



AGENDA

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BUSINESS PANEL

Date: TUESDAY, 7 MAY 2019 at 7.05 pm

**Committee Rooms 1 & 2
Civic Suite
Lewisham Town Hall
London SE6 4RU**

**Enquiries to: Olga Cole
Telephone: 0208 314 8577 (direct line)
Email: olga.cole@lewisham.gov.uk**

MEMBERS

Councillor Bill Brown	Chair of Overview & Scrutiny Committee	L
Councillor Sakina Sheikh	Vice Chair of Overview & Scrutiny Committee	Labour Co-op
Councillor Peter Bernards	Chair of Housing Select Committee	L
Councillor Juliet Campbell	Chair of Safer Stronger Communities Select Committee	L
Councillor Patrick Codd	Labour Group Representative	L
Councillor Liam Curran	Chair of Sustainable Development Select Committee	Labour Co-op
Councillor Jim Mallory	Chair of Public Accounts Select Committee	L
Councillor Joan Millbank	Labour Group Representative	L
Councillor John Muldoon	Chair of Healthier Communities Select Committee	Labour Co-op
Councillor Luke Sorba	Chair Children and Young People Select Committee	L

This is an open meeting and all items in the open agenda may be recorded and/or filmed

Members are summoned to attend this meeting

**Janet Senior
Acting Chief Executive
Lewisham Town Hall
Catford
London SE6 4RU
Date: Thursday 25 April 2019**



INVESTOR IN PEOPLE

The public are welcome to attend our committee meetings, however occasionally committees may have to consider some business in private. Copies of reports can be made available in additional formats on request.

ORDER OF BUSINESS – PART 1 AGENDA

Item No		Page No.s
1.	Minutes	1 - 5
2.	Declarations of Interests	6 - 9
3.	Outstanding Scrutiny Matters	10 - 11
4.	Notification of Late and Urgent Items	12
5.	Decisions made by Mayor and Cabinet on 24 April 2019	13 - 17
6.	Overview and Scrutiny Select Committees Work Programmes 2019-20	18 - 31
7.	Exclusion of the Press and Public	32
8.	Decisions made by Mayor and Cabinet on 24 April 2019	33 - 35
9.	Decision made by an Executive Director Under Delegated Authority: Extension of contracts for the operation of the CCTV control room and maintenance of CCTV equipment	36 - 43



Lewisham



INVESTOR IN PEOPLE

The public are welcome to attend our committee meetings, however occasionally committees may have to consider some business in private. Copies of reports can be made available in additional formats on request.

Agenda Item 1

OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY BUSINESS PANEL		
Report Title	Minutes	
Key Decision		Item No. 1
Ward	All	
Contributors	Chief Executive	
Class	Part 1	Date: 7 May 2019

Recommendation

It is recommended that the minutes of that part of the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel which was open to the press and public, held on 23 April 2019 be confirmed and signed.

MINUTES OF THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BUSINESS PANEL

Tuesday, 23 April 2019 at 7.00 pm

PRESENT: Councillors Bill Brown, Sakina Sheikh, Juliet Campbell, Patrick Codd, Liam Curran, Jim Mallory, Joan Millbank, John Muldoon and Luke Sorba

190. Minutes

The Chair welcomed new Members to the Panel.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the open meeting held on 19 March 2019 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

191. Declarations of Interests

None received.

192. Outstanding Scrutiny Matters

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

193. Notification of Late and Urgent Items

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

194. Decisions made by Mayor and Cabinet on 27 March 2019

Local Safeguarding Partnership Future Arrangements

The Chair of the Children and Young People Select Committee, Councillor Sorba informed Panel Members that he had requested further discussion of this item as he thought there was going to be a major change of a sensitive Statutory function it would need thorough scrutiny. He said he noted that Lewisham would be merging with Bexley and Greenwich Councils and would be sharing one Borough Commander amongst them, instead of one each. The Executive Director for Children and Young People responded that local authorities do not have a choice in the matter, as there was a Legislative Framework. She said the partnership arrangements was for economies of scales, and there was also value in working together.

The Executive Director for CYP informed Panel Members that the Board arrangements would be done within each Borough, with an overview joint arrangement which would include joint meetings.

Councillor Sorba stated that the key position of the Independent Chair was to be replaced by an Independent Scrutineer. He asked that the criteria and job

description of the post be shared with Business Panel Members. The Executive Director for CYP said partners had not yet signed off a job description, as the template was still being discussed amongst Local Authorities. She said it would likely be similar to that of the Chair of the Board.

Action >>>>> ED CYP

The Executive Director for CYP said that responsibility for Scrutiny would sit with the Safeguarding Partnership i.e. Health Trusts, Police and Local Authorities, but the Scrutineer would report to the Chief Executive of the Council to ensure an additional layer of responsibility. She said the Scrutineer would be an external detached role that would look at how well the Partners were working.

Councillor Millbank commented on the timetable, and asked if there would be an opportunity for a pay review. She asked why Lay Members would be employed for only 18 months. Councillor Millbank also asked how the Child Death Overview Panel would work.

The Executive Director for CYP explained how the process would work emphasising that the Tri Borough arrangements would add a layer to the local safeguarding process, but all the real business would be dealt with at local level. She said that although Lay-Member involvement was no longer required, the partners thought it would be wise to roll them over to the new arrangements to give partners the opportunity to review the role. Panel Members heard that the Child Death Overview Panel would be a valuable umbrella of support that would focus on all aspects of Child Deaths.

Councillor Millbank commented that an external person might find it difficult to get information. She asked how this would be dealt with and was told that as it was a Statutory role they would have the power to request information to fulfil the role, and co-partners would ensure they were effective. Councillor Millbank said it would be useful for the Job Description to be circulated to CYP Select Committee Members once it has been finalised.

