

## Council Assembly

Wednesday 12 July 2023

7.00 pm

Council Offices, 160 Tooley Street, London SE1 2QH

## Supplemental Agenda No. 1

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	1. Professor Siobhan Gregory; Clinical Quality Director – London, NHS England	
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	3. Rebecca Efeotor, Managing Director, Supreme Care Services Limited	
	4. Professor Kevin Fenton	
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	Three deputation requests have been received for this meeting:	
	1. Kirby Estate Tenants' and Residents' Association	
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	3. Sonay Ozkutayli	

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<b>Report title:</b>		Public Question Time	
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**1. QUESTION FROM JUDY PEVAN TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR CLIMATE EMERGENCY, CLEAN AIR AND STREETS**

What evidence has Southwark collected to assess the economic impact to the small shops in Evelina Road and around Nunhead Station if CPZ is implemented? Anecdotal evidence from shop keepers and businesses are that they are extremely concerned and some fear their businesses may have to close.

**2. QUESTION FROM KARIN GREENHEAD TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR CLIMATE EMERGENCY, CLEAN AIR AND STREETS**

Where is the data on use of cars by non-drivers and others in the form of accepting lifts to go for medical treatment, shopping, to the recycling centre Veolia and so on with drivers who offer this service free of charge?

**3. QUESTION FROM RICHARD KERNICK TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR CLIMATE EMERGENCY, CLEAN AIR AND STREETS**

The Council says the CPZ is being imposed uniformly across the borough in the name of 'equality'. In so many respects areas are unequal. Why is this so important that the unique needs and context of each local area (age, disability etc) don't matter?

**4. QUESTION FROM CRIS CLARIDGE TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR CLIMATE EMERGENCY, CLEAN AIR AND STREETS**

Has Southwark carried out an equality assessment on the impact of a CPZ on eg vulnerable residents who depend on daily care visits and who are not blue badge holders. And other groups as required under equality legislation eg disabled?

**5. QUESTION FROM KARL PERSSON TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR CLIMATE EMERGENCY, CLEAN AIR AND STREETS**

With regard to controlled parking zones, how does the labour council propose to sustain the longevity of local businesses by imposing an

additional cost on in addition to the recent hike in local business rates during a cost of living crisis?

**6. QUESTION FROM NICOLE RICHARDS TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR CLIMATE EMERGENCY, CLEAN AIR AND STREETS**

On my road:

A car mechanic who looks after his bedridden wife at home has family visitors; The doctor's surgery have visitors with mobility issues; The youth club, an important positive hub for teenagers, parks 2 minibuses. What positive effect will a PAID parking permit scheme have on their lives?

**7. QUESTION FROM HEATHER MEYER TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR CLIMATE EMERGENCY, CLEAN AIR AND STREETS**

Why are you proposing a CPZ in Nunhead when there are no parking issues in our area? In a cost of living crisis it feels like yet another tax burden and the benefits unfounded. Will a proper consultation be done which listens to the views of the community?

**8. QUESTION FROM NEIL WATSON TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR CLIMATE EMERGENCY, CLEAN AIR AND STREETS**

In 2019, Cllr McAsh stated with conviction:

"controlled parking should only be implemented with the consent of residents".

"Consultation can result in full implementation, full rejection or partial implementation."

Why is the cabinet member now refusing to recognise the immense scale of opposition to the proposed scheme in Nunhead?

**9. QUESTION FROM AMBER DALTON TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR CLIMATE EMERGENCY, CLEAN AIR AND STREETS**

What evidence does the council have to support the assertion that a CPZ will lead to decreased pollution and emissions?

**10. QUESTION FROM DAISY MOON TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR CLIMATE EMERGENCY, CLEAN AIR AND STREETS**

The CPZ proposals include double yellow lines across the cul-de-sac in Hichisson Road, SE15. How is preventing residents of this quiet street from parking near our own houses, forcing us to cause more congestion nearby and block spaces in front of other people's properties, 'in line with Council policy'?

