

COUNCIL MINUTES

Wednesday 2 March 2022 at 7.00 pm
Council Chamber - Lambeth Town Hall, Brixton, London, SW2 1RW.

The Worshipful the Mayor in the Chair

COUNCILLORS PRESENT:

Councillors Councillor Danial Adilypour, Councillor Scott Ainslie, Councillor David Amos, Councillor Donatus Anyanwu, Councillor Liz Atkins, Councillor Mary Atkins, Councillor Jonathan Bartley, Councillor Matthew Bennett, Councillor Anna Birley, Councillor Scarlett O'Hara, Councillor Linda Bray, Councillor Tim Briggs, Councillor Lucy Caldicott, Councillor Marcia Cameron, Councillor Rezina Chowdhury, Councillor Malcolm Clark, Councillor Joe Corry-Roake, Councillor Fred Cowell, Councillor Kevin Craig, Councillor Jim Dickson, Councillor Ibrahim Dogus, Councillor Stephen Donnelly, Councillor Pete Elliott, Councillor Adrian Garden, Councillor Nicole Griffiths, Councillor Nigel Haselden, Councillor Dr. Mahamed Hashi, Councillor Claire Holland, Councillor Mohamed Jaser, Councillor Maria Kay, Councillor John Kazantzis, Councillor Ben Kind, Councillor Joshua Lindsey, Councillor Irfan Mohammed, Councillor Jennie Mosley, Councillor Jane Pickard, Councillor Joanna Reynolds, Councillor Mohammed Seedat, Councillor Becca Thackray, Councillor Martin Tiedemann, Councillor Clair Wilcox, Councillor Andy Wilson, Councillor Timothy Windle and Councillor Sonia Winifred

APOLOGIES:

Councillor Jennifer Brathwaite, Councillor Edward Davie, Councillor Jon Davies, Councillor Jacqui Dyer, Councillor Peter Ely, Councillor Paul Gadsby, Mayor, Councillor Annie Gallop, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Pauline George, Councillor Jack Hopkins, Councillor Jessica Leigh, Councillor Nanda Manley-Browne, Councillor Marianna Masters, Councillor Jackie Meldrum, Councillor Emma Nye, Councillor Iain Simpson, Councillor Joanne Simpson and Councillor Tina Valcarcel

1 Declaration of Pecuniary Interests

There were none.

2 Minutes

RESOLVED:

That the minutes from the 19th January 2022 be agreed as a correct record of proceedings.

3 Announcements

4 Petitions and Deputations relating to the Budget

There were none.

5 Revenue & Capital Budget 2022/23 to 2024/25

Councillor Wilson introduced the Budget, highlighting that Lambeth had experienced central Government budgets being cut by half. This had forced the Council to stay on sustainable financial footing by increasing the costs of Council services. Whereas a number of local Council's had sought to balance their budgets by increasing their Council Tax, Lambeth would increase support for Council Tax for 3 million of its residents. Lambeth would also look to helping other vulnerable households, including spending £500,000 of funding for independent advice agencies for residents needing support managing their finances. Unlike its neighbouring borough's, Lambeth was using its funds to ensure poorer families would not have to pay a penny in Council Tax. Lambeth's Labour Administration recognised the important priorities of its residents, including the costs of living crisis and crime and safety – both of which the budget delivered on.

Cllr Bartley and Cllr Briggs, who had both proposed amendments to the Budget, set out via the Green Group Alternative Budget and the Conservative Group Alternative Budget respectively, each addressed Council.

The following Councillors also spoke:

1. Cllr Marcia Cameron (Labour)
2. Cllr Kevin Craig (Labour)
3. Cllr Becca Thackray (Green)
4. Cllr Lucy Caldicott (Labour)
5. Cllr Mo Jaser (Labour)
6. Cllr Scarlett O'Hara (Labour)
7. Cllr Jonathan Bartley (Green)
8. Cllr Maria Kay (Labour)
9. Cllr Donatus Anyanwu (Labour)
10. Cllr Jim Dickson (Labour)
11. Cllr Mo Seedat (Labour)
12. Cllr Nicole Griffiths (Labour)
13. Cllr Matthew Bennett (Labour)
14. Cllr Jane Pickard (Labour)

Councillor Elliott and Councillor Holland then closed the debate.

