Members Allowances Scheme 2018-2019) (To Follow)	28 February 2018

## **12. NOTICE OF MOTION**

To be moved by Councillor Tim Roca and seconded by Councillor Paul Dimoldenberg

"Westminster Council notes the deep resident concerns about the current performance of CityWest Homes, particularly following the closure of estate offices, the introduction of the new call centre and the transition to the Morgan Sindall repairs contract. It registers its concern about the Cabinet Member decisions to approve the transformation strategy and other changes that have led to the deterioration in service.

Westminster Council believes that CityWest should be put on final notice that if its performance does not rapidly improve it will be removed from managing Westminster's Council properties. The council believes that urgent action is required to end the repairs crisis and improve the way CityWest treats its residents.

Westminster Council resolves to undertake an urgent review of CityWest Homes operations and structures, including its funding. Such a review should also focus on how to strengthen the power of residents as part of the management of the Council's housing stock.

The council further resolves to re-establish a network of local estate offices where residents can speak with housing management staff and therefore give staff better access to local areas. This network would look to utilise previous estate office buildings, other public buildings and new local hubs of council services.

The Council also resolves that any decision on renewing the management agreement with CityWest Homes should be approved by a ballot of tenants and leaseholders.

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23 February 2018**

**Chief Executive**