

# COUNCIL AGENDA

for the meeting on 14 December 2022 at 6.30 pm

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14. Humayan Kabir	
15. Sherwan Chowdhury	MAIN COUNCIL CHAMBER
16. Tamar Nwafor	(6 (37 (59 66) 50) 27()
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25. Mark Johnson	
26. Tony Pearson	
27. Helen Redfern	DEM EM
28. Gayle Gander	
29. Simon Fox	
30. Holly Ramsey	DM M
31. Joseph Lee	
32. Nikhil Sherine Thampi	
33. Enid Mollyneaux	
34. Chris Clark	
35. Amy Foster	56. Nina Degrads
36. Brigitte Graham	57. Janet Campbell
37. Mike Bonello	58. Callton Young
38. Louis Carserides	59. Stuart King
39. Sean Fitzsimons 40.Leila Ben-Hassel	60. Rowenna Davis (Scrutiny Chair)
40.Lella Ben-Hassel 41. Maddie Henson	61. Richard Chatterjee (Scrutiny Vice-Chair) 62. Michael Neal
41. Maddle Henson 42. Karen Jewitt	63. Andy Stranack
43.	64. Scott Roche
43.	65. Jeet Bains
45. Fatima Zaman	66. Yvette Hopley
46. Jade Appleton	67. Ola Kolade
47. Danielle Denton	68. Maria Gatland
48. Ian Parker	69. Jason Cummings
49. Simon Brew	70. Mario Creatura
50. Margaret Bird	Notes etc.
51. Samir Dwesar	M – Civic Mayor, Councillor Alisa Flemming
52. Lara Fish	<b>DM</b> – Deputy Civic Mayor, Councillor Sue Bennett
53. Alasdair Stewart	<b>EM</b> – Executive Mayor, Jason Perry
54. Robert Ward	<b>DEM</b> – Deputy Executive Mayor, Councillor Lynne Hale
55. Chrishni Reshekaron	Please note that the numbers relate to microphone numbers.
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To: To All Members of the Council

Date: 6 December 2022

A meeting of the COUNCIL which you are hereby summoned to attend, will be held on Wednesday, 14 December 2022 at 6.30 pm in Council Chamber, Town Hall, Katharine Street, Croydon CR0 1NX

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#### AGENDA - PART A

## 1. Apologies for Absence

To receive any apologies for absence from any Members.

### 2. Disclosure of Interests

Members are invited to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests (DPIs) and interests they may have in relation to any item(s) of business on today's agenda.

## 3. Urgent Business (if any)

To receive notice of any business not on the agenda which in the opinion of the Chair, by reason of special circumstances, be considered as a matter of urgency.

#### 4. Announcements

To receive Announcements, if any, from the Civic Mayor, the Executive Mayor, Head of Paid Service and Returning Officer.

### 5. Croydon Question Time

To receive questions submitted by residents in advance of the meeting.

Seven Public Questions will be heard at this meeting, which will be responded to. The questioners then will have the opportunity to ask a supplementary question based on the answer received.

The questions are as follows:

1. What is the council going to do to help residents in Oval road living with a garden adjoining to the yard at 130 Oval road, which is owned by a developer? A planning application was rejected here on multiple grounds such as access issues and loss of employment in May this year, so will the council consider to strike out this location from the Croydon Local Plan as it's not suitable for development?

- 2. When will the council finances be in the black so council services will be restored?
- 3. What is the council planning to do to keep residents safe from violence in the Old Town area?
- 4. Given that Croydon Council established Brick by Brick to deliver affordable homes under shared ownership on behalf of Croydon Council what procedures are in place to (a) ensure quality of service and (b) allow for feedback from those who have purchased under this scheme?
- 5. Following a successful bid to the Forestry Commission's Urban Tree Challenge Fund (UTCF), the GLA is funding the planting of 47 trees in Oval Road during the 2022- 23 planting season (to be planted by 31st March 2023). The UTCF has also provided funding for establishment costs (watering and maintenance) over three years.

Please confirm that 47 trees will be planted in Oval Road by 31 March 2023.

- 6. Will the Mayor commit to responding to leaseholders in Messer Court directly about the safety and sale prospects for our homes? I have been fighting for this reassurance since Grenfell and wasted thousands of pounds trying to sell my property that I have been told is unsellable as it is unsafe, mainly due to unsafe cladding. Whilst tenants received updates about developments at Regina Road, leaseholders in my block received nothing. We need clear answers and a clear timeline for action. We also need to know the Mayor's action plan in relation to cladding on council owned properties in Croydon.
- 7. In the wake of horrific cases of violence such as Sarah Evered, Sabina Nessa and stabbings in our town, safety is a major concern. Croydon Parks needs to be made safe. The gates of parks in my locality are not locked which poses a serious risk to residents and needs urgent action.