Councillor Curran said he was concerned that the possibility remained that important issues could be missed between the Tri Borough arrangements and the Child Death Overview Panel. He emphasised that both parties might mistakenly assume that the other was dealing with an issue, and this might not be the case. He asked how the partners would work together to ensure nothing gets missed. The Executive Director for CYP responded that the arrangements were very clearly set out, and responsibility sits at Borough level. She said there was no risk of blurred responsibilities and the Partners would ensure there was a detailed document that set out how things would work.

The Panel discussed in detail the method of funding which they thought was not well spread out. Panel Members were concerned the funding might not be sufficient to do the work, but were told officers may have to ask for more funding if necessary.

The Chair thanked the Executive Director CYP for the report.

RESOLVED:

- I. that the decision of Mayor and Cabinet be noted.
- II. that Mayor and Cabinet be requested to ask officers to construct an Executive Management Structure chart with a clear reporting line for the Child Death Overview Panel.
- III. that Mayor and Cabinet be requested to ask officers to circulate details of the person specification and Job description for the Independent Scrutineer to the Children and Young People Select Committee when finalised.

195. Overview and Scrutiny Select Committees Work Programmes 2019 - 2020

The Scrutiny Manager introduced the report and informed Panel Members of the following:

- The first round of Select Committee meetings has started, and committees would be agreeing their annual work programmes, which would be considered by Business Panel on Tuesday 7 May 2019.
- As the by-elections would be taking place on Thursday 2 May, the meeting of the Public Accounts Select Committee scheduled for that evening has been moved to Thursday 9 May. Its work programme would be considered separately at Business Panel on Tuesday 21 May.
- At the request of the Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Committee and the Chief Whip, the Scrutiny Manager had contacted the CfPS regarding arranging some in-house Scrutiny Chairing training to support select committee Chairs and Vice-Chairs. The proposed date for the training is Wednesday 5 June 2019.

Councillor Mallory suggested the training should be open to all Scrutiny Members as some might become Chairs and Vice Chairs in future. The Chair endorsed this suggestion but added that because of practical reasons and the interactive element of the course, places would be limited. He added that if there were remaining places, aspiring Chairs would be welcome to attend.

The Scrutiny Manager informed Panel Members that a broader training for all scrutiny members could be arranged for later in the year. Councillor Muldoon endorsed the training proposals. He said Select Committee Members still awaited guidance from the MOCLT.

Councillor Muldoon said Healthier Communities Select Committee would be visiting Wigan to learn about the Wigan Deal for Adult Social Care.

Councillor Sorba asked if the European Elections would affect the Select Committees meeting Calendar, and was told Sustainable Development Select Committee which was scheduled for 23 May might have to be re-scheduled.

Councillor Curran stated that at their last meeting they had been discussing fire safety in tall buildings, and he would urge Members to keep an eye on this issue

especially in private buildings. He requested that Business Panel discuss this very important issue at a future date as he was concerned that it might get overlooked.

196. Exclusion of the Press and Public

This item was not required.

197. Decisions made by Mayor and Cabinet on 27 March 2019

These items were not requested for discussion.

Meeting ended: 8.00pm

Chair.....

Agenda Item 2

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BUSINESS PANEL		
Report Title	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	
Key Decision		Item No. 2
Ward		
Contributors	Chief Executive	
Class	Part 1	Date: 7 May 2019

Members are asked to declare any personal interest they have in any item on the agenda.

1 Personal interests

There are three types of personal interest referred to in the Council's Member Code of Conduct :-

- (1) Disclosable pecuniary interests
- (2) Other registerable interests
- (3) Non-registerable interests

2 Disclosable pecuniary interests are defined by regulation as:-

- (a) Employment, trade, profession or vocation of a relevant person* for profit or gain
- (b) Sponsorship –payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than by the Council) within the 12 months prior to giving notice for inclusion in the register in respect of expenses incurred by you in carrying out duties as a member or towards your election expenses (including payment or financial benefit from a Trade Union).
- (c) Undischarged contracts between a relevant person* (or a firm in which they are a partner or a body corporate in which they are a director, or in the securities of which they have a beneficial interest) and the Council for goods, services or works.
- (d) Beneficial interests in land in the borough.
- (e) Licence to occupy land in the borough for one month or more.

- (f) Corporate tenancies – any tenancy, where to the member’s knowledge, the Council is landlord and the tenant is a firm in which the relevant person* is a partner, a body corporate in which they are a director, or in the securities of which they have a beneficial interest.
- (g) Beneficial interest in securities of a body where:-
 - (a) that body to the member’s knowledge has a place of business or land in the borough; and
 - (b) either
 - (i) the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or 1/100 of the total issued share capital of that body; or
 - (ii) if the share capital of that body is of more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which the relevant person* has a beneficial interest exceeds 1/100 of the total issued share capital of that class.

*A relevant person is the member, their spouse or civil partner, or a person with whom they live as spouse or civil partner.

(3) Other registerable interests

The Lewisham Member Code of Conduct requires members also to register the following interests:-

- (a) Membership or position of control or management in a body to which you were appointed or nominated by the Council
- (b) Any body exercising functions of a public nature or directed to charitable purposes , or whose principal purposes include the influence of public opinion or policy, including any political party
- (c) Any person from whom you have received a gift or hospitality with an estimated value of at least £25

(4) Non registerable interests

Occasions may arise when a matter under consideration would or would be likely to affect the wellbeing of a member, their family, friend or close associate more than it would affect the wellbeing of those in the local area generally, but which is not required to be registered in the Register of Members’ Interests (for example a matter concerning the closure of a school at which a Member’s child attends).

