

Decisions taken by the Sustainable Development Select Committee on Thursday, 4 July 2019

Agenda Item No	Topic	Decision
Part A – Items considered in public		
A1	Minutes of the meeting held on 4 June 2019	Resolved: that the minutes of the meeting held on 4 June be agreed as an accurate record.
A3	Responses from Mayor and Cabinet	<p>Resolved: that the Committee would refer its views to Mayor and Cabinet, as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Committee is concerned about the increasing list of new materials which are being identified as a potential risk for fire safety - specifically (Cllr Curran to add). The Committee asks for confirmation that due care and consideration is being given to the potential presence of these materials in Lewisham’s housing stock. • The Committee believes that Lewisham’s pubs are at risk. It has identified an opportunity to increase protection for local pubs through the development of the new local plan. Contrary to the strength of feeling in the Committee about this issue, councillors are not reassured that their comments on preserving Lewisham’s pubs have been given full and thorough consideration. The Committee asks that Mayor and Cabinet direct officers to provide a detailed response to the Committee’s recommendations on preserving Lewisham’s pubs. This should define the actions that have been taken. Furthermore, it reiterates its view that the protection of Lewisham’s pubs should be championed through planning policy and fully incorporated into the new local plan.
A4	Parks management review: the future of the parks service update	<p>Resolved: the Committee recommended that in the options appraisal for the future of the parks service – officers should take the following issues into consideration –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The future management and viability of spaces for sport in parks; • Options for the ring fencing of the parks budget; • Safeguarding the employment of professionals with support from volunteers – rather than allowing volunteers to replace paid employees; • Biodiversity, climate change mitigation and environmental protection; • Management of rough sleepers; • The availability of officer resources to deliver the urban national park project; • The maintenance of specialist assets (such as built features as well as ceremonial and memorial gardens) in parks.

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A5	Catford regeneration programme update	<p>Resolved: that the Committee would share its views with Mayor and Cabinet as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Committee believes that the sustainability of the town centre redevelopment should be a key consideration. It recommends that this should take account of both - the methods used for the construction of new buildings and infrastructure - as well as the long-term sustainability and energy efficiency of the whole centre. Accordingly, it recommends that 'sustainability' should become one of the key place shaping principles for the town centre and it would welcome detailed information about how issues of sustainability will be considered in future reports. • The Committee also believes that further work should take place to secure the future viability of the Broadway theatre. • The Committee recommends that further consideration should be given to the scope and scale of the development both with and without the extension of the Bakerloo line to the town centre.