



# AGENDA

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## OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BUSINESS PANEL

**Date: TUESDAY, 28 MARCH 2017 at 7.05 pm**

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Councillor Alan Hall	Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee	L
Councillor Gareth Siddorn	Vice Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee	L
Councillor Liam Curran	Chair of Sustainable Development Select Committee	L
Councillor Carl Handley	Chair of Housing Select Committee	L
Councillor John Muldoon	Chair of Healthier Communities Select Committee	L
Councillor Maja Hilton	Chair of Children and Young People Select Committee Chair	L
Councillor Jim Mallory	Labour Group Representative	L
Councillor Liz Johnston-Franklin	Labour Group Representative	L
Councillor Pauline Morrison	Chair of Safer Stronger Community Select Committee	L

**Members are summoned to attend this meeting subject to membership confirmation at the AGM**

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Chief Executive  
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Date: Monday, 20 March 2017**



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# Agenda Item 1

OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY BUSINESS PANEL		
<b>Report Title</b>	Minutes	
<b>Key Decision</b>		Item No. 1
<b>Ward</b>	All	
<b>Contributors</b>	Chief Executive	
<b>Class</b>	Part 1	Date: 28 March 2017

## Recommendation

It is recommended that the minutes of that part of the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel which was open to the press and public, held on 9 March 2017 be confirmed and signed.

# MINUTES OF THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BUSINESS PANEL

Thursday, 9 March 2017 at 7.00 pm

PRESENT: Councillors Alan Hall (Chair), Liam Curran, Carl Handley, David Michael, John Muldoon and Jim Mallory

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor Maja Hilton

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Gareth Siddorn, Councillor Brenda Dacres and Councillor Hilary Moore

## 74. Minutes

### New Bermondsey CPO

The Chair stated that he had received assurance from the Executive Director for Children and Young People acting as the officer reporting on the Inquiry that the letter from the Chief Executive of Millwall in response to Councillor Smith's response at the last Council meeting would be included in the bundle of papers for the Inquiry.

### **Action >>>>> ED CYP**

The Chair asked if there had been any update on Business Panel's request to see the correspondences in reply to two solicitors, and Business Panel was told by the Head of Law's representative that the Head of Law would welcome Members looking at these documents in her office as these were confidential documents and any mishandling could lead to litigation.

Councillor Mallory commented that Council Members should have easy access to the documents. The Chair said he had a copy of Shoosmith's letter as this was not confidential, but he was unable to get a copy of the Council's response. The Chair said the Head of Law was notified that Business Panel Members wanted to see the response but it had not been made available. Councillor Mallory said there must be an easier way for Members to see this document albeit in confidence. The Chair commented that the lack of access to information had contributed greatly to demands for an Inquiry.

The Chair asked whether a redacted copy of the Housing Action Zone bid had been sent to Councillor Michael as requested at the last meeting, and was told by the Head of Law's representative that a copy was on the Council's website. The Chair said as Council Members they should be able to request that the document be sent to them and expect a response. He said being sent the link would save Members time trying to locate the document.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the open meeting held on 14 February 2017 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

Councillor Mallory declared a personal non pecuniary interest in item 1 as a season ticket holder of Millwall FC.

**76. Outstanding Scrutiny Items**

Report noted.

**77. Notification of Late and Urgent Items**

Report noted.

**78. Decision Made by Mayor and Cabinet on 22 February 2017**

New Bermondsey – Establishment of an Independent Inquiry

RESOLVED that the decision of the Mayor be noted.

**79. Decision made by Mayor and Cabinet on 1 March 2017**

Heathside and Lethbridge Phase 6 CPO

The Housing Delivery Manager introduced the report.

Councillor Curran asked for information on the number of social rented housing that would be available, and was told that 416 would be rented at affordable rates and 111 would be with leaseholders. The Housing Delivery Manager said once the project was completed there would be 490 affordable housing and 369 affordable rented properties. Councillor Muldoon asked how viable it would be for residents to use equity from their existing property to buy a new property. Panel Members were told that Leaseholders would have the option of buying into a new property. It was noted that the aim was for Leaseholders not to be worse off. Residents who could not afford to own a house would be re-housed into a rented property.

Councillor Muldoon asked what would happen if residents have mortgages on their properties, and was told the property would be bought at market rate and the mortgage paid off. If the property had been re-mortgaged then they could be rehoused as a tenant.

The Chair said the current Sustainable Community Strategy 2008 - 2020 was now obsolete as a lot of changes that had occurred since it was first written. It was agreed that a request should be made to Mayor and Cabinet asking for the Strategy to be updated. The Executive Director for Customer Services said this would be updated as soon as practicable. The Executive Director for Customer Services brought to Panel Members attention that Compulsory Purchase Order in this scheme would only be used as a last resort.

