

Mayor and Cabinet		
Title	Comments of the Public Accounts Select Committee on the income generation update	
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1. Summary

- 1.1 This report informs Mayor and Cabinet of the comments and views of the Public Accounts Select Committee, arising from discussions held on the Council's approach to income generation, which was discussed at the meeting on 30 November 2016.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 Mayor and Cabinet is recommended to note the views of the select committee as set out in this report.

3. Public Accounts Select Committee views

1. On 30 November 2016, the Public Accounts Select Committee considered an officer report on the Council's approach to income generation. The update followed from the Committee's previous review of the Council's income generating activities.
- 3.2 The Committee resolved to advise Mayor and Cabinet of the following:
- The Committee welcomes the 'Income Generation Opportunities Review' report by the commercialisation specialist appointed by the Council. Mayor and Cabinet are asked to consider closely the contents of the report.
 - The Committee recognises the requirement for a clear commercial strategy. It also endorses the specialist's comments about the need for cultural change.
 - The Committee believes that there is a need for focused leadership and accountability in this area. It welcomes proposals put forward by the Cabinet Member for resources to develop a timetable for delivery of activity. The Committee will consider a further update on income generation and commercialisation at its meeting in March 2017.

4. Financial implications

- 4.1 There are no financial implications arising out of this report per se; but there will be financial implications arising from carrying out the action proposed by the Committee.

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

Income generation update report to the Public Accounts Select Committee 30 November 2016:

<http://councilmeetings.lewisham.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=123&MId=4159&Ver=4>

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