**11. QUESTION FROM JORDEN THOMAS TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR CLIMATE EMERGENCY, CLEAN AIR AND STREETS**

Lilac House was not advertised on homesearch as being a permit free development; now a cpz is being imposed residents like me who moved from outside the LLA risk losing their cars can this be investigated please? single mum of 2 (1 additional needs) not eligible for blue badge.

**12. QUESTION FROM NANCY SPENCER TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR CLIMATE EMERGENCY, CLEAN AIR AND STREETS**

The CPZ proposals include new double yellow lines across the residential cul-de-sac portion of Hichisson Road, SE15 where we live. Arbitrarily removing the current 12+ parking spaces will force us to park elsewhere leading to parking congestion and risking conflict with those who reside in nearby streets. Please explain.

**13. QUESTION FROM AIDAN SPENCER TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR CLIMATE EMERGENCY, CLEAN AIR AND STREETS**

Please explain the proposed double yellow lines throughout the cul-de-sac portion of Hichisson Road, SE15 where our healthcare clinic is located. This will discriminate against our clients with significant mobility issues and threaten our business. There is very limited paid parking proposed and not within an easy walk.

**14. QUESTION FROM MS. BAYNES TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR CLIMATE EMERGENCY, CLEAN AIR AND STREETS**

I read with deep concern the LBS Streets for People Strategy. The EIA document which is supposed to meet the requirements of the Equality Act 2010. However, in reality the information is facetious and detrimental. How was your research was carried out, and what input helped make your decisions?

**15. QUESTION FROM KHADIJATOU DOYNEH TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR CLIMATE EMERGENCY, CLEAN AIR AND STREETS**

A Queens Road Peckham resident, I've seen 3,000 signed strong opposition to any enforced, unpopular & unnecessary Borough-wide CPZ. It's causing extreme distress. Discrimination against poor, disabled, everybody with guests, & necessary service needs. Does LBS feel it's fair to remove our democratic rights in 2023?

**16. QUESTION FROM KODWO FYNN TO THE CABINET MEMBER FOR CLIMATE EMERGENCY, CLEAN AIR AND STREETS**

Where is the empirical evidence to show CPZ introduction has improved air quality in London and the justification for proposed tariff charges?

**AUDIT TRAIL**

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<b>Item No.</b> 3.1	<b>Classification:</b> Open	<b>Date:</b> 12 July 2023	<b>Meeting Name:</b> Council Assembly
<b>Report title:</b>		Community Evidence on the Themed Debate	
<b>Ward(s) or groups affected:</b>		All	
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## BACKGROUND INFORMATION

### Introduction

1. The council assembly business panel agreed that the theme for council assembly in March 2023 should be "Health and wellbeing in Southwark".

### Community evidence on the theme

2. The deadline for community evidence was 11.59pm, 6 July 2023.
3. The following requests have been received by the deadline for consideration by this meeting and they are listed in the order received below.
4. Which community evidence shall be considered and the length of each submission will be established by way of a programme motion at the start of council assembly. Community evidence shall be conducted under the existing rules for public participation.
5. If the community evidence is not dealt with by council assembly, the matter shall be referred without debate to the relevant cabinet member who shall, after consideration, respond with an open reply to the sender.

### Submissions

1. **Professor Siobhan Gregory; Clinical Quality Director – London, NHS England**

The community evidence requests states:

"I will talk briefly about my 38 years working in the NHS and how things have changed for the better in that time, about the impact of innovation in areas such as IT and how partnership working has developed to benefit the populations we serve. I can also share positive messages around diversity in London and some examples of how collaborative partnership working is improving the health and wellbeing of Southwark residents."

2. **Community Health Ambassadors Network**

The community evidence requests states:

“The Community Health Ambassadors will be sharing their experiences in the Ambassadors role. They will give an update of activities they have carried out as Ambassadors, such as sharing health information resources, listening to community concerns, and signposting residents to services in support in the borough. They will share personal examples of what they have done in their communities and topics and skills they have developed via their Ambassador role. They will also share how they have provided feedback on issues in their local community to shape services. We would like to celebrate and showcase the positive impact the Community Health Ambassadors Network has had on local people.”

