

Merton Council

Annual Council Meeting

Membership

The Mayor: Councillor Joan Henry

The Deputy Mayor: Councillor Agatha Mary Akyigyina OBE

Councillors: Sally Kenny, Stephen Alambritis MBE, Laxmi Attawar, Thomas Barlow, Hina Bokhari, Mike Brunt, Billy Christie, Caroline Cooper-Marbiah, Anthony Fairclough, Edward Foley, Brenda Fraser, Jenifer Gould, Daniel Holden, Andrew Howard, Natasha Irons, Linda Kirby MBE, Paul Kohler, Edith Macauley MBE, Peter McCabe, Simon McGrath, Nick McLean, Aidan Mundy, Dennis Pearce, Marsie Skeete, Eleanor Stringer, Martin Whelton, Helena Dollimore, James Williscroft, Sheri-Ann Bhim, John Braithwaite, Michael Butcher, Caroline Charles, Eleanor Cox, Klaar Dresselaers, Chessie Flack, Kirsten Galea, Ross Garrod, Jil Hall, Billy Hayes, Susie Hicks, Dan Johnston, Andrew Judge, Usaama Kaweesa, Samantha MacArthur, Gill Manly, Stephen Mercer, Stuart Neaverson, John Oliver, Robert Page, Michael Paterson, Tony Reiss, Slawek Szczepanski, Matthew Willis, Max Austin and Victoria Wilson

Date: Wednesday 17 May 2023

Time: 7.15 pm

Venue: Council chamber - Merton Civic Centre, London Road,
Morden SM4 5DX

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| 1 | Apologies for absence | |
| 2 | Declarations of Pecuniary Interest | |
| 3 | Election of Mayor for 2023/24 and the Mayor's appointment of the Deputy Mayor for 2023/24 | |
| 4 | Vote of thanks to the retiring Mayor | |
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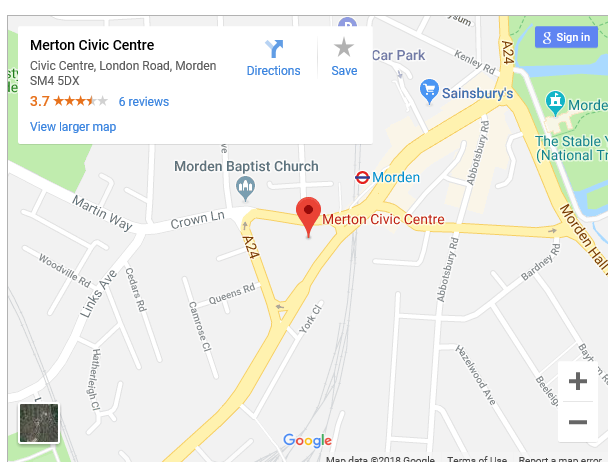
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