1. **Summary**

1.1. This report informs Mayor and Cabinet of the comments and views of the Sustainable Development Select Committee, arising from discussions on protection of Lewisham’s pubs.

2. **Recommendation**

2.1. Mayor and Cabinet is asked to note the Committee’s comments as set out in this report and ask the Executive Director for Housing, Regeneration and Environment to provide a response.

3. **Sustainable Development Select Committee views**

3.1. On Monday 28 October 2019, the Sustainable Development Select Committee considered a response from Mayor and Cabinet regarding the Committee’s comments on protection of Lewisham’s pubs. The Committee resolved to advise Mayor and Cabinet of the following:

   o The Committee recommends that the proposed policy for pubs in the upcoming local plan should be strengthened.
   o It is recognised that proposals from officers would be an advance on the previous position regarding local pubs – but there is concern that the intended presumption against development does not specify the types of pubs that should be protected.
   o Members believe that historic (20 century and earlier) purpose built pubs- especially those that served as landmarks and key locations on high streets- should receive additional protections.

4. **Financial implications**

4.1. There are no financial implications arising from the implementation of the recommendation in this report but there may 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 sustainability, equalities or crime and disorder implications arising as a result of the implementation of the recommendation in this report. However, there may be implications arising from the implementation of the Committee’s recommendations.

**Background papers**

Sustainable Development Select Committee agenda, 28 October 2019:
[https://tinyurl.com/sdsc281019](https://tinyurl.com/sdsc281019)

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