

Living in Hackney Scrutiny Commission
9th February 2026
Item 5 – Update on Community Halls Review

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Outline

The Living in Hackney Scrutiny Commission is keen to receive an update on the outcomes of the Community Halls Review and to follow up on the [suggestions for improvement](#) made by the Commission following its previous meeting on [8th July 2024](#).

This discussion is seen as timely amid recognition that community halls are currently an underused asset, and the ongoing challenges faced in improving their accessibility, usage and quality.

The accessibility, usage and quality of community halls was also suggested as a topic of interest by residents who responded to the Overview & Scrutiny annual work programme survey.

Report(s)

- Item 5a. Presentation from Housing Services
- Item 5b. Community Halls Total Income Breakdown 2024-25

Invited Attendees

Housing Services

- Cllr Guy Nicholson, Deputy Mayor & Cabinet Member for Housing Management & Regeneration
- Helena Stephensen, Acting Director Tenancy & Homeownership Services
- Modi Abdoul, Head of Resident Participation

Resident Liaison Group

- Steve Webster & Zara Shoorvazi, Resident Liaison Group Co-Chairs

Action

Members are asked to consider the written information provided and ask questions of those in attendance.