The Mayor moved to the vote and reminded members that in accordance with Standing Order 16.5, a recorded vote was required when voting on all budget and council tax issues at Council budget meetings.

Amendment 1, the Conservative Alternative Budget, proposed by Cllr Tim Briggs, was

put to a recorded vote and DEFEATED by 42 votes against to 1 vote for.

Councillors recorded their votes on the amendment as follows:

Councillor	For	Against	Abstain	Absent
Adrian GARDEN		X		
Andrew WILSON		X		
Anna BIRLEY		X		
Annie GALLOP				X
Ben KIND		X		
Christopher WELLBELOVE				X
Clair WILCOX		X		
Claire HOLLAND		X		
Christiana VALCARCEL				X
Danial ADILYPOUR		X		
David AMOS		X		
Donatus ANYANWU		X		
Edward DAVIE				X
Emma NYE				X
Fred COWELL		X		
Iain SIMPSON				X
Ibrahim DOGUS		X		
Irfan MOHAMMED		X		
Jack HOPKINS				X
Jackie MELDRUM				X
Jacqui DYER				X
Jane PICKARD		X		
Jennie MOSLEY		X		
Jennifer BRATHWAITE				X
Jessica LEIGH				X
Jim DICKSON		X		
Joanna REYNOLDS		X		
Joanne SIMPSON				X
John KAZANTZIS		X		
Jon DAVIES				X
Jonathan BARTLEY		X		
Joseph CORRY-ROAKE		X		
Joshua LINDSEY		X		
Kevin CRAIG		X		
Linda BRAY		X		
Liz ATKINS		X		
Lucy CALDICOTT		X		
Mahamed HASHI		X		

Malcolm CLARK		X		
Marcia CAMERON*				
Maria KAY		X		
Marianna MASTERS				X
Martin TIEDEMANN		X		
Mary ATKINS		X		
Matthew BENNETT		X		
Mohamed JASER		X		
Mohammed SEEDAT		X		
Nanda MANLEY-BROWNE				X
Nicole GRIFFITHS		X		
Nigel HASELDEN		X		
Paul GADSBY				X
Pauline GEORGE				X
Pete ELLIOTT		X		
Peter ELY				X
Philip NORMAL				X
Rebecca THACKRAY		X		
Rezina CHOWDHURY		X		
Scarlett O'HARA		X		
Scott AINSLIE		X		
Sonia WINIFRED		X		
Stephen DONNELLY		X		
Tim BRIGGS	X			
Timothy WINDLE		X		
Total	1	42	0	19

*The Mayor did not vote.

Amendment 2, the Green Group Alternative Budget, proposed by Cllr Jonathan Bartley, was put to a recorded vote and DEFEATED by 38 votes against to 5 votes for.

Councillors recorded their votes on the amendment as follows:

Councillor	For	Against	Abstain	Absent
Adrian GARDEN		X		
Andrew WILSON		X		
Anna BIRLEY		X		
Annie GALLOP				X
Ben KIND		X		
Christopher WELLBELOVE				X

