



Hackney Mayoral Election

5 May 2022

YOUR VOTE MATTERS
DON'T LOSE IT



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On **Thursday 5 May 2022**, electors in Hackney will have the opportunity to vote for the person they want to be Mayor of Hackney until 2026.






The elected Mayor leads the Council and its full range of services. It is different to a ceremonial Mayor; in Hackney this role is carried out by the Speaker of Hackney.

This booklet must be sent to you by law¹. It is produced by Mark Carroll, the Returning Officer, and contains an election address – or statement – from all of those candidates for Mayor who chose to be included. The content is the responsibility of the candidates themselves, provided they comply with legal requirements, and the views expressed are theirs'. Their names and details appear in random order, which is determined by drawing lots.

This booklet also includes information on how to vote.

¹ The Local Authorities (Mayoral Elections) (England and Wales) Regulations 2007.

The candidates for Mayor of Hackney

	Surname	First Name	Description
	Hall	Oliver	The Conservative Party Candidate
	Garbett	Zoë	Green Party
	Sloley	Gwenton	Hackney People Before Profit
	Glanville	Philip	Labour & Co-operative Party
	Baxter	Helen	Liberal Democrat

Sample ballot paper

**Election of the Mayor for
LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY**



Vote once in column 1 for your first choice, and
Vote once in column 2 for your second choice

	Column 1 first choice	Column 2 second choice
BAXTER, Helen Liberal Democrat 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
GARBETT, Zoë Green Party 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
GLANVILLE, Philip Labour and Co-operative Party 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
HALL, Oliver The Conservative Party Candidate 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SLOLEY, Gwenton Dennis Hackney People Before Profit 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

The Mayoral ballot paper will be pink.

The ballot paper illustrated on this page is a guide only.

PUTTING YOU FIRST

OUR PLAN FOR A BETTER, BRIGHTER & FAIRER HACKNEY

1 REOPENING HACKNEY

We are committed to supporting residents in the wake of COVID. We will remove undemocratic LTNs, reopen roads and give residents more say in their futures.

2 RETURNING LOST SERVICES

The current council has cut funding to vital council services. We will return these services and bring back weekly bin collections.

3 FROZEN COUNCIL TAX

The current council have increased your council tax by over 15% over the last 4 years. We will freeze council tax for all residents for the next 2 years, ensuring you have more money in your pocket in these challenging times.

4 REPAIRING OUR INFRASTRUCTURE

We will invest in repairing our roads and vital infrastructure, making Hackney safer and more accessible.

5 BUILDING MORE HOMES

We will increase housing provision, ensuring a place for your family in Hackney and a Borough fit for the future.

6 INVESTING IN YOUR FUTURE

We will invest in prevention of crime, improving education standards and ensuring a high-quality social care.



Vote Conservative



Thursday 5th May

PUTTING YOU FIRST

OLIVER HALL

CONSERVATIVE PARTY

Hackney needs change. After two years of COVID restrictions, we need a Mayor and Council that listens to you and puts you first. This election is the most important in a generation. How you vote will determine the future of our Borough for decades to come. A Conservative administration in Hackney would put more money in your pocket, return lost services and ensure we are able to face the challenges of the future together.

Oliver

Oliver Hall – Conservative Party Candidate for Mayor of Hackney



FOR A FAIRER,

GREENER HACKNEY

HELP WITH THE COST OF LIVING

Record inflation is taking its toll on all of our household budgets, especially those already worst off. **I will use all the council's powers to cut household costs** now and in the future.

- Zero council tax for low-income residents
- Lower rents for council tenants
- Cut energy bills by insulating and improving homes

PEOPLE POWER

As chair of my estate's TRA, I hear from many residents who say that they are losing the things they love about Hackney. A Green Mayor will give the people of Hackney more power over their livelihoods, homes and communities.

- No more meaningless 'consultations'
- More transparency and residents making decisions
- Strengthen the voices of young people and community groups

BETTER HOUSING FOR HACKNEY

As a private renter, I know the council is currently failing too many people with its developer-friendly approach. **I will take a new approach to housing.**

- Bring empty homes back into use
- Hold landlords to account
- Explore new ways to fund more social housing

NO MORE RACIST POLICING

Every resident has the right to fair and just policing. As Mayor I will always listen to residents and community groups, especially those representing communities disproportionately affected by racist policing.