(5) Declaration and Impact of interest on members’ participation

- (a) Where a member has any registerable interest in a matter and they are present at a meeting at which that matter is to be discussed, they must declare the nature of the interest at the earliest opportunity and in any event before the matter is considered. The declaration will be recorded in the minutes of the meeting. If the matter is a disclosable pecuniary interest the member must take no part in consideration of the matter and withdraw from the room before it is considered. They must not seek improperly to influence the decision in any way. **Failure to declare such an interest which has not already been entered in the Register of Members' Interests, or participation where such an interest exists, is liable to prosecution and on conviction carries a fine of up to £5000**
- (b) Where a member has a registerable interest which falls short of a disclosable pecuniary interest they must still declare the nature of the interest to the meeting at the earliest opportunity and in any event before the matter is considered, but they may stay in the room, participate in consideration of the matter and vote on it unless paragraph (c) below applies.
- (c) Where a member has a registerable interest which falls short of a disclosable pecuniary interest, the member must consider whether a reasonable member of the public in possession of the facts would think that their interest is so significant that it would be likely to impair the member's judgement of the public interest. If so, the member must withdraw and take no part in consideration of the matter nor seek to influence the outcome improperly.
- (d) If a non-registerable interest arises which affects the wellbeing of a member, their family, friend or close associate more than it would affect those in the local area generally, then the provisions relating to the declarations of interest and withdrawal apply as if it were a registerable interest.
- (e) Decisions relating to declarations of interests are for the member's personal judgement, though in cases of doubt they may wish to seek the advice of the Monitoring Officer.

(6) Sensitive information

There are special provisions relating to sensitive interests. These are interests the disclosure of which would be likely to expose the member to risk of violence or intimidation where the Monitoring Officer has agreed that such interest need not be registered. Members with such an interest are referred to the Code and advised to seek advice from the Monitoring Officer in advance.

(7) Exempt categories

There are exemptions to these provisions allowing members to participate in decisions notwithstanding interests that would otherwise prevent them doing so. These include:-

- (a) Housing – holding a tenancy or lease with the Council unless the matter relates to your particular tenancy or lease; (subject to arrears exception)
- (b) School meals, school transport and travelling expenses; if you are a parent or guardian of a child in full time education, or a school governor unless the matter relates particularly to the school your child attends or of which you are a governor;
- (c) Statutory sick pay; if you are in receipt
- (d) Allowances, payment or indemnity for members
- (e) Ceremonial honours for members
- (f) Setting Council Tax or precept (subject to arrears exception)

Agenda Item 3

OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY BUSINESS PANEL		
Report Title	Outstanding Scrutiny Matters	
Key Decision	No	Item No. 3
Ward	n/a	
Contributors	Head of Business and Committee	
Class	Part 1	Date: 7 May 2019

1. Purpose of Report

To report on items previously reported to the Mayor for response by directorates and to indicate the likely future reporting date.

2. Recommendation

That the reporting date of the items shown in the table below be noted.

Report Title	Responding Author	Date Considered by Mayor & Cabinet	Scheduled Reporting Date	Slippage since last report
Comments of Sustainable Development Select Committee on Neighbourhood CIL	Interim Heaf of Planning	16 January 2016	5 June 2019	Yes
Comments of the Safer Stronger Communities Select Committee on the Lewisham Disability Coalition	ED Community	13 February 2019	8 May 2019	yes
Comments of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee – Legal Advice	ED Res. & Regen.	13 March 2019	5 June 2019	No
Comments of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee – Procurement Procedures	ED Res. & Regen.	13 March 2019	5 June 2019	No

Healthier Communities Select Committee – Advice and Support Services for People with Learning Difficulties	ED Community	13 March 2019	5 June 2019	No
Comments of Sustainable Development Select Committee – Fire Safety in Tall Buildings	ED Res. & Regen	27 March 2019	5 June 2019	No
Comments of Sustainable Development Select Committee – Pubs	ED Res. & Regen	27 March 2019	5 June 2019	No
Comments of Sustainable Development Select Committee – New Cross Framework and Station Opportunity	ED Res. & Regen	27 March 2019	5 June 2019	No
Comments of Sustainable Development Select Committee – Planning Annual Monitoring	ED Res. & Regen	27 March 2019	5 June 2019	No
Comments of Safer Stronger Communities Select Committee – Impact of Stop and Search and Prevent	ED Community	24 April 2019	26 June 2019	No

BACKGROUND PAPERS and AUTHOR

Mayor & Cabinet minutes 16 January, 13 February, 13 & 27 March and 24 April 2019 available from Kevin Flaherty 0208 3149327.

<http://councilmeetings.lewisham.gov.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?CIId=139&Year=0>

Agenda Item 4

Overview & Scrutiny Business Panel		
Report Title	Notification of Late and Urgent Items	
Key Decision	No	Item No. 4
Ward		
Contributors	Head of Business and Committee	
Class	Part 1	Date: 7 May 2019

1. **None submitted.**

OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY BUSINESS PANEL		
Report Title	Decisions made by Mayor and Cabinet at the on 24 April 2019	
Key Decision		Item No. 5
Ward	All	
Contributors	Chief Executive/Head of Business and Committee	
Class	Part 1	Date: 7 May 2019

1. Recommendation

To consider key decisions made by the Mayor and Cabinet on 24 April 2019 which will come in to force on 8 May 2019.

2. Background

2.1 The Mayor and Cabinet considered the following key decisions on 24 April 2019.

2.2 The notice of the decision made in respect of the report is attached as an Appendix. Under the provisions of Standing Orders Part IV E 14, members may call in an executive decision within 7 days. If this report is not called in they will come into force on 8 May 2019

- i. Borough-wide Licensing Consultation
- ii. Main Grants Programme 2019-22
- iii. Beckenham Place Park Update
- iv. New Cross Area Framework and Station Opportunity Study
- v. Alterations and Extensions Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)
- vi. Business Rates Revelation Support Scheme



NOTICE OF DECISIONS MADE AT THE MAYOR & CABINET

The Mayor and Cabinet made the following decisions on 24 April 2019. These decisions will become effective on 8 May 2019 unless called in by the Overview & Scrutiny Business Panel on 7 May 2019.

