



AGENDA

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BUSINESS PANEL

Date: TUESDAY, 26 JANUARY 2021 at 7.05 pm

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Councillor Patrick Codd	Chair of Public Accounts Select Committee	L
Councillor Liam Curran	Chair of Sustainable Development Select Committee	Labour Co-op
Councillor Joan Millbank	Labour Group Representative	L
Councillor Kim Powell	Labour Group Representative	L
Councillor John Muldoon	Chair of Healthier Communities Select Committee	Labour Co-op
Councillor Luke Sorba	Chair Children and Young People Select Committee	L

Members are summoned to attend this meeting

Kim Wright
Chief Executive
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Date: Monday, 18 January 2021



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Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel

Minutes

Date: 26 January 2021

Key decision: No

Class: Part 1

Ward(s) affected: All

Contributors: Chief Executive / Head of Business and Committee

Outline and recommendations

Members are asked to consider minutes of that part of the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel of 15 December 2020 which were opened to the press and public

1. Recommendation

It is recommended that the minutes of those parts of the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel which were open to the press and public held on 15 December 2020 be confirmed and signed.

Kim Wright
Chief Executive,
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15 June 2020

MINUTES OF THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BUSINESS PANEL

Tuesday, 15 December 2020 at 7.05 pm

PRESENT: Councillors Bill Brown, Sophie Davis, Peter Bernards, Juliet Campbell, Patrick Codd, Liam Curran, Joan Millbank, Kim Powell, John Muldoon and Luke Sorba

ALSO PRESENT:

Director of Public Service, Director of Public Health, Director of Planning, Head of Business and Committee, and Head of Scrutiny.

Clerk:

Senior Committee Manager

There was no apology for absence.

1. Minutes

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the last meeting held on 24 November 2020 be confirmed and agreed as an accurate record.

2. Declarations of Interests

The meeting noted personal interest in relation to Item 3 “Scrutiny of the Council’s Covid-19 Response – Update Report” as follows:

- Cllr Joan Millbank – declared that she is a member of the Lewisham Local Collaborative.

3. Scrutiny of the Council's Covid-19 Response - Update Report

The Director of Public Services (Director of PS) introduced the report, advising updates relating to the Council’s response to the Covid-19 pandemic since the last meeting of the Panel. Key highlights noted by the Panel included information that Lewisham now had the 12th highest deaths in London, and the 8th lowest in care homes when compared with other London boroughs. It was reported that the National Health Service (NHS) had expressed a concern about potential increase in hospital admissions due to a recent rise in local infection rates, and that Lewisham would be moving from Tier-2 restrictions to Tier-3 in the next few days. Notwithstanding that, local schools were operating well, although 5 had to close down in the week because infected teachers were isolating. The Director of PS confirmed that the Council would continue to respond to the message by the Government to roll out the test pilot scheme in local schools for a safe return after the Christmas break.

The Director of PS also gave information about the overall response activities to the Panel. It was stated that the Council now have a total of 136 community champions to help spread messages it was conveying about service provision

during the pandemic. The Panel was further advised that although the number of staff in the COVID-19 Response Team was over 80 in number at the present time, the figure would likely increase nearer to 160 by early January 2021. Also, the Council aimed to expand its capacity, including setting up the Civic Suite as an additional venue for the testing service. It was confirmed that work undertaken by 40 of those staff assigned from the COVID-19 Response Team since 18 November 2020 to the local test and trace service to deliver a 7-day operation was ongoing, and that there had been improved rating of over 90%, taking Lewisham into the top quartile in London for contact-tracing operational work.

In concluding his introduction, the Director of PS confirmed to the Panel that in addition to contributions by local community champions and the COVID-19 Response Team, the Council was providing critical services in other areas, including the delivering of specialist services to supply Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), and the offer of bookings for tests. It was further confirmed that when Lewisham moved into Teir-3 High Alert, support to extremely clinical vulnerable residents which was paused after the first lockdown phase would be resumed.

The Panel also noted responses to questions by the Director of PS and the Director of Public Health (Director of PH) as follows:

1. **Vulnerable residents**

In light of a concern about how to keep in touch with vulnerable residents when Lewisham moved to Teir-3 High Alert, the Director of PS advised the Panel that 25 staff would use data acquired during the shielding programme to convey information on how to access Council services, including those of partnering agencies.