**Action >>>>> ED Customer Services**

RESOLVED that

- i. the decision of the Mayor be noted.

- ii. the Business Panel believed the current Sustainable Community Strategy 2008-2020 was now obsolete following the numerous changes that had occurred since it was first written. The Business Panel requests that the Mayor ask officers to update this strategy as soon as practicable.

**80. Overview and Scrutiny Select Committees Work Programmes 2015-2016 - verbal update**

Responding to the Communities and Local Government Committee 'Overview and Scrutiny in Local Government'.

The Scrutiny Manager introduced the report and asked for additional information Business Panel Members might wish to add to the paper which was to be forwarded to the CLG inquiry the next day. The Chair said comments would be taken at the meeting and he would sign off the final document.

Councillor Muldoon said that it would be useful to include information on South London and Maudsley NHS Foundation Trust, and the Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee in the report. He was told to send the exact wording he wanted added to the report to the Scrutiny Manager as soon as possible the next day as the report had to go out that same day. It was noted that the same information that was included in the mid-term review report could also be utilised.

Councillor Curran said he would like to commend officers for their continued hard work. He said that he had noted that Scrutiny Members do not have the same level of Legal support that was available to Executive Members. Councillor Curran said some of the issues that were being dealt with were very contentious and officers could find it very difficult to be independent and impartial in their dealings with Executive Members, and Scrutiny Members. Councillor Curran added that he did not think the relationship was the same.

Councillor Mallory said he thought lessons were still being learnt about the relationship between the Executive and Scrutiny, and ensuring Members on the scrutiny side get sufficient information to arrive at a sensible decision in response to decisions made by the Executive.

Councillor Michael said senior officers should take responsibility to ensure scrutiny officers and other officers were not put in a position where their independence would be called to question. The Chair said hence the recent changes in the law was made to address the imbalance. Business Panel Members stated that a cultural change was required. Panel Members said Council Members were elected to a democratic role which should be cherished, and Executive Members should not be seen as senior to their Scrutiny counterparts.

Following the discussion it was also agreed that the mid-term review and public service reports should be included in the paper, which should go out in a letter format, and the Chair would sign off the final paper.

The Scrutiny Manager informed Panel Members that all but one Select Committee for the Municipal year had been held. She said in the Municipal year 3 in-depth reviews had been done and taken to Mayor and Cabinet. The Scrutiny Manager reported that topics were being discussed for the next Municipal year.

Comments of the SDSC to Mayor and Cabinet Meeting 22/3/2017 - Housing Zones

The Chair of the Sustainable Development Select Committee, Councillor Curran introduced the report which was endorsed by Business Panel.

Comments of the SDSC to Mayor and Cabinet meeting 22/3/2017 - Post Office Changes

The Chair of Sustainable Development Committee introduced the report which was endorsed by the Business Panel.

**81. Exclusion of the Press and Public**

RESOLVED that under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 3, 4 and 5 of Part 1 of Schedule 12(A) of the Act, as amended by the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to information) (Amendments) (England) Regulations 2006 and the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information:

The following is a summary of the items considered in the closed part of the meeting:

**82. Decisions made by Mayor and Cabinet (Contracts) on 1 March 2017**

Young Persons Health & Wellbeing Service Contract Award

Following a confidential discussion, the Chair said it would be good if Lewisham and Greenwich NHS Trust receive feedback following their Tender application.

**Action >>>>> ED CYP**

RESOLVED that the decision of the Mayor be noted.

Childrens Centre Contract Award

Following a confidential discussion, the Business Panel requested a bigger map, and explanation about the proposal and the timetable circulated to all members, this was agreed.

**Action >>>>> ED CYP**

RESOLVED that the decision of the Mayor be noted.

**83. Decision made by an Executive Director Under Delegated Authority - Statutory Funerals Contract**

This item was not requested for further discussion.



**84. Decision made by an Executive Director Under Delegated Authority -  
Advocacy Service for Looked After Children, Children in Care Proceedings  
and Young People Leaving Care**

This item was not requested for further discussion.

Meeting ended 8:10pm

Chair.....

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BUSINESS PANEL		
<b>Report Title</b>	<b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b>	
<b>Key Decision</b>		<b>Item No. 2</b>
<b>Ward</b>		
<b>Contributors</b>	<b>Chief Executive</b>	
<b>Class</b>	<b>Part 1</b>	<b>Date: 28 March 2017</b>

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; and
  - (b) 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)

<b>OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BUSINESS PANEL</b>			
<b>Report Title</b>	Outstanding Scrutiny Items		
<b>Key Decision</b>	No		Item No.
<b>Ward</b>	n/a		
<b>Contributors</b>	Head of Business and Committee		
<b>Class</b>	Part 1	Date: 28 March 2017	

**1. Purpose of Report**

To report on items previously reported to the Mayor for response by directorates and to indicate the likely future reporting date.