### 3. Rebecca Efeotor, Managing Director, Supreme Care Services Limited

The community evidence requests states:

“I would like to present community evidence about working in Southwark and in particular what difference the ethical care charter has made for our workforce and Supreme Care as an employer.”

### 4. Professor Kevin Fenton

The community evidence requests states:

“Professor Fenton would like to speak about his current role, with a specific focus on health inequalities that are present across London. Kevin will speak about work taking place across London to tackle these health inequalities.”

## BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Background Papers	Held At	Contact
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Assistant Chief Executive – Governance and Assurance	No	No
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<b>Cabinet Member</b>	No	No
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<b>Item No.</b> 4.	<b>Classification:</b> Open	<b>Date:</b> 12 July 2023	<b>Meeting Name:</b> Council Assembly
<b>Report title:</b>		Deputation Requests	
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## RECOMMENDATION

1. That council assembly considers whether or not to hear deputations from the groups listed in paragraph 5 of this report.

## BACKGROUND INFORMATION

2. Council assembly procedure rule 2.6 (11) states that no more than three deputations shall be considered at any one meeting. However the meeting can decide to suspend this rule in order to hear more or vary the order.
3. When considering whether to hear the deputation request, council assembly can decide:
  - to receive the deputation at this meeting or a future meeting; *or*
  - that the deputation not be received (if the matter is not dealt with by council assembly, the matter shall be referred without debate to the relevant cabinet member who shall after consideration, respond with an open reply to the sender); *or*
  - to refer the deputation to the most appropriate committee/ sub-committee.
4. A deputation shall consist of no more than six people, including its spokesperson. One member of the deputation shall be allowed to address the meeting for no longer than 5 minutes. The deputation spokesperson or any member of the deputation nominated by him or her shall be invited to ask a question of the leader or relevant cabinet member. After this time councillors may ask questions of the deputation for up to 5 minutes. At the conclusion of the questions, the deputation will be shown to the public seating area where they may listen to the remainder of the open section of the meeting.

## KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

### Deputation requests

5. The following deputation requests have been received:

## **1. Kirby Estate Tenants' and Residents' Association**

The deputation request states:

"Kirby Estate has been suffering from increased damp and mould and cold flats since the installation of new windows as part of the Quality Homes Investment Programme (QHIP) Major Works in 2020. Since then, but particularly after the constitution of our TRA in September 2022, the tenants and residents of Kirby Estate have been asking Southwark Council to review this installation and take remedial action to fix the problem. On 27 May 2022, an inspection was carried out by a Technical Consultant from International Glass Associates, who found "high priority" issues requiring remedial works in all the flats inspected but also claimed that the build-up of mould post installation was due to extreme cluttering and lack of ventilation and air-circulation, to which we disagree.

We believe that the exponential increase in mould and dampness derives from the wrong use of add-ons to fit the window frames to the brickwork, which is something that a Technical Consultant is not necessarily qualified to assess. With the support of our Councillors and MP, we secured a visit from a Building Control Officer in April 2023. Unfortunately, to this date the Building Control department has not produced a report. Instead, they have referred the LBS Major Works Team to the Fenestration Self-Assessment Scheme (FENSA; the self-regulated body in charge of certifying window installations), who had previously approved the whole installation based on one single pre-completed flat in summer 2020. FENSA, however, claims that they do not mediate in disputes which are of a cosmetic or contractual nature and suggest that another independent company is employed to carry out an inspection. At this stage, no progress has been made and we face another winter of cold, mould, damp, sickness and exorbitant heating costs.

We appeal to the assembly for their support in getting a Building Control report on the defects of the installation, so that Southwark Council can move forward and take the appropriate steps to fix the problem."

