

Sustainable Development Select Committee Agenda

Wednesday, 8 March 2017
7.00 pm,

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Sustainable Development Select Committee Members

Members of the committee, listed below, are summoned to attend the meeting to be held on Wednesday, 8 March 2017.

Barry Quirk, Chief Executive
Tuesday, 28 February 2017

Councillor Liam Curran (Chair)	
Councillor Suzannah Clarke (Vice-Chair)	
Councillor Bill Brown	
Councillor Amanda De Ryk	
Councillor James-J Walsh	
Councillor Mark Ingleby	
Councillor Pauline Morrison	
Councillor Eva Stamirowski	
Councillor Pat Raven	
Councillor Paul Upex	
Councillor Alan Hall (ex-Officio)	
Councillor Gareth Siddorn (ex-Officio)	

MINUTES OF THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT SELECT COMMITTEE

Tuesday, 24 January 2017 at 7.00 pm

PRESENT: Councillors Liam Curran (Chair), Suzannah Clarke (Vice-Chair), Bill Brown, Amanda De Ryk, James-J Walsh, Mark Ingleby, Eva Stamirowski, Pat Raven and Paul Upex and Alan Hall

APOLOGIES: Councillor Pauline Morrison

ALSO PRESENT: Timothy Andrew (Scrutiny Manager), Fenella Beckman (Strategic Partnership Manager), Deborah Efemini (Capital Project Manager), Kay Foley (Animal Welfare Officer), Sam Kirk (Strategic Waste & Environment Manager), Jessie Lea (Senior Programme Manager), Gavin Plaskitt (Programme Manager), Kevin Sheehan (Executive Director for Customer Services) and Nigel Tyrell (Head of Environment)

1. Minutes of the meeting held on 29 November 2016

Resolved: that the minutes of the meeting held on 29 November be agreed as an accurate record.

2. Declarations of interest

There were none.

3. Responses from Mayor and Cabinet

Resolved: that the response from Mayor and Cabinet be noted.

4. Animal welfare charter

The order of the agenda was changed. This item was considered first.

4.1 Sam Kirk (Strategic Waste and Recycling Manager) introduced the report, the following key points were noted:

- The Council's animal welfare charter had been updated (using RSPCA guidance) to incorporate changes in legislation and best practice.
- The proposed charter included updates on: the Council's statutory responsibilities; enforceable legislation; responsible animal ownership; procurement; wildlife and habitat conservation; performing animals and; emergency planning.
- Officers had used an online survey to consult with residents. The consultation had been sent to more than 270 organisations, including all primary and secondary schools, nurseries and relevant businesses in the borough.
- 119 residents responded.
- 11 responses came from businesses.
- The demographic makeup of respondents to the consultation was not representative of the local population, which was not unusual for consultations held in Lewisham.
- There were very few responses from people under the age of 25 so officers held a special session with the young advisors.

- The results of the consultation were included in the report.
- Broadly, people were supportive of the new charter.

4.2 Sam Kirk (Strategic Waste and Recycling Manger) and Kay Foley (Animal Welfare officer) responded to questions from the Committee, the following key points were noted:

- Three organisations (including one religious organisation) that had responded to the consultation (43% of responses from businesses) disagreed with the proposed ban on the use of sky lanterns and balloons on Council premises.
- The religious organisation which disagreed with the ban on sky lanterns and balloons was not one that used lanterns or balloons as part of its religious celebrations.
- The ban on lantern and mass balloon releases was designed to protect wildlife from debris and plastic, which might present a choking hazard to animals, particularly in the marine environment.
- The ban was on mass balloon releases and not a general ban on the use of balloons on Council property.
- RSPCA guidance was that vertebrate animals should not be kept in the classroom environment. This was because it was difficult to maintain the right conditions for animals in classrooms. It was also difficult to ensure the future welfare of animals that were produced from egg hatching projects in schools.
- Officers could support the keeping of animals, such as chickens or bees on school premises, that were not in the classroom environment.
- Permission for events including performing animals was based on the requirements of the animal welfare act and requests were dealt with on a case by case basis.
- Information about reporting stray dogs was available on the Council's website.

Resolved: that the report be noted.

5. Waste and recycling services update

5.1 Sam Kirk (Strategic Waste and Recycling Manager) introduced the report, the following key points were noted:

- There were 8200 subscribers to the new garden waste service.
- The lumber service was transferred to Lewisham Homes in April (2016).
- There was some change from the previous proposal to Mayor and Cabinet following a benchmarking exercise against other authorities. 11 operatives and a collection vehicle had been added to the new service.
- The service had proposed to make a saving of £400k, which it now would not make.
- Disposal costs with the new food and garden waste service would initially be greater than the existing service. However, over time, the new service would allow the Council to avoid disposal costs.
- The service would be reviewed after it had been rolled out.
- A comprehensive communications plan was in place to advise residents about the new services.
- The implementation timetable had slipped. Publicity would start in mid-April. Operational service roll out would start in June.

5.2 Sam Kirk (Strategic Waste and Recycling Manager) and Kevin Sheehan (Executive Director for Customer Services) responded to questions from the Committee; the following key points were noted:

- The garden waste collection service would run all year. Food waste and garden waste would be collected together, so there would be no additional cost to collecting garden waste all year round.
- Waste and environment services had a savings target of £1m. It had already saved £600k the other £400k would be reached over time.
- Officers were confident that the communications plan would inform people about the new services in sufficient time for implementation.
- There would be a range of communications methods used to provide information about the changes. Each collection crew would have a dedicated field officer, who would liaise directly with residents to solve problems at an early stage.
- Officers would run 'roadshows' to provide information around the borough.
- The Council was working with neighbouring boroughs to explore the potential for sharing disposal services. Most of the neighbouring boroughs' waste services were run by Viola.

Resolved: that the report be noted. The Committee also thanked Sam Kirk for her service to Lewisham, congratulated her on her new appointment and wished her well for the future.

6. Work and skills strategy implementation

6.1 Fenella Beckman (Economic Development and Partnerships Team Manager) introduced the report; the following key points were noted:

- The main focus of the Council's work over the last year had been in developing its partnerships.
- Priorities for next year would be: preparing for the work and health programme in 2018 to make sure it provided opportunities for residents; working with the Department for Work and Pensions to deliver European Social Fund programmes for the most disadvantaged residents and working with partners to develop up-skilling opportunities for jobseekers to stop people frequently moving in and out of work.
- The move to all age apprenticeships was also important because it allowed people who were over the age of 24 to retrain and gain new work experiences.

6.2 Fenella Beckman responded to questions from the Committee; the following key points were noted:

- Lewisham worked closely with job centre plus and other local partners to deliver employment programmes. There had been some conversations about job centre plus finding a new location to operate in Lewisham.
- The employment rate in Lewisham was relatively high in comparison with recent years, as was reflected across London. However, work still needed to take place to reach people who were furthest from the job market.

- The majority of newly unemployed people were out of work for less than twelve weeks.
- Officers were involved in the London-wide discussions about the further education area reviews, however, recommendations had not yet been made.
- One of the central aims of the strategy was to align training opportunities with the jobs that were available in the market.

6.3 In Committee discussions, these other key points were also noted:

- It was concerned about the ‘hourglass’ employment trend – which described the concentration of jobs at the top and the bottom of the market. Members noted the proportion of Lewisham workers in health, education and the arts, which outstripped the proportion of jobs projected to be available in these areas in the next 25 years.
- It highlighted the importance of both outputs and impact of activities in achieving the aims of the strategy. It was felt that greater political input into the delivering the strategy would enable the borough to lobby on the broader issues surrounding access to employment (such as access to affordable transport).
- In the next update of the strategy, the Committee would welcome more data about the impacts of the strategy.

Resolved: that the Committee would share its views with Mayor and Cabinet as follows:

- The Committee congratulates officers on the work being done to implement the work and skills strategy with particular reference to the Pathways to employment programme.
- The Committee notes that the focus of the implementation at present is partnership working at an officer level. The Committee recommends further political leadership and increased involvement at a councillor level to lobby government on the broader issues surrounding access to work and skills.

7. Catford Town Centre update

7.1 Gavin Plaskitt (Senior Programme Manager) introduced the report, the following key points were noted:

- The report outlined the next steps of the Catford regeneration.
- The Mayor had agreed the programme for the next phase of work to regenerate the town centre and to carry out stakeholder engagement.
- The early interventions to improve the station in Catford and on flood alleviation had been made possible through housing zone funding.
- Next steps for activity in the town centre had been approved, including the approach to the Broadway theatre.
- Plans for a stakeholder engagement strategy had also been approved by the Mayor. Work was taking place to develop the strategy.
- Work with Transport for London was progressing on the modelling to realign the A205.
- Some additional feasibility studies had been commissioned and completed for the Plassy Island site.

- A firm of property consultants had been commissioned to assist with the consideration of development viability.
- Once a decision about the road had been reached, officers would proceed to commission a master planning architect.
- Opportunities for 'meanwhile use' of assets in the town centre were being marketed.
- Officers would return to brief the Committee about an evaluation of options for the realignment of the A205 at the meeting in March.

7.2 Gavin Plaskitt, Jessie Lea and Deborah Efemini responded to questions from the Committee, the following key points were noted:

- There were commercial interests that needed to be considered in a private session before all options for the road could be fully evaluated. There was a third option for the road, which might now be viable, subject to further analysis.
- Each criteria for assessing the viability of the TfL options for the road was made up of a range of other criteria.
- The consultation with residents would not include options for the realignment of the road, due to commercial sensitivity.
- There were difficulties with the sequencing of the programme because of the potential impact on landowners in the town centre.
- Officers would provide an analysis of each of the options proposed by TfL against the criteria set out in appendix 3 for consideration by the Committee before a decision was taken by the Mayor. TfL had its own assessment criteria for each option.
- Officers were planning to start using the 'Common Place' online consultation platform to engage with residents. One of the benefits of this platform was that residents could contribute to the discussion about where the boundaries of the Town Centre should be. A suggested boundary had been proposed by officers, to include anyone who used Catford as their primary town centre.
- The stakeholders for the Catford scheme were anyone who lived, worked or had an interest in the town centre.
- St Dunstan's had submitted a planning application for Canadian Avenue to re-site the access road to their playing field, which might have created some confusion for local residents.
- The housing zone proposal set out an indicative capacity for about 2500 homes in Catford on the five key remaining development sites in the town centre. 1300 of these were proposed to be on land owned by the Council, 1200 were proposed to be on land in private ownership.
- The density of development in existing proposals for Catford had been based on London Plan guidelines.
- Segregated cycling routes could be provided for east west movement through the town centre. North/south segregated cycling provision would be more difficult to provide but further options would be considered at the detailed design phase.

7.3 In Committee discussions, the following key points were also noted:

- The design of the street scape and environment in any new development would need to be carefully thought through.
- Pedestrian and cycle safety were of primary importance to the Committee.

- Street trees should be built into any new scheme to help improve air quality.
- Members of the Committee believed that the design options for the town centre should aim to make Catford 'lovable, liveable, joyful and iconic'.
- Officers were commended on the work that had been done to develop meanwhile use in the Catford centre.
- The Committee would consider its options for lobbying Mike Brown (the Chief Executive of TfL) to push forward the options for the realignment of the South Circular.
- Members were concerned about the management of refuse in Catford and the general appearance of the Catford Broadway.
- Consultation with stakeholders should lead the decision making about the plans for the town centre. Any key decisions should first take into account meaningful engagement with stakeholders.
- Concern was expressed about the potential scale, density and quality of design of any proposed development for the town centre.

Resolved: that the Committee would share its views with Mayor and Cabinet as follows:

1. The Committee recommends that the Council produces a communications plan, which details the timetable for consultation with local people and other key stakeholders. The plan should also include regular opportunities for engagement with councillors.
2. The Committee recommends that officers produce a 3-5 year plan outlining anticipated dates for key decisions relating to Catford. The Committee asks that this be made freely available and updated regularly.
3. The Committee recommends that, prior to each key decision, the Sustainable Development Select Committee has the opportunity to comment on and review plans as they progress.
4. The Committee believes that before each key decision is taken options should be considered for: safe cycling and pedestrian provision; the proposed scale of any intended development and; the future viability of the Broadway Theatre.
5. The Committee has concerns about the height density and massing of potential buildings in Catford and is keen to review any proposals before key decisions are made.
6. The Committee will closely follow the development of options for the realignment of the A205. The Committee intends to use its influence to encourage TfL to prioritise funding for the scheme.
7. The Committee believes that the safety of pedestrians and cyclists as well as the provision of segregated cycling lanes should be central to the consideration of all options for the realignment of the A205.
8. The Committee recommends that, in assessing options for the future of the A205, due regard should be given to the impact of air quality on public health.

8. Select Committee work programme

- 8.1 Timothy Andrew (Scrutiny Manager) introduced the report. The Committee agreed the proposed agenda for its meeting on 8 March.

9. Items to be referred to Mayor and Cabinet

Resolved: that the Committee's views under items four and six be referred to Mayor and Cabinet.

The meeting ended at 9.45 pm

Chair:

Date:

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Sustainable Development Select Committee		
Title	Declaration of interests	
Contributor	Chief Executive	Item 2
Class	Part 1 (open)	08 March 2017

Declaration of interests

Members are asked to declare any personal interest they have in any item on the agenda.

1. Personal interests

There are three types of personal interest referred to in the Council's Member Code of Conduct:

- (1) Disclosable pecuniary interests
- (2) Other registerable interests
- (3) Non-registerable interests

2. Disclosable pecuniary interests are defined by regulation as:-

- (a) Employment, trade, profession or vocation of a relevant person* for profit or gain
- (b) Sponsorship – payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than by the Council) within the 12 months prior to giving notice for inclusion in the register in respect of expenses incurred by you in carrying out duties as a member or towards your election expenses (including payment or financial benefit from a Trade Union).
- (c) Undischarged contracts between a relevant person* (or a firm in which they are a partner or a body corporate in which they are a director, or in the securities of which they have a beneficial interest) and the Council for goods, services or works.
- (d) Beneficial interests in land in the borough.
- (e) Licence to occupy land in the borough for one month or more.
- (f) Corporate tenancies – any tenancy, where to the member's knowledge, the Council is landlord and the tenant is a firm in which the relevant person* is a partner, a body corporate in which they are a director, or in the securities of which they have a beneficial interest.
- (g) Beneficial interest in securities of a body where:
 - (a) that body to the member's knowledge has a place of business or land in the borough;

(b) and either

- (i) the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or 1/100 of the total issued share capital of that body; or
- (ii) if the share capital of that body is of more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which the relevant person* has a beneficial interest exceeds 1/100 of the total issued share capital of that class.