1. **Borough-wide licensing consultation**

Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Housing, Councillor Paul Bell, the Mayor and Cabinet agreed that:

(1) the data analysis detailed be noted concluding:

that approximately 26% of the residential properties in the borough are private rented properties;

that the stock condition of the private rented sector is shown to be below that of other sectors with the highest proportion of non-decent homes and there is considerable data to suggest that poor property conditions occur within the private rented sector in Lewisham;

that there are demonstrable relationships between the location of the private rented sector in Lewisham and prevalence of deprivation, anti-social behaviour, crime and migration in the borough, and that these necessary conditions for applying for a selective licensing scheme differ in strength depending on the area of the borough.

(2) to maximise the chance of a successful application to Secretary of State, multiple options for selective licensing be submitted: one for borough-wide selective licensing; and one grouping wards with similar characteristics together in designations based on ward data evidence;

(3) officers undertake a public consultation on the proposal for a selective licensing scheme (as split via the designations) which will require approval from the Secretary of State;

(4) officers undertake a public consultation on the proposal for a new additional licensing scheme, which does not require approval from the Secretary of State;

(5) authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Customer Services to finalise the consultation documents;

(6) if the new additional licensing scheme and the selective licensing schemes are agreed, the council will incur costs of up to £400,000 to introduce the schemes, which will be wholly recoverable from licencing fees;

(7) the consultation responses be presented to Housing Select Committee and to Mayor and Cabinet in the autumn as part of any proposals to progress with the two licensing schemes.

2. Main Grants Programme 2019-22

Having considered an officer report, and presentations by an Evelyn Ward Councillor and by the Cabinet Member for the Community Sector, Councillor Jonathan Slater, the Mayor and Cabinet agreed that:

(1) the proposals to fund voluntary and community sector groups, as set out in Appendix 1, for the period 1 August 2019 – 31 March 2022 be approved;

(2) organisations recommended for funding in excess of £100,000 be subject to more rigorous monitoring and scrutiny requirements, with note of critical indicators, including a review of their current governance arrangements.

3. Beckenham Place Park Regeneration

Having considered an officer report, and a presentations by a Bellingham Ward Councillor and by the jobshare Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport, Councillor Sophie McGeevor, the Mayor and Cabinet agreed that:

(1) additional capital programme contribution of £1.936m be approved to secure the investment;

(2) approval be given to begin the process of obtaining a traffic management order for Beckenham Place Park, to enable the introduction of parking enforcement;

(3) approval be given to grant a lease of the new education centre to the Field Studies Council and responsibility be delegated to the Executive Director for Customer Services, in consultation with the Assistant Director of Regeneration and Place and the Head of Law, to agree final terms as set out,

4. New Cross Area Framework and Station Opportunity Study

Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Mayor, the Mayor and Cabinet agreed that:

(1) the content of the New Cross Area Framework and Station Opportunity Study be approved as part of the evidence base for the new Lewisham Local Plan;

(2) the LB Lewisham Strategic Planning team be authorised to progress the New Cross Area Framework and Station Opportunity Study to full Supplementary Planning Document status.

(3) the report be referred to Council.

5. Alterations and Extensions Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)

Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Mayor, the Mayor and Cabinet agreed that:

(1) the Consultation Statement be noted;

(2) the changes following the consultation as shown in a track changes version of the SPD, be noted;

(3) the Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) be adopted;

(4) the Equalities Impact Assessment of the document be noted;

(5) upon adoption, the SPD will replace Section 6 of the Residential Standards SPD, which will be revoked pursuant to regulation 15(2) of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.

6. Business Rates Revaluation Support Scheme & Retail Discount Scheme

Having considered an officer report and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources, Councillor Amanda De Ryk, the Mayor and Cabinet agreed that:

(1) the Business Rates Revaluation Support Scheme (Revaluation Support) be approved for 2019/20 and 2020/21 with some minor changes (see paragraph 6.1.8) in accordance with the Council's powers under s47 of the Local Government Finance Act 1988;

(2) the Retail Discount Scheme for 2019/20 and 2020/21 be approved pursuant to the Council's powers under s47 of the Local Government Finance Act 1988.

(3) the s151 Finance Officer be authorised to implement the two schemes detailed so that the agreed discretionary discounts for business rates can be awarded in compliance with the scheme criteria.

Janet Senior
Acting Chief Executive,
Lewisham Town Hall,
Catford SE6 4RU
25 April 2019

Agenda Item 6

Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel		
Title	Overview and Scrutiny Select Committee Work Programmes 2019 – 20	
Contributor	Overview and Scrutiny Manager	Item 6
Class	Part 1	7 May 2019

Lateness: This report was not available for the original dispatch because the Children and Young People; Safer Stronger Communities; and Sustainable Development Select Committees did not meet until the evening of 30 April to agree their work programmes; and the Housing Select Committee did not meet until the evening of 1 May to agree its work programme.

Urgency: The report is urgent and cannot wait until the next meeting of the Business Panel because some Select Committees will have had their second meetings by that point and the Business Panel is required to consider the proposed work programmes of each of the select committees at the earliest opportunity and before they are implemented, to ensure a co-ordinated overview and scrutiny work programme which avoids duplication of effort and facilitates the effective conduct of business.

1. Recommendation

1.1 The Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel is asked to:

- Review and approve the proposed contents of the work programmes of the Overview and Scrutiny Select Committees, apart from the Public Accounts Select Committee (attached at appendix A) as discussed and agreed by members.

