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Part A – Items considered in public

A3	Outstanding Scrutiny Matters	Noted.
A4	Matters Raised by Scrutiny and other Constitutional Bodies	<p><i>Decisions made at Mayor and Cabinet on 21 October 2015 – Community Budget: Establishment of a joint committee between Lambeth, Lewisham and Southwark</i></p> <p>In response to the written request from the Business Panel, the Mayor agreed that the Head of Law be asked to ensure a proper framework was set up to regulate joint committees created as part of Partnership working arrangements.</p> <p><i>Decisions made at Mayor and Cabinet on 21 October 2015 – Lewisham 2020</i></p> <p>In response to the written request from the Business Panel, the Mayor observed the 2020 document was guided by Councillor input and would help to shape officer savings proposals being additional to existing processes. Scrutiny would retain its vital role and the new document would serve to ensure a strategic approach was taken over a longer period rather than taking an individual year approach.</p> <p>The Mayor noted the request to establish a new strategic document and agreed there should be a refreshed Lewisham’s Community Strategy in the long term but believed there was insufficient available capacity to undertake that task immediately. The Mayor noted the request made by the Business panel and pledged to return to that request at a future date.</p> <p><i>Other Scrutiny Matters</i></p> <p>Having considered officer reports, the Mayor, agreed that officers be required</p>

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		<p>to prepare responses to the following submissions by Scrutiny bodies:</p> <p>Overview & Scrutiny Committee – London Fire Brigade Overview & Scrutiny Committee – Devolution Sustainable Developments Select Committee – Publishing Viability Assessments Sustainable Developments Select Committee – S106 funds and CIL</p>
A5	Voluntary Sector Accommodation Implementation Plan update	<p>Having considered an officer report, and presentations by the Cabinet Member for the Third Sector, Councillor Joan Millbank, and 10 representatives on behalf of 6 Community Centres, the Mayor agreed that:</p> <p>(1) the consultation feedback as summarised in section 6 of the report and the full submissions in appendices B & B1-3 be noted; and.</p> <p>(2) the recommendations for each of the 16 community centres:</p> <p>Barnes Wallis Community Centre: Telegraph Hill Ward Brandram Rd Community Hall: Blackheath Ward Champion Hall: Bellingham Ward Clare Hall: Brockley Ward Evelyn Community Centre: Evelyn Ward Ewart Rd Club Room: Crofton Park Ward Goldsmiths Community Centre: Whitefoot Ward Honor Oak Community Centre: Telegraph Hill Ward Lethbridge Club Room: Blackheath Ward Saville Centre: Rushey Green Ward Scotney Hall: New Cross Ward Sedgehill Community Centre: Bellingham Ward Venner Rd Hall: Sydenham Ward</p>

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		<p>Wesley Halls: Downham Ward Woodpecker Community Centre: New Cross Ward</p> <p>as shown in section 6 of the report be approved and officers be instructed to proceed to the next stage of implementation.</p>
A6	Public Accounts Select Committee Income Generation Referral	Having considered an officer report, the Mayor, agreed that the views and recommendations of the Committee set out in the main report at Appendix A be received and the Executive Director for Resources and Regeneration be asked to prepare a response to the Review's recommendations for Mayoral consideration.
A7	Lewisham 2020 5 year Forward view	Having considered an officer report and a presentation from the Cabinet Member for Policy and Performance, Councillor Joe Dromey, the Mayor agreed that the council's five year forward view summary be approved.
A8	Children and Young People Plan 2015-2018	<p>Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Children & Young People, Councillor Paul Maslin, the Mayor agreed that:</p> <p>(1) the Children and Young People's Plan 2015-18 be received and submitted to Council for approval; and</p> <p>(2) authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Children and Young People to make amendments to the Plan in the light of further comments and data received, prior to it being placed before Council.</p>
A9	Annual Complaints Report	Having considered an officer report and a presentation from the Cabinet Member for Policy and Performance, Councillor Joe Dromey, the Mayor agreed that the contents of the report be noted and no amendments be made to the Council's complaints policy following consideration of the contents of