2. **Staff welfare**

The Panel received an assurance from the Director of PS that safety measures implemented in Council premises were continuing. It was confirmed that the Council was taking care to keep office areas COVID-19 secured. In addition, between 85% to 90% of the workforce had been working remotely since March 2020, in order to minimise personal contacts in the office environment. Notwithstanding that, there had been a rise in the staff absence rate on COVID-19 related matters, but not to the extent where it had had an adverse impact on service delivery. It was stated that in the majority of cases, absences were related to staff taking time off to care for relatives, or where it was necessary for them to self-isolate. However, if the rise in infections continues across London, staff absences could increase further.

3. **Enforcement**

The Director of PS informed the Panel that Lewisham, Greenwich and Bexley boroughs were operating under the same police command unit, and meetings were held twice a week between representatives from the three boroughs. It was stated that as part of the publicity campaign, the police

were concerned about the lack of face coverings in public places, and the creation of hotspot avenues because the challenges were evident in all three boroughs. Thus, the police were considering a move from the 'educate' approach to 'enforcement' in regard to the use of face coverings, and to prevent unlicensed social music events and gatherings.

Specific to Lewisham, the Panel heard that there had been an improvement following a letter from the Mayor to encourage local supermarket chains to sign-post the wearing of face coverings on their premises. It was stated that staff in the Council's licencing and enforcement teams were also working closely with the police during the day and evenings to visit business premises, with a view to encourage them to comply, and to deter unlicensed events in the borough.

The Chair's view was that residents should be encouraged to comply to the COVID-19 guidelines.

4. Test & Trace

In light of a concern, the Director of PS informed the Panel that the Council aimed to provide opportunities for residents to get tested. It was stated that the Government's Chief Medical Officer and other experts had informed that lateral flow tools were 70% reliable if done properly. The polymerase chain reaction (PCR) test takes longer and requires more resources than the lateral flow test. Thus, in addition to other existing asymptomatic programmes, the lateral flow scheme was enabling residents to use home testing kits for COVID-19.

It was confirmed to the Panel that the Sedgehill trial was the use of lateral flow devices to test staff and pupils at regular intervals to identify symptomatic cases, and get them to isolate. The Director of PS stated that the Sedgehill trial was one of four trials taking place across the country. The results had not yet been published. However, the Department for Education announced in the morning of 15 December 2020 that from January 2021, the approach to testing would be rolled out in schools across London.

5. Infections rate and the new strain of COVID-19

The Panel also noted clarification from the Director of PH that during the first wave of the lockdown, residents in the 18 to 64 age group had the highest number of cases for Covid-19 infection. The main change between the first and second waves was that there was a lower number of infected cases in Lewisham for over the 65s and the under 18s. Thus, the Council would continue to sign-post lateral flow testing, and use information from the NHS to contact and encourage residents to self-isolate when necessary to do so.

The Director of PH responded to a concern that there was no reported definitive evidence to date about what was driving up infection rates. However, the significant increase in infections in London occurred toward

the end of the national restrictions. Thus, exposure to additional social contacts could be the reason why.

6. Advice during Christmas break

The Director of PH advised the Panel the national guidance was available on the Government's website, but in the main, citizens were being encouraged to form Christmas bubbles, with a view to limit social contact in the period.

On behalf of the Panel, the Chair thanked officers for the presentation and responses to questions raised.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

4. Key Decision Plan

The report was introduced to the Panel by the Head of Business and Committees. He requested that Members note and comment on upcoming key decisions.

In response questions regarding the Place Ladywell site item, the Cabinet Member for Housing and Planning informed the Panel that a lot of efforts had gone into formulating options for the future, with a view to determine those with the least impact to the net present value of the housing revenue account so that the maximum numbers of homes could be delivered for residents. Thus, the proposals would include specifications as to what the Council could afford to do within a specific timeframe. The proposals would also build on the work that had already been undertaken with the local community in terms engagement. The Cabinet Member confirmed that ward councillors would receive briefings on the proposals prior to the decision.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

5. Decisions Made by Mayor on 9 December 2020 - open session

Councillor Bill Brown, Chair of the Panel, advised the meeting that Councillor Luke Sorba had requested further consideration of the decision taken by the Mayor and Cabinet in relation to the "Local Development Scheme Update".

