

Living in Hackney Scrutiny Commission 10th March 2026 Item 4 – Temporary Accommodation Hostel Visitor Policy	Item No 4
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Outline

The Living in Hackney Scrutiny Commission is keen to review the Council's visitor policy for temporary accommodation (TA) hostels, in light of the recent Shelter report into the impact of the policy and individuals and families experiencing homelessness in the borough.

The impact of TA hostel visitor policies on individuals and families experiencing homelessness is an issue that the Commission has raised previously, most notably following our formal meeting on TA and site visits to TA hostels in [March 2023](#).

Report(s)

- Item 4a. Report from Benefits & Homelessness Prevention (*to follow in supplementary agenda*)
- Item 4b. Report from Shelter

Invited Attendees

Benefits & Homelessness Prevention

- Cllr Sade Etti, Cabinet Member for Homelessness Prevention, Rough Sleeping & Temporary Accommodation
- Alex Clarke, Director Housing Strategy & Homelessness Prevention
- Lee Georgiou, Assistant Director Benefits & Homelessness Prevention

Shelter

- Stanley Harvey, Service Manager London
- Simone Strachen, Strategic Lead London

Action

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