

Decisions taken by the Mayor and Cabinet on Wednesday, 15 November 2017

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Part A – Items considered in public

A1	Declaration of Interests	Councillor Dromey declared a personal non-prejudicial interest in Item 12 as Chair of the Lewisham Poverty Commission.
A2	Minutes	Approved.
A3	Matters Raised by Scrutiny and other Constitutional Bodies	<p><i>Comments of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee on Post Offices</i></p> <p>RESOLVED that the views of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee as set out be noted and the Cass Business School report setting out the case for a national Post Bank be received.</p>
A4	Outstanding Scrutiny Matters	The Mayor noted one item had slipped since the last report and he was informed by the Executive Director for Resources & Regeneration of the intention to combine the outstanding response to the Select Committee with a report on the Cycling Strategy in December.
A5	New Homes Programme Update	<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 progress update on the New Homes, Better Places Programme be noted;</p> <p>(2) the design development and consultation which has been carried out on the proposed re-development of the garages at Algernon Close, including the statutory Section 105 Consultation be noted;</p> <p>(3) having considered the responses to the statutory Section 105 consultation on the proposed re-development of the garages at Algernon Close, Lewisham Homes should proceed to submit a planning application to deliver five new Council homes on the site;</p>

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		<p>(4) the success of the Councils Expression of Interest (EOI) to the GLA Innovation Fund, and current progress made towards finalising designs and overall programme costings for the four schemes be noted:</p> <p>(5) officers be authorised to bid for funding from the GLA Innovation Fund to deliver four of the projects within the 500 home programme using modern methods of construction in the same manner as at PLACE/Ladywell, at an estimated value of £14m; and</p> <p>(6) Subject to the bid being successful, authority for agreeing the terms of the grant agreements with the GLA be delegated to the Executive Director for Resources and Regeneration, in consultation with the Head of Law.</p>
A6	Low Cost Energy	<p>Having considered an officer report and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for the Public Realm, Councillor Rachel Onikosi, the Mayor agreed that:</p> <p>(1) officers maintain a watching brief on new London energy supply models working with other boroughs and the Greater London Authority.</p> <p>(2) the proposal to pilot a new community energy fund subject to any further approvals required be approved;</p> <p>(3) the Council's support, in principle, for a heat network in the borough making use of waste heat from South East London Community Energy be confirmed subject to a further report being presented; and</p> <p>(4) officers develop options for future work to provide practical support to</p>

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		vulnerable households and to submit these to Lewisham's Health and Wellbeing Board.
A7	Gypsy and Traveller Local Plan Update	<p>Having considered an officer report and presentations by the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Alan Smith, and Bellingham Ward Councillors Sue Hordijkeno and Alan Hall, the Mayor agreed that:</p> <p>(1) the contents of the Consultation Statement (Appendix 1), including the main issues raised and officer response to them and the findings of the Integrated Impact Assessment (Appendix 2) be noted;</p> <p>(2) officers consideration that Pool Court is currently the preferred site be noted;</p> <p>(3) officers be instructed to further investigate the following matters in relation to the potential Pool Court site and report back to Mayor and Cabinet:</p> <p>(i) the potential phased delivery of a traveller site, (ii) the incorporation of current public highway land in to a site, (iii) re-location assistance that could be offered to the existing scaffolding business.</p> <p>(4) those that commented on the Potential Sites Consultation Report be informed of these decisions.</p>
A8	Update on Fire Safety	Having considered an officer report and a presentation by the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Alan Smith, the Mayor agreed that the report be noted.
A9	Fire safety response to SDSC	Having considered an officer report and a presentation by the Cabinet

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		Member for Housing, Councillor Damien Egan, the Mayor agreed that the response from the Executive Director for Customer Services to the comments of the Sustainable Development Select Committee be approved and forwarded to the Select Committee.
A10	Consultation on changes to the subsidy on cooked meals	<p>Having considered an officer report and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Health, Well-Being and Older People, Councillor Chris Best, the Mayor agreed that:</p> <p>(1) the removal of the subsidy currently paid for the meals service at three day centres Cinnamon Court, Cedar Court & the Ladywell Day Centre be approved and that full cost recovery for meals for those meals apply;</p> <p>(2) the subsidy be extended for a further month to the 31st January 2018 at a cost of £5,195;</p> <p>(3) the delivery of a meals offer become part of its directly managed day service provision at the Ladywell Centre; and</p> <p>(4) a £9.8K capital allocation for the purchase of new kitchen equipment be approved.</p>
A11	Response to SSSC Review of Demographic Change	Having considered an officer report and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Policy and Performance, Councillor Joe Dromey, the Mayor agreed that the response from the Executive Director for Resources and Regeneration to the comments of the Safer Stronger Communities Select Committee be approved and forwarded to the Select Committee.
A12	Lewisham Poverty Commission	Having considered an officer report and a presentation by the Cabinet

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		<p>Member for Policy and Performance, Councillor Joe Dromey, the Mayor agreed that:</p> <p>(1) the challenge and insight provided by the Lewisham Poverty Commission be welcomed and the Commissioners be thanked for their time and expertise</p> <p>(2) the final report of the Lewisham Poverty Commission and its recommendations be noted;</p> <p>(3) officers be asked to develop a detailed response to the report's findings and recommendations including an action plan;</p> <p>(4) a Cabinet Member with responsibility for overseeing Lewisham Council's actions to tackle poverty be retained, including presenting a yearly report to the Council's scrutiny and executive functions so progress can be tracked.</p>
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