Councillor Sorba, Chair of the Children and Young People Select Committee addressed the meeting on the decision taken by the Mayor and Cabinet on 9 December 2020.

In response to questions raised, the Director of Planning gave a background to the proposals upon which the decision was based. It was stated that the emergency measures introduced in September 2020 were focused on how planning applications would be managed due to a backlog of applications as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. As part of the wider remit of the local plan, the Council consulted on permanent changes on the non-development management part of the Statement of Community Involvement (SCI), and responses were outlined in the report that was considered by the Mayor and Cabinet on 9 November 2020. It

was stated that the responses were low in number because residents were often interested in the management of planning applications, as opposed to amendments to changes relating to the non-development management part of the SCI. Furthermore, residents responded in this instance as individuals, and not via local amenity societies. However, when officers present the local plan to full Council on the coming weeks, the consultation would ensure connections with community representatives.

In terms of the consultation around plan-making, the Panel was advised that the Council recognised that some people would prefer to participate in meetings via other channels. Thus, various meetings approaches would be considered, not just relying on virtual meetings. It was stated that the local plan to be submitted for consideration by full Council would contain consultation plans aimed at connecting with local community representatives that had identified themselves as such. Usually, people tend not to participate in plan-making, when compared with planning applications that impact on their locality. Thus, it was challenging to get people to engage.

The Director of Planning further advised the Panel that the Planning department had been using income from planning applications to invest in additional staff as required. Thus, while the department would be able to do more with additional staff, it was important that it balanced its budget to sustain its operations.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

6. Scrutiny Update Report

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

7. Exclusion of the press and public

RESOLVED that members of the public and press be excluded from the consideration of the remaining items on the agenda.

8. Decisions Made by Mayor on 9 December 2020 - closed session

RESOLVED that decisions taken by the Mayor and Cabinet in closed session, be noted.

The meeting closed at 9.05pm

Chair



Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel

Declaration of Interest

Date: 26 January 2021

Key decision: No

Class: Part 1

Ward(s) affected: All

Contributors: Chief Executive / Head of Business and Committee

Outline and recommendations

Members are asked to declare any personal interest they have in any item(s) of 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)



Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel

Scrutiny of the Council's COVID-19 Response

Date: 26 January 2021

Key decision: No

Class: Part 1

Ward(s) affected: All

Contributors: Chief Executive and Council Gold Lead

Outline and recommendations

The purpose of this report is to provide an update and assurance to the Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel about the Council's response to COVID-19.

The Overview & Scrutiny Business Panel is recommended to:

- Note this update on the Council's response to COVID-19.

Timeline of engagement and decision-making

- **30 April 2020:** Council Urgency Committee agreed a programme of Council meetings in light of the Council's focus on responding to the immediate challenges of COVID-19.
- **5 May 2020:** Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel (OSBP) agrees an approach to receive a monthly COVID-19 update item that provides a high-level strategic overview of the Council's response to COVID-19
- **26 May 2020:** [OSBP discusses update paper on the Council's response to COVID-19.](#)
- **23 June 2020:** [OSBP discusses update paper on the Council's response to COVID-19.](#)
- **21 July 2020:** [OSBP discusses update paper on the Council's response to COVID-19.](#)
- **18 August 2020:** [OSBP discusses update paper on the Council's response to COVID-19.](#)
- **September 2020:** Select Committees resume, agreeing work programmes for the rest of the municipal year. On 29 September [OSBP discusses update paper on the Council's response to COVID-19.](#)
- **13 October 2020:** [OSBP discusses update paper on the Council's response to COVID-19.](#)
- **24 November 2020:** [OSBP discusses update paper on the Council's response to COVID-19.](#)
- **15 December 2020:** [OSBP discusses update paper on the Council's response to COVID-19.](#)

1. Summary

- 1.1. The purpose of this report is to provide an update and assurance for the Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel (OSBP) about the Council's ongoing response to COVID-19.
- 1.2. The COVID-19 update agenda item at OSBP was designed as a temporary mechanism during COVID-19 to replace usual scrutiny arrangements during the pandemic when scrutiny committees were wound down. This agenda item provides a strategic oversight of the management of the response from the Council's Gold lead. This report provides an update on developments since the last report in December 2020 and key metrics used by officers to monitor and manage ongoing response to COVID-19.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1. The Overview & Scrutiny Business Panel is recommended to:
 - Note this update on the Council's response to COVID-19.