*A relevant person is the member, their spouse or civil partner, or a person with whom they live as spouse or civil partner.

3. Other registerable interests

The Lewisham Member Code of Conduct requires members also to register the following interests:-

- (a) Membership or position of control or management in a body to which you were appointed or nominated by the Council
- (b) Any body exercising functions of a public nature or directed to charitable purposes, or whose principal purposes include the influence of public opinion or policy, including any political party
- (c) Any person from whom you have received a gift or hospitality with an estimated value of at least £25

4. Non registerable interests

Occasions may arise when a matter under consideration would or would be likely to affect the wellbeing of a member, their family, friend or close associate more than it would affect the wellbeing of those in the local area generally, but which is not required to be registered in the Register of Members' Interests (for example a matter concerning the closure of a school at which a Member's child attends).

5. Declaration and Impact of interest on members' participation

- (a) Where a member has any registerable interest in a matter and they are present at a meeting at which that matter is to be discussed, they must declare the nature of the interest at the earliest opportunity and in any event before the matter is considered. The declaration will be recorded in the minutes of the meeting. If the matter is a disclosable pecuniary interest the member must take no part in consideration of the matter and withdraw from the room before it is considered. They must not seek improperly to influence the decision in any way. **Failure to declare such an interest which has not already been entered in the Register of Members' Interests, or participation where such an interest exists, is liable to prosecution and on conviction carries a fine of up to £5000**
- (b) Where a member has a registerable interest which falls short of a disclosable pecuniary interest they must still declare the nature of the interest to the meeting at the earliest opportunity and in any event before the matter is considered, but they may stay in the room, participate in

consideration of the matter and vote on it unless paragraph (c) below applies.

- (c) Where a member has a registerable interest which falls short of a disclosable pecuniary interest, the member must consider whether a reasonable member of the public in possession of the facts would think that their interest is so significant that it would be likely to impair the member's judgement of the public interest. If so, the member must withdraw and take no part in consideration of the matter nor seek to influence the outcome improperly.
- (d) If a non-registerable interest arises which affects the wellbeing of a member, their, family, friend or close associate more than it would affect those in the local area generally, then the provisions relating to the declarations of interest and withdrawal apply as if it were a registerable interest.
- (e) Decisions relating to declarations of interests are for the member's personal judgement, though in cases of doubt they may wish to seek the advice of the Monitoring Officer.

6. Sensitive information

There are special provisions relating to sensitive interests. These are interests the disclosure of which would be likely to expose the member to risk of violence or intimidation where the Monitoring Officer has agreed that such interest need not be registered. Members with such an interest are referred to the Code and advised to seek advice from the Monitoring Officer in advance.

7. Exempt categories

There are exemptions to these provisions allowing members to participate in decisions notwithstanding interests that would otherwise prevent them doing so. These include:-

- (a) Housing – holding a tenancy or lease with the Council unless the matter relates to your particular tenancy or lease; (subject to arrears exception)
- (b) School meals, school transport and travelling expenses; if you are a parent or guardian of a child in full time education, or a school governor unless the matter relates particularly to the school your child attends or of which you are a governor;
- (c) Statutory sick pay; if you are in receipt
- (d) Allowances, payment or indemnity for members
- (e) Ceremonial honours for members
- (f) Setting Council Tax or precept (subject to arrears exception)

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Sustainable Development Select Committee		
Title	Responses to referrals	
Contributor	Scrutiny Manager	Item 3
Class	Part 1 (open)	08 March 2017

1. Purpose

To advise the Committee of responses to its referrals.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 The Committee is recommended to receive the response to its referral, as set out below.

3. Response

- 3.1 At its meeting on Wednesday 15 February 2017, Mayor and Cabinet considered a response to a Committee referral on air quality:

Minutes of the meeting of Mayor and Cabinet on 15 February 2017:

- 3.2 The report was presented by Councillor Onikosi who said she was in agreement with the suggestions made by the Select Committee.
- 3.3 Councillor Smith highlighted an event being organised by the Ella Roberta Family Foundation, the details of which he would circulate to all Councillors.
- 3.4 In agreeing the response, the Mayor added this was an issue which deserved a raised profile and he would expect suggestions to highlight the issue to come forward in the coming year.
- 3.5 Having considered an officer report and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for the Public Realm, Councillor Rachel Onikosi, the Mayor:

RESOLVED that the response prepared by the Executive Director for Community Services be approved and reported to the Sustainable Development Select Committee.

- 3.6 At its meeting on 1 March 2017, Mayor and Cabinet is also due to consider a response to the Committee's joint referral with the Housing Select Committee on housing zones.

4. Financial implications

- 4.1 There are no financial implications arising from the implementation of the recommendations in this report.

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).

Background documents

Minutes of the meeting of Mayor and Cabinet on 15 February 2017

(<https://tinyurl.com/hyas3sx>)

Agenda for the meeting of Mayor and Cabinet on 22 February 2017

(<https://tinyurl.com/hvzucy6>)

MAYOR AND CABINET		
Report Title	Response to the Comments of the Sustainable Development Select Committee on the Air Quality Action Plan	
Key Decision	No	Item No.
Ward	All	
Contributors	Executive Director for Community Services, Head of Crime Reduction and Supporting People	
Class	Part 1	Date: 15 February 2017

1. Purpose

- 1.1 This report sets out the response to the comments and views arising from the Sustainable Development Select Committee, discussions held on the Council's proposed Air Quality Action Plan at its meeting on the 25 October 2016.

2. Recommendations

It is recommended that the Mayor:

- 2.1 Approves the responses from the Executive Director for Community Services to the comments from the Sustainable Development Select Committee.
- 2.2 Agrees that this report should be forwarded to the Sustainable Development Select Committee.

3. Background

- 3.1 On 25 October 2016, the Sustainable Development Select Committee considered an officers report on the draft Air Quality Action Plan. Following the Select Committee a referral was made to the Mayor and Cabinet on 7 December 2016. The Committee resolved to advise Mayor and Cabinet of the following:

3.2 Referral 1

- 3.2.1 The Committee commends the air quality action plan. However, it believes that an additional point should be added to the plan, which tasks Lewisham's political leadership with championing the issue of air quality inside and outside of the borough.

3.3 Response

- 3.3.1 An additional action was added to the Air Quality Action Plan and Cllr Onikosi, will take responsibility for progressing this on behalf of the Mayor and Cabinet Committee and consider implementation dates and progress which will be reported to the Greater London Authority (GLA) through the Annual Status Report (ASR).

3.4 Referral 2

- 3.4.1 The Committee welcomes the proposed increase in charging points for electric vehicles. The Committee recommends that the Council carries out a campaign to encourage usage.

3.5 Response

- 3.5.1 An additional Action was added to the Air Quality Action Plan for carry out such a campaign and this will be timed to coordinate with the increase of Electric Vehicle Charging Points (EVCPs) planned for March 2017. The Council will report back to the GLA through the ASR on feedback to the campaign and monitor increases in numbers of residents using EVCPs.

3.6 Referral 3

- 3.6.1 The Committee also recommends that there be a proactive and high profile anti-idling campaign, which sets out the importance of good air quality to the whole community.

3.7 Response

- 3.7.1 An additional Action was added to the Air Quality Action Plan for carrying out a Council wide anti-idling campaign, discouraging unnecessary idling by vehicles, with a date being considered in the summer, potentially coordinating this with a summer school campaign already proposed. The Council will report back to GLA through the ASR on the review and outcome of campaign.

4. **Financial Implications**

- 4.1 Any financial implications in respect of the above will be part of the existing budget resourcing with support from Lewisham's Communication Team.

5. **Legal Implications**

- 5.1 The Council is legally required, under Section 84 of the Environment Act 1995, to progress its approved Air Quality Action Plan and through the establishment of the London Local Air Quality Management system is required to report to the Mayor of London annually, empowered under Section 85(5) of the same Act, on progress through their ASR.

6. **Crime and Disorder Implications**

- 6.1 There are no crime and disorder implications associated with this report.

7. **Equalities Implications**

- 7.1 The Air Quality Action Plan will apply across the areas designated as Air Quality Management Areas. Measures aimed at tackling poor air quality however tend to have wider benefits and actions introduced will also improve air quality throughout the borough. Therefore there is no adverse equalities implications associated with this report.

8. Environmental Implications

- 8.1 An Air Quality Action Plan will have positive benefits for the environment. A synergy exists between actions aimed at improving the quality of the air we breathe locally and tackling carbon emissions and improving public health and well-being.

Background papers

Report to the Sustainable Development Select Committee on the air quality action plan
<http://councilmeetings.lewisham.gov.uk/documents/s45996/05%20Air%20quality%20action%20plan%20251016.pdf>

Report of comments of the Sustainable Development Select Committee on the air quality action plan to Mayor and Cabinet:
<http://councilmeetings.lewisham.gov.uk/documents/s47004/Comments%20of%20the%20Sustainable%20Development%20Select%20Committee%20on%20the%20air%20quality%20action%20plan.pdf>

Report to the Mayor and Cabinet Committee on Draft Air Quality Action Plan 2015-2021
<http://councilmeetings.lewisham.gov.uk/documents/s47002/Air%20Quality%20Action%20Plan.pdf>

For further information on this report please contact Geeta Subramaniam-Mooney, Head of Crime Reduction and Supporting People on 020 8314 9569.

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Sustainable Development Select Committee		
Title	Post offices in Lewisham	
Contributor	Scrutiny Manager	Item 4
Class	Part 1 (open)	8 March 2017

1. Purpose

- 1.1 To provide the Committee with an update about proposed changes to post office services in Lewisham.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 The Select Committee is asked to:
- Consider the contents of this report;
 - Note that invitations have been issued to representatives of the Post Office and the Communications Workers Union to attend the meeting on 8 March 2017.

3. Background

- 3.1 In January 2017, the Post Office announced plans to introduce changes to the operation of 37 of its branches, including a branch New Cross:

[Post Office Press release 10 January 2017: Post Office confirms further plans to safeguard high street branches¹](#)

- Post Office today confirmed that it would be seeking partners for 37 of its directly managed branches as part of its efforts to secure its services in communities around the UK for the long term. This is in addition to 93 previously announced during the course of the last calendar year, nearly half of which have now successfully relocated into retail stores.
- Roger Gale, Sales and Trade Marketing Director, said: “We’re committed to maintaining the Post Office’s special place on the high street and the changes we are making underpin our continued commitment to give communities in every part of the country access to essential services.
- “The Post Office’s network of more than 11,600 branches is easily the largest in the UK, with 17 million customer visits a week. The vast majority of these branches are run with partners, and in the locations announced today we believe this will also be a more sustainable approach for the long term. With consumer habits changing, and the high cost of maintaining premises in prime high street locations, franchising helps us to keep services where our customers want and need them.

¹ <http://corporate.postoffice.co.uk/our-media-centre#/pressreleases/post-office-confirms-further-plans-to-safeguard-high-street-branches-1733953>

- “We will take time to identify the right partners over the coming months and all proposals will be subject to local consultation.
- “Post Office has a strong record of supporting people through change and we will be keeping affected staff fully informed as we develop our plans.”

3.2 At its meeting on 22 February 2017, the Council adopted a motion calling for New Cross post office to remain open and for it to be operated and managed directly by the Post Office:

Lewisham Council meeting 22 February 2017: motion in the name of Councillor Dromey to be seconded by Councillor Dacres, Save New Cross Post Office²

The Council notes:

- That New Cross Post Office is under threat of closure. The Post Office announced on 10th January that it would be closing and franchising 37 Crown Post Offices across the country, including the New Cross branch.
- That these closures would lead to the loss of over 400 job nationwide, and they follow the announcement of 62 planned closures in 2016.
- That New Cross Post Office is well used by, and valued by the local community. Over a hundred people attended the demonstration and nearly 700 people have signed our petition to Save New Cross Post Office.
- Independent research shows that franchised Post Offices offer poorer disabled access, longer queuing times, worse customer service and fewer staff, often on minimum wage.

This Council believes:

- That the closure of New Cross Post Office is bad for our community. It would downgrade vital services to our local community.
- That the closure of New Cross Post Office is bad for our local economy. It would have a detrimental impact on businesses on New Cross Road and the local economy.
- That the closure of New Cross Post Office is bad for postal workers. It would lead to good quality, skilled jobs on decent pay being replaced by insecure and low-paid work.

This Council resolves:

- To affirm our opposition to the closure of New Cross Post Office.
- To offer our support to the local Save New Cross Post Office campaign, and to the CWU’s campaign against the closure of over 100 Post Offices.
- For the Mayor to write to Margot James MP, the Minister responsible for the Post Office, to raise our concerns about the potential franchise of New Cross Post Office.
- For the Mayor to write to Paula Vennells, the Chief Executive of the Post Office, calling on her to reverse the decision and protect our much-valued Post Office.”

²<http://councilmeetings.lewisham.gov.uk/documents/s47971/Motion%204%20Proposed%20Councillor%20Dromey%20Seconded%20Councillor%20Dacres.pdf>

4. Financial implications

- 4.1 There are no financial implications arising from the implementation of the recommendations in this report.

5. Legal implications

- 5.1 There are no direct legal implications arising from the implementation of the recommendations in this report. It should be noted that the Post Office is not a 'relevant partner authority' as defined in Chapter 1 Part 5 Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 and as such is not required to send a representative to the meeting.

