

Decisions taken by the Mayor and Cabinet on Wednesday, 15 February 2017

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Part A – Items considered in public

A1	Declaration of Interests	None.
A2	Matters Raised by Scrutiny and other Constitutional Bodies	<p>Animal Welfare Charter</p> <p>Following discussion at the Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel on February 14, Panel Members welcomed the updated Charter, and agreed to make the following comments to Mayor and Cabinet:</p> <p>i. The Business Panel believe that the fact that this policy was not reviewed for many years shows that the Council should have a policy tracking system in place to ensure timely and regular reviews of all policies.</p> <p><i>The Mayor said given recent improvements to IT he would have a valid expectation to use technology to track policies</i></p> <p>ii. Whilst welcoming the new Animal Welfare policy the Business Panel would like officers to explore signing up Council partners, particularly Lewisham Homes and RSL.</p> <p><i>The Mayor said it made perfect sense to contact other landlords and he thanked officers for the work done so far in promoting the Animal Welfare Charter.</i></p>
A3	Outstanding Scrutiny Matters	The Mayor noted the Housing Action Zones response was now scheduled for March.
A4	Referral Voluntary Sector Review	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 Community Services be asked to prepare a response for Mayoral consideration.

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A5	2017/18 Budget Update	<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) Council be recommended to agree a Band D Council Tax for 2017/18 of £1,157.68 for the Council's element. This is an increase of 4.99% (including a social care precept of 3%), based on a General Fund Budget Requirement of £232.746m for 2017/18;</p> <p>(2) Council be asked to note an overall increase in the total Council Tax for 2017/18 of 4.28% to include the Greater London Authority (GLA) precept being increased by £4.02 to £280.02 (Band D equivalent), a 1.46% increase from its 2016/17 level as proposed;</p> <p>(3) Council be recommended to agree on 22 February 2017, the statutory calculation of the Budget Requirement for Lewisham for 2017/18, attached at Appendix A;</p> <p>(4) Council be recommended to agree on 22 February 2017, the motion on the budget, attached at Appendix B, including modifications made to the proposals published in the 2017/18 Budget Report;</p> <p>(5) the provisional and estimated precept and levies from the GLA and other bodies as detailed in Appendix C be noted and authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Resources and Regeneration to include any changes to these in the report for Council;</p> <p>(6) the final settlement figure for 2017/18 is yet to be announced, and is now</p>

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		<p>expected in the week commencing the 20 February;</p> <p>(7) there were no responses from Business rate payers to the consultation on the draft Budget which took place from 20 January 2017 to 3 February 2017;</p> <p>(8) the Section 25 Statement from the Chief Financial Officer, attached at Appendix D be received;</p> <p>(9) the Q11 savings proposal in respect of Meliot Road, as attached at Appendix E, be approved.</p>
A6	Response to Sustainable Development SC on Air Quality Action Plan	Having considered an officer report and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for the Public Realm, Councillor Rachel Onikosi, the Mayor agreed that the response prepared by the Executive Director for Community Services be approved and reported to the Sustainable Development Select Committee.
A7	Response to CYP SC Information advice and guidance	Having considered an officer report and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Children & Young People, Councillor Paul Maslin, the Mayor agreed that the response prepared by the Executive Director for Children & Young People be approved and reported to the Children & Young People Select Committee.
A8	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 School Governor for the school shown.</p> <p>Levin Wheller Torridon Infants School</p>

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