

Decisions taken by the Public Accounts Select Committee on Wednesday, 2 December 2015

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Part A – Items considered in public

A1	Minutes of the meeting held on 28 October 2015	That the minutes of the meeting held on the 28 October be agreed as an accurate record of proceedings and the Chair be authorised to sign them.
A3	Public Realms work monitoring	RESOLVED: That a report be brought back to the Public Accounts Select Committee in approximately 6 months outlining further lessons learnt including from comments from this Committee. The report would also include information on road surfacing contracts.
A4	Annual Complaints Report	That the most recent projections on complaint numbers be included in the report be presented to Public Accounts Select Committee at their meeting in March. That the Chair send round a note to all Councillors to include details of the principal Caseworker contact in each Directorate.
A5	No Recourse to Public Funds - verbal update	That the verbal update be noted.
A6	Select Committee work programme	That a referral be made to Mayor and Cabinet recommending the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That given the demographic profile of the London Borough of Lewisham, the Committee felt there was a very big concern that changes proposed around Business Rates would have a disproportionately negative effect on the Borough. The Committee therefore recommended that the Mayor make representations to the Secretary of State to highlight these concerns. • That the Committee had concerns around changes proposed to the Education Services Grant and that this could have a substantial impact on the services managed by the local authority. In addition to this the changes being considered as part of the review of the Dedicated Schools Grant were also likely to have a

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		<p>disproportionately negative effect on pupils in Lewisham. The Committee recommended that the Mayor make representations to the Secretary of State to highlight the potentially damaging effect these changes would have on pupils in Lewisham.</p>
A7	Referrals to Mayor and Cabinet	<p>That a referral be made to Mayor and Cabinet on Item 6, The Select Committee Work Programme, recommending the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) That given the demographic profile of the London Borough of Lewisham, the Committee felt there was a very big concern that changes proposed around Business Rates would have a disproportionately negative effect on the Borough. The Committee therefore recommended that the Mayor make representations to the Secretary of State to highlight these concerns. 2) That the Committee had concerns around changes proposed to the Education Services Grant and that this could have a substantial impact on the services managed by the local authority. In addition to this the changes being considered as part of the review of the Dedicated Schools Grant were also likely to have a disproportionately negative effect on pupils in Lewisham. The Committee recommended that the Mayor make representations to the Secretary of State to highlight the potentially damaging effect these changes would have on pupils in Lewisham.