6. Equalities implications

- 6.1 There are no direct equalities implications arising from the implementation of the recommendation in this report.

Background documents

Meeting of Council, 22 February 2017:

<http://councilmeetings.lewisham.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=138&MId=4255&Ver=4>

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Sustainable Development Select Committee		
Title	Home Energy Conservation Act 2017	
Contributors	Asset Management Planning Manager; Sustainability Manager	Item 5
Class	Part 1 (open)	8 March 2017

1. Purpose

- 1.1 This report seeks the Sustainable Development Select Committee's views on a draft Home Energy Conservation Act (HECA) report, which the Council is required to publish by March 2017.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 The Committee is invited to comment on the draft HECA report for Lewisham.

3. Policy Context

- 3.1 The Climate Change Act 2008 sets a legally binding commitment of an 80% reduction in greenhouse gases for the year 2050 from a 1990 baseline with an interim milestone of 34% by 2020.
- 3.2 In November 2016 the UK Government ratified the Paris Agreement, part of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. The Agreement commits countries to taking action to hold the increase in the global average temperature to well below 2°C above pre-industrial levels.
- 3.3 The Government's Fuel Poverty Strategy published in 2015 sets targets for minimum energy standards for fuel poor households with milestones identified for 2020, 2025 and 2030.
- 3.4 The Home Energy Conservation Act (1995), as amended by 2012 guidance, sets a statutory obligation on local authorities to publish their plans to improve energy efficiency in housing in their local area. Authorities are required to produce reports every two years. Lewisham Council published HECA reports in 2013 and 2015. The latest report is due by the end of March 2017. Updated guidance to local authorities was published by the Department of Business Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS) in January 2017.
- 3.5 Lewisham's Sustainable Community Strategy includes the strategic priority 'Clean, green and liveable': where people live in affordable, high quality and adaptable housing, have access to green spaces and take responsibility for their impact on the environment.

3.6 Climate Local, the successor to the Nottingham Declaration, was launched by the Local Government Association in 2012 as a means to demonstrate local government's commitment to action on climate change. Lewisham Council signed up to Climate Local in November 2012, and published an action plan setting a new borough-wide carbon reduction target of a 44% reduction in CO₂ emissions by 2020 from a 2005 baseline.

4. Summary of activity identified in the draft Lewisham HECA report 2017

Fuel poverty

4.1 The latest data suggests fuel poverty is increasing. The Government estimates that 2.38m households in England are in fuel poverty, up 1.4% on the previous year. In Lewisham 12,282 households (10.5%) are estimated as being in fuel poverty.

4.2 In September 2016 the Government's committee on fuel poverty warned that, without urgent action, targets in the national Fuel Poverty Strategy would not be met.

4.3 In January 2017 BEIS published final proposals for the next phase of the Energy Company Obligation (ECO), which places requirements on energy companies to deliver affordable warmth and carbon reduction programmes, primarily through heating improvements and insulation. The next phase of ECO runs from April 2017 for 18 months and has an estimated value of £640m over that period. Affordable Warmth is 70% of the obligation and up to 10% of this (approximately £45m) can be channelled through a local authority flexible element for households in fuel poverty or vulnerable to the cold that would not otherwise qualify for help.

4.4 Lewisham's Warm Homes Healthy People project delivers home visits to households at risk of fuel poverty or living in a cold home. The visits offer:

- practical advice on how to stay warm in the home
- access to the £140 warm homes discount
- assistance with debt on energy bills
- advice on switching tariff
- draught-proofing and other energy saving measures
- a free winter warming pack (blanket, gloves, mug, thermometer card)
- referrals on to other sources of help

4.5 Warm Homes Healthy People has run in Lewisham since 2011/12 assisting over 2,000 homes in that time. Public Health funding for the project ended in 2016, but officers have maintained delivery initially through securing one-off funding from the British Gas Trust, and subsequently 6 months non-recurrent funding from the Better Care Fund. This funding is to deliver 250 home visits from March to August 2017. Officers are reviewing options to seek to maintain an ongoing offer to residents vulnerable to fuel poverty.

Carbon reduction

- 4.6 In 2012 Lewisham Council set a new target for a 44% reduction in carbon emissions across the borough by 2020 from a 2005 baseline. The latest Government data covers the period to 2014 and shows a reduction of carbon emissions in Lewisham of 29.4% (two-thirds of the total target in two thirds of the timeframe since the baseline).
- 4.7 Following the failure of the Government's Green Deal there is no current national programme for home energy efficiency. The Council's use of Government grant to encourage take up of solid wall insulation suggests there is a potential market in privately-owned homes but it remains undeveloped and in the absence of national incentives there is limited scope for promoting home retrofit to 'able to pay' markets. The Council is continuing to support development of the supply chain for home retrofit through a loan scheme.
- 4.8 Lewisham Council is developing an evidence base for the technical and financial viability of heat networks from the South East London Combined Heat & Power (SELCHP) plant. An initial study looked at a network from SELCHP to Goldsmiths. A second study explores further opportunities to connect to development sites in the north of the borough.
- 4.9 Lewisham Council introduced guidance on carbon offsetting which has been adopted as part of the Planning Obligations Supplementary Planning Document. This calculates a cost of carbon of £104/tonne over 30 years for all major developments. From October 2016 the London Plan requires major residential developments to meet zero-carbon homes standards. Carbon offsetting is therefore a potential source of funding energy efficiency and carbon reduction schemes in Lewisham.

Income generation

- 4.10 Since 2015/16 Lewisham has sought to meet the cost of energy officer work through income generating projects alongside local project delivery. This has included support to other local authority areas, taking on 'consultancy' work and securing grant funding. In 2015/16 this generated £50,000 unbudgeted income, the majority from delivery of the Green Deal Community funded solid wall programme. In 2016/17 income is forecast to be £20,000, achieved through delivering a national research project on fuel poverty referral networks and a grant-funded smart meter project in Lewisham and Greenwich.

5. Financial implications

- 5.1 There are no direct financial implications arising as a result of this report.

6. Legal implications

- 6.1 The Home Energy Conservation Act (1995) was updated by Government in July 2012 to require all English local authorities with responsibility for housing to publish a report that outlines measures the local authority 'considered practical, cost-effective, and likely to significantly improve the energy efficiency of residential accommodation in its area'.

6.2 On the 14 November 2012 Mayor and Cabinet agreed that the Executive Director for Resources and Regeneration would sign off reports relating to the Home Energy Conservation Act.

7. Crime and disorder implications

7.1 There are no specific crime and disorder implications arising from this report.

8. Equalities implications

8.1 There are no direct equalities implications arising from this report however fuel poverty work helps vulnerable households and is likely to have positive equalities implications.

9. Environmental implications

9.1 There are no specific environmental implications arising from this report however national, regional and local targets for carbon reduction depend in part on the delivery of domestic energy efficiency measures which these proposals seek to facilitate and support.

If there are any queries on this report please contact **Martin O'Brien, Asset Management Planning Manager**, 020 8314 6605.

Background Documents

Revised Home Energy Conservation Act guidance (January 2017)

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/581598/HECA_Guidance_2017.pdf

Report to the Sustainable Development Select Committee (March 2016)

<http://councilmeetings.lewisham.gov.uk/documents/s41764/05SustainabilityConsultancyProposalSDSC080316.pdf>

Lewisham Council's Home Energy Conservation Act report (2015)

<http://www.lewisham.gov.uk/getinvolved/environment/energyefficiency/taking-the-lead/Documents/Lewisham%202015%20HECA%20Report.pdf>

Report to Mayor and Cabinet on Climate Local and the Home Energy Conservation Act (14 November 2012)

<http://councilmeetings.lewisham.gov.uk/documents/s18666/Climate%20Local%20-%20Carbon%20Reduction%20and%20Climate%20change%20Strategy.pdf>



LEWISHAM HOME ENERGY CONSERVATION ACT REPORT

March 2017

This report sets out a summary of Lewisham Council's priorities, targets and plans for action to improve the energy efficiency of housing in the borough. The report is intended to fulfil the requirement for reporting under the Home Energy Conservation Act (1995) as amended by what was then the Department of Energy and Climate Change in 2012. The report uses the term 'local energy officer' to denote activity by Lewisham Council to improve energy efficiency in housing, although this does not correspond to a specific full time equivalent post.

(i) Local energy efficiency ambitions and priorities

Lewisham Council has set a stretching target for reducing carbon emissions in the borough and delivered a range of successful projects supporting vulnerable households and improving energy efficiency. Our work on climate change and fuel poverty supports the achievement of Lewisham’s Sustainable Community Strategy policy objective ‘*Clean, green and liveable: where people live in affordable, high quality and adaptable housing, have access to green spaces and take responsibility for their impact on the environment*’.

Government figures identify housing as the borough’s largest source of carbon emissions (49% of Lewisham’s total). Reducing carbon emissions from existing and new build housing sectors is therefore a key focus in achieving delivery of the borough’s targets.

Local authorities face significant financial pressures on statutory service delivery and it is increasingly challenging to find the resources to participate in home energy conservation, fuel poverty and energy efficiency activity. Since the 2015 Home Energy Conservation Act report Lewisham Council has sought to do this by taking on income generating projects alongside local energy officer work. This has been achieved through a range of activity including delivery of support to other local authority areas, taking on ‘consultancy’ work to deliver research projects and securing grant funded projects. A flexible and outward-looking outlook will continue to be central to the Council’s approach to carbon reduction and home energy.

Funding for local energy efficiency initiatives is constrained and London as a region has failed to attract its share of funding through Government programmes such as the energy company obligation. Lewisham Council’s priority has been to try and maximise the resources brought into the borough to help vulnerable households and improve the energy efficiency of housing stock across Lewisham.

Lewisham Council welcomes the proposals in the Energy Company Obligation from April 2017 which recognise local authority expertise in delivering outcomes on energy efficiency and fuel poverty. Local knowledge and robust data is increasingly important, particularly where vulnerable households are dispersed geographically and lower cost retrofit measures increasingly difficult to find. Improved access to relevant information and greater standardisation and support for local authorities in ensuing compliance with data protection and the requirements of the Information Commissioner’s Office would be welcomed since there is a variety of practice which in some circumstances limits opportunities to connect vulnerable households to sources of assistance.

ACTION

Local Authority targets	In December 2013 Lewisham set a new carbon reduction target of a 44% reduction in borough-wide CO ₂ emissions by 2020 from a 2005 baseline. Lewisham Council signed up to Climate Local in published our Climate Local Action Plan in December 2013 - http://www.lewisham.gov.uk/getinvolved/environment/energyefficiency/taking-the-lead/Documents/ClimateLocalActionPlan.pdf
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Borough-wide CO ₂ emissions	<p>Based on the government CO₂ emissions dataset (2005-2014) total carbon emissions in Lewisham in 2014 – the most recent year for which there are records - were 825.1 tonnes. This is a reduction of 29.4% over the 10 years this data has been collected, or two-thirds of the way to the overall target of 44% in two-thirds of the timeframe.</p> <p>Source: UK local authority and regional carbon dioxide emissions national statistics https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/uk-local-authority-and-regional-carbon-dioxide-emissions-national-statistics-2005-2014</p>
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(ii) The measures that take advantage of financial assistance and other benefits offered from central Government initiatives, such as the Green Deal, ECO and RHI or any other initiatives, to help result in significant energy efficiency improvements of residential accommodation

ACTION		TIMING
Energy Company Obligation	<p>The new phase of ECO launches on 1 April 2017 and is scheduled to run until September 2018.</p> <p>Lewisham Council welcomes the introduction of the new flexible eligibility criterion and hopes it will offer meaningful opportunities benefiting residents. Recent energy company obligation funding has been limited by the withdrawal of funding by suppliers either closing schemes early or only part funding measures.</p> <p>Lewisham Council is engaging with ECO providers to explore opportunities to bring ECO funding into the borough.</p>	Ongoing
Fuel Poverty	<p>Based on BEIS data on fuel poverty levels, (source: https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/fuel-poverty-sub-regional-statistics) using the latest definition of low income households with high energy costs, 10.5% of households in Lewisham are in fuel poverty, which equates to over 12,000 households in the borough.</p>	
	<p><i>Does the Authority have dedicated resource to tackle fuel poverty?</i></p> <p>There is no dedicated officer within the Council to address fuel poverty. The fuel poverty scheme, Warm Homes Healthy People, has been running in Lewisham since 2011/12 but is currently being managed and delivered by an external provider, with oversight by a member of staff. This is a result of a reduction in overall staff numbers generally within the Council which has had a direct impact on resources for fuel poverty.</p>	Ongoing
	<p><i>Does the Authority have a dedicated fuel poverty strategy?</i></p>	Ongoing

	<p>No.</p> <p><i>Does the Authority have any fuel poverty or energy efficiency schemes, or does the Authority engage with national schemes such as ECO?</i></p> <p>Lewisham Council has run 'Warm Homes Healthy People' since 2011/12, delivering support to over 2,000 households in the borough. The project is currently funded until August 2017.</p> <p>The Council hopes to be able to access ECO funding, subject to availability under the new phase of ECO starting on 1 April 2017.</p> <p>The Council is exploring proposals for fuel poverty and energy efficiency work that could be delivered using funding from the carbon offset fund delivered through planning obligations.</p>	
	<p><i>Please provide details - including how fuel poor households are targeted under these schemes and plans for evaluation</i></p> <p>Lewisham's 'Warm Homes, Healthy People' project targets fuel poor households through front-line workers in health, social care, housing and third sector functions working with vulnerable households.</p>	Ongoing
Boilers & heat pumps	<p><i>Any information on boiler replacements/first time installation, including things that are not linked to existing government schemes.</i></p> <p>All boiler installations have to be installed by a Gas Safe installer. The work is carried out under the Competent Persons Scheme with installers expected to notify the Council electronically at the end of each month.</p>	Ongoing
	<p><i>How are Authorities ensuring Building Control is fit for purpose and how are they ensuring boiler installations meet building regulations.</i></p> <p>During monthly team meetings technical issues are covered as a standard item. This is designed to ensure that Building Control officers are able to stay up to date with changing requirements and to provide a consistent service.</p>	Ongoing
	<p><i>Where Authorities are working on projects with more novel technologies, e.g. heat pumps, how are they ensuring the right technology for the right property and assuring the quality of those installations?</i></p>	Ongoing

