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## Council

To the Members of Thurrock Council

The next meeting of the Council will be held at **7.00 pm** on **31 January 2024**

**Council Chamber, Civic Offices, New Road, Grays, Essex RM17 6SL**

### Membership of the Council:

Susan Little (Mayor)

Qaisar Abbas (Deputy Mayor)

John Allen  
Alex Anderson  
Deborah Arnold  
Paul Arnold  
Gary Byrne  
Adam Carter  
John Cecil  
Daniel Chukwu  
Gary Collins  
George Coxshall  
Jack Duffin  
Tony Fish  
Robert Gledhill  
Aaron Green  
James Halden  
Vikki Hartstean

Mark Hooper  
Mark Hurrell  
Andrew Jefferies  
Barry Johnson  
Tom Kelly  
Cathy Kent  
John Kent  
Martin Kerin  
Steve Liddiard  
Ben Maney  
Jacqui Maney  
Cici Manwa  
Fraser Massey  
Valerie Morris-Cook  
Sara Muldowney  
Augustine Ononaji

Srikanth Panjala  
Maureen Pearce  
Terry Piccolo  
Georgette Polley  
Kairen Raper  
Joycelyn Redsell  
Elizabeth Rigby  
Sue Sammons  
Sue Shinnick  
Graham Snell  
Neil Speight  
Luke Spillman  
James Thandi  
Lee Watson  
Lynn Worrall



**Dr Dave Smith**  
**Chief Executive**

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**Agenda**  
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<b>1 Apologies for absence</b>	
<b>2 Minutes</b>	<b>11 - 24</b>
To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Council, held on 29 November 2023.	
To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Extraordinary Council, held on 6 December 2023.	
<b>3 Items of Urgent Business</b>	
To receive additional items that the Mayor is of the opinion should be considered as a matter of urgency, in accordance with Section 100B (4) (b) of the Local Government Act 1972.	
<b>4 Declaration of Interests</b>	
To receive any declaration of interests from Members.	
<b>5 Announcements on behalf of the Mayor or the Leader of the Council</b>	
<b>6 Questions from Members of the Public</b>	<b>25 - 26</b>
In accordance with Chapter 2, Part 2 (Rule 14) of the Council's Constitution.	
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<b>8 Petitions Update Report</b>	<b>27 - 28</b>
<b>9 Appointments to Committees and Outside Bodies, Statutory and Other Panels</b>	
The Council are asked to agree any changes to the appointments made to committees and outside bodies, statutory and other panels, as requested by Group Leaders.	

<b>10</b>	<b>Revised Political Balance</b>	<b>29 - 34</b>
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In accordance with Chapter 2, Part 2 (Rule 14) of the Council's Constitution.

**15 Reports from Members representing the Council on Outside Bodies**

**16 Minutes of Committees**

Minutes of Committee	Date
Housing Overview and Scrutiny Committee	28 September 2023
Standards & Audit Committee	6 September 2023
Standards & Audit Committee	30 October 2023
Planning Transport and Regeneration Overview and Scrutiny Committee	15 November 2023
Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Committee	5 October 2023
Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Committee	1 November 2023
Housing Overview and Scrutiny Committee	21 November 2023
Health and Wellbeing Overview and Scrutiny Committee	2 November 2023
Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee	16 November 2023

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| <b>17</b> | <b>Update on motions resolved at Council during the previous year</b> | <b>141 - 144</b> |
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**Queries regarding this Agenda or notification of apologies:**

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**Future Dates of Council:**

February 2024 (Budget), 20 March 2024