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Part A – Items considered in public

A1	Declaration of Interests	None.
A2	Minutes	Approved.
A3	Outstanding Scrutiny Matters	Noted.
A4	Matters Raised by Scrutiny	<p><i>Deptford Anchor</i></p> <p>RESOLVED that Officers be asked to produce a report and Action Plan for Mayoral consideration on the return of the Deptford Anchor.</p>
A5	New Homes Better Place Update	<p>Having considered an officer report and a tabled addendum, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Housing, Councillor Damien Egan, the Mayor agreed that:</p> <p>(1) the progress made to date to deliver 500 new council homes by 2018 be noted;</p> <p>(2) statutory Section 105 consultation had been carried out for proposed infill development at Marnock Road and Crofton Park Road;</p> <p>(3) having considered the responses to the statutory Section 105 consultation, Lewisham Homes prepare and submit a planning application for Marnock Road; and</p> <p>(4) the proposal set out for officers to consider the potential of additional sites, at Burnt Ash Hill in Lee Green and at the former Home Park Office in Bellingham, for the provision of new homes for this programme be noted, and that further information in relation to these projects be brought back to Mayor & Cabinet as soon as possible.</p>

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A6	Broadway Theatre Working Party final report response	<p>Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Health, Well-Being and Older People, Councillor Chris Best, the Mayor agreed that:</p> <p>(1) the responses made by the Executive Director for Community Services to the recommendations made in the Broadway Theatre Working Party Final Report be approved; and</p> <p>(2) the report be forwarded to full Council.</p>
A7	Discretionary Rate Relief Policy Review	<p>Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for the Third Sector, Councillor Joan Millbank, the Mayor agreed that:</p> <p>(1) the contents of the review be noted;</p> <p>(2) the revised policy as set out be approved; and</p> <p>(3) authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Community Services to award discretionary rate relief to organisations on the Cultural and Leisure sector list for the next 3 years.</p>
A8	Ashmead and Addey & Stanhope School Expansions	<p>Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Children and Young People, Councillor Paul Maslin, the Mayor agreed that:</p> <p>(1) the results of the consultation on the proposal to enlarge Ashmead Primary School from 1 to 2 forms of entry with effect from September 2017 be noted;</p>

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		<p>(2) the results of the consultation on the proposal to enlarge Addey and Stanhope School from 4 to 6 forms of entry with effect from September 2018 be noted;</p> <p>(3) officers commence the formal statutory process to consult on the proposal to enlarge Ashmead Primary School from 1 to 2 forms of entry with effect from September 2017;</p> <p>(4) officers commence the formal statutory process to consult on the proposal to enlarge Addey and Stanhope School from 4 to 6 forms of entry with effect from September 2018; and</p> <p>(5) officers report back to Mayor and Cabinet by the end of spring 2017 with the results of both 'Representation' periods requesting Mayoral decisions as the statutory decision maker.</p>
A9	Transfer of Lewisham Music Service	<p>Having considered an officer report and tabled financial addendum, and presentations by the Chair of the Music Service Trust and the Cabinet Member for Children and Young People, Councillor Paul Maslin, the Mayor agreed from the options available that:</p> <p>(1) the DfE undertaking that funding for music hubs will be maintained to 2020 be noted;</p> <p>(2) Lewisham Music's status as a legal entity and a registered charity be noted;</p> <p>(3) the Music Service (or Lewisham Music if the transfer goes ahead) be noted as a named resident organisation in the Fellowship Inn development</p>

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		<p>under the management of Phoenix Housing Association and with approved Heritage Lottery Funding for the development and refurbishment of the site;</p> <p>(4) Lewisham Music's trustees' letter be noted and the transfer of cost liabilities be dealt with in accordance with Option 1 in the financial addendum in order that the transfer can proceed, taking into account the interests of the Council and the Music Service;</p> <p>(5) the commencement of formal consultation on TUPE transfer to Lewisham Music for the staff currently employed by the Council to operate the Music Service be approved;</p> <p>(6) Lewisham Music's business plan and budget forecasts demonstrate that the transfer of Lewisham Music Service to Lewisham Music best safeguards music education in Lewisham whilst also providing a mechanism for future growth and development;</p> <p>(7) the transfer of Lewisham Music Service's budget surplus and assets to Lewisham Music be approved; and</p> <p>(8) transfer terms be finalised and signed off by the Executive Director for Children and Young People for the transfer to take place on 1 April 2017</p>
A10	Regionalising Adoption	<p>Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Children and Young People, Councillor Paul Maslin, the Mayor agreed that:</p> <p>(1), in principle approval be given to join a London Regional Adoption Agency, subject to detailed financial analysis and business case; and</p>