	Heat pumps and other more novel technologies remain quite rare. Building Control is not able to advise residents on their choice of technology.	
Smart Meters	<p><i>How Authorities are or are planning to engage and support their residents (including the most vulnerable and those with pre-payment metering) and work with local/ community groups, Smart Energy GB under their Partnership Programme and energy suppliers to promote the take up of smart metering and achieve associated benefits (e.g. ability to control energy use, identification of more appropriate tariffs to save money etc);</i></p> <p>Lewisham Council delivered engagement activity funded through the Smart Energy GB Partnership Programme. This delivered 306 home visits across in Lewisham and Greenwich, as well as training for front-line staff and community events. The Council will assess available resources in determining future engagement and awareness raising activity on smart meters.</p>	Ongoing
	<p><i>How Authorities are planning to integrate their approaches to delivering energy efficiency improvements in residential accommodation with the opportunities presented by the installation of smart meters, drawing upon materials from the Smart Meter Energy Efficiency Materials Project;</i></p> <p>The Council is keen to ensure residents benefit from the roll out of smart meters. To date energy companies have been unable to provide information on their smart meter roll-out plans. Once details are available the Council will seek to link in with this work.</p>	Ongoing
	<p><i>Any plans Authorities have or plan to develop to make use of smart metering data from residents of wider communities (subject to appropriate consent) to:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>(i) increase the uptake of energy efficiency measures;</i> <i>(ii) make energy efficiency interventions designed to change household behaviours (e.g. through the use of normative feedback);</i> <i>(iii) deliver energy services (e.g. identifying residents under heating/ not heating their homes and addressing this upstream prior to the onset of health problems that lead to more expensive NHS care downstream), including through the use of additional sensors or in-home devices.</i> <p>Getting a greater understanding of energy consumption would be helpful in terms of increasing the level of detail available on energy and carbon in the borough. The Council has purchased EPC data and having free access to EPC data would be beneficial.</p> <p>Until the Council has a clearer understanding of the scale of ECO funding there are limits on what is possible in terms of increasing the uptake of measures, making energy efficiency interventions or delivering energy services.</p>	Ongoing

<p>Minimum energy standards in the privately rented sector</p>	<p><i>How Authorities are planning for enforcement of the minimum standards in the private rented sector?</i></p> <p>The Council is planning a publicity campaign aimed at Landlords and Tenants making them aware of the new regulations specifically around the requirement for an EPC in their properties. In conjunction with this all landlords will be asked to provide an up to date EPC at a minimum rating level of E whenever officers visit any Private rented residential property. On-line applications for licenses for Homes in Multiple Occupation require disclosure of an EPC rating – there is no legal enforcement available on this element at this time, however the Council will include this information and will attempt to enforce through the courts as part of a suite of landlord breaches as appropriate.</p> <p>The Council’s housing grants procedures require any installations to private dwellings of windows, boilers, loft and cavity wall insulation and gas central heating systems to meet minimum energy requirements. Grant will not be provided unless minimum ratings are reached.</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>
	<p><i>Whether Authorities have dedicated resource to enforce the minimum standards?</i></p> <p>There is currently no dedicated post for enforcement of the energy efficiency standards, it is envisaged that this work will be covered by the current team.</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>
	<p><i>Are there plans to integrate enforcement of the minimum standards with other enforcement activity in the private rented sector?</i></p> <p>The Council is looking at how to dovetail enforcement with our Licensing procedure for HMOs. This includes looking at how HHSRS inspections may be used to enforce this requirement.</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>
<p>Green Deal</p>	<p>Lewisham Council was the lead for a Green Deal Communities Fund project, which also operated across Bexley and Bromley. The scheme provided a subsidy towards energy efficiency measures, particularly around solid wall insulation and saw take-up in 175 homes across all housing tenures and across the three boroughs.</p> <p>The response to the offer suggests there is a willingness from some residents to invest in home retrofit, although take up of the Green Deal element was very limited. In the absence of any national incentives or promotion of home retrofit for ‘able to pay’ markets there is limited scope for Council activity in this area.</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>

Increase the energy efficiency supply chain	Lewisham Council has set up RevoLewisham – an interest free loan to support local SMEs in developing their capacity to engage in the energy efficiency supply chain. The loan fund is set up to recycle repayments and enable further businesses to be helped. The Council is seeking further opportunities to deliver training and employment working with Lewisham College and other partners.	Ongoing
Feed in tariffs and Renewable Heat Incentive	In 2015/16 the Council helped facilitate a community solar PV initiative run by South East London Community Energy. The Council will continue to seek opportunities to support delivery of renewables and the renewable heat incentive including with voluntary and community sector organisations.	Ongoing
Zero carbon homes	Lewisham Council introduced guidance on carbon offsetting which has been adopted as part of the Planning Obligations Supplementary Planning Document. The cost of carbon is £104/tonne over 30 years for all major developments. From October 2016 The London Plan requires major residential developments to meet the zero-carbon homes standards. Carbon offsetting is therefore a potential source of funding energy efficiency and carbon reduction schemes in Lewisham.	Ongoing
Heat Networks	Lewisham Council is developing an evidence base for the technical and financial viability of heat networks going from South East London Combined Heat & Power (SELCHP) plant to new and existing sites in the north of the borough. The first study looked at a network from SELCHP to Goldsmiths and new and existing developments along the route. A second study starts from a point on the route to Goldsmiths and explores further opportunities going off in a different direction to development sites in the north of the borough. Development of this work is ongoing, in partnership with BEIS, the GLA, SELCHP and developers.	Ongoing

(iii) The measures which an authority has developed to implement energy efficiency improvements cost-effectively in residential accommodation by using area based/street by street roll out involving local communities and partnerships

- Lewisham Council has:
- Purchased and analysed EPC data which covers over 60,000 properties across the borough, providing an evidence base for energy efficiency opportunities.
 - A strong track-record of area-based delivery, including the award winning Low Carbon Zone and other projects which have brought together a number of sources of funding.
 - Worked in partnership with a wide range of organisations locally, regionally and nationally to deliver targeted projects and increase local capacity.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Worked with the health sector through the Warm Homes, Healthy People schemes to support residents and has helped reduce pressure on other parts of the public sector as a result. 	
	ACTION	TIMING
Partnerships and collaborative delivery	The Council will seek to identify further opportunities for cross-borough working following successful solid wall insulation project with Bromley and Bexley and a Smart Meters initiative with Greenwich.	2017-19
	In 2016/17 the Council completed a grant funded research project 'Health of the Nation: analysis of the cost effectiveness and success factors in health-related fuel poverty schemes'. This project was delivered in partnership with consultancy SE2 with funding from the EAGA Trust. The Council will look for further opportunities to draw in funding to deliver projects such as these, which supports development of the evidence base for project delivery and policy development.	2017-19
	The Council will continue to work closely with social housing providers to deliver area or borough-wide energy efficiency programmes or link into planned maintenance schemes.	2017-19
	Delivery of Lewisham's award-winning 'Warm Homes Healthy People' project is reliant on local partnership working across health, housing, social care and community service providers. A key focus going forward will be to establish the long-term future of work on fuel poverty by strengthening links to the local Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and implementing National Institute for Health and Care Excellence recommendations on Excess Winter Deaths.	2017-19
Strategic role on housing	The Council will look to integrate energy efficiency and environmental considerations into delivery of our local target for 500 new Council homes by 2018.	74 units – 2017 426 units – 2018
	The Council will look to integrate energy efficiency and environmental considerations into the delivery of the Council's programme of specialised housing for older people.	2018
	The Council will look to integrate energy costs and efficiency into the long term asset management strategy for the borough's housing stock, looking to take a whole estate approach and develop a strategic focus to improving energy efficiency across all of its homes.	2018

(iv) A timeframe for delivery and national and local partners

Lewisham Council works with a wide range of partners, locally, regionally and nationally delivering climate change and fuel poverty projects in the borough and, as set out above, will be seeking to develop these further.

ACTION	TIMING
Lewisham’s priorities over the next two years are to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Maximise the benefits of external funding to the borough, including ECO where available, to ensure that Lewisham receives a fair share of funding given the level of need in the borough▪ Maintain and refocus delivery of fuel poverty work to strengthen health impacts and respond to local need▪ Support the development and delivery of plans for a heat network from SELCHP to new and existing sites in the north of the borough▪ Explore partnerships and new ways of working that respond to our low carbon aspirations for the borough and offer opportunities to support an ongoing local energy officer role.	By 2019

Lewisham 2017 HECA report signed off by:

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Janet Senior, Executive Director for Regeneration and Resources

Date:

Internal review date: 31 March 2018

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Sustainable Development Select Committee		
Title	Update on Modern Roads Review	
Contributor	Executive Director for Resources and Regeneration	Item 6
Class	Part 1 (open)	8 March 2017

1 Summary

- 1.1 On 13 January 2016, the Sustainable Development Select Committee presented a Modern Roads Review to the Mayor and Cabinet.
- 1.2 A year on, this report sets out an update on progress against the ten recommendations of the Committee's Modern Roads Review, with reference to the initial responses made by the Mayor and Cabinet on 23 March 2016.

2 Purpose of the report

- 2.1 The purpose of this report sets out the response to Modern Roads Review undertaken by the Sustainable Development Select Committee and presented to the Mayor and Cabinet meeting on 13 January 2016.

3 Recommendations

- 3.1 It is recommended that the Committee:
 - Notes the response from the Executive Director for Resources and Regeneration to the Modern Roads Review undertaken by the Sustainable Development Select Committee as set out in section 6 of this report.

4 Background

- 4.1 The Sustainable Development Select Committee scoped the Modern Roads Review in October 2014 and three evidence-gathering sessions were held in December 2014, January 2015 and April 2015. The Committee agreed the report and the recommendations in September 2015, and these were presented to Mayor and Cabinet on 13 January 2016. The Mayoral response was presented back to the Sustainable Development Select Committee on 23 March 2016.

5 Sustainable Development Select Committee Recommendations

- 5.1 On 13 January 2016, the Committee made the following recommendations to the Mayor and Cabinet:
 1. That the implementation of the borough-wide 20mph zone be monitored with an emphasis on Council and borough police plans for enforcement and supported with a multi-platform publicity and education programme for residents and drivers.

2. That the Council considers the full range of different cycle-friendly road designs that radically improve the safety and environment for cyclists including, among other sources, the Sustrans 'Cycle Friendly Design Manual: Handbook for cycle-friendly design' and existing working schemes in other London boroughs.
 3. That the Council engages with Living Streets to conduct a Community Street Audit in a specific area to improve the environment for cyclists and pedestrians.
 4. That officers investigate some of the proposals outlined by Lewisham Cyclists in relation to improving cycling conditions in the borough (6.11-15).
 5. That the Council facilitates a scheme that offers recycled bikes at a reasonable price to children in the borough.
 6. That the Council investigates the possibility of having a similar 'cycle hub and bike hire scheme like LB Croydon's cycle hub and/or Brompton Bike Hire dock.
 7. That any future re-design of the A205/Catford Gyratory incorporates the needs of cyclists and pedestrians from the beginning of the process and that that the Mayor pushes TfL and the Council to make a decision on the relocation of the A205 within the next few months.
 8. That the Council take forward an expansion of the ultra low emissions zone, and look at how air quality issues are viewed in major developments in the borough (e.g. where schools are built in the borough, ensuring they are away from main roads).
 9. That the Council reviews policy to increase the planting of street trees with a view to obtaining external funding wherever possible.
 10. That the Mayor lobbies Transport for London to extend the Cycle Hire Scheme into Lewisham.
- 6.1 The recommendations of the Sustainable Development Select Committee were welcomed by Mayor and Cabinet, and they reflect the ongoing work of LB Lewisham towards the development of a more sustainable transport system.
- 6.2 **Recommendation 1** – That the implementation of the borough-wide 20mph zone be monitored with an emphasis on Council and borough police plans for enforcement and supported with a multi-platform publicity and education programme for residents and drivers.
- 6.3 **Response 1 – In the 2014 the Mayors election manifesto gave a commitment to introduce a borough-wide 20mph. 20mph zones have been introduced in residential areas throughout Lewisham over the last 12 years and 65% of the boroughs roads are in 20 mph zones.**
- 6.4 The rationale of the borough-wide 20mph speed limit introduction is to reduce speeds and reduce the number and severity of casualties across the borough. The lower speed

limit will also create a fairer balance between vulnerable road users and the motor vehicle. The borough-wide limit will ensure a consistent and fair approach to all residents and road users to engender a culture of driving at lower and safer speeds. For each 1mph reduction in speeds there is an estimated 6% reduction in casualties.

