

Overview & Scrutiny

Scrutiny Panel Scrutiny Commission

Rolling Work Programme May 2025 – April 2026

All meetings take place at 7.00 pm and will be virtual until further notice. This rolling work programme report is updated and published on the agenda for each meeting of the Panel.

Dates	Proposed Item	Directorate and officer contact	Comment and Action
Thursday 12th June 2025 Papers deadline: Tuesday 3 rd June	Housing Ombudsman Special Report on Hackney Council	Richard Blakeway Housing Ombudsman	Presentation of the Special Report for Hackney Council from the Housing Ombudsman.
	Budget Scrutiny Task and Finish Panel	Chief Executive Directorate Chair Councillor Margaret Gordon	Establishment of Scrutiny Panel's Budget Scrutiny Task & Finish Panel
Monday 1st September 2025 Papers deadline: Wed 20 th Aug	Council Budget	Finance and Corporate Resources Directorate Group Director Finance and Corporate Resources, Naeem Ahmed. Cabinet Member for Finance, Insourcing and Customer Service Cllr Rob Chapman	Review of the Council's Budget, Spend and Priorities for 2025/2026 and update on the savings proposals implemented for up to 2024/2025. Information presented to cover: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An overview of the Council's budget, including challenges and the projected budget gap. • An update on the progress of budget savings proposals approved for implementation up

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			<p>to the 2024/2025 budget year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budgets by Directorate for the current 2025/2026 fiscal year. • Key budgets spend priorities for each Directorate in 2025/2026. • Identified budget pressures by Directorate for 2025/2026.
	Overview of Scrutiny Commission Work Programmes for 2025-2026	Chief Executive Directorate Chair Councillor Margaret Gordon	A review of the O&S public engagement report. An overview of the suggestions received for the scrutiny commissions.
<p>Mon 6th Oct 2025</p> <p>Papers deadline: Thurs 25th Sept</p>	Hackney Council Complaints and Enquiries Annual Report 2024/2025	<p>Chief Executive's Directorate</p> <p>Cabinet Member for Finance, Insourcing and Customer Service, Cllr Rob Chapman</p> <p>Assistant Director Business Intelligence, Elections & Member Services, Bruce Devile</p>	Annual report of the Council's Complaints and Members Enquiries for 2024/25.
	Council's Performance Reporting - New Dashboards	Chief Executive's Directorate Cabinet Member for Finance, Insourcing and Customer Service	Review of the Council's new performance dashboards

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		<p>Cllr Rob Chapman</p> <p>Assistant Director Business Intelligence, Elections & Member Services, Bruce Devile</p>	
<p>Mon 19th January 2026</p> <p>Papers deadline: Fri 9th Jan</p>	<p>Call-in of Executive Key Decision</p>	<p>Housing, Climate and Economy Directorate</p>	<p>Call in related to the Key Decision HCE S433: Implementation of Standard Fees & Charges for Markets Street Trading & Shop Fronts 2025/2026</p>
<p>Tues 27th Jan 2026</p> <p>Papers deadline: Fri 16th Jan</p>	<p>Quarterly Finance Update</p>	<p>Finance and Corporate Resources Directorate Cabinet Member for Finance, Insourcing and Customer Service Cllr Rob Chapman</p> <p>Finance and Corporate Resources Directorate Group Director Finance and Corporate Resources, Naeem Ahmed.</p>	<p>Finance Update Budget reports and presentation covering:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Current budget position for Hackney Council b) Fairer Funding review allocation c) Local government settlement and implications for Hackney's council budget.

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	Chief Executive Question Time	Chief Executive's Directorate Chief Executive Dawn Carter-McDonald	Question time session with the Chief Executive TBC
Wed 11th March 2026 Papers deadline: Mon 2 nd March	Finance Update	Finance and Corporate Resources Directorate Group Director Finance and Corporate Resources, Naeem Ahmed Cabinet Member for Finance, Insourcing and Customer Service Cllr Rob Chapman	TBC
	Mayor's Cabinet Question Time	Chief Executive's Directorate Mayor Caroline Woodley Mayor's Office	Mayor Caroline Woodley Cabinet Question Time - CQT session with the Mayor of Hackney.
	Digital and Data Management Strategies for Hackney Council	Finance and Corporate Resources Directorate Cabinet Member for Finance, Insourcing and	A review of the utilisation of AI and automation strategies across the council.

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		Customer Service Cllr Rob Chapman Rehana Ramesh Director - ICT, Digital and Customer Services	

Items rolled over and suggestions for work programme 2025/2026

1. Improving resident experience and the related channel shift strategy
2. Strategic Plan Review
3. Progress toward Net Zero - the impact of the Climate Action Plan
4. Review of Hackney Council's Public engagement and consultation
5. Update on Poverty Reduction.