

## Beddington and Wallington Local Committee

30 September 2025



7.00 pm at the

**St Patrick's Church, Park Hill Road, Wallington SM6 0RZ**

To all members of the Beddington and Wallington Local Committee:-

Chair:	Councillor Muhammad Sadiq
Vice-Chair	Councillor Edward Joyce
Councillors:	Sunita Gordon, Marian James, Barry Lewis, Sam Martin, Jayne McCoy, Patrick Magnus, Jonathan Pearce, Tim Foster, Jillian Green and Nick Matthey
Community Representatives (non-voting):	Helen Wood, Alcester Court Residents Association Sandy Goodwin, Beddington Neighbourhood Forum Tom Brown, South Beddington and Roundshaw Safer Neighbourhood Panel Pam Marsh, Butter Hill Residents Association John Keys, Butter Hill Residents Association (Substitute) Ann Eade, Carshalton on the Hill Resident Association Paul Lane, Flight Path Residents' Association, Friends of Roundshaw Open Space Geoff Hines, Friends of Beddington Park (Member) Muriel McIntosh, Friends of Beddington Park (Chair) Katharyn Jones, Mellows Residents' Association Thelma Cranford, Moorlands Residents' Association Keith Knight, Springboard Residents' Association Christine Lindsay, Wallington Community Wellbeing Charity Noor Sumun, Wallington Community Wellbeing Charity (Substitute) Colin Wadeson, Woodcote Avenue Road Fund Committee Jim Simms, Woodcote Green Residents' Association Philomena McMurrough, Ludlow Lodge Residents Association

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Helen Bailey  
Chief Executive  
19 September 2025

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# A G E N D A

**1 Welcome and introductions**

**2 Apologies for absence and declarations of interest**

**3 Minutes of the previous meeting**

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To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 10 June 2025.

**4 Any urgent business**

To consider any items which, in the view of the Chair, should be dealt with as a matter of urgency because of special circumstances (*in accordance with S100B(4) of the Local Government Act 1972*).

**5 Community Showcase**

To receive an update from community groups on how they are growing their organisations to meet the demands of the community:

- Parkinson's UK Sutton, Kingston and Epsom branch
- The Change Foundation

**6 An update on crime and community safety from local police officers**

An update on the four ward priorities in the area and community safety issues.

**7 Public questions**

This item is an opportunity for members of the public to raise questions about local issues. Questions must be submitted using the [form available on the website](#). If your question is submitted at least 5 working days before the meeting, you will receive a written response before the meeting. You will also be able to ask one follow up question during the meeting. Follow up questions must be relevant to your original question. If your question is submitted within 5 working days of the meeting, you will receive a written response after the meeting.

Your question will be published, along with your name and any organisation you are representing (if applicable) and will also be included in the minutes of the meeting. If you have any questions about the process, please contact [committee.services@sutton.gov.uk](mailto:committee.services@sutton.gov.uk).

**8 Citizens Advice Sutton**

Citizens Advice Sutton will present how their services meet the advice needs of residents in the Beddington and Wallington Local Committee area.

### **Reminder – Declaration of Interests**

Members should consider the following interests and whether they have any they should declare.

#### **Disclosable Pecuniary Interests**

Where you have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in any business of the Authority at this meeting and you have either declared it beforehand in the Register of Members' Interests or to the Monitoring Officer for entry in the Register you must state at this meeting that you have such an interest and then withdraw from the room or chamber where the meeting is being held whilst that business is considered.

Where you have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in any business of the Authority at this meeting and have not previously declared it you must declare the nature of that interest at this meeting and then withdraw from the room or chamber where the meeting is being held whilst that business is considered.

#### **Other Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests**

Where you have any other pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest in any business at this meeting you must declare that interest, but may continue to speak and vote on the matter. However, if the interest is one which a member of the public, with knowledge of the relevant facts, would reasonably regard as so significant that it is likely to prejudice your judgement of the public interest then you should declare the interest and withdraw from the room or chamber where the meeting is being held whilst that business is considered.

Further information on these matters can be found in the Council's Code of Conduct and Constitution. If you are in any doubt as to whether you have an interest you should seek advice **before** the committee meeting from Alexa Coates.

If, during the course of the committee meeting, you consider you may have an interest you should always declare it.

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**Beddington and Wallington Local Committee****10 June 2025****BEDDINGTON AND WALLINGTON LOCAL COMMITTEE****10 June 2025 at 7.00 pm**

**MEMBERS:** Councillor Muhammad Sadiq (Chair), Councillor Edward Joyce (Vice-Chair) and Councillors Sunita Gordon, Marian James, Sam Martin, Jayne McCoy, Patrick Magnus, Tim Foster, Jillian Green and Nick Matthey

**ABSENT** Councillor(s) Barry Lewis and Jonathan Pearce

**1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

The Chair, Councillor Muhammad Sadiq, welcomed those present.

**2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Barry Lewis and Councillor Jonathan Pearce.

There were no declarations of interest.

