

Decisions taken by the Sustainable Development Select Committee on Tuesday, 10 March 2020

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Part A – Items considered in public

A1	Minutes of the meeting held on 21 January 2020	Resolved: that subject to the minor amendments noted – the minutes be agreed as an accurate record of the meeting held on 21 January 2020.
A4	Flood risk	<p>Resolved: The Committee noted that there was frequent flooding in the vicinity of Verdant Lane and Hither Green Cemetery. In particular – it recognised local residents concerns about the flooding of the former Willow Tree riding stables site (adjacent to Northbrook Park) because of its ecological significance. As such - the Committee agreed it would refer its views to Mayor and Cabinet as follows –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Committee recommends that the Council should carry out further investigations into the former Willow Tree riding stables site –as an important location for managing flood water runoff and of nature conservation. • The Committee believes that additional consideration has to be given to the capacity of the Thames Barrier to protect London from flooding. The Climate Emergency – and the impending melting of the Greenland ice shelf may result in rises in sea levels which are far beyond the Environment Agency’s current projections. The Committee intends to carry out further scrutiny of the Environment Agency regarding this issue and it would welcome the support of Mayor and Cabinet in this regard.
A5	Parks and open spaces strategy	<p>Resolved: the Committee agreed to refer its views to Mayor and Cabinet as follows.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Committee welcomes the new parks and open space strategy and asks in particular that consideration be given to the recommendations in its ‘parks management and maintenance’ review. • Furthermore, the Committee supports the development of linkages between green areas and it reiterates its support for the ‘Railway Children Urban National Park’ initiative - as outlined in the Grove Park neighbourhood plan. It recommends this should be referenced in the parks and open space strategy and - that the Council should undertake to update the assessments of the sites of nature conservation in the area covered by the proposal. • The Committee welcomes and encourages the plan to develop a corporate natural

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		<p>capital account for Lewisham.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Committee recommends that careful attention should be given to the best ways of engaging with disabled young people - as well as their parents and carers - regarding the development of the accessible play strategy. • The Committee recommends that the parks and open space strategy should reference the Lewisham cycling strategy and -in particular- the opportunities that parks and open spaces provide to enable active travel. • The Committee recommends that Mayor and Cabinet should task officers with considering whether there are elements of the parks and open space strategy that can be delivered using neighbourhood community infrastructure levy funding. • The Committee believes that parks and open spaces can provide opportunities for younger and older people to meet and interact. It recommends that Mayor and Cabinet should ensure that the design for all new public spaces in the borough builds on best practice in terms of intergenerational design.
A6	Catford regeneration update	<p>Resolved: the Committee agreed that it would refer its views to Mayor and Cabinet as follows –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Committee recommends that there should be clear communication with local people about plans for different phases of the development of the town centre – in order to manage people’s expectations about the scheme and to offer reassurance that the whole centre will not be under construction at the same time. • The Committee supports the early implementation of plans for improving the safety of pedestrians and cyclists through the town centre – specifically in relation to the in the bottle neck on the A205 on the bridge over the Hayes line. • The Committee recommends that there should be a strategy for the regeneration of the Broadway theatre. • The Committee recommends that targeted consultation should continue with a specific focus on: business people; residents who do not have access to the internet and

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		<p align="center">‘seldom heard voices’ (specifically across different socio-economic groups).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Committee recommends that there should be a ‘civic strategy’ for the town centre – which recognises the importance of the Council as a key institution and develops linkages between the delivery of its services to residents and those delivered by other public and third sector organisations. • The Committee recommends that public spaces in the town centre are designed in line with best practice in order to enable intergenerational connections. • The Committee recommends that the master plan for the town centre highlights Lewisham’s digital and creative opportunities.