- 6.5 The Council recognises that some roads are better suited to 20mph limits than others, and a widespread monitoring exercise will identify those roads where compliance needs to be improved. Officers are working closely with the Met Police to identify areas of priority concern so we can deliver a joined up approach.
- 6.6 In recent years, there has been a change in the Police's approach to 20mph speed limits. The police will continue with speed enforcement in boroughs at the current levels. The main requirement is that boroughs work with the Police to ensure roads are suitable for a 20 mph speed limit, with clear and correct signing, and additional physical measures where appropriate. The main advice is to work with the Police at the planning stage and to make use of new initiatives such as Community Roadwatch. Existing speed cameras can now be re-calibrated to enforce 20mph limits. Driver rectification courses are also offered to any drivers exceeding the speed limit in a 20mph speed limit.
- 6.7 Preparations are also underway to inform drivers and residents, with information currently available on the website and widespread publicity, including Lewisham Life, planned for the launch date, which will provide details and reasons for the scheme. The online information is available at: <https://www.lewisham.gov.uk/myservices/transport/road-safety/Pages/20mph-borough-speed-limit.aspx>
- 6.8 Implementation is planned for the summer holidays, with a launch date in Sept to coincide with school return. A school competition is being launched to design posters for the roll out of the scheme, which will be used on the dust carts in the borough and for future campaigns.
- 6.9 Other day to day road safety work will be supporting the introduction of the speed limit – the older driver's course and the moped/two wheeler courses being planned at present will also be support the introduction of the new borough-wide 20mph limit.
- 6.10 **Update 1** – The Borough-wide 20mph limit project is broadly on-track and was introduced as planned in September 2016.
- 6.11 There has been a lot of interest in the borough-wide 20mph limit and the implementation has been supported by a range of publicity work. The Council's website includes all the key information and a detailed FAQ document has also been developed. The website includes a promotional video which has been aired in libraries, leisure centres and on public transport. The project has also been published twice in Lewisham Life and a lot of liaison work taken place with a number of local schools and driving schools.
- 6.12 The next step is to repeat the monitoring of the scheme to establish a post-implementation data set. This is proposed to take place at least six months after the launch, to allow the scheme to bed-in, and at a similar time of year around June 2017. This will feed into a prioritisation exercise which will consider both speed compliance and collision rates, to identify sites for intervention.

- 6.13 However, we have already identified some high priority sites where speeds remain high. This includes Baring Road in Grove Park where, prior to the 20mph limit being introduced, mean speeds were 32mph and 85th percentile speeds were 37.4mph. This was the highest pre-implementation speed and so concept designs are being progressed in anticipation of the next data-set.
- 6.14 There have been some issues since the implementation, which is to be expected when delivering a borough-wide project. Issues such as limited or inconsistent signs have been dealt with in conjunction with our designers and contractors. We have also kept in close communication with the Police, who have requested some enhanced signs in the vicinity of fixed speed camera sites to ensure these are enforceable.
- 6.15 **Recommendation 2** – That the Council considers the full range of different cycle-friendly road designs that radically improve the safety and environment for cyclists including, among other sources, the Sustrans ‘Cycle Friendly Design Manual: Handbook for cycle-friendly design’ and existing working schemes in other London boroughs.
- 6.16 **Response 2** – All highway and public realm designs led by the Council give full consideration to cyclists and pedestrians, and priority is given to sustainable modes wherever possible. All scheme designs take on board the very latest concepts in cycle friendly design, including the Sustrans design manual, and particularly the new London Cycling Design Standards which was heavily influenced by London’s cycling public, interest groups, and Boroughs.
- 6.17 The Council is among the forefront of delivering the London Mayors Vision for Cycling, working with TfL to develop Cycle Superhighway 4 and implementing one of the first and highest quality Quietways which extends beyond Lewisham to Waterloo and to Greenwich. The Lewisham section includes a brand new section of cycling infrastructure near Surrey Canal Road, and the Council has been working with Sustrans to deliver this key part of the project.
- 6.18 **Update 2** – The Council continues to work closely with TfL and has recently secured a funding commitment to Cycle Superhighway 4 in the Mayor’s Business Plan. In addition to the successful Quietway 1, work is underway on 3 other Quietways in the borough, including upgrading the Waterlink Way, improving links to the Thames Path, and linking Catford to Burgess Park in Camberwell.
- 6.19 Officers are also working with Lewisham Cyclists in developing a new Cycling Strategy. The strategy has been commissioned this month, and will be developed throughout 2017 in order to be fully adopted as part of the next LIP Strategy in 2018/19. The strategy will include proposals to lobby TfL for an expansion of the Cycle Superhighway network linking Lewisham, Catford and Bromley on the A21.
- 6.20 **Recommendation 3** – That the Council engages with Living Streets to conduct a Community Street Audit in a specific area to improve the environment for cyclists and pedestrians.
- 6.21 **Response 3** – The Council welcomes the recent formation of a local Lewisham Group for Living Streets. Officers are in consultation with Living Streets representatives in relation

to development of proposals for Crofton Park and discussions will include the best way for a street audit process to be built into the current stage of work.

- 6.22 **Update 3** – The Council has been engaging with stakeholders, including Living Streets, to develop proposals for Crofton Park. The preliminary design is almost complete and will be part of a detailed public consultation exercise. We anticipate that this consultation exercise will include an interactive online and social-media element, to provide an enhanced consultation experience. While we expect this to be a positive process, due to the scale and complexity of the scheme, it perhaps falls short of the kind of engagement process envisaged by the Committee’s recommendation.
- 6.23 We are therefore seeking other opportunities to use a fully engaged approach, which lends itself to smaller community-based projects where local residents and stakeholders can play a more active role in the development of proposals.
- 6.24 For instance, we have recently engaged Sustrans to work directly with the community to develop proposals on Trundleys Road, where we intend to close a busy local rat-run, improve the Quietway, and consider options to enhance the local park at Folkstone Gardens.
- 6.25 **Recommendation 4** – That officers investigate some of the proposals outlined by Lewisham Cyclists in relation to improving cycling conditions in the borough (6.11-15).
- 6.26 **Response 4** – Officers have a good working relationship with Lewisham Cyclists, and consult the group on all transport-related projects. It is notable that many of the comments (6.11-15) are very positive on a wide range of issues, including cycle training, the Quietway, cycle parking, and improving streetscape. We will continue to work with Lewisham Cyclists on all our projects and seek opportunities to integrate their proposals. We will also continue to lobby TfL on those issues raised which are beyond the Council’s direct control. The Council will be reviewing its cycling target as part of the next LIP review.
- 6.27 **Update 4** – We continue to work closely with Lewisham Cyclists, both in developing the Cycling Strategy (see Update 2) and in identifying and implementing quick-win measures. For instance, officers are currently working with Lewisham Cyclists to improve the Heritage Trail in Downham, and are developing a programme of contra-flow accesses in one-way streets.
- 6.28 **Recommendation 5** – That the Council facilitates a scheme that offers recycled bikes at a reasonable price to children in the borough.
- 6.29 **Response 5** – In summer 2016 the Council is planning to pilot a “Peddle My Wheels” Bike Market to encourage the take-up of affordable recycled bicycles at four community locations in summer 2016. Peddle My Wheels is a business that works with London local authorities and schools to encourage re-cycling and help make cycling more accessible.
- 6.30 **Update 5** – The pilot for Peddle my Wheels is currently underway, and so far two out of four planned events have taken place at Coopers Lane School and Sandhurst School. Upon completion of the remaining events, we will be reviewing success, including

feedback from schools, and we will be evaluating the value of the pilot compared with other Dr Bike sessions.

- 6.31 **Recommendation 6** – That the Council investigates the possibility of having a similar ‘cycle hub and bike hire scheme like LB Croydon’s cycle hub and/or Brompton Bike Hire dock.
- 6.32 **Response 6** – The Council supports the improvement of cycling facilities at rail stations, and the current approach is to prioritise cycle parking at a broad range of stations. Most recently we have been working with rail operators to introduce covered cycle parking facilities at Blackheath, Brockley and Honor Oak Stations, including public cycle-pump facilities. A cycle hub such as at LB Croydon would be appropriate for Lewisham Station and officers will investigate the opportunities and most appropriate timing in relation to the build-out of Lewisham Gateway and surrounding developments and potential changes to the station as part of the re-franchising of the South-Eastern network in 2018.
- 6.33 **Update 6** – Enhanced cycling parking facilities have now been introduced at Blackheath, Brockley and Honor Oak Stations, and officers are now in discussions to introduce similar covered parking and cycle-pump facilities at Forest Hill.
- 6.34 The Council is working with TfL, Network Rail, and engineering and architectural experts to re-design Lewisham Station. The work will include a full re-design of the station and will include consideration of cycle parking, cycle hire and links to the wider cycle network.
- 6.35 **Recommendation 7** – That any future re-design of the A205/Catford Gyratory incorporates the needs of cyclists and pedestrians from the beginning of the process and that that the Mayor pushes TfL and the Council to make a decision on the relocation of the A205 within the next few months.
- 6.36 **Response 7** – The Council is working with TfL towards a decision on whether to move the road. In either scenario, whether the road remains in its current location or is relocated, the Council will push for a balanced solution that gives priority to cycles, buses and pedestrians. The approach to highway improvements at Catford should be one that recognises the importance of the town centre and where vehicle priority is tempered by the need to create an attractive town centre environment.
- 6.37 **Update 7** – The Council continues to work through the road options with TfL, alongside consideration of the wider regeneration of Catford Town Centre. The commitment remains from the Council to prioritise the town centre environment and users of the town centre. It is notable that the GLA’s new deputy mayor Val Shawcross is championing a Healthy Streets agenda across all TfL major schemes, which will benefit the Council’s priorities for Catford.
- 6.38 **Recommendation 8** – That the Council take forward an expansion of the ultra low emissions zone, and look at how air quality issues are viewed in major developments in the borough (e.g. where schools are built in the borough, ensuring they are away from main roads).
- 6.39 **Response 8** – The Council is lobbying alongside other boroughs for a London-wide approach to encouraging ultra-low emissions. The Council is one of ten London

Boroughs actively engaged in the roll-out of new Electric Vehicle Charging Points to encourage the take-up of electric vehicles. The Council has also successfully applied for Mayor's Air Quality Funding to ensure the best possible co-ordination of air quality issues related to the construction of major developments in the north of the borough. A new Air Quality Action Plan is being developed to tackle poor air quality in the highest priority areas of the borough and through Planning, developments in these areas are required to meet GLA, Air Quality Neutral policies.

- 6.40 **Update 8** – Following successful lobbying, the Mayor of London has now committed to an advanced implementation of an expanded Ultra Low Emissions Zone, which is proposed to be implemented within the north and south circular roads.
- 6.41 The Council is also developing an Electric Vehicle Strategy, including an expansion of the charging point network, rapid charging points, electric vehicle car-clubs, and low emission bus zones.
- 6.42 An Air Quality Action Plan has now been developed which monitors progress on all key actions. A full update on progress is currently underway and will be published shortly.
- 6.43 **Recommendation 9** – That the Council reviews policy to increase the planting of street trees with a view to obtaining external funding wherever possible.
- 6.44 **Response 9** – Lewisham's trees are part of what makes the borough so green, compared to many other parts of London. Introducing new street trees can be challenging: with limited space available, it is also important to prioritise space for pedestrians and cyclists; the underground utilities can often make new trees too costly; and reducing revenue budgets can mean that damaged trees are not always maintained. Despite these challenges, the Council seeks to maintain, protect and increase the number and quality of trees in the borough, and agrees that opportunities should be taken to obtain funding. As major schemes and developments are brought forward in the borough there will be clear opportunities to push developers to deliver high quality urban realm as part of their schemes, including the provision of street trees in appropriate locations.
- 6.45 **Update 9** – The Council continues to maintain, protect and increase the number and quality of trees in the borough, and to work with developers to increase provision of street trees in appropriate locations.
- 6.46 **Recommendation 10** – That the Mayor lobbies Transport for London to extend the Cycle Hire Scheme into Lewisham.
- 6.47 **Response 10** – As part of proposed major developments at Convoys Wharf and Surrey Canal Road, the Council has secured safeguarded provision for an extension of the Central London Cycle Hire scheme. The Council will continue to seek future provision and continue to lobby TfL to make use of this provision as these developments progress.
- 6.48 **Update 10** – There are no immediate plans to expand cycle hire network into Lewisham. However, TfL welcomes the consideration for safeguarded land. In addition to Convoys Wharf in Deptford and Surrey Canal in New Cross, we will be seeking safeguarded land for cycle hire docking stations as part of the Lewisham Interchange design work.

7 Financial Implications

- 7.1 There are no direct financial implications arising from this response. However, financial resources may be required in the future to develop aspects of the ideas and proposals set out in this report. Where new projects and funding gaps are identified requests for such resources will be considered at an appropriate time.

8 Legal Implications

- 8.1 There are no legal implications arising from this report

9 Crime and Disorder Implications

- 9.1 There are no direct crime and disorder implications arising from this report.

10 Equalities Implications

- 10.1 The Council's Comprehensive Equality Scheme for 2016-20 provides an overarching framework and focus for the Council's work on equalities and helps ensure compliance with the Equality Act 2010.
- 10.2 An Equalities Analysis Assessment has been developed alongside the LIP to ensure that any potential adverse impacts were fully considered and, where necessary, appropriate changes made. The overall findings of the assessment were that the proposals within the LIP do not discriminate or have significant adverse impacts on any of the protected characteristics.
- 10.3 There are no direct equalities implications arising from this response, however, an assessment of differential impact on equalities would be required at such time as detailed proposals are considered.

11 Environmental Implications

- 11.1 There are no direct environmental implications arising from this response.

Background Papers and originator

M&C Report, Matters referred by Sustainable Development Select Committee Select Committee – Modern Roads Review - Report and Recommendations, 13 January 2016
<http://councilmeetings.lewisham.gov.uk/documents/s40760/Referral%20by%20SCSC%20Modern%20Roads%20Review.pdf>

Sustainable Development Select Committee, Modern Roads Review, June 2015
<http://councilmeetings.lewisham.gov.uk/documents/s40761/Modern%20Roads%20Review%20Report.pdf>

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Sustainable Development Select Committee		
Title	Select Committee work programme	
Contributor	Scrutiny Manager	Item 7
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1. Purpose

- 1.1 To advise the Committee about the process for agreeing the 2017-18 work programme.

2. Summary

- 2.1 At the beginning of the municipal year each select committee is required to draw up a work programme for submission to the Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel. The Panel considers the suggested work programmes and coordinates activities between select committees in order to maximise the use of scrutiny resources and avoid duplication.
- 2.2 The meeting on 8 March 2017 is the last scheduled meeting of the Sustainable Development Select Committee in the 2016-17 municipal year. This report provides a summary of the issues considered in 2016-17 (the completed work programme) and asks the Committee to put forward suggestions for the 2017-18 work programme.