**3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

**RESOLVED:** that the minutes of the meeting held on 25 February 2025 be agreed as an accurate record.

**4. ANY URGENT BUSINESS**

There was no urgent business.

**5. COMMUNITY SHOWCASE**

The founder of the Paul Allen Project, Clare Parish explained the Paul Alan Project had been created to help to prevent more cardiac arrest deaths in the UK; by raising awareness of the signs of a cardiac arrest, providing basic life support training for free and raising funds for the provision and installation of public access, (not behind closed doors), defibrillators and bleed control kits. It was further explained that the Paul Allen Project believed that training and emergency lifesaving cabinets should be accessible to everybody and that cost should never be a barrier for learning how to save lives and having the equipment available to do so.

A question was raised regarding why electricity is required for the installation of defibrillator cabinets. The Paul Allen project representative explained that the electricity allows for

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internal lights, which make it easier to locate and identify the defibrillator in the dark. It was further explained that electricity also allows for a heater within the cabinet which can prevent the defibrillator components from dropping to temperatures that might affect their performance.

In response to questions regarding organising sessions for councillors and community groups, and how to liaise regarding moving defibrillators within buildings, the Paul Allen project representative advised that further information about training, the work of The Paul Allen project and contact details are available on their website, [Paul Allen Project](#).

In response to a question, the Paul Allen project representative advised that it is safe to use a defibrillator on someone with an Implantable Cardioverter Defibrillator (ICD) or pacemaker but that the defibrillator pads should not be placed directly over the device.

Attendees thanked Clare Parrish for attending the meeting and for the valuable work the charity was doing.

## **6. COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE**

The Chair notified the committee that Jackie Godfrey will replace Muriel McIntosh as a Community Representative on behalf of the Friends of Beddington Park.

The Chair thanked Muriel McIntosh for her support to the Local Committee.

## **7. FIRE SAFETY UPDATE**

Duncan New, Station Commander, provided an update on fire safety.

In response to a question, the Station Commander advised that fires related to lithium batteries were usually caused by incompatible chargers, modifications to e-bikes, or counterfeit products which are purchased online. It was noted that under the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order, communal areas should be free from combustibles and obstructions.

The Station Commander explained that although hoarding is not a cause of fire, exit routes can become blocked, making safe evacuation more difficult. It was noted that hoarding could also cause fires to spread faster.

The Station Commander outlined some of the London Fire Brigades (LFB) school programmes such as those focused on fire safety and road traffic collisions. It was explained that these programmes are run at different key stages in children and young people's learning.

In response to a question, the Station Commander explained that the LFB was well equipped to handle fires in high rise buildings, having the appropriate tactics, training, and equipment. It was further noted that the LFB fire engineering department works with

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developers in the pre-application stages to ensure that buildings are made as safe as possible, and that a fire risk assessment is required as part of the planning process.

**8. BUDGET UPDATE**

The Director of Finance introduced the item.

An overview was given on how local government is funded, restrictions on how different types of funding may be used and how the Council spends its financial resources. Key cost pressures and cost drivers were highlighted, with details of how the Council manages these areas.

In response to a question, officers clarified that income from business rates raised in all parts of the borough goes into the Council revenue budget to fund services. Officers noted that a more in depth breakdown of the revenue budget in year position is regularly reported to the Strategy and Resources Committee. A detailed budget and Medium Term Financial Plan is reported in February each year

The committee discussed costs associated with homelessness and temporary accommodation, and questioned the proportion of this spent outside of the borough. Officers advised that temporary accommodation outside of the borough is sometimes used due to the limited availability of suitable housing within the borough. It was explained that every council has housing targets, and that building more affordable housing would reduce costs associated with homelessness and temporary accommodation.

Further questions related to further possible cost saving measures and the criteria for business cases requiring capital funding. Officers confirmed that the revenue implications of capital spend are considered as part of the business case.

In response to a question, officers explained that although the council sets the council tax increase on the proportion retained by the council, there is also an additional part of the total amount charged which is set by the Mayor of London.

**9. PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

One question was received by the Local Committee with the written response provided ahead of the meeting and published on the council's website.

**10. SUTTON HOUSING PARTNERSHIP UPDATE**

The Assistant Director of Planned Maintenance and Sustainability provided an update on housing service activity and investment in the Council properties which fall within the boundaries of the Beddington and Wallington Local Committee.

Trend analysis of the annual performance data was requested by members of the committee. It was agreed that this would be followed up outside of the meeting.

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Further questions related to tenant and leaseholder satisfaction and the impact of energy efficiency measures completed through SHDF 2.1 on utility bills.

In response to a question, officers stated that stock condition surveys occur every 5 years, and that the 30 year investment plan schedules the routine replacement of windows, roofs, kitchens, and bathrooms in Council properties. It was advised that residents should contact Sutton Housing Partnership with questions concerning replacement schedules. In response to a further question, officers stated that the Housing Revenue Account Major Works Roofing and Windows Contract was recently approved by the Housing, Economy and Business Committee.

The meeting ended at 9.52 pm

Chair: .....

Date: .....