2. Purpose

2.1 In accordance with the Overview and Scrutiny procedure rules outlined in Part IV E of the Council's Constitution, the Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel is required to:

- Consider the proposed work programmes of each of the Select Committees and devise a co-ordinated overview and scrutiny work programme which avoids duplication of effort and facilitates the effective conduct of business.

2.2 The Business Panel may amend the work programme of any of the Select Committees to secure the most effective use of committee time and Council resources and to prevent overlaps. However, the Business Panel will not normally amend work programme unless it is necessary to ensure the effective conduct of Council business. Once the Business Panel has approved the select committee work programme, the Select Committee will implement it.

2.3 Due to the by-elections on 2 May 2019, the Public Accounts Select Committee meeting scheduled for the day of the election, has been moved to 9 May 2019. The Public Accounts Select Committee meeting will therefore take place after this

Business Panel meeting. The Public Accounts Select Committee work programme will therefore be considered by Business Panel, separately, on 21 May. Its second meeting will take place on 13 June so Business Panel will be able to approve the work programme before it begins to be implemented.

- 2.4 It is Business Panel's role to consider all the Select Committee work programmes and agree a coordinated scrutiny programme, so officers will ensure that when the Public Accounts Select Committee work programme is considered on 21 May, any potential overlaps with items on the other five Select Committee work programmes are highlighted. However, no overlaps are anticipated as the work of the Public Accounts Select Committee is very focussed on financial and budgetary matters and overlaps with the remits of other select committees are rare.

3. Policy Context

- 3.1 The Council's recently adopted Corporate Strategy sets out the Council's priorities, namely:

1. Open Lewisham
2. Tackling the housing crisis
3. Giving children and young people the best start in life
4. Building an inclusive local economy
5. Delivering and defending: Health, Social Care and Support
6. Making Lewisham greener
7. Building safer communities

- 3.2 The Select Committees devise annual work programmes which cover areas of business that fall within, and contribute towards achieving, all corporate priorities. The implementation of the attached work programmes will therefore have implications for all policy areas.

- 3.3 The Select Committees have tried to make sure that their work programmes reflect the diversity of Lewisham's communities and that the views of residents are fairly represented in scrutiny processes. Any recommendations arising from scrutiny work carried out this year, will support the Council's corporate strategy and reflect the needs of local residents.

4. Select Committee Work Programme Setting 2018-19

- 4.1 Five Select Committees have met to consider and agree their work programmes for the municipal year 2019-2020 (see appendix A). In developing their work programmes members have considered:

- standing items, e.g. performance reviews, inspection reports, annual budget scrutiny
- topics recommended for scrutiny by select committees at the end of the 2018-19 municipal year
- topics recommended for scrutiny by senior officers based on recent and future developments

- suggestions from individual members
 - issues of importance to Local Assemblies
 - decisions due to be made by Mayor and Cabinet
 - issues suggested by members of the public.
- 4.2 In choosing topics to be added to their work programme, and how they may wish to scrutinise them, members have also taken account of the Lewisham scrutiny prioritisation process, which supports members in identifying priorities and managing workloads (Appendix B).
- 4.3 The committees have also taken into consideration the recommendations arising from the Council's *Local Democracy Review* on how scrutiny can be even more effective, participative and open.
- 4.4 The draft work programmes attached at appendix A reflect the discussions held at the first round of select committee meetings and present a broad and varied programme of scrutiny over the next twelve months, focussed on key policy issues, for Business Panel to consider.
- 4.5 The following in-depth reviews have been put forward by the Select Committees:
- **Equalities - Safer Stronger Communities Select Committee**
This will link into the timeframe for consultation on the new Corporate Equalities Scheme and consider (a) how equalities considerations are embedded across the Council including organisations funded by the Council; and (b) how Equalities Impact Assessments are carried out in Lewisham and good practice.
 - **Resident Engagement in Housing Developments – Housing Select Committee**
This will consider how the council engages with communities around regeneration and housing development; how this affects relationships between the council and residents, particularly those from often excluded groups; what the council can learn from how other boroughs engage; and the role of partners, Tenants and Residents Associations and councillors in community engagement.
 - **Parks Management – Sustainable Development Select Committee**
This will take into account the proposed income generation proposals made in the last round of cuts and will also consider the future maintenance and ownership of open spaces as well as the new 'greening fund'.
- 4.6 Whilst the **Healthier Communities Select Committee** has not agreed an in-depth review at this stage, it will be carrying out in-depth work on adult social care which will include a visit to Wigan to hear more about the Wigan Deal for Adult Social Care. Similarly, the **Children and Young People Select Committee**, whilst not carrying out an in-depth review per se, will have a one off meeting on the impact of families being placed in temporary accommodation a long distance away from their existing

social networks and schools. It will also be carrying out specific work in relation to the Early Help Review.

- 4.7 In order to increase public participation in scrutiny, the committees may ask members of the public to contribute to in-depth reviews or other in-depth scrutiny work by submitting evidence via the council website: [Open Overview and Scrutiny Investigations](#).

5. Scrutiny of the Budget and Savings Proposals

- 5.1 The work programmes attached in the appendix to this report may need to be modified in order to accommodate the scrutiny of savings proposals brought forward for member consideration. It remains officers' intention to bring forward savings for scrutiny and decision as and when they are identified, although it is recognised that the annual budget cycle will mean the majority of savings for the following financial year will be developed over the summer for scrutiny and decision in the autumn. Time to scrutinise savings proposals has therefore provisionally been set aside in the October/November round of meetings, on the proviso that this may need to be revisited as the year progresses. The select committees will therefore need to retain capacity in their work programmes to consider savings proposals as necessary.

