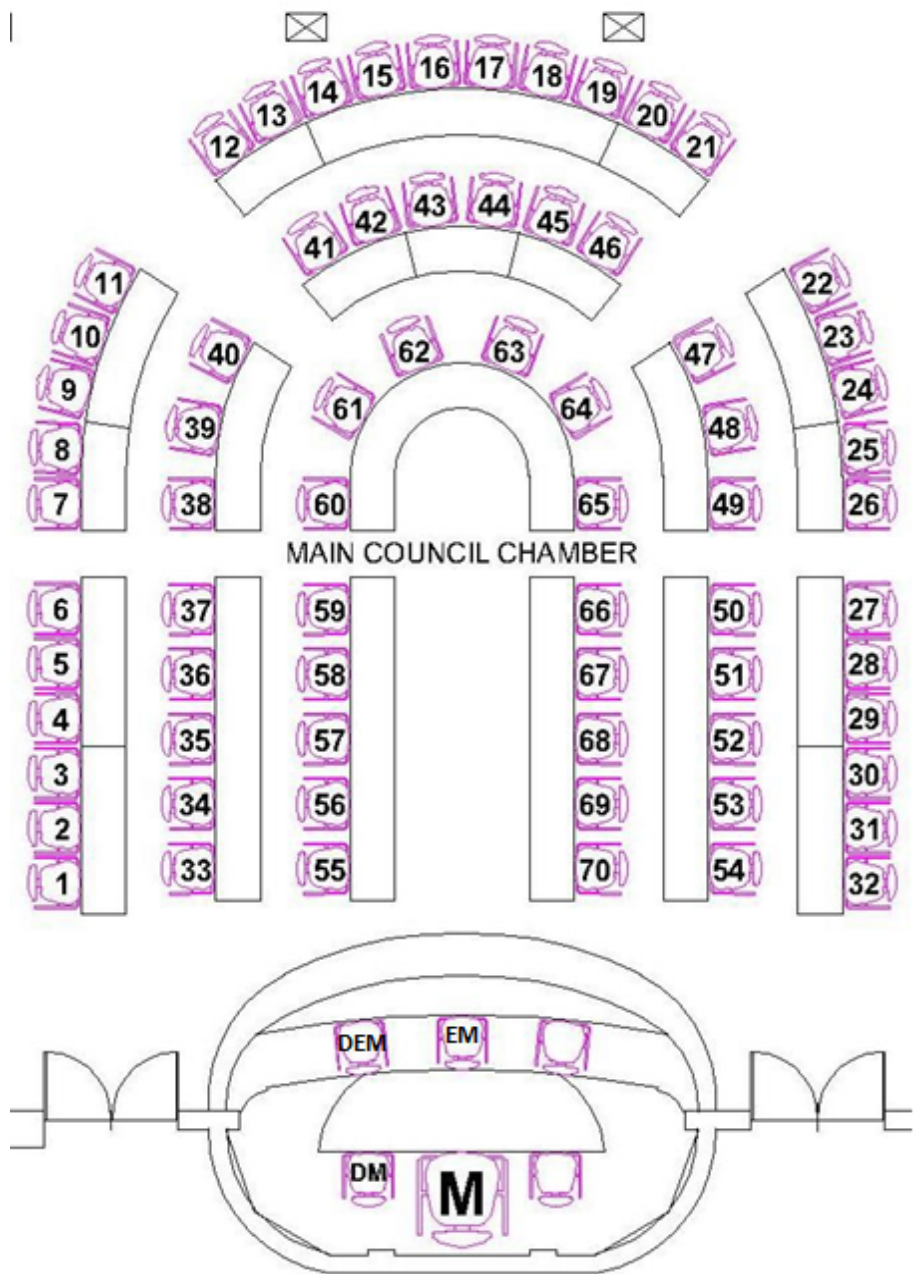




**COUNCIL
AGENDA**
for the meeting
on
1 March 2023 at
6.30 pm

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 February 2023

A meeting of the **COUNCIL** which you are hereby summoned to attend, will be held on **Wednesday, 1 March 2023** at **6.30 pm** in **Council Chamber, Town Hall, Katharine Street, Croydon CR0 1NX**

Stephen Lawrence-Orumwense
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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 - 26)

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 12 December 2022 and 1 February 2023 as accurate records.

3. Disclosure of Interests

In accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct and the statutory provisions of the Localism Act, Members and co-opted Members of the Council are reminded that it is a requirement to register disclosable pecuniary interests (DPIs) and gifts and hospitality to the value of which exceeds £50 or multiple gifts and/or instances of hospitality with a cumulative value of £50 or more when received from a single donor within a rolling twelve month period. In addition, Members and co-opted Members are reminded that unless their disclosable pecuniary interest is registered on the register of interests or is the subject of a pending notification to the Monitoring Officer, they are required to disclose those disclosable pecuniary interests at the meeting. This should be done by completing the Disclosure of Interest form and handing it to the Democratic Services representative at the start of the meeting. The Chair will then invite Members to make their disclosure orally at the commencement of Agenda item 3. Completed disclosure forms will be provided to the Monitoring Officer for inclusion on the Register of Members' Interests.

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. The Croydon Debate

It has been proposed, in consultation with the Chair of Council, that, as it is in the public interest, the following petition be debated at this Council meeting:

'We the people of Croydon reject the imposition of a 15% council tax rise.

We should not be asked to pay more to get less.

Funding for Croydon Council from central government has been cut dramatically over the past 13 years, and we receive far less funding per person than neighbouring Lambeth.

We note that the Conservative Council that left office in 2014 handed over around £1 billion in debt. This was increased by 50% by the Labour group which ran the council from 2014-22.

Successive councils and successive governments are to blame for the current financial situation in Croydon Council. The one group that is not to blame is Croydon's residents.

We call on the Croydon Mayor to withdraw plans for a 15% hike in Council Tax in the middle of the worst fall in living standards on record.

And we call on the Government to give Croydon Council the same funding per person as neighbouring Lambeth.'

7. Review of Council Tax Support Scheme 2023/24 (Pages 27 - 112)

The Council's Constitution: Part 4A Council Procedure Rules paragraph 1.15 allows a Member to move a motion or amendment to the same effect as one rejected within the previous six months where not less than fifteen Members have signed a notice in support of such a motion. Such a notice has been received by the Monitoring Officer and as a result the item is required to be placed on the council agenda.

8. Croydon Pay Policy Statement 2023/24 (Pages 113 - 158)

To ensure that the Pay Policy Statement complies with the decision-making requirements within the Constitution in accordance with the statutory guidance and the Localism Act 2011 for dealing with

severance packages and Special Severance Payments and in particular with regard to urgency.

To comply with the legal requirements for the Council, in accordance with sections 38 and 39 of the Localism Act 2011, to prepare and publish an annual Pay Policy Statement.

9. Scheme of Members' Allowances (Pages 159 - 204)

Under the Local Authorities (Members' Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003, Councils each year, must approve the Members' Allowances Scheme for the next financial year.

10. Council Tax and Budget Report (Pages 205 - 490)

The Cabinet decision on the Budget will be made at the meeting on Wednesday 22 February. The decision notice will be published as Appendix A to this report following that meeting.