

<b>Item No.</b> 3.1	<b>Classification:</b> Open	<b>Date:</b> 16 October 2013	<b>Meeting Name:</b> Council Assembly
<b>Report title:</b>		Themed Debate: Green Southwark	
<b>Ward(s) or groups affected:</b>		All	
<b>From:</b>		Proper Constitutional Officer	

## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

### **Introduction**

1. On 4 December 2012 the council assembly business panel met to agree the themes for the themed section of council assembly meetings for the 2013/14 municipal year. The council assembly business panel agreed that the theme for the themed section of council assembly in October 2013 should be 'Green Southwark'.

### **What happens at the meeting?**

2. At the meeting the agenda will be:
  - Cabinet member has 10 minutes in which to present the theme, plan or strategy
  - Shadow cabinet member has 5 minutes in which to reply
  - Public pre-submitted questions on the theme of the meeting (maximum of 15 minutes)
  - Member's motions on the cabinet theme using present principles to allow sufficient political balance and for political groups to hold cabinet to account.

One hour shall be allocated for the themed debate. The Mayor shall have the discretion to vary timings as appropriate.

### **Public questions on themed debate**

3. The deadline for public questions is Midnight, Thursday 10 October 2013. To find out more visit [www.southwark.gov.uk/democracy](http://www.southwark.gov.uk/democracy) or to submit a public question email [constitutional.team@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:constitutional.team@southwark.gov.uk).
4. The Mayor may reject a question if it is not relevant to the theme, plan, strategy or policy under discussion.
5. The time during which public questions shall be taken at a themed meeting shall not exceed 15 minutes and shall be conducted under the existing rules for public questions.

## Members' motions

6. All motions shall be relevant to the topic under discussion and shall be conducted under the existing rules for members' motions. Normal deadlines shall apply for the submission of members' motions.
7. The order of motions and timings shall be determined by the Mayor.

## Themes

8. The themes for each meeting are set by the council assembly business panel.

## BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Background Papers	Held At	Contact
Constitution	160 Tooley Street London SE1 2QH	Constitutional Team <a href="mailto:constitutional.team@southwark.gov.uk">constitutional.team@southwark.gov.uk</a> 020 7525 7228

## APPENDICES

No.	Title
None	

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Strategic Director Finance & Corporate Services	No	No
Director of Legal Services	No	No
<b>Cabinet Member</b>	No	No
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