3. Recommendations

- 3.1 The Select Committee is asked to:
- consider the Committee's terms of reference **appendix A** alongside the scrutiny work programme prioritisation process when adding items to the programme for 2017/18;
 - note the completed work programme attached at **appendix B**;
 - review the issues covered in 2016-17 municipal year;
 - consider any matters arising that it may wish to suggest for future scrutiny, including topics for in-depth review;
 - discuss the draft work programme for 2017-18 attached at **appendix C**;
 - review the Committee's referrals on the Catford programme at **appendix D**.
 - take note of the key decision plan attached at **appendix E** and consider which decisions will require further scrutiny.

4. Sustainable Development Select Committee 2016-2017

- 4.1 The Committee had eight meetings in the 2016-17 municipal year. The Committee's completed work programme is attached at **appendix B**. Key issues considered were:
- The Catford programme;

- Planning policies and obligations as well as the use of section 106 and CIL;
- Street lighting
- Cycling

5. Planning for 2017-18

- 5.1 Eight meetings will be scheduled for 2017-18 municipal year. A work programme report will be put forward at the first meeting of the year for members to review, prioritise, revise and agree. The report will take account of the Committee's previous work and may incorporate:
- issues arising as a result of previous scrutiny
 - issues that the Committee is required to consider by virtue of its terms of reference
 - items requiring follow up from Committee reviews and recommendations
 - issues suggested by members of the public
 - petitions
 - standard reviews of policy implementation or performance, which is based on a regular schedule
 - suggestions from officers
 - decisions due to be made by Mayor and Cabinet

Issues arising from the 2016-17 work programme

- 5.2 The Committee has already indicated that there are matters it feels should be considered for further scrutiny, these are:
- Implementation of the cycling strategy;
 - The Council's approach to asset management and asset rationalisation;
 - Ongoing development and delivery of Council planning policy, including the development of the new Lewisham Plan;
 - Implementation of the air quality management plan;
 - Delivery of the Catford regeneration programme.

Sustainable Development Select Committee terms of reference

- 5.3 The Committee's terms of reference are included at **appendix A**. These are formalised in the Council's constitution.
- 5.4 The Sustainable Development Select Committee's role is to examine issues relating to the protection of the environment including - sustainability; the use of natural resources; energy efficiency; conservation and the reduction of pollution.
- 5.5 The Committee has the responsibility for scrutinising Lewisham's approach to sustainable development, economic and business development, employment and training, highways, parking, traffic and transport, and urban regeneration. The Committee also considers issues relating to public health and the environment - when it relates to issues such as waste disposal and environmental health. The Committee also has a remit to explore issues relating to street and market trading, as well as public protection, refuse

collection and disposal, street cleaning, consumer protection, cemeteries and crematoria and flood risk management.

- 5.6 The Committee scrutinises the formulation of the Council’s planning policies- including the preparation of the Council’s Local Development Framework and other local plans for the use and development of land.

Items requiring follow up from Committee reviews and recommendations

- 5.7 The Committee completed two reviews and made recommendations to Mayor and Cabinet in 2016/17:
- Modern roads
 - High streets
- 5.8 One of the key elements of the modern roads review related to the implementation of 20mph speed limits across the borough. Implementation of the speed limit is planned to continue over the coming year. The timetable provided by officers (below) indicates that the programme is due to be completed by March 2018. The Committee may wish to allocate time to reviewing implementation programme and reviewing the arrangements for ensuring compliance.

Programme timetable	Start	Finish
Planning/inception stage		
Data collection and analysis	May 2014	June 2015
Key stakeholder consultation	June 2015	Sep 2015
Review design guidelines, sign audits and design	Sep 2015	Mar 2016
Consultation and campaign messages	Jan 2015	Mar 2018
Delivery stage		
Traffic order applications	Mar 2016	July 2016
Implementation	Sep 2016	
Monitoring	Sep 2016	Mar 2018
Design options for roads with low compliance	Oct 2016	Oct 2017
Implementation of remedial measures	Jan 2017	Mar 2018

- 5.9 During the 2016/17 municipal year, the Committee also continued its in-depth review into the Catford regeneration programme. At its meeting in January 2017, the Committee was provided with timetable for the next stages of the programme, which hinge on a decision being taken by Transport for London on the feasibility of relocating the south circular. A summary of the Committee’s referrals on the Catford regeneration is attached at **appendix D**. A programme of key dates set out by officers for the first quarter of 2017 was provided in the last update to the Committee:

9 th Jan 2017	Catford Programme Board Meeting
17 th Jan 2017	Catford Conversations – Local Ward Member Engagement
24 th Jan 2017	SDSC Catford Town Centre Regeneration - Quarterly Update

31 st Jan 2017	Catford Conversations – Local Ward Member Engagement
4 th Feb 2017	Catford Conversations – Local Ward Member Engagement
Feb 2017	Catford Programme Board Meeting
Feb 2017	Mayor’s Briefing on A205 Re-alignment
March 2017	SDSC Briefing on A205 Re-alignment
April 2017	M&C Report – A205 Re-alignment
April 2017	Catford Programme Board

5.10 It was anticipated that the briefing on the A205 re-alignment would be available for this select committee meeting. As noted in previous reports to the Committee, the decision on the future alignment of the A205 is pivotal to the regeneration programme. It is proposed that the Committee continues to receive quarterly updates on the progress of the scheme throughout the 2017/18 municipal year.

Issues suggested by members of the public and petitions

5.11 In January 2016, the Committee scrutinised proposals for the regeneration of Beckenham Place Park. Officers are currently progressing with the next stage of the redevelopment of the park, following a successful bid to the Heritage Lottery Fund. A request has been made on behalf of a resident that the Committee review the next stage of the regeneration activity in the park. The Committee will note from the key decision plan that an update on the project is due to be considered at Mayor and Cabinet on 19 April 2017.

Standard reviews of policy implementation or performance, which are based on a regular schedule

5.12 At its meeting in January 2017, the Committee received an update on the implementation of the Council’s waste strategy. The following timetable for the roll out of new waste and recycling services was provided:

	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	August
Treatment facility SLA									
Service design									
Mayor's Briefing, SDSC, M&C									
Purchase containers									
Systems development									
Communications									
Distribution of containers									
Service rollout									
Monitoring & review									

5.13 The Committee may wish to make space available on its agenda to scrutinise the implementation of the Council’s new waste and recycling services.

suggestions from officers

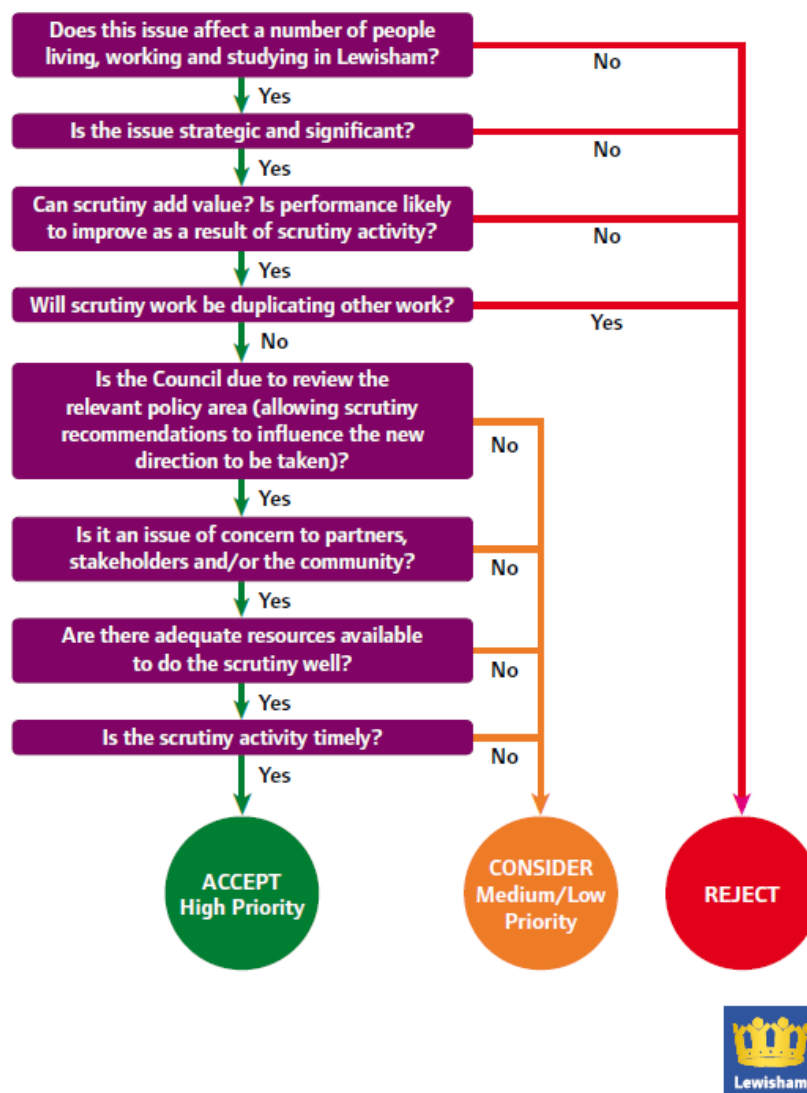
- 5.14 An update on sustainable resources is also on the agenda for the meeting on 8 March. Once the Committee has considered the most recent developments in this area, it will be in a position to make a decision about the priority of scrutiny activity in 2017/18. In previous years, the Committee has scrutinised key decisions in advance of them being made as well as an annual update from officers working in sustainable resources.
- 5.15 Transport - the Committee has given consideration to the implementation of the 20mph speed limit in the borough and an update is provided elsewhere on the agenda. The Committee has also considered items on cycling however, it has been some time since the Committee has considered the latest developments relating to the Bakerloo line and the Docklands light railway. The Committee may wish to make some space available in the agenda for consideration of future options relating to both. The Committee might also consider that, further to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee's consideration of the officer commissioned report on 'turning south London orange', 2017/18 would be the appropriate time to scrutinise the Council's rail strategy.
- 5.16 Planning – at its meeting in November 2016, the Committee heard that officers were preparing the new Lewisham Local Plan. Members were advised that consultation on elements of the plan would begin in summer 2017. The Committee has followed closely the planned changes to the distribution of section 106 and CIL monies. Items on both could be included in the programme for 2017/18.
- 5.17 The Lewisham Future Programme¹ - The Council has already made savings of £138.4m to meet its revenue budget requirements since May 2010 and is proposing further savings of £23.2m in 2017/18. The Lewisham Future Programme was established to determine and progress cross-cutting and thematic reviews to deliver the savings required. All select committees have dedicated considerable time to scrutiny of proposals.
- 5.18 It is expected that the Council will need to identify further savings of circa £32.6m for the following two years, 2018/19 to 2019/20. This will bring the total savings in cash terms made by the Council in the decade to 2020 to just shy of £200m.
- The revised profile for savings required is now broadly;
- £22m to be implemented in 2017/18;
 - £5m gap remaining for 2017/18 to be met from reserves;
 - £16m gap for 2018/19 against which £5m of outline proposals were set out in September and now need to be firmed up and extended; and
 - £11m gap for 2019/20 against which £9m of outline proposals were set out in September and now need to be firmed up and brought forward if possible.

¹ <http://councilmeetings.lewisham.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CIId=136&MIId=4172&Ver=4>

5.19 Sustainable Development Select Committee did not have any specific savings proposals to scrutinise in 2016/17, however, as noted above significant savings will need to be found in the years 2017/18 and 2019/20. In particular, the Lewisham future programme board has determined that there are potential savings of £8m which can be made before 2020 through asset rationalisation. Less than £2m of this sum has been already been identified. In addition the programme board indicates that there are savings of £4m to be found from Environmental Services, of which so far less than half has been identified. These are two areas within the Committee remit it should consider in the broader context of its 2017/18 work programme.

5.20 In deciding on items to add to the work programme for 2017/18, the Committee should give consideration to the work programme prioritisation process, which is based on best practice:

Scrutiny work programme – prioritisation process



Decisions due to be made by Mayor and Cabinet

5.21 The notice of key decisions is attached at **appendix E**. It should also be noted that at the Committee's meeting in September 2016, the Mayor advised that all key decisions on the future of the Catford redevelopment would be taken before February 2018. As such, the Committee will need to give close consideration to the decisions due to be made.

6. Financial implications

6.1 There are no financial implications arising from the implementation of the recommendations in this report. There will be financial implications arising from items on the agenda; these will need to be considered, as necessary.

7. Legal implications

7.1 In accordance with the Council's Constitution, all scrutiny select committees must devise and submit a work programme to the Business Panel at the start of each municipal year.

8. Equalities implications

8.1 The Equality Act 2010 (the Act) introduced a public sector equality duty (the equality duty or the duty). It covers the following protected characteristics: age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation.

8.2 In summary, the Council must, in the exercise of its functions, have due regard to the need to:

- eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Act.
- advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.
- foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.

8.3 It is not an absolute requirement to eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment, victimisation or other prohibited conduct, or to promote equality of opportunity or foster good relations between persons who share a protected characteristic and those who do not. It is a duty to have due regard to the need to achieve the goals listed at 9.2 above.

8.4 The weight to be attached to the duty will be dependent on the nature of the decision and the circumstances in which it is made. This is a matter for the Mayor, bearing in mind the issues of relevance and proportionality. The Mayor must understand the impact or likely impact of the decision on those with protected characteristics who are potentially affected by the decision. The extent of the duty will necessarily vary from case to case and due regard is such regard as is appropriate in all the circumstances.