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		the report and the concerns raised by the Independent Adjudicator.
A10	Annual Parking Report	<p>Having considered an officer report and a presentation from the Cabinet Member for the Public Realm, Councillor Rachel Onikosi, the Mayor agreed that:</p> <p>(1) the progress of the 2014/15 CPZ programme be noted.</p> <p>(2) the priority list for 2015/16 CPZ programme be noted.</p> <p>(3) the annual financial performance as set out be noted; and</p> <p>(4) contractor performance as set out be noted.</p>
A11	Heathside and Lethbridge Phase 5 & 6 Decant	<p>Having considered both an open and a confidential officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Housing, Councillor Damien Egan, the Mayor agreed that:</p> <p>(1) the progress of the Heathside and Lethbridge regeneration scheme be noted;</p> <p>(2) having considered the responses to the statutory Section 105 consultation, the Council should carry out the decant of Heathside and Lethbridge Phase 6 tenants.</p> <p>(3) where necessary, Notice of Seeking Possession be served and possession proceedings brought against secure tenants in Lethbridge Close Phase 6 blocks under ground 10 of Schedule 2 to the Housing Act 1985;</p> <p>(4) secure tenants in Lethbridge Close Phase 6 blocks are re-housed as set</p>

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		<p>out;</p> <p>(5) home loss and disturbance payments are made to displaced secure tenants and leaseholders where appropriate in accordance with the Land Compensation Act 1973; and</p> <p>(6) the financial information provided be noted and the changes to the proposed budget requirements set out in the confidential report be approved.</p>
A12	Financial Forecasts	<p>Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Resources, Councillor Kevin Bonavia, the Mayor agreed that: the current financial forecasts for the year ending 31 March 2016 and the action being taken by the Executive Directors to manage down the forecasted year-end overspend be noted.</p>
A13	NNDR LLW accreditation discount	<p>Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Resources, Councillor Kevin Bonavia, the Mayor agreed that:</p> <p>(1) a one off discount in NNDR based on the cost of accreditation in 2016/17 be offered to businesses that become accredited by the Living Wage Foundation and who meet the criteria set out;</p> <p>(2) a discount be offered set at one of the options indicated;</p> <p>(3) the discount be offered on a 'first come first served' basis until the Council's overall contribution equals £20,000 within the 2016/17 financial year and once the Council's £20,000 contribution has been reached, to offer no further discounts; and</p> <p>(4) the scheme be reviewed in 2016/17 to determine whether it should be</p>

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		offered in future years.
A14	Location Priority Policy and Procurement Strategy	<p>Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Housing, Councillor Damien Egan, the Mayor agreed that:</p> <p>(1) the consultation undertaken on the Location Priority Policy and the Temporary Accommodation Procurement Strategy be noted;</p> <p>(2) the scrutiny of the Location Priority Policy and Temporary Accommodation Procurement Strategy by Housing Select Committee on 27 October 2015 be noted;</p> <p>(3) the Location Priority Policy, attached as Appendix A, be approved;</p> <p>(4) the Temporary Accommodation Procurement Strategy, attached as Appendix C, be approved;</p> <p>(5) following necessary approvals the Location Priority Policy and Temporary Accommodation Procurement Strategy be published in November 2015.</p> <p>(6) authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Customer Services to make any minor changes to the Location Priority Policy and Temporary Accommodation Procurement Strategy and to prepare for publication.</p>
A15	Housing Led Regeneration	<p>Having considered both an open and a confidential officer report, and presentations by the Cabinet Member for Housing, Councillor Damien Egan, and from a local resident, the Mayor agreed that:</p> <p>(1) the work and consultation with residents carried out so far on the Bampton</p>

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		<p>estate be noted;</p> <p>(2) Officers proceed to develop a proposal for new council homes as set Out;</p> <p>(3) Officers proceed to develop a proposal for a wider regeneration scheme with L&Q as set out;</p> <p>(4) Officers develop these proposals in consultation with residents and statutory consultation under Section 105 of the Housing Act 1985 be carried out on the proposals and reported back to Mayor and Cabinet;</p> <p>(5) Officers look at procurement options and delivery structure for both proposals; and</p> <p>(6) an Equalities Analysis Assessment be undertaken on the proposals and reported back to Mayor and Cabinet at the same time as the results of the Section 105 consultation.</p> <p>(7) the financial and commercial advice provided to date be noted;</p> <p>(8) authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Customer Services and Executive Director for Regeneration and Resources to commence discussions with L&Q with a view to developing a commercially sound approach for a wider regeneration scheme on the Bampton estate; and</p> <p>(9) the initial budget as set out be approved.</p>
A16	Sheltered Housing Investment and Improvement Programme	Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Housing, Councillor Damien Egan, the Mayor agreed that:

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		<p>(1) the findings of the consultation exercise that has been carried out with the tenants of the Council's 18 sheltered housing schemes, as set out be noted;</p> <p>(2) on the basis of these consultation results, an enhanced housing management service, funded by service charges to tenants and the existing management fee to Lewisham Homes, be introduced in all 18 schemes, and that the transfer be approved;</p> <p>(3) the current floating support service be transferred to Lewisham Homes (with staff transferring under TUPE arrangements where applicable and subject to staff consultation), and is expanded in a manner that directly addresses the concerns raised by tenants during consultation, as outlined;</p> <p>(4) officers estimate that the new service charge to tenants will be £23.62 per week, to be implemented from April 2016, be noted, subject to further and final consultation with tenants as part of the Council's annual rent and service charge setting process;</p> <p>(5) a service charge assistance fund be implemented for any existing tenants not in receipt of housing benefit who experience financial hardship as a result of this new service charge, in the manner set out; and</p> <p>(6) the finalisation of the transfer and proposals for the new service be delegated to the Executive Director for Customer Services as advised by the Executive Director for Resources and Regeneration.</p>
A17	Hornimans loan facility	Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Resources, Councillor Kevin Bonavia, the Mayor agreed that:

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		<p>(1) a £670,000 interest bearing loan facility to Horniman Museum and Gardens be approved for the development of its gallery spaces to be paid back over a period of no more than 15 years, subject to Heritage Lottery funding of £3.3m being granted and other pledged funding of at least £730,000 being received; and</p> <p>(2) authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Resources and Regeneration responsibility to finalise the terms of the loan agreement with the Horniman Museum and Gardens.</p>
A18	Exclusion of Press and Public	Agreed.
A19	ICT Shared Service	<p>Having considered a confidential officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Resources, Councillor Kevin Bonavia, the Mayor agreed that:</p> <p>(1) Lewisham Council establishes a shared service with Brent from 1 April 2016 subject to the London Borough of Brent agreeing to the Shared ICT Service structure in substantially the same form as set out ;</p> <p>(2) A Shared ICT Service with the London Borough of Brent in the form set out be approved with Brent acting as the legal 'host' of the shared service and employing all the staff of the shared service and entering into contracts on behalf of the shared service where it is for the benefit of both Councils;</p> <p>(3) The Shared ICT Services Agreement in the form set out in annex A be approved and any final minor amendments required to the agreement be delegated to the Executive Director for Customer Services on the advice of the Head of law.</p>

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		<p>(4) A Joint Committee in accordance with the Terms of Reference as set out in annex B be approved, to compose of two members from each Council, to set the strategic direction for the shared service and that the Cabinet Member for Resources and the Cabinet Member for Policy and Performance should represent Lewisham on this committee;</p> <p>(5) Shared ICT Services Management Board made up of an Executive Director, or their appointed nominee, from each Council be approved;</p> <p>(6) Where Brent will be entering into a contract on behalf of the shared service, the procurement of the contracts where the value to the Council is £500,000 or below, be procured in accordance with Brent's Contract Procedure Rules and the Procurement Protocol and awarded by the Executive Director of each Council;</p> <p>(7) Mayoral decisions relating to Lewisham's ICT infrastructure should be delegated to the Joint Member Committee except for a small number of critical decisions that shall be reserved to the Mayor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - expanding the shared service to other partners or withdrawing from the partnership; - altering the terms and conditions of the partnership; - setting the annual budget; - disposing of Intellectual Property Rights; and - awarding of contracts above £500,000. <p>(8) decisions taken by the Joint Committee and the Council's officer on the Shared Service Management Board will be subject to member scrutiny by</p>

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		<p>Brent and Lewisham according to their respective constitutions;</p> <p>(9) the budget for 2016/17 for the shared service be £3.4m with a financial contribution from Lewisham of £1.7m to cover the fixed costs of the shared service (variable costs will be met by individual Councils). These figures are consistent with the ICT savings agreed at Mayor and Cabinet on 30 September. Agreement of the budget for subsequent years shall be brought back for a decision from the Mayor;</p> <p>(10) the interim arrangements set out be approved;</p> <p>(11) the London Borough of Brent's report to their Executive requesting approval to the Shared ICT Service with the London Borough of Lewisham be noted.</p>
A20	Heathside and Lethbridge Decant Part 2	Considered in conjunction with the Open report on the same matter.
A21	Housing Led Regeneration part two	Considered in conjunction with the Open report on the same matter.