**2. Recommendation**

That the reporting date of the items shown in the table below be noted.

Report Title	Responding Author	Date Considered by Mayor & Cabinet	Scheduled Reporting Date	Slippage since last report
Response to Housing Select Committee on Handyman Service	ED Customer Services	7 December 2016	22 March 2017	yes
Response to Sustainable Development Select Committee on Planning	ED Resources & Regeneration	11 January 2017	22 March 2017	No
Response to Sustainable Development Select Committee Work and Skills	ED Resources & Regeneration	8 February 2017	19 April 2017	No
Response to Sustainable Development Select Committee Catford Regeneration	ED Resources & Regeneration	8 February 2017	19 April 2017	No

Response to Safer Stronger Communities Select Committee Voluntary Sector Review	ED Community	15 February 2017	19 April 2017	No
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**BACKGROUND PAPERS and AUTHOR**

Mayor & Cabinet minutes 7 December 2016, 11 January 2017, 8 & 15 February 2017 available from Kevin Flaherty 0208 3149327.

<http://councilmeetings.lewisham.gov.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?CId=139&Year=0>

<b>Overview &amp; Scrutiny Business Panel</b>		
<b>Report Title</b>	Notification of Late and Urgent Items	
<b>Key Decision</b>	No	Item No. 4
<b>Ward</b>		
<b>Contributors</b>	Head of Business and Committee	
<b>Class</b>	Part 1	Date: 28 March 2017

## 1. Purpose of Report

Report Title	Author	Reasons Stated for Urgency	Responsible Committee and Date
Leaving the EU	Head of Corporate Resources	This report was not available for the original dispatch because officers needing additional time to complete their review of the possible implications of Brexit.	Public Accounts Select Committee, 15 March 2017
Private Rented Sector Discharge Policy – provisional results of consultation	Executive Director for Customer Services, Head of Law	This report is late due to the need to provide Committee with the most up to date information regarding the PRSO Policy consultation, which closed on 3 March 2017. It is urgent as there is no other occasion for Committee to consider the report before it is presented to Mayor and Cabinet.	Housing Select Committee
Bill Payments Services Contract	ED Customer	This report was not available for the original dispatch because the necessary approval was pending at the time. The report is urgent and cannot wait until the next meeting of the Mayor & Cabinet	Mayor and Cabinet 22 March 2017



		Contracts on April 19 2017 because the current provider the Cooperative Bank is withdrawing their Bill Payment facility. If the report is moved to the next meeting the Council will miss the transfer deadline to ensure continuity of the bill payment facility to the Council's residents.	
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<b>OVERVIEW &amp; SCRUTINY BUSINESS PANEL</b>		
<b>Report Title</b>	Decisions made by Mayor and Cabinet on 22 March 2017	
<b>Key Decision</b>		Item No. 6
<b>Ward</b>	All	
<b>Contributors</b>	Chief Executive/Head of Business and Committee	
<b>Class</b>	Part 1	Date: 28 March 2017

## 1. Recommendation

To consider key decisions made by the Mayor and Cabinet on 22 March 2017 which will come in to force on 29 March 2017.

## 2. Background

2.1 The Mayor and Cabinet considered the following key decision on 22 March 2017.

2.2 The notice of the decision made in respect of the report is attached as an Appendix. Under the provisions of Standing Orders Part IV E 14, members may call in an executive decision within 7 days. If this report is not called in they will come into force on 29 March 2017.

- (i) Resettlement of Refugee Households
- (ii) Basted Close Housing Development
- (iii) Excalibur Update
- (iv) Lewisham Homes Management Agreement
- (v) New Homes Programme Update
- (vi) Future of Handypersons Service
- (vii) Annual Lettings Plan 17-18
- (viii) Private Rented Sector Discharge Policy
- (ix) Deptford Anchor



## NOTICE OF DECISIONS MADE AT THE MAYOR & CABINET

The Mayor and Cabinet made the following decision on 22 March 2017. These Decisions will become effective on 29 March 2017 unless called in by the Overview & Scrutiny Business Panel on 28 March 2017.