8.5 The Equality and Human Rights Commission has issued Technical Guidance on the Public Sector Equality Duty and statutory guidance entitled “Equality Act 2010 Services, Public Functions & Associations Statutory Code of Practice”. The Council must have regard to the statutory code in so far as it relates to the duty and attention is drawn to Chapter 11 which deals particularly with the equality duty. The Technical Guidance also covers what public authorities should do to meet the duty. This includes steps that are legally required, as well as recommended actions. The guidance does not have statutory force but nonetheless regard should be had to it, as failure to do so without compelling reason would be of evidential value. The statutory code and the technical guidance can be found at:

<https://www.equalityhumanrights.com/en/advice-and-guidance/equality-act-codes-practice>

<https://www.equalityhumanrights.com/en/advice-and-guidance/equality-act-technical-guidance>

8.6 The Equality and Human Rights Commission (EHRC) has previously issued five guides for public authorities in England giving advice on the equality duty:

- [The essential guide to the public sector equality duty](#)
- [Meeting the equality duty in policy and decision-making](#)
- [Engagement and the equality duty: A guide for public authorities](#)
- [Objectives and the equality duty. A guide for public authorities](#)
- [Equality Information and the Equality Duty: A Guide for Public Authorities](#)

8.7 The essential guide provides an overview of the equality duty requirements including the general equality duty, the specific duties and who they apply to. It covers what public authorities should do to meet the duty including steps that are legally required, as well as recommended actions. The other four documents provide more detailed guidance on key areas and advice on good practice. Further information and resources are available at:

<https://www.equalityhumanrights.com/en/advice-and-guidance/public-sector-equality-duty-guidance#h1>

The Comprehensive Equalities Scheme

8.8 The Council’s comprehensive equalities scheme (2016-20) reconfirms Lewisham’s commitment to five enduring objectives:

1. tackling victimisation, discrimination and harassment
2. improving access to services
3. closing the gap in outcomes for all residents
4. increasing mutual understanding and respect within and between communities
5. increasing citizen participation and engagement

8.9 There may be equalities implications arising from items on the work programme and all activities undertaken by the Select Committee will need to give due consideration to this. In particular, the Committee should note the Council’s

planned approach to the delivery of its enduring objectives through the delivery of key strategies and plans.

Background documents

Lewisham Council's Constitution

Appendix A

Sustainable Development Select Committee terms of reference

To exercise all the functions and roles of the overview and scrutiny committee in relation to the following matters:

- to examine issues relating to the protection of the environment including 'green' issues such as the conservation of natural resources, energy efficiency and conservation and/or the reduction of all types of pollution and make recommendations to the Mayor and Cabinet as appropriate;
- to comment and consult on and make recommendations to the Mayor and Cabinet in relation to the following:
 - i. sustainable development, economic development, business support, employment and training;
 - ii. the formulation of the Council's planning policies, (including the preparation of the Council's Local Development Framework and other local plans for the use and development of land, but excluding planning control and building control functions);
 - iii. highways, parking, traffic and transport, and urban regeneration;
 - iv. the environment including waste disposal, environmental health, street and market trading (but not the granting of licences and related matters);
 - v. public protection, refuse collection and disposal, street cleaning, consumer protection, cemeteries and crematoria;
 - vi generally to examine the performance of the Mayor and Cabinet in relation to these matters.
- the review and scrutiny of the exercise by risk management authorities of flood risk management and coastal erosion risk management affecting the area.

Appendix B – the completed 2016/17 work programme

Sustainable Development Select Committee work programme 2016-17					Programme of work							
Work Item	Type of item	Priority	Strategic Priority	Delivery deadline	18-Apr-16	12-May-16	29-Jun-16	14-Sep-16	25-Oct-16	29-Nov-16	24-Jan-17	08-Mar-17
Election of the Chair and Vice-Chair	Constitutional requirement	High	CP6	Apr								
Select Committee work programme 2016/17	Constitutional requirement	High	CP6	Ongoing								
Street lighting - proposals for variable lighting as part of improving efficiency	Performance monitoring		CP3	Apr								
Modern Roads review - M&C response and update	In-depth review		CP 3	Mar								update
Catford Town Centre Regeneration quarterly updates	Performance Monitoring		CP3	Ongoing								
Lewisham Community Trust - use of section106 and CIL	Policy development		CP3, CP 5	May								
High Streets review - M&C response and update	In-depth review		CP 5	Mar								
Catford Regeneration Programme Review interim report	In-depth review		CP3	Jun			Report					
Asset Management System (AMS) and Asset Register Update	Performance monitoring		CP3	Jun								
Waste Strategy communications plan	Performance monitoring		CP3	Jun								
Lewisham Future Programme	Standard item		CP 10	Ongoing								
Lewisham Cyclists' cycling strategy	Policy development		CP3	Jun								
Housing action zones	Standard item		CP6	Oct								
Planning obligations and regulations - Update	Performance monitoring		CP3, CP5	Nov								
Planning key policies and procedures	Policy development		CP10	Nov								
Annual parking report	Information item		CP 3, CP5	Nov								
Air quality action plan	Information item		CP3	Oct								
Planning enforcement	Performance monitoring, policy development		CP10	Nov								
Planning service annual monitoring report	Information Item		CP3, CP 5	Nov								
Work and skills strategy implementation	Standard item		CP5	Jan								
Waste strategy implementation and performance monitoring	Performance monitoring		CP3	Jan								
Animal welfare charter	Policy development		CP3	Jan								
Sustainable energy	Standard item		CP 3	Mar								

Appendix C – draft 2017/18 work programme

Sustainable Development Select Committee work programme 2017-18					Programme of work							
Work Item	Type of item	Priority	Strategic Priority	Delivery deadline	20-Apr	14-Jun	20-Jul	13-Sep	02-Nov	14-Dec	24-Jan	15-Mar
Lewisham Future Programme	Performance monitoring	High	CP10	Ongoing								
Election of the Chair and Vice-Chair	Constitutional requirement	High	CP6	Apr								
Select Committee work programme 2017/18	Constitutional requirement	High	CP6	Ongoing								
Asset Management System (AMS) and asset register update	Performance monitoring	Medium	CP10	Apr								
Implementation of the air quality action plan	Information item	Medium	CP3	Jun								
Catford Town Centre Regeneration quarterly updates	Performance Monitoring	High	CP3	Ongoing								
Section 106 and CIL	Policy development	Medium	CP3, CP 5	Jun								
To be decided	In-depth review	High	CP 5	Dec		Scope	Evidence	Evidence	Report	Report		
Implementation of the cycling strategy	Performance monitoring	Medium	CP3	Jul								
Space for an additional item	Standard item	Tbc	CP6	Nov								
Planning key policies and procedures	Policy development	High	CP10	Dec								
Planning service annual monitoring report	Information Item	High	CP3, CP 5	Dec								
Annual parking report	Performance monitoring	Low	CP 3, CP5	Jan								
Work and skills strategy implementation	Performance monitoring	Low	CP5	Jan								
Waste strategy implementation and performance monitoring	Performance monitoring	High	CP3	Jan								
Sustainable energy	Standard item	High	CP 3	Mar								

Appendix D – Select Committee referrals on the Catford programme

Date of meeting	Title of referral	Committee comments	Consideration and <u>response</u> at Mayor and Cabinet	Response to SDSC
14-Jan-16	Catford Regen referral 1	<p>The Committee advised Mayor and Cabinet that:</p> <p>It felt it was unfortunate that the options presented meant that it appeared that the Council was being offered a choice between additional housing verses smoother traffic flow and possibly better pedestrian provision.</p> <p>The Committee stressed the importance of making a decision on an option for the Catford Town Centre and noted that historic indecision was the major barrier to development of the area.</p> <p>That the Committee recommended that:</p> <p>Recommendation 1 Any option selected should be fully integrated including ensuring a thorough and well thought-out offer to enhance the street-scene for pedestrians.</p> <p>Recommendation 2 The Mayor lobby Network Rail to prioritise improving the rail-over-road bridge on Catford Road to allow for better pedestrian and cycling provision.</p> <p>Recommendation 3 That the presentation by Ian Chalk from Ian Chalk Architects be referred for information and consideration by Mayor and Cabinet and to the Broadway Theatre Working Party Group for consideration.</p>	<p>17-Feb-16 – <u>18-May-16</u></p> <p>http://councilmeetings.lewisham.gov.uk/documents/s43614/Response%20to%20SDSC%20Catford%20Regeneration%20Review.pdf</p>	29-Jun-16

12-May-16	Catford Regen referral 2	<p>The Committee were pleased with the funding being made available by the GLA in its designation of Catford town centre as a Housing Zone.</p> <p>Recommendation 4 The Committee felt a clear vision for the future of Catford Town Centre should be developed instead of a fragmented approach, and that the feel and attraction of the centre of Catford to its residents, workers, pedestrians, cyclists and its visitors depended on establishing places where everybody feels accepted, relaxed and excited to be. The town centre should be designed to feel loveable, liveable, joyful and iconic.</p> <p>Recommendation 5 The Committee felt strongly that the local community should be involved in and consulted on their vision for Catford and that such consultation should happen before the appointment of developers. The Committee urged that the consultation be used an opportunity for the Council to engage closely with the local community in future plans for the town centre and innovative consultation methods should be considered. The aim should be to identify the reasons people chose to live or spend time in Catford and to develop a shared vision for the lifestyle that Catford should offer its residents and visitors.</p> <p>Recommendation 6 The Committee also noted the strength of feeling from local residents that had been expressed previously on planning applications for developments in Catford. It was recognised that the level of interest in the future of Catford was a significant asset for any future consultations on plans for the area.</p> <p>Recommendation 7 The Committee was concerned that piecemeal development had already begun when a planning application for Former Catford Greyhound Stadium, Adenmore Road SE6 4RH was considered at a recent meeting of the Strategic Planning Committee.</p> <p>Recommendation 8 The Committee felt that any decision on realignment of the South Circular through Catford would have major impacts, both for the traffic flow for buses and cars as well as for the quality of public space in the town centre. The Committee noted that Transport for London had previously presented their designs for the South Circular to the Committee, and hopes that Transport for London will weigh their concerns around the quality of the environment for pedestrians accordingly.</p>	01-Jun-16 <u>11 Jan 17</u>	25-Jan-17
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Recommendation 9

While appreciating that progress depended on a decision by Transport for London on whether to realign the South Circular (A205), the Committee requested that a clear timeline be established for the regeneration programme outlining the order of any key decisions, and that this should be shared with the Committee.

Recommendation 10

The committee strongly felt that the South Circular should be relocated as originally planned in order to achieve the town centre vision built around the theatre and a central piazza.

29-Jun-16	Catford regen referral 3	<p>The Committee commended the Creative Lewisham 2001 report to Mayor and Cabinet, and particularly its call for a vision for urban developments in the borough and its call for high ambitions.</p> <p>Recommendation 11</p> <p>The Committee endorsed the comments from the Lewisham Culture & Urban Development Commission’s report about the benefits of a piazza in the centre of Catford:</p> <p>“The square’s main café will be a central meeting point and the library will put on events, often outside, which give a sense that libraries are innovative. The Council’s offices, as a consequence, will become for citizens ‘our place’ and the interactions between ordinary people and officials will happen often by chance encounter. St Modwen’s shopping centre will have had a dramatic overhaul having decided that, with these new developments, it can no longer hang back. The market will wend itself round into the square by putting on niche markets to appeal to varied tastes. The route down from the station will feel processional engender a sense of expectation of what is to come. The setting of the Catford stations will be vastly improved so making arrival a joyful experience and the open spaces will not feel cut off by fencing, and will at special moments become an entertainments venue relating well to what is going on in the square. At night the lighting of major civic buildings will create a feeling of drama.” (Creative Lewisham: the report of the Lewisham Culture & Urban Development Commission, page 39).</p>	13-Jul-16 – <u>07-Sep-16</u> http://councilmeetings.lewisham.gov.uk/documents/s45992/03%20Response%20from%20Mayor%20and%20Cabinet%20to%20the%20Committees%20referral%20on%20the%20Catford%20Regeneration%20251016.pdf	25-Oct-16
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14-Sep-16	Catford regen referral 4	<p>The Committee recognised the energy and enthusiasm that is shown for the development of Catford and it hoped that this would result in decisive action to move the Catford programme forward.</p> <p>The Committee remained concerned that the programme was piecemeal and lacked a genuine central vision of how the town centre would look, a cohesive approach or a single person driving the project on a daily basis. Added to the concern was the sense of rush to drive the project through.</p> <p>Recommendation 12 The Committee requested a timetable for the programme with all dates of key decisions and deadlines for delivery.</p> <p>Recommendation 13 The Committee requested a copy of the decision-making structure of the programme including all the elements of planning, regeneration and the allotted Housing Action Zone/GLA membership of the Catford programme board.</p> <p>Recommendation 14 The Committee asked that it be provided with an update on the delivery of the new 'vision' document for Catford.</p> <p>Recommendation 15 The Committee wanted to understand how members of the public would have meaningful involvement in the decision-making about the design and look of Catford. The Committee asked for specific examples of how local residents' views would genuinely affect the development of plans for the town centre.</p> <p>Recommendation 16 The Committee noted a hiatus on the lottery bid and renovation work on the Broadway Theatre and requested an update on the programme of work being carried out at the Theatre, which included full details of the resources being allocated to carry out proposed works.</p>	28-Sep-16 <u>19-Oct-16</u> http://councilmeetings.lewisham.gov.uk/documents/s46134/03%20Mayor%20and%20Cabinet%20response%20to%20the%20Committees%20referral%20on%20the%20Catford%20Regeneration%20251016.pdf	25-Oct-16
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25-Oct-16	Housing zones	<p>The Committee requested:</p> <p>Recommendation 17 Further information about the maximum height of any towers proposed in the Catford development as well as further details about the anticipated massing of the development.</p> <p>Recommendation 18 A commitment that the level of affordable housing in both housing zones would reflect housing need in the borough. The committee believe that guarantees should be sought on the minimum amount of social housing that will be provided as part of the Catford development</p> <p>Recommendation 19 The support for a decision (from TfL) to realign the south circular in Catford in order to enable the redevelopment of the town centre.</p> <p>Recommendation 20 An assessment of the implications for public services in Catford, including likely pressures on transport, health services and schools.</p> <p>Recommendation 21 Timings of planned key decisions for the development of the programme.</p> <p>Recommendation 22 That there be a commitment to clear and meaningful consultation with local councillors and residents – which aligned with the anticipated programme of key decisions.</p>	09-Nov-16 – <u>(11-Jan-17)</u>	(24-Jan-17)
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24 Jan - 17	Catford regen referral 5	<p>Recommendation 23 The Committee recommends that the Council produces a communications plan, which details the timetable for consultation with local people and other key stakeholders. The plan should also include regular opportunities for engagement with councillors.</p> <p>Recommendation 24 The Committee recommends that officers produce a 3-5 year plan outlining anticipated dates for key decisions relating to Catford. The Committee asks that this be made freely available and updated regularly.</p> <p>Recommendation 25 The Committee recommends that, prior to each key decision, the Sustainable Development Select Committee has the opportunity to comment on and review plans as they progress.</p> <p>Recommendation 26 The Committee believes that before each key decision is taken options should be considered for: safe cycling and pedestrian provision; the proposed scale of any intended development and; the future viability of the Broadway Theatre.</p> <p>Recommendation 27 The Committee has concerns about the height density and massing of potential buildings in Catford and is keen to review any proposals before key decisions are made.</p> <p>Recommendation 28 The Committee will closely follow the development of options for the realignment of the A205. The Committee intends to use its influence to encourage TfL to prioritise funding for the scheme.</p> <p>Recommendation 29 The Committee believes that the safety of pedestrians and cyclists as well as the provision of segregated cycling lanes should be central to the consideration of all options for the realignment of the A205.</p> <p>Recommendation 30 The Committee recommends that, in assessing options for the future of the A205, due regard should be given to the impact of air quality on public health.</p>	08 Feb-17 – <u>(Due 19 April 17)</u>	TBC
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FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS

Forward Plan March 2017 - June 2017

This Forward Plan sets out the key decisions the Council expects to take during the next four months.

