

MINUTES OF THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Monday, 14 October 2013 at 7.00 pm

PRESENT: Councillors Alan Hall (Chair), Kevin Bonavia (Vice-Chair), Jackie Addison, Abdeslam Amrani, Paul Bell, David Britton, Duwayne Brooks, Suzannah Clarke, Liam Curran, Vincent Davis, Amanda De Ryk, Alexander Feakes, Julia Fletcher, Carl Handley, Mark Ingleby, Stella Jeffrey, Chris Maines, Jim Mallory, Pauline Morrison, John Muldoon, Marion Nisbet, Jacq Paschoud, John Paschoud and Eva Stamirowski

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor Chris Best, Councillor Janet Daby, Councillor Joan Millbank, Councillor Crada Onuegbu, Timothy Andrew, Andrew Hagger, Salena Mulhere, Gary Connors, Dee Carlin (LCCG/LBL), Roger Raymond, Petra Der Man and Barrie Neal

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Obajimi Adefiranye, Councillor Christine Allison, Councillor Pauline Beck, Councillor Patsy Foreman, Councillor Ami Ibitson, Councillor Darren Johnson and Councillor Philip Peake

1. Minutes of the meetings held on 30 April 2013 and 26 June 2013

The minutes were agreed as a true record.

2. Declarations of Interest

Councillor Julia Fletcher declared that she was currently employed as an interim research assistant at LFEPA.

Councillor John Paschoud declared that a family member worked at the Lewisham Hospital Accident and Emergency department.

Councillors Muldoon and Onuegbu declared that they were members of the SLaM foundation trust.

3. Response from Mayor and Cabinet: Responding to the consultation on the Draft Fifth London Safety Plan

RESOLVED: To note the response

4. Emergency Services Review: DRAFT final report

The Chair introduced the item and thanked all those who had taken part and given evidence to the review and thanked the scrutiny team for their work in supporting members and pulling all of the evidence together into the draft report.

The Chair noted the specific scrutiny “powers” of Safer Stronger Communities Select Committee and Healthier Communities Select Committee.

The Committee discussed the evidence taken across the select committees and included within the draft report and noted:

- The evidence taken reflected the names of the organisations at the time the evidence was taken; recommendations relating to emergency healthcare in Lewisham would be sent to the Lewisham Clinical Commissioning Group and the newly formed Lewisham and Greenwich NHS Trust
- That as a matter of urgency the borough commander be asked to provide the detailed structure of the neighbourhood policing model, as outlined as requested at paragraph 9.5.4 of the report
- The practical implications of the changes that are taking place in relation to the emergency services in Lewisham must continue to be monitored by members
- The draft recommendations put forward by the select committees were comprehensive and covered a wide range of issues for further action and monitoring
- Members thanks to the officers for pulling together such a comprehensive report

Councillor Daby, Cabinet Member for Community Safety, thanked the Committee for carrying out such an important and comprehensive review.

RESOLVED: To agree the draft report as final, subject to the inclusion of the local policing model structure information at 9.54 and the inclusion of the graph outlining the cumulative impact of the financial cuts at 13.6.

To agree all of the draft recommendations outlined within the report.

To refer the report and recommendations to the following bodies and organisations for a response within the constitutional and legal frameworks for taking account and providing a response:

- Mayor and Cabinet,
- Full Council,
- Borough Commander Metropolitan Police,
- Borough Commander London Fire Brigade,
- Operations Manager South, London Ambulance Service,
- Lewisham Clinical Commissioning Group,
- Lewisham and Greenwich NHS Trust,
- Safer Lewisham Partnership,
- Health and Wellbeing Board,
- South East London Housing Partnership,
- Mayors Office for Police and Crime,
- London Fire and Emergency Planning Authority

5. Items to be referred to Mayor and Cabinet

RESOLVED: To refer the final report and recommendations of the Emergency Services review to the Mayor and Cabinet and Council.