6. Financial Implications

- 6.1 The work programmes will be managed within existing budgets. However, formal recommendations to the Mayor arising out of any specific work items within the respective work programmes will be evaluated in the usual way through the process of formal reports.

7. Legal Implications

- 7.1 In accordance with the Council's Constitution, the Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel is required to consider and co-ordinate an overview and scrutiny work programme which avoids duplication and facilitates the effective conduct of business across the scrutiny select committees. Once the Business Panel has approved the overall work programme, the select committees will implement it.

8. Equalities implications

- 8.1 There may be equalities implications arising from items listed in the select committee work programmes and all activities undertaken by the select committees in discharging these items will need to give due consideration to this.
- 8.2 The delivery of the Council's equalities objectives is to be achieved through the delivery of all of the Council's strategies, plans and procedures. As such, all select committees, when planning their work programmes and scrutinising items, should bear in mind the delivery of the Council's equality objectives.
- 8.3 The Select Committees have tried to make sure that their work programmes reflect the diversity of Lewisham's communities and that the views of residents are fairly represented in scrutiny processes. Any recommendations arising from scrutiny work

carried out this year, will support the Council's newly adopted corporate strategy and reflect the needs of local residents.

8. Background documents

- Lewisham Council's Constitution
- Draft minutes of the first meeting of the scrutiny select committees held in April/May 2019

If you have any questions about this report – please contact Charlotte Dale (Overview and Scrutiny Manager) 02083148286

Appendix A Select Committee work programmes

Appendix B Lewisham scrutiny prioritisation process

Children and Young People Select Committee 2019/20

Programme of Work

Work Item	Type of item	Strategic Priority	Delivery deadline	30-Apr	12-Jun	11-Jul	17-Sep	16-Oct	05-Dec	23-Jan	10-Mar
Lewisham Future Programme	Performance monitoring		Ongoing				Budget Cuts				
Election of the Chair and Vice-Chair	Constitutional requirement		May-19								
Select Committee work programme 2019/20	Constitutional requirement	CP3	Ongoing								
In-depth review - school exclusions	In-depth review	CP3	Apr-19			M&C response				6 month update	
Children and Young People's Plan	Performance monitoring	CP3									
CAMHS waiting times for Lewisham Children	Performance monitoring	CP3 & CP5									
Early Help review	In-depth review	CP3 & CP5	ongoing		Focus paper						
Safeguarding Services 6-monthly Report and update on new safeguarding arrangements, inc update on CSC Improvement Plan	Performance monitoring	CP3 & CP5									
Lewisham Safeguarding Children Board annual report (for information only)	Performance Monitoring	CP3 & CP5									
Education Strategy											
Annual Report on Attendance and Exclusions	Performance monitoring	CP3									
Children's Social Care budget, including sufficiency strategy, staffing, fostering	Performance monitoring	CP3 & CP5									
Childrens Social Care Improvement Plan											
Corporate Parenting and LAC Annual Report	Performance monitoring	CP3 & CP5									
Annual Schools Standards Report 2018/19 (primary and secondary)	Performance monitoring	CP3									
SEND Strategy [date tbc]	Performance monitoring	CP3 & CP5									

		Meetings					
		1)	Tuesday 30 April	4)	Tuesday 17 September	7)	Thursday 23 January
		2)	Wednesday 12 June	5)	Wednesday 16 October	8)	Tuesday 10 March
		3)	Thursday 11 July	6)	Thursday 5 December		

Giving Children and young people the best start in life.	CP 3
Delivering and defending: health, social care and support	CP 5
Building Safer Communities	CP 7

Healthier Communities Select Committee work programme 2019/20

Item	Type	Priority	Delivery	04-Apr	14-May	25-Jun	03-Sep	08-Oct	02-Dec	15-Jan	18-Mar
Budget cuts proposals	Standard item	High	Ongoing								
Confirmation of Chair and Vice Chair	Constitutional req	High	Apr								
Leisure centre contracts	Performance monitoring	High	Apr								
Work programme 2019-20	Constitutional req	High	Apr								
BAME mental health access	Standard item	High	May								
South London and Maudsley NHS Foundation Trust quality account	Performance monitoring	High	May								
Older Adults Day Activities and Day Services	Standard item	High	May								
Leisure centre contracts	Performance monitoring	High	May								
Mental Health Alliance	Standard item	High	Jun								
Lewisham and Greenwich NHS Trust (LGT) CQC inspection	Performance monitoring	High	Jun								
LGT quality account	Performance monitoring	High	Jun								
Asset-based approach to adult social care	Standard item	High	Jun								
Adult safeguarding annual report	Performance monitoring	High	Sep								
Adult Learning Lewisham annual report	Performance monitoring	High	Oct								
Public health grant cuts	Standard item	High	Dec								
Lewisham hospital winter pressures	Performance monitoring	High	Dec								
Delivery of the Lewisham Health & Wellbeing priorities	Performance monitoring	High	Jan								
Lewisham People's Parliament	Standard item	High	Mar								

	Item completed
	Item on-going
	Item outstanding
	Proposed timeframe
	Item added

Meetings			
1)	Thu 4th April 2019	5)	Tue 8th October 2019
2)	Tue 14th May 2019	6)	Mon 2nd December 2019
3)	Tue 25th June 2019	7)	Wed 15th January 2020
4)	Tue 3rd Sept 2019	8)	Wed 18th March 2020