## **2. Nunhead residents**

The deputation request states:

"In our deputation, we will cover the council's plans to introduce controlled parking zones (CPZ) in the Nunhead and Queen's Road and Peckham Rye Wards. We represent many local residents who are unhappy with the council's plans. We will voice our support for the objectives of the Streets for People plan and ask the council to consider if the CPZ is the best way to achieve these goals."

## **3. Sonay Ozkutayli**

The deputation request states:

“I would like to formally request that I am permitted to make a deputation regarding a matter that falls within the responsibility of the council.

Mint Street Park regeneration was funded by s106 agreements & capital receipts, which are all derived from publicly funded income, therefore placing the obligation upon Southwark to ensure that the intention of monies used and outcome were for community infrastructure betterment.

It is the opinion of myself and this deputation that, on the contrary, the use of the building itself is no longer providing the open community space it once did and is only available to select groups and therefore not within the parameters with which the funding was released.

Intentional or ineffective administrative procedures and financial levies for the use of our community funded building has created a barrier that has in fact seen a sharp decline of use from other individuals. residents, small or voluntary organisations.

- Can this be allowed to continue?
- How do the council propose to ensure that all groups, especially vulnerable and marginalised groups have access to the space?
- Have the Council completed an audit to ascertain community usage prior to regeneration and post regeneration?
- Will the Council seek to establish easier, fairer and more equitable processes to ensure the community has access to the space?”

## BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Background Papers	Held At	Contact
Deputation Request File	Constitutional Team 160 Tooley Street, London SE1 2QH	Virginia Wynn-Jones 020 7525 7055
Council Assembly Procedure Rule 2.6, Southwark Constitution	Constitutional Team 160 Tooley Street, London SE1 2QH	Virginia Wynn-Jones 020 7525 7055

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## AMENDMENTS

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### ITEM 3.2: THEMED DEBATE – Health and Wellbeing in Southwark (see pages 14-18 of the main agenda)

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#### AMENDMENT A

**Proposed by:** Councillor Maria Linforth-Hall

- 1. d. **Delete:** “and the Conservative and Liberal Democrat coalition”
- 1. f. **Insert:** “crisis” after “NHS”
- 1. h. **Delete** “establish” and insert “established”

After 1.o **insert:**

- p. The 2023 Southwark public health report which highlights the health inequalities exacerbated by the poor air quality in the borough
- q. That all air quality monitors in Southwark breach WHO guidelines, including in schools, two of which are above the legal limits for NOx
- r. Southwark has the 3rd highest mortality burden associated with air pollution in London
- s. Damp and mould has a serious impact on the health of residents in Southwark and disproportionately affects those from deprived backgrounds who are more likely to live in poor quality housing
- t. Southwark Council has a poor record in responding to damp and mould and must move away from the current reactive service which is failing residents and exacerbating health inequalities in Southwark.

- 3. a. **delete** “Labour” and insert “Liberal Democrat-backed”
- 3. a. **delete** “and the Liberal Democrat governments”

After 3.k **insert:**

- l. Extend the Santander Cycle Hire scheme further into the borough to promote cleaner and healthier travel.
- m. Accelerate the roll out of electric vehicle (EV) charging points on council land and the transition to EVs for council operated and sub-contracted vehicles to reduce internal combustion engine generated pollution.

- n. Investigate how particulate matter generated by braking and tyre wear can be mitigated.
- o. Use existing geographic data on air quality to target screening for known health problems, including lung cancer.
- p. Improve tree maintenance and watering work to ensure that the tree planting programme actually results in a tree canopy for the long term, to absorb gaseous pollution.
- q. Ask that overview and scrutiny committee considers and scrutinises the council's mitigation strategies for poor air quality, bringing together work that the environment and community engagement scrutiny commission and the health and social care scrutiny commission will do on this topic.
- r. Identify buildings, estates and areas with consistent damp and mould issues using data collected by the repairs team.
- s. Tackle the root causes of damp and mould in these problem areas with targeted proactive repairs and repairs action days.
- t. Improve monitoring of damp and mould cases by requiring housing associations to provide data on reports and interventions within their housing stock.