### **1. Resettlement of Refugee Households**

Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Resources, Councillor Kevin Bonavia, the Mayor agreed that:

(1) responsibility be delegated to the Executive Directors for Customer Services and Resources and Regeneration to enter into a formal agreement with the Home Office's Refugee Resettlement Unit to resettle refugee households referred from the Vulnerable Children Resettlement Scheme (VCRS) in Lewisham;

(2) responsibility be delegated to the Executive Directors for Customer Services and Resources and Regeneration to resettle these VCRS refugee households in the same proportion as the two Government announcements in respect of the SVPR programme and VCRS schemes which has set national targets to resettle 20000 individuals under SVPR and 3000 individuals under VCRS; and

(3) responsibility be delegated to the Executive Directors for Customer Services and Resources and Regeneration to resettle potentially more than 10 refugee families in total, as funding and feasibility allows.

### **2. Brasted Close Housing Development**

Having considered an open and a confidential officer report and presentations by the Cabinet Member for Housing, Councillor Damien Egan, and by three representatives of Lewisham Citizens, the Mayor agreed that:

(1) the work carried out by officers, the London Community Land Trust and Lewisham Citizens to develop plans for the site be noted and applauded;

(2) having considered the responses to the further statutory Section 105 consultation, the garage site on the Brasted Close estate shown by heavy outline on an attached plan be declared surplus to the Council's requirements;

(3) having considered the confidential information a long-term lease of not less than 125 years be entered into with the London Community Land Trust for the site;

(4) the financial arrangements detailed in the confidential report be approved;

(5) authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Resources and Regeneration, in consultation with the Executive Director for Customer Services and the Head of Law, to negotiate and agree the final terms of the lease and all other associated legal agreements with the London Community Land Trust; and

(6) the information contained in relation to the DCLG Community Housing Fund be noted and officers consider options for using this grant to enable the two current community-led developments in Lewisham, at Brasted Close and at Church Grove with RUSS.

### **3. Excalibur Update**

Having considered an officer report and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Housing, Councillor Damien Egan, the Mayor agreed that:

(1) the update on the regeneration scheme be noted;

(2) an application be made to the Secretary of State pursuant to paragraph 4(2) of Schedule 5A of the Housing Act 1985 to serve further Initial Demolition Notices on all secure tenants within Phase 4;

(3) subject in the case of Phase 4 to the Secretary of State's consent being obtained, Initial Demolition Notices be served on all secure tenants within Phases 4 and 5 in order to suspend the requirement for the Council to complete right to buy applications for as long as the Notices remain in force;

(4) having noted the results of the section 105 of the Housing Act 1985 consultation carried out with Council tenants as set out, the management of the remaining Council owned properties on the estate be transferred to Lewisham Homes until the regeneration scheme is completed, and that the transfer should take place on or after 3rd April 2017.

#### **4. Lewisham Homes Management Agreement**

Having considered an officer report and tabled addendum and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Housing, Councillor Damien Egan, the Mayor agreed that:

- (1) the outcome of consultation carried out with Council tenants pursuant to section 105 of the Housing Act 1985 contained in Appendix 1 be noted;
- (2) having regard to the results of this consultation, subject to the approval of the Secretary of State, an extension of the Lewisham Homes Management Agreement be approved for a period of up to ten years with the termination provisions set out at paragraph 4 and on the terms and conditions set out in the revised Management Agreement which was approved by the Mayor on the 18 May 2016;
- (3) an application be made by officers to the Secretary of State pursuant to paragraph section 27 of the Housing Act 1985 to seek approval for the revised Management Agreement; and
- (4) authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Resources and Regeneration with the advice of the Head of Law to finalise the revised Management Agreement and schedules.

#### **5. New Homes Programme Update**

Having considered an open and a confidential officer report and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Housing, Councillor Damien Egan, the Mayor agreed that:

- (1) the progress update on the New Homes, Better Places Programme be noted;
- (2) having considered the responses to the statutory Section 105 consultation on the proposed development at Endwell Road, Lewisham Homes prepare and submit a planning application for nine new Council homes on the site;
- (3) the information which identifies a gap in housing provision for adults with autism be noted;
- (4) the confidential valuation and commercial advice obtained be noted
- (5) the land between 30 and 32 Stanstead road, be declared surplus to the Council's requirements

(6) in principle to dispose of the land on a 125 year lease to Birnbeck Housing Association subject to a final decision on the disposal being made following consideration of any responses in respect of the necessary open space notices;

(7) officers be authorised to proceed to publish open space notices in respect of the proposed disposal; and

(8) a further report be received from officers on the responses to the open space notices prior to a final decision being made on the disposal.

