Sustainable Development Select Committee			
Report Title	Response from Mayor and Cabinet to matters referred by the Sustainable Development Select Committee – Beckenham Place Park		
Key Decision	No		Item No 5
Ward	All		
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Class	Part 1		Date: 29 June 2016

1. Summary

This report informs members of the response given at Mayor and Cabinet to a referral in respect of recommendations to the Mayor following the discussions held on Beckenham Place Park which the Select Committee considered on January 14 2016.

2. Purpose of the Report

To report to members the response given at Mayor and Cabinet to recommendations made by the Select Committee on January 14 2016.

3. Recommendation

The Select Committee is recommended to receive the Mayoral response to their consideration of the Beckenham Place Park Report and Petition.

4. Background

4.1 The Mayor considered the attached report entitled 'Comments of the Sustainable Development Select Committee on the Beckenham Place Park Report and Petition' referred by the Select Committee at the Mayor & Cabinet meeting held on February 17 2016

5. Mayoral Response

- 5.1 The Mayor received an officer report and a presentation from the Cabinet Member for the Public Realm, Councillor Rachel Onikosi and a representative of the Executive Director for Customer Services.
- 5.2 The Mayor resolved that the responses shown below be reported to the Select Committee.
 - 3.2 The Committee resolved to advise Mayor and Cabinet of the following:

That the Committee felt that additional information should be provided on the current contract with Glendale regarding the maintenance and management of the golf course, prior to a decision by Mayor and Cabinet. This was to ensure that an analysis of the true profit potential could be made.

The Mayor noted the comments of the Select Committee and received a full explanation from officers regarding the profit potential of continued golfing activities in the Park.

3.3 The Select Committee recommended that:

The questions tabled by Councillor Curran and attached at Appendix A to this report, be referred to Mayor and Cabinet and officers be requested to ensure that their report to Mayor and Cabinet addresses these questions.

The Mayor ensures he has sufficient information on the matters listed above at 3.2 before making his decision on Beckenham Place Park.

The Mayor and his Cabinet were provided with the full text of all the submitted questions and the Mayor received assurances from the presenting officer that the questions were fully addressed in the report on which he was basing his decision on.

5.3 The Mayor confirmed that he had considered all of the many submissions that he had received regarding the Park and confirmed the following as his decisions on February 17.

RESOLVED that:

(1) the continuation of work on the restoration of Beckenham Place Park be approved, and that this will include:

a) Public consultation about park design and facilities.

b) On-going design work and accompanying technical work by consultants, to be funded by the HLF grant.

c) Submission of a phase 2 bid to the HLF for approval of the detailed plans

(2) the closure of the existing golf course by 31st December 2016 be approved.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

Mayor & Cabinet minutes February 17 2016

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