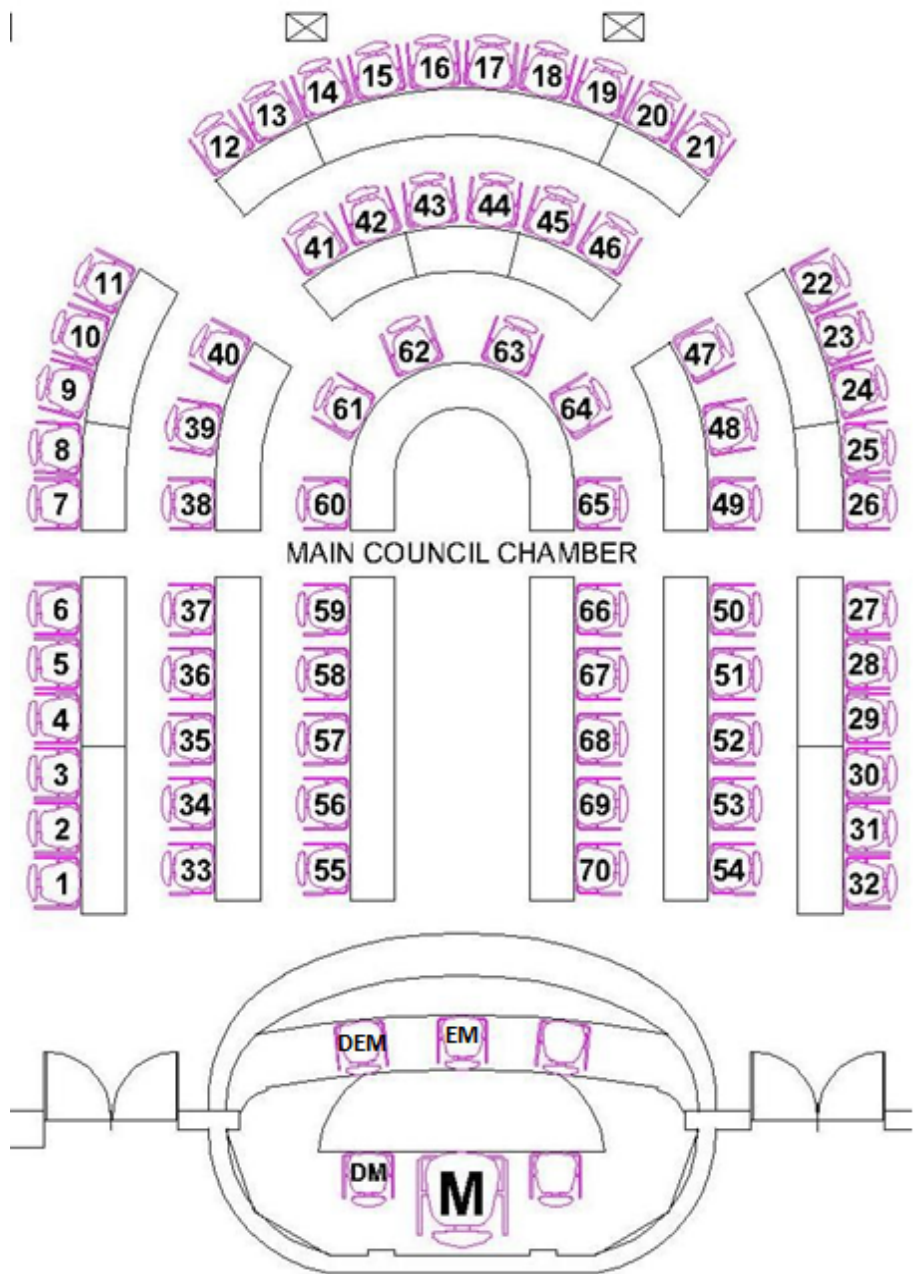




**COUNCIL
AGENDA**
for the meeting
on
29 March 2023 at
6.35 pm

1. Stuart Collins
2. Manju Shahul-Hameed
3. Ellily Ponnuthurai
4. Catherine Wilson
5. Mohammed Islam
6. Appu Srinivasan
7. Clive Fraser
8. Kola Agboola
9. Patricia Hay-Justice
10. Eunice O'Dame
11. Christopher Herman
12. Matthew Griffiths
13. Patsy Cummings
14. Humayan Kabir
15. Sherwan Chowdhury
16. Tamar Nwafor
17. Stella Nabukeera
18. Esther Sutton
19. Ria Patel
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21. Claire Bonham
22. Adele Benson
23. Luke Shortland
24. Endri Llabuti
25. Mark Johnson
26. Tony Pearson
27. Helen Redfern
28. Gayle Gander
29. Simon Fox
30. Holly Ramsey
31. Joseph Lee
32. Nikhil Sherine Thampi
33. Enid Mollyneaux
34. Chris Clark
35. Amy Foster
36. Brigitte Graham
37. Mike Bonello
38. Louis Carserides
39. Sean Fitzsimons
40. Leila Ben-Hassel
41. Maddie Henson
42. Karen Jewitt
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45. Fatima Zaman
46. Jade Appleton
47. Danielle Denton
48. Ian Parker
49. Simon Brew
50. Margaret Bird
51. Samir Dwesar
52. Lara Fish
53. Alasdair Stewart
54. Robert Ward
55. Chrishni Reshekaron



56. Nina Degrad
57. Janet Campbell
58. Callton Young
59. Stuart King
60. Rowenna Davis (Scrutiny Chair)
61. Richard Chatterjee (Scrutiny Vice-Chair)
62. Michael Neal
63. Andy Stranack
64. Scott Roche
65. Jeet Bains
66. Yvette Hopley
67. Ola Kolade
68. Maria Gatland
69. Jason Cummings
70. Mario Creatura
Notes etc.
M – Civic Mayor Councillor Alisa Flemming
DM – Deputy Civic Mayor – Councillor Sue Bennett
EM – Executive Mayor Jason Perry
DEM – Deputy Executive Mayor – Councillor Lynne Hale
Please note that the numbers relate to microphone numbers.

To: To All Members of the Council

Date: 21 March 2023

A meeting of the **COUNCIL** which you are hereby summoned to attend, will be held on **Wednesday, 29 March 2023** at **6.35 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. Minutes of the Previous Meeting (Pages 7 - 14)

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 1 March 2023 as an accurate record.

3. Disclosure of Interests

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

4. 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.

5. Announcements

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

6. Croydon Question Time

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

The questions are as follows:

1. Can the Mayor / Council confirm whether they understand the causal factors behind the Brick by Brick / Fairfield Halls issues and if so what controls have been put in place to prevent this from happening again?

2. Instead of ordering residents to pay unaffordable council tax now,

why have you not yet announced any plans to recoup monies paid by Croydon council, to former members and officers, as detailed in your recent election communications?

7. Section 24 Statutory Recommendations Report from Grant Thornton (Pages 15 - 30)

8. Recommendations of Cabinet or Committees to Council for decision (Pages 31 - 38)

To consider the recommendations made the General Purposes Committee since the last ordinary Council meeting relating to the following matters:

Council Procedure Rules

9. Quarterly Report on the use of Special Urgency Procedures in respect of Key Decisions (Pages 39 - 46)

10. Mayor and Cabinet Questions

11. Maiden Speeches

12. Appointments

To agree any in-year changes to appointments to committees.

13. 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 Group Motion

'This Council notes the decision of the Appointments and Disciplinaries Committee on 23rd March 2023.

Those who caused Croydon Councils financial downfall must be held to account. It is vital that all avenues are pursued to ensure that residents anger and desire for accountability are recognised.'

Labour Group Motion

This council recognises the progress that has been made since November 2020 in addressing the council's financial and governance problems.

This council further notes that these improvements were acknowledged by – amongst others – a Non Statutory Rapid Review and the Improvement & Assurance Panel, with the latter acknowledging the “credible progress that had been made” during the period of the last Labour administration.

This council is disappointed to note the recent announcement by the Secretary of State at DHLUC that he is minded to intervene in the governance of Croydon following his conclusion that the council under the leadership of Mayor Perry is not meeting its Best Value Duty.

This council recognises that all councillors have a role to play in ensuring that the council once again meets its Best Value Duty.

This council therefore calls on the Mayor to set out how he intends to work more collaboratively with councillors from all political parties represented on the council to ensure the authority continues at greater pace, its improvement journey.