- Hold the Met to account for policing in Hackney
- Make sure no one is subjected to unsafe or racist policing
- Campaign to deprioritise the policing of cannabis possession and end stop-and-search

AN ECONOMY FOR ALL

I've campaigned for years to save Ridley Road for the community, and **as Mayor I will work hard to tackle inequality and gentrification in all its forms.**

- Financial support for independent businesses
- More local jobs for local people, driving wealth back into Hackney
- Community ownership for council assets

SAFER, HEALTHIER STREETS

Imagine if Hackney's roads put people first, not cars. I will make it easier than ever to walk and cycle, so **Hackney can lead the way as London's first low-traffic borough.**

- Repair, widen and declutter our pavements
- Fix the cycle storage crisis
- Cleaner air on every street, including main roads

ACTION ON THE CLIMATE EMERGENCY

The Council isn't making the quick and drastic changes we need to address the climate crisis. **As the borough's first Green Mayor, I will reach net-zero ten years earlier than currently planned.**

- End council investments in fossil fuels
- Establish a proper Citizens' Assembly and climate strategy
- No more greenwash

I will also protect green spaces and respond to the ecological emergency.

- Not build on any green space, including on estates
- Protect mature trees
- Boost biodiversity; appoint a Biodiversity Officer

ABOUT ZOË

- **Hard-working community campaigner**
- **Chair of the Rhodes Estate Tenants' and Residents' Association in Dalston**
- **Member of the Save Ridley Road anti-gentrification campaign**
- **Over 10 years' experience in the public and voluntary sectors**
- **Currently working in the NHS, reducing health inequalities**

FIRST CHOICE SECOND CHOICE

GARBETT, ZOË



MAKE ZOË YOUR FIRST CHOICE AND
ELECT HACKNEY'S FIRST GREEN MAYOR.

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LAST YEAR GREENS WERE SECOND
ACROSS HACKNEY IN THE LONDON
ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS



“Hackney is a great place to live, but too many people do not feel heard or are excluded from what makes Hackney great. I'm passionate about listening to people and making sure that changes in the borough are what people want. We need to address social injustice alongside the climate crisis and move to a sustainable way of living which is fair for everyone.”

ZOË GARBETT



Green
Party

A GREEN MAYOR FOR HACKNEY





Gwenton Sloley, brought up in Stoke Newington, has devoted his life to helping prevent knife crime. This work involves counselling and interacting with young people who are at risk of being caught up in gangs and also training the police. He has been highly commended as a role model.

“We need to work together to make Hackney the inclusive and productive borough it surely is. No hate crime here!”

Gwenton Sloley



To both my grandmothers: your legacy lives on.

Gwenton Sloley – Hackney People Before Profit

My priorities as mayor will be:

Scrap the Mayoral system

which puts all the decision-making in the hands of one person. Give back power to the local councillors who are more approachable.

Bring Back Democracy

Scrap the Mayoral system



Young people must be the priority – the council needs to run its own apprenticeship schemes for school leavers and employ staff directly to run council services – stop the contracting out to developers and multi-national corporations: Local jobs for local people.

More resources for youth clubs

to ensure that youngsters have positive experiences rather than being alienated and drifting into drugs, alcohol, gangs and violence.

More council run under-5s playgroups

which benefit the toddlers but more importantly, the parents, who learn good parenting skills from each other and are less isolated.

Climate Change: Take effective measures to combat climate change by making insulation of our homes a priority, cutting rising energy bills AND saving the planet. Hackney's target of becoming carbon neutral by 2040 is way behind other London boroughs such as Lewisham. Blocking roads just increases the pollution elsewhere.

Get in touch with us to help with Gwenton's campaign:

Email contact: Gwenton@PeopleBeforeProfit.org.uk

Website: www.HackneyPeopleBeforeProfit.org.uk

**Vote for
Gwenton Sloley
on May 5th**



**PEOPLE
BEFORE
PROFIT**

Philip Glanville

Labour and Co-operative Candidate for Mayor of Hackney



I was proud to be elected the Labour & Co-operative Mayor of Hackney by you in 2018.

I've never taken for granted the support you gave me and my Labour councillor colleagues.

It gave us the backing to stand up for Hackney and its values - proudly pro-EU, proudly anti-racist, and proudly supportive of migrants and refugees.

We've brought services back in-house from private contractors, built hundreds of council homes, and switched the Council's energy supply to 100% renewable sources.

But since the last local election, Hackney has also been through some of the greatest challenges it has faced since the Second World War - austerity, Brexit, and the coronavirus pandemic.

We also know that the Council needs to rebuild trust following the criminal cyberattack on our borough in 2020. We will work hard on a clear plan to recover our services while maintaining sound financial management of the Council.

We can't tackle all the challenges facing the borough alone, but by working together we can build a better Hackney.



