



## Overview & Scrutiny Committee

MINUTES of the OPEN section of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee held on Wednesday 22 May 2024 at 8.00 pm at Southwark Cathedral, London Bridge, London SE1 9DA

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**PRESENT:** Councillor Ian Wingfield (Chair)  
Councillor Irina Von Wiese (Vice-Chair)  
Councillor Suzanne Abachor  
Councillor Cassandra Brown  
Councillor Victor Chamberlain  
Councillor Sam Foster  
Councillor Laura Johnson  
Councillor Richard Leeming  
Councillor Margy Newens  
Councillor Catherine Rose  
Councillor Martin Seaton

### 1. APOLOGIES

There were no apologies for absence.

### 2. NOTIFICATION OF ANY ITEMS OF BUSINESS WHICH THE CHAIR DEEMS URGENT

There were no late items.

### 3. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS

There were no disclosures of interests or dispensations.

#### 4. SCRUTINY ARRANGEMENTS FOR 2024-25

##### RESOLVED:

1. That the size and composition of the overview and scrutiny committee as agreed by council assembly – detailed below be noted.

##### Overview and Scrutiny Committee

##### Membership

	<b>Labour (9)</b>	<b>Liberal Democrats (2)</b>
1.	Ian Wingfield (Chair)	Irina von Wiese (Vice-Chair)
2.	Suzanne Abachor	Victor Chamberlain
3.	Cassandra Brown	
4.	Sam Foster	
5.	Laura Johnson	
6.	Richard Leeming	
7.	Margy Newens	
8.	Catherine Rose	
9.	Martin Seaton	
<b>Reserves</b>		
	<b>Labour (9)</b>	<b>Liberal Democrats (2)</b>
1.	Maggie Browning	Rachel Bentley
2.	Sunil Chopra	Jane Salmon
3.	Sabina Emmanuel	
4.	Barrie Hargrove	
5.	Jon Hartley	
6.	Esme Hicks	
7.	Richard Livingstone	
8.	Michael Situ	
9.	Cleo Soanes	
<b>Voting co-optee places (4) (Able to vote on Education Function related issues only)</b>		
1.	Church of England Diocese representative	Tbc
2.	Roman Catholic Diocese representative	Tbc
3.	Elected Parent governor representative x2	Tbc

**Remit:** As set out in paragraph 6.1 of the overview and scrutiny procedure rules, with specific scrutiny responsibility in respect of:

- Council's policy and budget framework
  - Regeneration
  - Human Resources and the council's role as an employer and corporate practice generally
  - Customer access issues, including digital strategy, information technology and communications
  - The council's equalities and diversity programmes
2. That scrutiny commissions be established as set out below for the 2024-25 municipal year, with the chairs and vice-chairs as listed (pages 2 to 4). The Health and Social Care Scrutiny commission to be given responsibility for Health matters, and the Housing, Community Safety and Community Engagement Scrutiny commission to be given responsibility for Crime and Disorder matters.

**(Remits:** Each commission will have within their remit, oversight responsibility for the areas reflected in their titles. Detail of the specific areas of responsibility to be drawn from the cabinet member portfolios following the meeting.

As and when required, the Overview and Scrutiny Committee may call upon a commission to undertake a piece of work that does not necessarily sit with another commission's identified remit of responsibility.)

### Education and Local Economy Scrutiny Commission

	<b>Labour (5)</b>	<b>Liberal Democrats (2)</b>
1.	Cassandra Brown (Chair)	Rachel Bentley (Vice-Chair)
2.	Sunil Chopra	Irina von Wiese
3.	Renata Hamvas	
4.	Jon Hartley	
5.	Youcef Hassaine	
<b>Reserves</b>		
	<b>Labour (5)</b>	<b>Liberal Democrats (2)</b>
1.	Gavin Edwards	Victor Chamberlain
2.	Ketzia Harper	Adam Hood
3.	Sunny Lambe	
4.	Jason Ochere	
5.	Chloe Tomlinson	
<b>Voting Co-optee places</b>		
1.	Church of England Diocese representative	Tbc

2.	Roman Catholic Diocese representative	Tbc
3.	Elected Parent Governor representatives x 2	Tbc
<b>Non-Voting Co-optee places</b>		
	To be considered at the discretion of the commission	

### Environment Scrutiny Commission

	<b>Labour (5)</b>	<b>Liberal Democrats (2)</b>
1.	Margy Newens (Chair)	Graham Neale (Vice-Chair)
2.	Sabina Emmanuel	Hamish McCallum
3.	Leo Pollak	
4.	Reggie Popoola	
5.	Bethan Roberts	
<b>Reserves</b>		
	<b>Labour (5)</b>	<b>Liberal Democrats (2)</b>
1.	Naima Ali	Rachel Bentley
2.	Sunil Chopra	Adam Hood
3.	Esme Dobson	
4.	Youcef Hassaine	
5.	Darren Merrill	
<b>Non-voting co-opted places</b>		
	To be considered at the discretion of the commission	

## Health and Social Care Scrutiny Commission

	<b>Labour (5)</b>	<b>Liberal Democrats (2)</b>
1.	Suzanne Abachor (Chair)	Maria Linforth-Hall (Vice-Chair)
2.	Esme Dobson	Nick Johnson
3.	Jason Ochere	
4.	Sandra Rhule	
5.	Charlie Smith	
<b>Reserves</b>		
	<b>Labour (5)</b>	<b>Liberal Democrats (2)</b>
1.	Dora Dixon Fyle	Victor Chamberlain
2.	Sam Foster	David Watson
3.	Emily Hickson	
4.	Leo Pollak	
5.	Joseph Vambe	
<b>Non Voting Co-opted places</b>		
	To be considered at the discretion of the commission	

## Housing, Community Safety and Community Engagement Scrutiny Commission

	<b>Labour (5)</b>	<b>Liberal Democrats (2)</b>
1.	Sam Foster (Chair)	Emily Tester (Vice-Chair)
2.	Barrie Hargrove	Jane Salmon
3.	Ketzia Harper	
4.	Esme Hicks	
5.	Sunny Lambe	
<b>Reserves</b>		
	<b>Labour (5)</b>	<b>Liberal Democrats (2)</b>
1.	Cassandra Brown	Adam Hood
2.	Ellie Cumbo	Hamish McCallum
3.	Laura Johnson	
4.	Bethan Roberts	
5.	Kath Whittam	
<b>Non-voting co-opted places (3)</b>		
1.	Tenants Forum	Tbc
2.	Homeowners Forum	Tbc
3.	Southwark Tenant Management Organisations Committee	Tbc

	Additional non-voting co-opted places to be considered at the discretion of the commission	
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### 3. Nominations to Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committees

- South East London Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (2 places)

Labour – Suzanne Abachor

Liberal Democrats – Maria Linforth-Hall

**Note:** No work programme topics were put forward at this meeting.

The meeting ended at 8.03pm

**CHAIR:**

**DATED:**