Housing Select Committee work programme 2019/20

Work item	Type of item	Priority	Delivery	01-May	04-Jun	10-Jul	18-Sep	30-Oct	16-Dec	30-Jan	12-Mar
Budget cuts proposals	Standard item	High	Ongoing								
Confirmation of Chair and Vice Chair	Constitutional req	High	Apr								
Work programme 2019-20	Constitutional req	High	Apr								
Lewisham Homes annual business plan	Standard item	High	Apr								
New Homes Programme update	Information item	High	Apr								
Resident engagement in housing development	In-depth review	High	Jun		Scope						
Lewisham Homes Acquisitions Programme	Performance monitoring	High	Jun								
Housing and mental health review update	Performance monitoring	High	Jun								
Brockley PFI annual report and business plan	Performance monitoring	High	Jul								
Effects of housing people out of the borough	Performance monitoring	High	Sep								
Lewisham Housing Strategy	Policy development	High	Oct								
Homelessness Reduction Act progress update	Performance monitoring	High	Dec								
Rent and service charge increases	Standard item	High	Jan								
Annual lettings plan	Standard item	High	Mar								

Page 25

	Item completed
	Item on-going
	Item outstanding
	Proposed timeframe
	Item added

Meetings			
1)	Wed 1st May 2019	5)	Wed 30th Oct 2019
2)	Tue 4th June 2019	6)	Mon 16th Dec 2019
3)	Wed 10th July 2019	7)	Thu 30th Jan 2020
4)	Wed 18th Sept 2019	8)	Thu 12th Mar 2020

Safer Stronger Communities Select Committee 2019/20

Work Item	Type of review	Strategic Priority	Delivery deadline	30-Apr	22-May	16-Jul	12-Sep	09-Oct	26-Nov	16-Jan	04-Mar
Budget Cuts Proposals	Standard Item						Budget Cuts				
Election of Chair and Vice-Chair	Constitutional requirement										
Select Committee Work Programme 2018/19	Constitutional requirement	CP1,CP4 and CP7	Apr-19								
Safe Lewisham Plan	Performance monitoring	CP7	Apr-19								
Adult isolation & services for the elderly	Performance monitoring	CP5	May-19								
Invitation to Age UK, Positive Ageing Council and Cabinet member	Performance monitoring	CP5	May-19								
Update from Local Police and Fire Service	Standard Item	CP7	May-19								
Vision for the third sector: compact and transformation	Standard Item	CP1 and CP4	Jul-19								
Violence Against Women and Girls	pre-decision	CP7	Jul-19								
Prevent and Stop and Search response and update	in-depth review	CP7	Jul-19			response				6-month update	
Equalities Indepth Review inc. Councils employment profile and staff survey results	in-depth review	CP1	Mar-20								
Lewisham Libraries- Future and Transformation inc annual report	Performance monitoring	CP1	Sep-19								
Public Health Approach to Violence Strategy	Performance monitoring	CP7	Oct-19								
Disability Provision in Lewisham	Performance monitoring	CP1	Oct-19								
Food Poverty	Performance monitoring	CP7	Oct-19								
National Probation Service and Community Rehabilitation Company	Performance monitoring	CP7	Jan-20								
Modern Day Slavery	Performance monitoring	CP1 + CP7	Jan-20								
Refugee Resettlement Programme	Performance monitoring	CP1	Jan-20								
Comprehensive Equalities Scheme	Pre-decision	CP1	Mar-20								
Local Assemblies Annual Review inc. NCIL	Performance monitoring	CP1	Mar-20								
YOS - monitoring progress against Action Plan	Performance monitoring	CP7	Mar-20								

	Item completed
	Item on-going
	Item outstanding
	Proposed timeframe

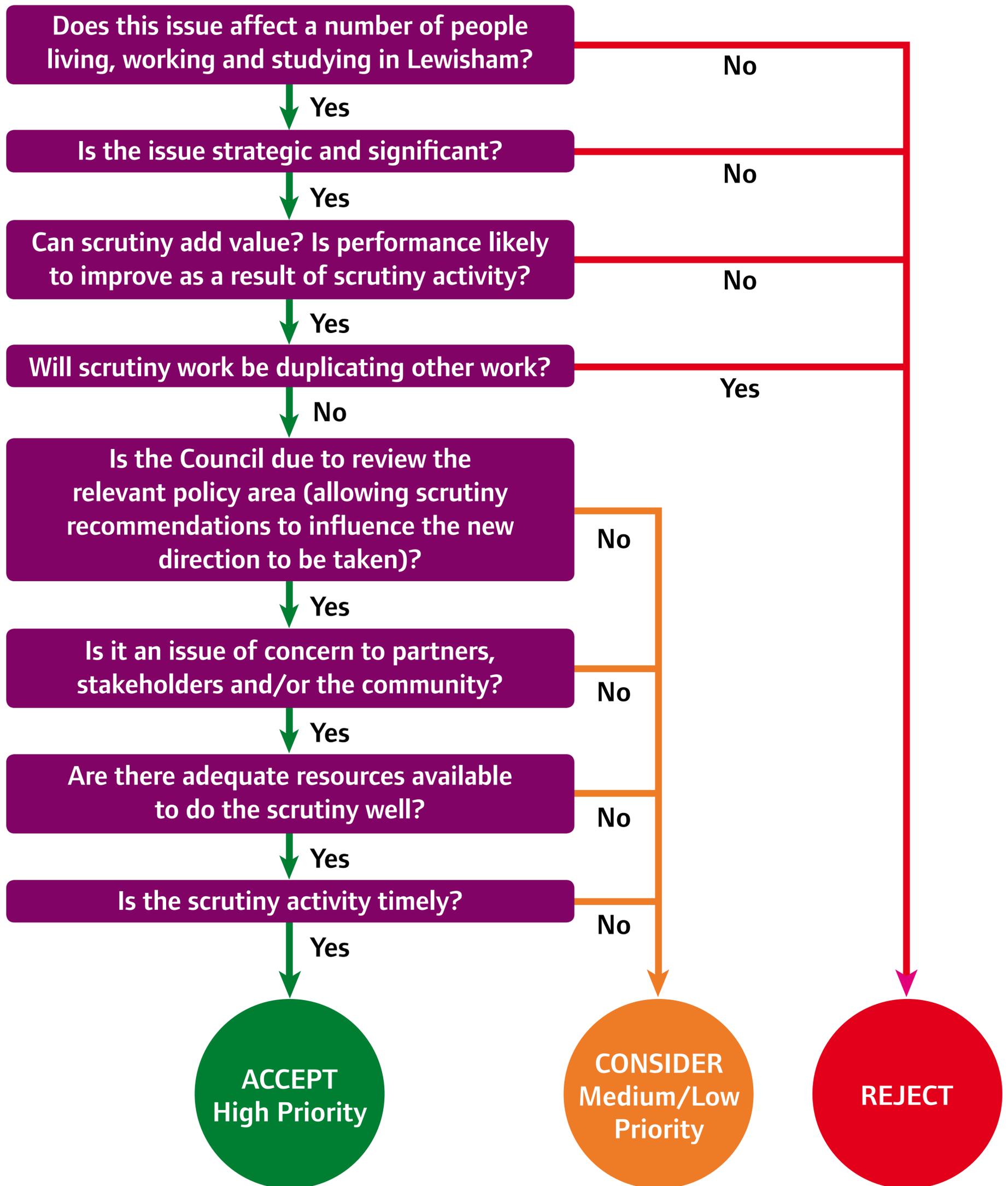
Sustainable Development Select Committee work plan 2019-20

