1. **Purpose of paper**

1.1 As part of the work programme for 2017/18 municipal year, the Select Committee agreed to carry out a review on Provision for the LGBT+ Community in Lewisham. The review was scoped in June 2017 and evidence gathered at meetings in September and November 2017 and via a visit to Manchester City Council, conference call with Leicestershire County Council and written submissions from local organisations.

1.2 The attached report presents the evidence received for the review. Members of the Committee are asked to agree the report and suggest recommendations for submission to Mayor and Cabinet.

2. **Recommendations**

2.1 Members of the Select Committee are asked to:

- Agree the draft review report
- Consider any recommendations the report should make
- Note that the final report, including the recommendations agreed at this meeting, will be presented to Mayor and Cabinet

3. **The report and recommendations**

3.1 The draft report attached at Appendix 1 presents the written and verbal evidence received by the Committee. The Chair’s introduction, and recommendations will be inserted once the draft report has been agreed and the finalised report will be presented to a Mayor and Cabinet at the earliest opportunity.

4. **Legal implications**

4.1 The report will be submitted to Mayor and Cabinet, which holds the decision making powers in respect of this matter.
5. **Financial implications**

5.1 There are no direct financial implications arising out of this report. However, the financial implications of any specific recommendations will need to be considered in due course.

6. **Equalities implications**

6.1 There are no direct equalities implications arising from the implementation of the recommendations set out in this report. The Council works to eliminate unlawful discrimination and harassment, promote equality of opportunity and good relations between different groups in the community and to recognise and to take account of people’s differences.

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