PROUD OF OUR RECORD

- **Insourced** almost **400** staff and over **£12m** of contracted services back into the Council.
- **Built** the brand new Britannia Leisure Centre - **the biggest investment** in leisure facilities in a generation.
- **Funded two** new GP surgeries with the local NHS.
- **Switched** the Council's energy supply to **100% renewable** sources.
- **Introduced 48** School Streets, reducing pollution around schools by **70%**.
- **Built 1276** genuinely affordable homes for social rent, living rent and shared ownership.
- **Campaigned for justice** for the Windrush Generation and the rights of migrants and refugees.
- **Planted 5,000** street trees and **11,000** trees in our parks and green spaces.

9 WAYS WE WILL WORK TOGETHER FOR A BETTER HACKNEY

1. STEP UP SUPPORT AND HELP HACKNEY RECOVER

- **Do** everything we can to **stop the squeeze** on people's cost-of-living, tackle poverty and inequality.
- **Provide** low-income households with a **90%** discount on their Council Tax bill.
- **Recover and rebuild** trust in our services following the cyberattack.

2. A HEALTHY, HAPPY AND THRIVING HACKNEY

- **Continue** to encourage everyone eligible to have their coronavirus **vaccines**.
- **Smokefree** Hackney by **2030**.
- **Make** our Disabled Facilities Grant **universal**, without means testing.
- **Refurbish** King's Hall Leisure Centre and **invest** in a network of free outdoor gyms.

3. A BRIGHT FUTURE FOR EVERY CHILD AND YOUNG PERSON

- **Create** a **10x10 Programme** so that by 10 years old, every child has access to at least 10 different extracurricular activities.
- **Roll out** a 'no need to exclude' policy across our schools to **end** exclusions.
- **Provide** at least **300** more in-house SEND places.

4. SAFE STREETS AND A SECURE BOROUGH

- **Work** with local people and the police to see fundamental change in the way the police operate to **rebuild** trust and confidence.
- **Work** to ensure children and young people are **informed** about their rights when engaging with the police.
- **Work** with community safety partners to **reduce** serious youth violence, knife and gang crime.

5. A GREEN NEW DEAL

- **Make** Hackney's streets the most walking, cycling and bus friendly in London and reduce the total miles driven on Hackney's roads by **15%**.
- **Install** another **200** bike hangers and **1,500** electric vehicle charging points.
- **Retrofit** council homes, making them **warm** and **energy-efficient**.
- **Double** the size of our local green economy to create **good** jobs.

6. DELIVER DECENT HOMES

- **We will** build **1,000** council homes for social rent.
- **Tackle** the backlog of housing repairs and deal with all reports of leaks in **24 hours**.
- **Monitor** homes against the **highest** standards of fire safety.
- **Fight** for a **fair deal** for private renters – capped rents, longer tenancies and quality homes.

7. THRIVING HIGH STREETS AND NEIGHBOURHOODS

- **Continue** to **protect and support** our street markets and market traders.
- **Ensure** council-owned buildings deliver **fair rents** and flexible spaces for local businesses and charities.
- **Protect** residents' right to **have their say** on local planning decisions.

8. CELEBRATE THE HEART OF HACKNEY

- **Continue** to be **open** and welcoming to migrants and refugees.
- **Bring back** the **Hackney Carnival** this year.
- **Promote** events and activities to bring different generations **together**.

9. OUR PROMISE

Hackney Labour is committed to the highest standards of public life and accountability. We will:

- **Hold regular** surgeries and an annual Mayor's Question Time.
- **Make** the Council's democratic functions more accessible.
- **Invest** in the scrutiny function at the heart of the Council.
- **Explore** better ways of consulting and working with you.

Vote  Labour  Thursday 5 May

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Helen Baxter

for a safer, greener Hackney that listens to you



Helen's top priorities for Hackney

• A council that listens

I will put power back in the hands of residents and ensure that we have consultations that people can trust.

• A greener borough for everyone

I will use the power of the Council to protect our green spaces, invest in cycling and walking and reduce the number of extra miles being driven through our neighbourhoods. We need solutions to the climate emergency that work for the whole community.

• A safer Hackney for everyone

The Child Q case has again shown us how widespread racism, sexism and discrimination is in institutions that we should all be able to trust. I will lead the charge for real change, working with the whole community and taking a public health-based approach to tackling all forms of violence in Hackney.



• Supporting families and those most in need

The cost-of-living crisis is already hitting hard in Hackney. Although there is much that can only be done in Westminster, I will take every opportunity at a local level to support families and those most in need.