Anyone wishing to make representations on a decision should submit them in writing as soon as possible to the relevant contact officer (shown as number (7) in the key overleaf). Any representations made less than 3 days before the meeting should be sent to Kevin Flaherty 0208 3149327, the Local Democracy Officer, at the Council Offices or kevin.flaherty@lewisham.gov.uk. However the deadline will be 4pm on the working day prior to the meeting.

A "key decision"* means an executive decision which is likely to:

- (a) result in the Council incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant having regard to the Council's budget for the service or function to which the decision relates;
- (b) be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards.

May 2016	Council Budget 2017-18	22/02/17 Council	Kevin Sheehan, Executive Director for Customer Services and Councillor Kevin Bonavia, Cabinet Member Resources		
November 2016	Pay Statement	22/02/17 Council	Phil Badley and Councillor Kevin Bonavia, Cabinet Member Resources		

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December 2016	Proposed Heathside and Lethbridge Estate, Lewisham - Phase 6 Compulsory Purchase Order 2017	01/03/17 Mayor and Cabinet	Kevin Sheehan, Executive Director for Customer Services and Councillor Damien Egan, Cabinet Member Housing		
November 2016	Children's Centres - Award Report	01/03/17 Mayor and Cabinet (Contracts)	Sara Williams, Executive Director, Children and Young People and Councillor Paul Maslin, Cabinet Member for Children and Young People		
January 2017	Health Visiting Contract Award	01/03/17 Mayor and Cabinet (Contracts)	Sara Williams, Executive Director, Children and Young People and Councillor Paul Maslin, Cabinet Member for Children and Young People		
November 2016	Young Person's Health and Wellbeing Service Award Report	01/03/17 Mayor and Cabinet (Contracts)	Sara Williams, Executive Director, Children and Young People and Councillor Paul Maslin, Cabinet Member for Children and Young People		
January 2017	Better Place Programme	02/03/17 Better Place Joint Committee	Janet Senior, Executive Director for Resources & Regeneration and Councillor Alan Smith, Deputy Mayor		

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February 2017	Bill Payment Services Contract	09/03/17 Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel	Kevin Sheehan, Executive Director for Customer Services and Councillor Kevin Bonavia, Cabinet Member Resources		
December 2016	Statutory Funerals Contract	09/03/17 Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel	Aileen Buckton, Executive Director for Community Services and Councillor Rachel Onikosi, Cabinet Member Public Realm		
February 2017	Short Term Contract Extension for Kitchen FM Services for Council Managed School Meals	09/03/17 Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel	Sara Williams, Executive Director, Children and Young People and Councillor Paul Maslin, Cabinet Member for Children and Young People		
February 2017	Children and Young People's Advocacy Service	09/03/17 Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel	Sara Williams, Executive Director, Children and Young People and Councillor Paul Maslin, Cabinet Member for Children and Young People		
February 2017	Volunteering Service for Children and Young People subject to Children in Need and Child Protection Plans	09/03/17 Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel	Sara Williams, Executive Director, Children and Young People and Councillor Paul Maslin, Cabinet Member for		

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			Children and Young People		
December 2016	Lewisham Homes Management Agreement and Articles of Association	22/03/17 Mayor and Cabinet	Kevin Sheehan, Executive Director for Customer Services and Councillor Damien Egan, Cabinet Member Housing		
December 2016	New Homes Programme	22/03/17 Mayor and Cabinet	Kevin Sheehan, Executive Director for Customer Services and Councillor Damien Egan, Cabinet Member Housing		
August 2016	The Wharves Deptford - Compulsory Purchase Order Resolution	22/03/17 Mayor and Cabinet	Janet Senior, Executive Director for Resources & Regeneration and Councillor Alan Smith, Deputy Mayor		
December 2016	Brasted Close development	22/03/17 Mayor and Cabinet	Kevin Sheehan, Executive Director for Customer Services and Councillor Damien Egan, Cabinet Member Housing		
January 2017	Deptford Anchor Action Plan	22/03/17 Mayor and Cabinet	Janet Senior, Executive Director for Resources & Regeneration and Councillor Alan Smith, Deputy Mayor		
February 2017	Excalibur Update - Part 1 & 2	22/03/17 Mayor and Cabinet	Kevin Sheehan, Executive Director for Customer Services and		

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			Councillor Damien Egan, Cabinet Member Housing		
February 2017	Deptford Southern Housing Sites - Part 1 & Part 2	22/03/17 Mayor and Cabinet	Kevin Sheehan, Executive Director for Customer Services and Councillor Damien Egan, Cabinet Member Housing		
January 2017	Approval to Transfer land at Our Lady & St Philip Neri Primary School to Catholic Archdiocese of Southwark	22/03/17 Mayor and Cabinet	Sara Williams, Executive Director, Children and Young People and Councillor Paul Maslin, Cabinet Member for Children and Young People		
December 2016	Lewisham Place Planning Strategy 2017-2022	22/03/17 Mayor and Cabinet	Sara Williams, Executive Director, Children and Young People and Councillor Paul Maslin, Cabinet Member for Children and Young People		
December 2016	Library Savings Programme update - Manor House	22/03/17 Mayor and Cabinet	Aileen Buckton, Executive Director for Community Services and Councillor Chris Best, Cabinet Member for Health, Wellbeing and Older People		
January 2017	Catford Regeneration Programme Parts 1 and 2	22/03/17 Mayor and Cabinet	Janet Senior, Executive Director for Resources & Regeneration and		

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			Councillor Alan Smith, Deputy Mayor		
January 2017	Annual Lettings Plan	22/03/17 Mayor and Cabinet	Kevin Sheehan, Executive Director for Customer Services and Councillor Damien Egan, Cabinet Member Housing		
February 2017	School Expansion Proposals Addey & Stanhope School and Ashmead Primary School	22/03/17 Mayor and Cabinet	Sara Williams, Executive Director, Children and Young People and Councillor Paul Maslin, Cabinet Member for Children and Young People		
December 2016	Results of Handypersons consultation	22/03/17 Mayor and Cabinet	Kevin Sheehan, Executive Director for Customer Services and Councillor Damien Egan, Cabinet Member Housing		
January 2017	Private Rented Sector Offer Policy	22/03/17 Mayor and Cabinet	Kevin Sheehan, Executive Director for Customer Services and Councillor Damien Egan, Cabinet Member Housing		
February 2017	Resettlement of Refugee Households	22/03/17 Mayor and Cabinet	Kevin Sheehan, Executive Director for Customer Services and Councillor Kevin Bonavia, Cabinet Member Resources		

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January 2017	Library Savings Programme Preferred Provider Manor House	22/03/17 Mayor and Cabinet (Contracts)	Aileen Buckton, Executive Director for Community Services and Councillor Chris Best, Cabinet Member for Health, Wellbeing and Older People		
December 2016	Stage 1 of 2-stage procurement for the proposed expansions of Ashmead Primary School and Addey & Stanhope Secondary School (Mornington Centre) and to enter into a Pre-Construction Services Agreement.	22/03/17 Mayor and Cabinet (Contracts)	Sara Williams, Executive Director, Children and Young People and Councillor Paul Maslin, Cabinet Member for Children and Young People		
November 2016	Transforming Construction Skills - Lewisham Construction Hub, Training, Apprenticeship and Employment Service	22/03/17 Mayor and Cabinet (Contracts)	Janet Senior, Executive Director for Resources & Regeneration and Councillor Alan Smith, Deputy Mayor		
November 2016	Transforming Construction Skills - Lewisham Construction Hub, Local Supply Chain Development Services	22/03/17 Mayor and Cabinet (Contracts)	Janet Senior, Executive Director for Resources & Regeneration and Councillor Alan Smith, Deputy Mayor		
February 2017	Appointment of a Systems Integrator for Oracle Cloud	22/03/17 Mayor and Cabinet (Contracts)	Janet Senior, Executive Director for Resources & Regeneration and Councillor Kevin Bonavia, Cabinet Member Resources		

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February 2017	Selection of Payroll & Human Resources Software Platform and System Integrator	22/03/17 Mayor and Cabinet (Contracts)	Janet Senior, Executive Director for Resources & Regeneration and Councillor Kevin Bonavia, Cabinet Member Resources		
February 2017	Provision of Passenger Transport Services - Establishment & Use of Dynamic Purchasing System	22/03/17 Mayor and Cabinet (Contracts)	Sara Williams, Executive Director, Children and Young People and Councillor Paul Maslin, Cabinet Member for Children and Young People		
February 2017	Replacement of Fleet Vehicles	22/03/17 Mayor and Cabinet (Contracts)	Janet Senior, Executive Director for Resources & Regeneration and Councillor Alan Smith, Deputy Mayor		
January 2017	Appointment of Heritage Architects for Delivery of Beckenham Place Park Regeneration	04/04/17 Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel	Scrutiny Work Programme and Councillor Rachel Onikosi, Cabinet Member Public Realm		
January 2017	Award of contract for Sexual Health e-service	04/04/17 Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel	Aileen Buckton, Executive Director for Community Services and Councillor Chris Best, Cabinet Member for Health, Wellbeing and Older People		
January 2017	Children and Young People's	04/04/17	Sara Williams, Executive		

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	Advocacy Service	Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel	Director, Children and Young People and Councillor Paul Maslin, Cabinet Member for Children and Young People		
January 2017	Volunteering Service for Children & Young People subject to Children in Need and Child Protection Plans	04/04/17 Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel	Sara Williams, Executive Director, Children and Young People and Councillor Paul Maslin, Cabinet Member for Children and Young People		
February 2017	New Homes Programme	19/04/17 Mayor and Cabinet	Kevin Sheehan, Executive Director for Customer Services and Councillor Damien Egan, Cabinet Member Housing		
February 2017	Beckenham Place Park Programme Update	19/04/17 Mayor and Cabinet	Kevin Sheehan, Executive Director for Customer Services and Councillor Rachel Onikosi, Cabinet Member Public Realm		
February 2017	Provision of Textile Collection Bring Back Service - Appointment to Framework	19/04/17 Mayor and Cabinet (Contracts)	Kevin Sheehan, Executive Director for Customer Services and Councillor Rachel Onikosi, Cabinet Member Public Realm		
February 2017	Award of Contract for two	19/04/17	Aileen Buckton,		

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	Extra Care Services at Cinnamon Court and Cedar Court	Mayor and Cabinet (Contracts)	Executive Director for Community Services and Councillor Chris Best, Cabinet Member for Health, Wellbeing and Older People		
August 2016	Community Premises Management Contract Award	19/04/17 Mayor and Cabinet (Contracts)	Aileen Buckton, Executive Director for Community Services and Councillor Joan Millbank, Cabinet Member Third Sector & Community		
February 2017	Appointment of Landscape Architects for Delivery of Beckenham Place Park Regeneration	02/05/17 Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel	Kevin Sheehan, Executive Director for Customer Services and Councillor Rachel Onikosi, Cabinet Member Public Realm		
February 2017	New Homes Programme	10/05/17 Mayor and Cabinet	Kevin Sheehan, Executive Director for Customer Services and Councillor Damien Egan, Cabinet Member Housing		
February 2017	Award of Contract for Extra Care Service at Hazlehurst Court	10/05/17 Mayor and Cabinet (Contracts)	Aileen Buckton, Executive Director for Community Services and Councillor Chris Best, Cabinet Member for Health, Wellbeing and Older People		
February 2017	IT Network re-procurement	10/05/17	Janet Senior, Executive		

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		Mayor and Cabinet (Contracts)	Director for Resources & Regeneration and Councillor Kevin Bonavia, Cabinet Member Resources		
February 2017	Contract award report for 2 x bulge class schemes	23/05/17 Overview and Scrutiny Education Business Panel	Sara Williams, Executive Director, Children and Young People and Councillor Paul Maslin, Cabinet Member for Children and Young People		
February 2017	Extending the shared IT service to Southwark	07/06/17 Mayor and Cabinet	Kevin Sheehan, Executive Director for Customer Services and Councillor Kevin Bonavia, Cabinet Member Resources		
February 2017	New Homes Programme	07/06/17 Mayor and Cabinet	Kevin Sheehan, Executive Director for Customer Services and Councillor Damien Egan, Cabinet Member Housing		
February 2017	Telephony re-porurement	07/06/17 Mayor and Cabinet (Contracts)	Kevin Sheehan, Executive Director for Customer Services and Councillor Kevin Bonavia, Cabinet Member Resources		

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