

Council Assembly

Ordinary meeting

Wednesday 9 July 2025

7.00 pm

Council Offices, 160 Tooley Street, London SE1 2QH

Councillors are summoned to attend a meeting of the Council to consider the business contained herein

Althea Loderick
Chief Executive

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PART A - OPEN BUSINESS

1. PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1.1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies for absence.

1.2. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE CABINET OR CHIEF EXECUTIVE

To receive any announcements from the Mayor, members of the cabinet or the chief executive.

1.3. NOTIFICATION OF ANY ITEMS OF BUSINESS WHICH THE MAYOR DEEMS URGENT

In special circumstances an item of business may be added to an agenda within seven working days of the meeting.

1.4. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS

Members to declare any interests and dispensations in respect of any item of business to be considered at this meeting.

1.5. MINUTES

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To approve as a correct record the open minutes of the council assembly meeting held on 17 May 2025.

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3.	ISSUES RAISED BY THE PUBLIC	
3.1.	PETITIONS	
	No petitions have been received.	
3.2.	PUBLIC QUESTION TIME	
	The deadline for public questions is 11.59pm, Thursday 3 July 2025. Questions can be emailed to constitutional.team@southwark.gov.uk .	
	Questions from the public will be distributed in a supplemental agenda.	
4.	THEMED DEBATE	
4.1.	COMMUNITY EVIDENCE	
	The deadline for community evidence on the theme is 11.59pm, Thursday 3 July 2025. Submissions can be emailed to constitutional.team@southwark.gov.uk .	
	Submissions from the public will be distributed in a supplemental agenda.	
4.2.	MOTION ON THE THEME	19 - 24
	The cabinet member for community safety & neighbourhoods to present the theme for the meeting.	
5.	DEPUTATIONS	
	The deadline for deputation requests is 11.59pm, Thursday 3 July 2025. Deputations can be emailed to constitutional.team@southwark.gov.uk .	
	Deputation requests will be distributed in a supplemental agenda.	

6. ISSUES RAISED BY MEMBERS

6.1. MEMBERS' QUESTION TIME 25 - 30

To receive any questions from members of the council.

6.2. MEMBERS' MOTIONS 31 - 42

To consider the following motions:

- Southwark welcomes 400th refugee family
- Southwark Stands Against Welfare Cuts
- Making Space for Girls in Parks and Open Spaces
- Implementation of a Tourist Tax
- Limiting the spread of damaging gambling premises in the Blue

7. REPORT(S) FOR DECISION

7.1. WAIVER OF SIX-MONTH COUNCILLOR ATTENDANCE RULE: SECTION 85 OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 43 - 45

8. AMENDMENTS

Any member of the council may submit an amendment to a report or motion on the agenda. The amendments will be circulated to all members in a supplemental agenda.

ANY OPEN ITEMS IDENTIFIED AS URGENT AT THE START OF THE MEETING

EXCLUSION MOTION (IF NECESSARY)

The following motion should be moved, seconded and approved if the council wishes to exclude the press and public to deal with reports revealing exempt information:

“That under the access to information procedure rules of the Southwark constitution, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in section(s) 1 – 7 of paragraph 10.4 of the procedure rules.”

PART B – CLOSED BUSINESS

ANY CLOSED ITEMS IDENTIFIED AS URGENT AT THE START OF THE MEETING