Renumber all paragraphs and sub-paragraphs accordingly.

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**ITEM 5.2.2: MEMBERS' MOTIONS – Clean Up Southwark** (see pages 29-31 of the main agenda)

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**AMENDMENT B**

**Moved:** Councillor Cassandra Brown

**Seconded:** Councillor Sabina Emmanuel

**Delete:** Clean Up Southwark

**Insert:** A Clean Southwark

**Delete:** 1. b and e.

**Re-number** c. and d. as b. and c.

**Delete:** 2, 3 and 4

**Insert:**

2. Council assembly notes the council's record on fly-tipping:
  - a. The council removed fly-tipping within 24 hours in 98.6% of cases in 2021/22, beating the target of 98%.
  - b. According to the national Flycapture database, Southwark has the fewest incidents of fly-tipping reported by the public of all London boroughs who provided figures.
  - c. 81% of fly-tipping collected is done so proactively, without the public even needing to report it.
  - d. It is notoriously difficult to find evidence for fly-tipping. Nonetheless, the council's CCTV Team currently has four active cameras deployed to support enforcement activity in areas of concern for fly tipping, and since April the CCTV team have provided the Environmental Enforcement Team with 46 examples of evidence.
  - e. Despite a tough financial climate, the council has not removed any funding from fly-tipping and instead invested £500,000 into improving street cleanliness in 2022/23. This includes additional resources for graffiti removal, fly-tip removal and enforcement, and litter bins to increase recycling from street cleaning.
3. Council assembly notes the council's record on litter and street cleaning:

- a. The resources deployed for cleaning of high profile locations such as town centres has been maintained in 2022/23 therefore no reduction in frequency.
  - b. The Council provides litter picking on residential roads between twice and six times per week, based on need. This will help maintain acceptable levels of cleanliness for litter on residential roads.
  - c. The most recent figures show the council meeting its targets for both littering and street detritus.
4. Council assembly notes the council's record on pest control:
- a. Reporting figures detail the total number of visits, not infestations, and for all rodent infestations not just rats
  - b. Almost 100% of pest related works involve a treatment programme which requires multiple visits to an individual property for a single infestation
  - c. All council tenants receive a free service for the most common pests including rat treatments
  - d. Those residents who pay for our service and are in receipt of benefits or state pension receive a 50% reduction in costs.
  - e. The council contracts the service to the London Borough of Croydon.
5. This council resolves to:
- a. Sustain the cross council approach of services working collaboratively to resolve the issue of fly-tip at hotspot locations. These services include Waste Management, Cleaning, Environmental Enforcement, Housing, CCTV and Markets.
  - b. Maintain the council's high standards of removing fly tipping within 24 hours and continue to aspire to beat the target of 98%.
  - c. Keep up the council record of keeping Southwark streets clean, town centres and residential roads clean, with regular sweeping as well as targeted cleaning.
  - d. Continue to offer all council tenants receive a free service for the most common pests including rat treatments and maintain the high standard of pest control that all residents receive from the council.



- e. Uphold the work of the enforcement team dealing with commercial waste compliance and fly-tipping and continue to provide a responsive service to our residents.
- f. Use the additional funding available in 2023/24 to address fly-tipping to enhance the fly-tipping removal service as well as to increase the level of enforcement action taken against those who are responsible for fly-tipping.

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**ITEM 5.2.3: MEMBERS' MOTIONS – Tackling Damp and Mould** (see pages 31-33 of the main agenda)