When are you going to lock our parks?

The total time allocated to Public Questions is 30 minutes.

#### 6. Member Petitions

Two Member Petitions have been received ahead of this Council meeting from Councillor Maddie Henson, Addiscombe East Ward, and from the Fairfield Ward Councillors and Sarah Jones MP. These two petitions are directed to the Mayor and Cabinet Member for Streets and Environment, Councillor Scott Roche.

The petitions have been verified and are worded as follows:

- 1. We the residents of Craven Road call on the council to introduce 1 way working in Craven Road from the direction of Bingham Road.
- 2. We, the undersigned businesses of Croydon and / or Surrey Street, Church Street and Old Town hereby petition to the Mayor to reduce anti-social behaviours, drug dealings and knife crimes.

To increase resources including but not limited to: increase Police presence; Public Protection Officers patrolling the area after school hours and evenings; install CCTV cameras at various location to deter crimes.

## 7. Recommendations from the Executive or Committees to Council for decision (Pages 11 - 98)

To consider the recommendations made by the Executive Mayor in Cabinet or Committees since the last ordinary Council meeting relating to the following matters:

- 1. The Executive Mayor's Business Plan 2022-26
- 2. Licensing Act 2003 Review of London Borough of Croydon Statement of Licensing Policy and Cumulative Impact Areas within the London Borough of Croydon Statement of Licensing

## **Policy**

## 8. Mayor and Cabinet Questions

For the Mayor and Cabinet to receive questions from members of Council.

## 9. Maiden Speeches

To hear maiden speeches from up to five Councillors newly elected at the election held on 5 May 2022.

## 10. Response to External Auditor's Query regarding the Former Chief Executive's Settlement Payment (Pages 99 - 110)

Council is asked to note the Council's response to the External Auditor's query and attached as Appendix 1. Note that the response is based on the Monitoring Officer's findings following due diligence enquiries undertaken.

## 11. South London Waste Plan Development Plan Document - Adoption (Pages 111 - 622)

As the current South London Waste Plan ends this year, it is important for residents that a replacement plan is in place with up-to-date and robust policies that can be used to consider planning applications for waste facilities.

## **12. Use of Special Urgency for Key Decisions** (Pages 623 - 626)

In accordance with the Access to Information Procedure Rules (Part 4B of the Constitution), the Executive Mayor is required to submit a report to Council on the use of Special Urgency for key decisions.

### 13. Appointments

For Council to note any new appointments, or changes to existing appointments to committees and / or sub-committees.

#### 14. Council Debate Motions

To debate any motions submitted in accordance with Council Procedure Rules.

The following two Motions, one from the Administration and one from the Leader of the Opposition, will be debated:

#### **Conservative Administration Motion**

This Council regrets the unacceptable delay in taking remedial action over the issues found at Regina Road and across Croydon's housing stock and welcomes the Mayor's plan to consult on potential regeneration to provide a long-term solution that provides high quality housing for our Council Tenants and Leaseholders.

## **Labour Opposititon Motion**

This Council recognises the suffering of so many Croydon residents who are struggling to pay their energy bills in the middle of the cost-of-living crisis.

This Council understands that the average energy bill of £3,000 takes a serious physical and psychological toll, with 60% of people reporting they are too anxious to turn on their heating.

This Council commends Croydon's voluntary sector for leading the way on sourcing 'Warm Banks' - public spaces that people can turn to for heat and companionship when they don't feel able to switch on the heating at home - including Croydon Voluntary Action, The Salvation Army and St George's Church.

This Council notes that over 50% of Local Authorities in England are involved in setting up Warm Banks, according to Save the Children.

This Council recognises that given the difficult financial position of our Local Authority, we must do everything we can to help and that we can do so without adding extra pressure to our finances.

This Council therefore calls upon the Mayor to:

1. Promote Croydon's existing Warm Banks on its website in the Cost-of-

Living Support section as well as regularly through its social media channels.

- 2. Review the Council's properties, particularly libraries, to see if any could be used as Warm Banks during existing opening hours.
- 3. Invite other organisations, including businesses, faith and community groups, to open their doors to Croydon's citizens by serving as Warm Banks.