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		(2) the Director Children’s Social Care, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Children & Young People, be authorised to progress arrangements relating to the development and Implementation of the London Regional Adoption Agency model.
A11	Rathfern Primary School Instrument of Government	Having considered an officer report, and a formal presentation by the Cabinet Member for Children and Young People, Councillor Paul Maslin, the Mayor agreed that the Instrument of Government for Rathfern Primary School be made by Local Authority order dated 1 February 2017.
A12	Local Authority Governor Nomination	<p>Having considered an officer report, and a formal presentation by the Cabinet Member for Children & Young People, Councillor Paul Maslin, the Mayor agreed that the following person be nominated as a local authority governor for the school indicated:</p> <p>Joan Norris - Clyde Nursery School</p>
A13	Management Report	Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Member for Policy & Performance, Councillor Joe Dromey, the Mayor agreed that the report be noted.
A14	Response to SDSC - Catford Regeneration Programme	<p>Having considered an officer report the Mayor agreed that:</p> <p>(1) the officer response to the referral by the Sustainable Development Select Committee on the Catford Regeneration Programme be approved; and</p> <p>(2) the report be forwarded to the Select Committee.</p>
A15	Comments of the Public Accounts	Having considered the Select Committee’s report, the Mayor agreed that the

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	Select Committee on income generation	views of the Select Committee as set out be received and the Executive Director for Resources and Regeneration be asked to prepare an Action Plan for consideration by the Select Committee in the Spring.
A16	Comments of the Sustainable Development Select Committee on Planning	Having considered the Select Committee's report, the Mayor agreed that the views of the Select Committee as set out be received and the Executive Director for Resources and Regeneration be asked to prepare a response for Mayoral consideration.
A17	Council Tax Base, Second Homes Discount and Income Review	<p>Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Resources, Councillor Kevin Bonavia, the Mayor agreed that:</p> <p>(1) the Council Tax Base calculation for 2016/17, as set out in the annual Council Tax Base government return, be noted;</p> <p>(2) Council be recommended to agree a Council Tax Base of 81,087.65 Band D equivalent properties for 2017/18;</p> <p>(3) Council be recommended to agree a budgeted Council Tax collection rate of 96.0%;</p> <p>(4) Council be recommended to agree that the existing policy of a 0% discount for second homes for 2016/17 be continued for 2017/18;</p> <p>(5) Council be recommended to agree that the existing policy of a 0% discount for empty homes Class A (an empty property undergoing structural alteration or major repair to make it habitable) be continued;</p>

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		<p>(6) Council be recommended to agree that the existing policy of a 100% discount awarded for a period of four weeks and then a 0% discount thereafter, for empty homes – Class C (a substantially empty and unfurnished property) be continued;</p> <p>(7) Council be recommended to agree that the existing policy of an empty homes premium of 50% in respect of long term empty properties be continued, as set out in section six of this report;</p> <p>(8) Council be recommended to agree, consistent with the approach taken in 2016/17, to implement the Council Tax Reduction Scheme (CTRS) to reflect reductions in the Settlement Funding Assessment, which for 2017/18 will mean 33% is passed onto working age CTRS recipients;</p> <p>(9) Council be recommended to note the proposed 2017/18 National Non Domestic Rate (NNDR) estimated net yield of £58.682m, based on current information available; and</p> <p>(10) Council be recommended to delegate the approval of the final 2017/18 NNDR1 form to the Executive Director for Resources and Regeneration for submission by the deadline of 31st January 2017.</p>
A18	Budget Update	<p>Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Resources, Councillor Kevin Bonavia, the Mayor agreed from the options available that:</p> <p>(1) the updates from the Autumn Statement and provisional Local Government Finance Settlement as presented be noted;</p>

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		<p>(2) the current financial assumptions of the Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) assume an annual 2% Adult Social Care precept is applied to the Council Tax Base for the next three years (option 1 in section 7) and that the Local Government Finance Settlement introduced new alternative options (2 to six) on which the budget could be modelled and that Option 4 should be recommended to the Council;</p> <p>(3) the Council's budget be prepared with a reduced corporate risks and pressures budget of £6.5m (down from £7.5m in previous years) for the three years to 2019/20, thereby saving £1m in 2017/18 and £3m over the period.</p>
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