## **6. The Future Provision of the Handyperson Service in Lewisham.**

Having considered an officer report and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Housing, Councillor Damien Egan, the Mayor agreed that:

(1) the results of the resident survey undertaken in September 2016 be noted;

(2) following the referral by the Housing Select Committee on 16 November 2016 to Mayor and Cabinet on 7 December 2016 Lewisham Homes advertises the service at an hourly rate to cover costs;

(3) the Council stops the direct provision of the handyperson service and achieves a saving of £151,000 and Lewisham Homes advertises this service on their website from April 2017 at a charge to cover the costs, with the proposed charge from April of £40 plus VAT; and

(4) officers through the Council's clienting arrangements ensure Lewisham Homes produce a clear breakdown of costs and the services offered, as recommended by Housing select committee on 7 March 2017

## **7. Annual Lettings Plan 2017/18**

Having considered an officer report and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Housing, Councillor Damien Egan, the Mayor agreed that:

(1) the lettings outcomes for 2015/16 and 2016/17 and the position on the housing register be noted;

(2) the Lettings Plan for 2017/18 set out in Appendix 1 be approved.

## **8. Private Rented Sector Discharge Policy**

Having considered an officer report and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Housing, Councillor Damien Egan, the Mayor agreed that:

(1) the continuing housing pressures in the borough, including the reduced supply of social housing, the increase in homelessness and the large number of homeless households living in temporary accommodation be noted;

(2) the impacts of national government housing policies and the ongoing impacts of welfare reform be noted which have contributed to this situation and mean that the housing pressures are likely to continue.

(3) having considered the results of the consultation and the Equality Analysis Assessment, the Private Rented Sector Offers Policy be approved; and

(4) authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Customer Services to make any minor changes required to the policy.

## **9. Deptford Anchor**

Having considered an officer report and presentations by the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Alan Smith, and by Councillor Brenda Dacres, a ward councillor, the Mayor agreed that:

(1) the feasibility study for the return of the Deptford Anchor to the junction of Deptford High Street and New Cross Road where it was removed in 2013 as part of the OLF funded high street regeneration programme and the financial and other implications set out be noted;

(2) the anchor be returned to its previous location at the junction of Deptford High Street and New Cross Road;

(3) the Executive Director of Resources and Regeneration be given delegated authority to agree financial arrangements.

**Barry Quirk  
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23 March 2017**

<b>OVERVIEW &amp; SCRUTINY BUSINESS PANEL</b>		
<b>Report Title</b>	Decisions made by Mayor and Cabinet (Contracts) on 22 March 2017	
<b>Key Decision</b>		Item No. 7
<b>Ward</b>	All	
<b>Contributors</b>	Chief Executive/Head of Business and Committee	
<b>Class</b>	Part 1	Date: 28 March 2017

**1. Recommendation**

To consider key decisions made by the Mayor and Cabinet (Contracts) on 22 March 2017 which will come in to force on 29 March 2017.

**2. Background**

2.1 The Mayor and Cabinet (Contracts) considered the following key decisions on 22 March 2017:

- (i) Libraries Savings Programme - approval of preferred provider for Manor House

2.2 The notice of decisions made in respect of these reports are attached as an Appendix. Under the provisions of Standing Orders Part IV E 14, members may call in an executive decision within 7 days. If a report is not called in it will come into force on 29 March 2017.





## **NOTICE OF DECISIONS MADE BY THE MAYOR AND CABINET (CONTRACTS)**

The Mayor and Cabinet (Contracts) made the following decision on 22 March 2017. This decision will become effective on 29 March 2017 unless it is called in by the Overview & Scrutiny Business Panel on 28 March 2017.

### **1. Libraries Savings Programme approval of preferred provider for Manor House**

Having considered an open officer report, and presentations from the Cabinet Member for Health, Well Being & Older People, Councillor Chris Best, and by Councillor Jim Mallory, a local ward member, Mayor and Cabinet (Contracts) agreed that:

(1) V22 Foundation be approved as the preferred partner for Manor House;

(2) authority be given to the Executive Director for Resources and Regeneration to negotiate and agree the terms of a 25 year lease as outlined for the Manor House Library building and grounds to enable the provision of a community library in partnership with the council; and

(3) authority be given to the Executive Director for Community Services to negotiate and agree the terms of an operating agreement for the provision of community library services at the Manor House Library building.

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Chief Executive  
Lewisham Town Hall  
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23 March 2017**

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## Recommendation

It is recommended that under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 3, 4 and 5 of Part 1 of Schedule 12(A) of the Act, as amended by the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (Amendments) (England) Regulations 2006:-

8. Decisions made by Mayor and Cabinet on 22 March 2017.
9. Decisions made by Mayor and Cabinet (Contracts) on 22 March 2017

# Agenda Item 10

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