

North London Waste Authority (NLWA) meetings

What are hybrid Authority meetings?

During the Covid-19 pandemic, formal Authority meetings were held remotely under [regulations](#) passed by the Government. Under ordinary circumstances, and in accordance with the [Local Government Act 1972](#) and associated legislation, councillors have to meet in person.

Hybrid meetings are those held with some remote attendance but with the decision makers being physically present. Hybrid meetings will enable social distancing while also providing the benefit of allowing non-decision makers to participate remotely.

NLWA is supported by the London Borough of Camden in the running of its formal meetings, and is following the Camden processes for hybrid meetings. Remote participants will join the meeting via Microsoft Teams ('Teams'), using both the audio and video functionality so that they are capable of being heard and seen by those physically present at the meeting place and by other remote participants, and vice versa.

Remote participants are defined as:

- councillors who are not members of the Authority or a committee but who seek to address the meeting;
- officers advising the Authority or committee, or presenting reports;
- any external partners/third-parties invited to address or advise the Authority or committee; and
- deputees.

As far as possible, hybrid meetings will run according to the existing constitutional rules but with adjustments to allow the meetings to run as effectively as possible.

Addressing and watching remote meetings

Unless a meeting is dealing with confidential items, it will be streamed to the public so that they may listen and watch, should video be available. The live feed will be available here: www.camden.gov.uk/webcast.

Meetings are held in public, but members of the public will not be able to participate unless they are registered in advance as a deputees. Should the Chair agree to hear a deputation, the deputees will be encouraged to join the meeting remotely and issued with details on how to do this. Any person who would like to make a deputation, but cannot participate remotely due to technological reasons, or does not wish to do so, may attend

the meeting place to give their deputation in person, subject to any restrictions on numbers required to maintain social distancing.

More information on making a deputation is available in our [Standing Orders](#).

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