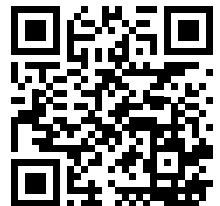
• Protecting our communities and building more council homes

For years, developers have been let off their responsibility to provide affordable homes and the definition of affordable is nothing of the sort. I will take real action to make sure Hackney doesn't lose its greatest resource, the diversity of its communities and people, because they simply cannot afford to stay.

To find out more about how Helen will deliver on these priorities for you, visit:

<https://www.hackneylibdems.org/helen>

or scan the QR code with your phone



Dear friend,

I'm really proud to have been selected as our candidate for Mayor of Hackney and I'm looking forward to the campaign ahead.

The Liberal Democrats have a strong record in local government, working tirelessly for local communities, because we actually listen to what people want and we fight for them. As Mayor, I would put residents back at the heart of decision-making and ensure the Council is open and transparent so we can engage with everyone in the community.



I'm ready to set out a positive, Liberal Democrat agenda focusing on the big issues such as tackling the climate emergency, supporting families through the cost of living crisis, making our borough safer for everyone, and building new Council homes for local people.

The elections on May 5th are a chance for the people of Hackney to show they have had enough and choose a fresh start for the borough with me as Mayor.

Helen

About Helen

Helen has lived in Hackney for four years and London all her life. She began campaigning for the Liberal Democrats following the EU referendum, having benefited from the best of the EU as an Erasmus student.

For over seven years, Helen worked as an international aid auditor, with clients in the international development

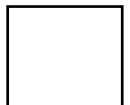
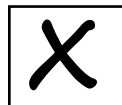
and donor community, such as UN agencies, government bodies and private foundations.

Her work ensured that their funds were used and managed responsibly and helped build the trust and transparency that enables these organisations to succeed.

More recently, she has started working for a small charity which provides grants to young people in developing countries.

Give your
first vote to

BAXTER, Helen
Liberal Democrat



Voter information

Every registered elector receives a poll card which explains when, where and how to vote.



For details of your polling station, you can also visit

www.hackney.gov.uk/elections

Who can vote?

To vote in this election, your name must be included on the Register of Electors for Hackney. All registered British, Commonwealth, Irish and European Union citizens are entitled to vote. British overseas electors are not entitled to vote. All voters must be 18 years of age on or before 5 May 2022.

Postal voters

If you have registered for a postal vote, a pack will be posted to the address you requested arriving from 22 April 2022. If you have not received it by 29 April 2022, please email electoralservices@hackney.gov.uk or call **020 8356 3232**.

Please ensure your completed ballot is received by the Returning Officer before 10pm on 5 May 2022. If you forget to post it, you can drop it in at a polling station on the day of the election.

Proxy voters

You can appoint someone else to cast your vote on your behalf if you wish. Proxy voter applications must be received by the Council by 5pm on 26 April 2022.

Emergency proxy voters

If you are unexpectedly taken ill or are suddenly called away for work purposes after 5pm on 26 April 2022 and cannot go to vote in person you can appoint an emergency proxy to vote for you. You will have to give a reason why you cannot vote in person and your application must be supported by a doctor or your employer. To apply for a proxy vote visit www.hackney.gov.uk/ways-to-vote or call **020 8356 3232**.

How is the Mayor elected?

The count will take place on 6 May 2022. The Mayor is elected using the supplementary voting system. You will have two votes – one for your first choice candidate and one for your second choice. To vote for your first choice, mark a cross in the first choice column. To vote for your second choice, mark a cross in the second choice column. You do not have to mark a second choice if you do not want to. If you vote for the same candidate twice, your second vote will not be counted.

If, when all the first choice votes are counted, one candidate has received more than 50% of the votes, they will be elected the Mayor of Hackney. If no candidate has more than 50% of the votes, the two candidates with the most first choice votes will remain in the election and all the other candidates will be eliminated.

The ballot papers for all the eliminated candidates will then be counted, with the second choice votes for the two remaining candidates added to their first round totals. The candidate with the most votes overall is then elected Mayor of Hackney.

Key dates

Thursday 14 April 2022

Deadline for registering to vote

Tuesday 19 April 2022 (5pm)

Deadline for postal vote applications

Friday 22 April 2022

Postal vote packs start to arrive

Tuesday 26 April 2022 (5pm)

Last date for proxy vote requests – this is where you appoint someone to vote for you

Friday 29 April 2022

Please contact us if you have not received your postal vote

Thursday 5 May 2022 Polling Day (7am–10pm)

Friday 6 May 2022

Votes are counted



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