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**AMENDMENT C**

**Moved:** Councillor Andy Simmons

**Seconded:** Councillor Sarah King

**Delete** 1. c-e, 2, 3, and 4, and **replace with:**

- c. Southwark Council recognises the importance of addressing the problems damp and mould can cause and the need for a robust system and processes, both proactive and reactive, to ensure that measures are in place to tackle and reduce issues surrounding condensation in its properties.
- d. In October 2021 the Housing Ombudsman Spotlight Report was published. This made 26 recommendations for improvements across the industry. The key items for inclusion were:
  - i. Taking a zero tolerance approach to interventions with mould; meaning to take all reasonable measures to help resolve damp
  - ii. Avoid blaming the resident – The Ombudsman felt landlords were too quick to lay the blame of the problem with residents' use of the property
  - iii. It's not lifestyle – The Ombudsman case studies highlighted a number of cases had underlying issues which were not identified or addressed. The council responded by reviewing the damp and mould strategy and implementing a new approach.
- e. Since 2022 the council has:
  - i. Delivered a Major works scheme to address the damp mould and piloted the use of smart home technology on Kingswood Estate
  - ii. Consulted with residents at Area Forums and set up a resident online workshop
  - iii. Implemented a new policy which sets out how Southwark Council will respond and manage damp, mould and condensation, as well as its proactive approach to identify and remediate potential causes of future damp and mould

- iv. Created a new Damp & Mould team in November 2022 within the repairs function who take ownership of the end to end process of a resident making an enquiry through to completion and follow-up of the works.
  - f. The Council has also introduced enhanced IT and additional ways a resident can contact the service. This includes:
    - i. Providing a dedicated phone number with direct access to the Damp & Mould team
    - ii. A dedicated email contact, again, direct to the team
    - iii. A new online reporting form with the ability to upload pictures and videos
    - iv. Targeted action days on estates
    - v. Posters with QR codes on display within our estates informing residents on how to report D&M
    - vi. Updated web-site with key information
    - vii. Produced a new resident facing damp pack brochure
  - g. Triaging for damp and mould works are now applied. An urgent priority, which is based on residents' vulnerability and severity of hazards & risks. Routine damp and mould cases are raised on a separate priority. The dedicated team communicate with the resident, checking that they are happy at the end of the process and returning if needed for further advice or works.
  - h. As part of our initial inspection process, our trained inspectors provide guidance and a damp pack to all residents when on site. Every resident receives a Hygrometer to measures the humidity and water vapour in the air, which helps identify factors that cause damp and mould.
  - i. The Damp & Mould team have been selected on the basis of their experience of damp and across the repairs spectrum, are trained in HHSRS (housing health and safety rating system), and can flag where a property is category one and doesn't meet decent home standard.
2. Council assembly welcomes:
- a. The creation of the Southwark damp and mould taskforce and hopes this team can be put to effective use in improving Southwark's response to damp and mould in the borough.
  - b. The success of the repairs action days held throughout the borough that facilitated direct engagement between council officers and residents and saw proactive repairs carried out with effective follow-ups from the repairs team.
3. Council assembly resolves to:

- a. Ensure that keeping people safe in their homes remains the number one priority for our housing teams.
- b. Continue to use a data-led approach, with a Power BI dashboard which allowing us to accelerate our response to damp and mould. This allows the council to pull together and automate the reporting of data that is held on a separate database.
- c. Ensure that this data is available to overview and scrutiny committee, the housing scrutiny commission and the cabinet.
- d. Use newly created heat maps to identify repeat visits and flag blocks which could have recurring environmental, mechanical or structural issues
- e. Build on the success of the repairs action day, by creating a calendar for future repair action days, to the benefit of residents in all wards.
- f. Continue to insure that an inspector attends every report of damp within 20 days, taking the resident through a booklet on managing damp in the home and providing each resident with a hygrometer as well as inspecting for airflow, leaks or any other issues that may be causing damp.
- g. Call on the government to support local authorities in tackling damp and mould by providing the necessary extra resources, ensuring the council continue to keep people safe in their homes.
- h. Continue enforcement on private landlords, who do not tackle or take action to solve damp and mould issues.
- i. Offer advice and support residents raising a complaint where housing associations are failing to tackle damp and mould, as well as signposting residents on how to report them to the Ombudsman if necessary.
- j. Remain committed to working with government, the GLA and other partners to ensure we continue to eradicate damp and mould across our council homes, and work with the GLA on the development of any 'gold standard'.

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