Clair WILCOX		X		
Claire HOLLAND		X		
Christiana VALCARCEL				X
Danial ADILYPOUR		X		
David AMOS		X		
Donatus ANYANWU		X		
Edward DAVIE				X
Emma NYE				X
Fred COWELL		X		
Iain SIMPSON				X
Ibrahim DOGUS		X		
Irfan MOHAMMED		X		
Jack HOPKINS				X
Jackie MELDRUM				X
Jacqui DYER				X
Jane PICKARD		X		
Jennie MOSLEY		X		
Jennifer BRATHWAITE				X
Jessica LEIGH				X
Jim DICKSON		X		
Joanna REYNOLDS		X		
Joanne SIMPSON				X
John KAZANTZIS		X		
Jon DAVIES				X
Jonathan BARTLEY	X			
Joseph CORRY-ROAKE		X		
Joshua LINDSEY		X		
Kevin CRAIG		X		
Linda BRAY		X		
Liz ATKINS		X		
Lucy CALDICOTT		X		
Mahamed HASHI		X		
Malcolm CLARK		X		
Marcia CAMERON*				
Maria KAY		X		
Marianna MASTERS				X
Martin TIEDEMANN		X		
Mary ATKINS		X		
Matthew BENNETT		X		
Mohamed JASER		X		
Mohammed SEEDAT		X		
Nanda MANLEY-BROWNE				X
Nicole GRIFFITHS	X			
Nigel HASELDEN		X		
Paul GADSBY				X

Pauline GEORGE				X
Pete ELLIOTT	X			
Peter ELY				X
Philip NORMAL				X
Rebecca THACKRAY	X			
Rezina CHOWDHURY		X		
Scarlett O'HARA		X		
Scott AINSLIE	X			
Sonia WINIFRED		X		
Stephen DONNELLY		X		
Tim BRIGGS		X		
Timothy WINDLE		X		
Total	5	38	0	19

*The Mayor did not vote.

The original budget recommendations, as proposed by Cllr Wilson and set out in the Revenue and Capital Budget 2022/23 to 2024/25 report, were then put to a recorded vote and APPROVED by 37 votes for, 1 vote against and 5 abstentions.

Councillors recorded their votes on the budget proposals as follows:

Councillor	For	Against	Abstain	Absent
Adrian GARDEN	X			
Andrew WILSON	X			
Anna BIRLEY	X			
Annie GALLOP				X
Ben KIND	X			
Christopher WELLBELOVE				X
Clair WILCOX	X			
Claire HOLLAND	X			
Christiana VALCARCEL				X
Danial ADILYPOUR	X			
David AMOS	X			
Donatus ANYANWU	X			
Edward DAVIE				X
Emma NYE				X
Fred COWELL	X			
Iain SIMPSON				X

Ibrahim DOGUS	X			
Irfan MOHAMMED	X			
Jack HOPKINS				X
Jackie MELDRUM				X
Jacqui DYER				X
Jane PICKARD	X			
Jennie MOSLEY	X			
Jennifer BRATHWAITE				X
Jessica LEIGH				X
Jim DICKSON	X			
Joanna REYNOLDS	X			
Joanne SIMPSON				X
John KAZANTZIS	X			
Jon DAVIES				X
Jonathan BARTLEY			X	
Joseph CORRY-ROAKE	X			
Joshua LINDSEY	X			
Kevin CRAIG	X			
Linda BRAY	X			
Liz ATKINS	X			
Lucy CALDICOTT	X			
Mahamed HASHI	X			
Malcolm CLARK	X			
Marcia CAMERON*				
Maria KAY	X			
Marianna MASTERS				X
Martin TIEDEMANN	X			
Mary ATKINS	X			
Matthew BENNETT	X			
Mohamed JASER	X			
Mohammed SEEDAT	X			
Nanda MANLEY-BROWNE				X
Nicole GRIFFITHS			X	
Nigel HASELDEN	X			
Paul GADSBY				X
Pauline GEORGE				X
Pete ELLIOTT			X	
Peter ELY				X
Philip NORMAL				X
Rebecca THACKRAY			X	
Rezina CHOWDHURY	X			
Scarlett O'HARA	X			
Scott AINSLIE			X	
Sonia WINIFRED	X			
Stephen DONNELLY	X			

Tim BRIGGS		X		
Timothy WINDLE	X			
Total	37	1	5	19

The meeting ended at 8.45 pm

MAYOR
Wednesday 13 July 2022

Date of Despatch: Tuesday 19 April 2022
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