Work Item	Type of item	Priority	Corporate priority	Delivery deadline	30-Apr-19	04-Jun-19	04-Jul-19	11-Sep-19	28-Oct-19	04-Dec-19	21-Jan-20	02-Mar-20
Development of the Lewisham Local Plan	Performance monitoring	Medium	All	Ongoing								
Catford Town Centre Regeneration	Performance monitoring	Medium	CP2,4,6	Ongoing								
Parks management review	In-depth review	High	CP6	Dec		Scope	Evidence		Evidence	Report & referral		
Home energy conservation	Standard item	Medium	CP2,6	Jun								
Neighbourhood CIL strategy	Standard item	High	CP6	Jun								
Economy and partnerships	Standard item	High	CP4	Jul								
Budget cuts	Performance monitoring	High	All	Ongoing				Cuts				
Implementation of the air quality action plan	Performance monitoring	Medium	CP6	Sep								
Parking policy update	Standard item	High	CP4,6	Sep								
Cycling	Standard item	High	CP6	Oct								
Management of the borough's 'red routes'	Standard item	Medium	CP6	Dec								
Waste strategy implementation and performance monitoring	Performance monitoring	Low	CP6	Jan								
Climate emergency action plan	Standard item	High	CP6	Mar								

Corporate priority (2) - **tackling the housing crisis** - 'everyone has a decent home that is secure and affordable'.

Corporate Priorities		
	Priority	
1	Open Lewisham	CP 1
2	Tackling the Housing Crisis	CP 2
3	Giving Children and young people the best start in life.	CP 3
4	Building an inclusive local economy	CP 4
5	Delivering and defending: health, social care and support	CP 5
6	Making Lewisham greener	CP 6
7	Building Safer Communities	CP 7

Scrutiny work programme – prioritisation process



Business Panel		
Title	Comments of the Safer Stronger Communities Select Committee on the Select Committee's work programme	
Contributor	Safer Stronger Communities Select Committee	Item
Class	Part 1 (open)	7 May 2019

1. Summary

- 1.1 This report informs the Business Panel of the comments and views of the Safer Stronger Communities Select Committee, arising from discussions held on the Select Committee Work Programme at the meeting on 30 April 2019.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 Business Panel is asked to consider the views of the Select Committee as set out in this report and provide a response.

3. Safer Stronger Communities Select Committee views

- 3.1 On 30 April 2019, the Safer Stronger Communities Select Committee considered a report entitled "Select Committee Work Programme". The Committee resolved to recommend the following to Business Panel:

That due to the importance of promoting equality of provision across the Council; all Select Committees should ensure they have a strong focus on equalities as part of their annual work programme. In particular, Select Committees should ensure that when they are scrutinising new plans such as the CYP Plan and the Housing Strategy that they ensure that equalities implications have been properly considered and documented.

4. Financial implications

- 4.1 There are no financial implications arising out of this report.

5. Legal implications

- 5.1 The Constitution provides for Select Committees to refer reports to the Mayor and Cabinet, who are obliged to consider the report and the proposed response from the relevant Executive Director; and report back to the Committee within two months (not including recess).

6. Further implications

- 6.1 At this stage there are no specific environmental, equalities or crime and disorder implications to consider. However, there may be implications arising from the implementation of the Committee's recommendations.

Background papers

Safer Stronger Communities Select Committee agenda 30 April 2019: [link](#)

If you have any questions about this report, please contact Katie Wood, Scrutiny Manager (katie.wood@lewisham.gov.uk)

Agenda Item 7

OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY BUSINESS PANEL		
Report Title	Exclusion of the Press and Public	
Key Decision		Item No. 7
Ward		
Contributors	Chief Executive	
Class	Part 1	Date: 7 May 2019

Recommendation

It is recommended that under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 3, 4 and 5 of Part 1 of Schedule 12(A) of the Act, as amended by the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (Amendments) (England) Regulations 2006:-

8. Decisions made by Mayor and Cabinet on 24 April 2019.
9. Decision made by an Executive Director under Delegated Authority: Extension of contracts for the operation of the CCTV control room and maintenance of CCTV equipment

By virtue of paragraph(s) 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

Document is Restricted

Agenda Item 9

By virtue of paragraph(s) 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A
of the Local Government Act 1972.

Document is Restricted