3. Policy Context

- 3.1. The content of this report is consistent with all the Council's corporate priorities (as outlined in the Corporate Strategy 2018-22) as the need to protect the health and wellbeing of all our residents (particularly the most vulnerable) at the current time underpins the delivery of every commitment within the strategy. However, the recommendations are particularly relevant under the priority of:
 - *Delivering and defending: health, social care and support* – ensuring everyone receives the health, mental health, social care and support services they need
- 3.2. The Coronavirus Act (2020) sets out the temporary emergency measures that enable public bodies, such as local authorities, the NHS and police to respond to the COVID-19 outbreak. These measures are wide-ranging and involve the establishment of new powers and duties as well as changes to existing powers and duties.

4. Background

- 4.1. On 5 May, OSBP agreed that all formal scrutiny activity be channelled through the Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel, which will receive a standing item at each meeting to provide members and the public with a high-level strategic overview and assurance about the Council's response to COVID-19. Full Overview and Scrutiny Committee and all Select Committees ceased operating and all scrutiny activity was channelled through OSBP and specifically the seven scrutiny chairs.
- 4.2. At the AGM in July, Council agreed that Overview and Scrutiny Committee, six Select Committees (and potentially task and finish groups) all begin again in September, along with the wider council bodies of planning, licencing, audit etc.
- 4.3. In August, in light of the recommencement of all wider scrutiny bodies, the Chief Executive advised OSBP that officers would consider how best to provide timely information to members through the most relevant channel to avoid duplication of efforts and reporting.
- 4.4. At the 19 September meeting of OSBP, it was agreed that this regular update paper continue and include key metrics and data collected by officers to support the ongoing response to COVID-19.

5. Lewisham Council's response to COVID-19

- 5.1. On 11 March, the Council activated emergency measures to respond to COVID-19. Council Gold and a borough-wide COVID Committee Groups were established, both

working to a shared strategy and objectives as set out in previous reports to OSBP. An incident response team was established to support on the response to COVID-19. In March 2020, the Council, and as part of a pan-London agreed position, identified a set of critical services that were to be the focus of maintaining delivery above all other services throughout the COVID-19 pandemic.

- 5.2. In January 2021, the COVID-19 GOLD response team revised the Council's response strategy and objectives. The strategy now more accurately reflects the challenges faced by the extremely high number of COVID-19 infections in London, and to reflect the need to manage and mitigate the impacts of additional risks facing the Council that may compound the effect of COVID-19 on critical services.

Strategy

We will work together with our partner agencies to coordinate an effective response to risks and issues presented through Covid-19, Brexit, the return of Hong Kong British Nationals, severe weather and concurrent incidents, for our communities, businesses and staff.

Objectives

- Protect lives especially of the most vulnerable and those at greatest risk.
 - Managing resources to meet the needs of the epidemic and to maintain essential public services
 - To provide support to our responding partner agencies who are preserving life and protecting our physical and mental health
 - To provide support to Lewisham businesses and communities
 - To ensure clarity of messaging and information supported by all sectors, which is culturally competent to empower residents to have the confidence to make better choices, protect themselves and others and to reinforce positive behaviours, combat public fatigue and minimise community tension.
 - To provide community leadership/reassurance
 - Minimise disruption to the education of our young people
 - Live with Covid-19 safely ensuring and protecting businesses and economic activity as far as is possible
- 5.3. On 20 December 2020, the Prime Minister announced that London would be placed under Tier Four restrictions in response to a new COVID-19 strain that is believed to be up to 70% more transmissible than previous variants. These rules replace the Government's instructions about "Christmas bubbles" announced earlier in the month.
- 5.4. On 30 December, the Government confirmed that London would remain in Tier 4, with much of England placed under increased restrictions due to the spread of the new variant.
- 5.5. On 4 January, following a rapid rise in infections, hospital admissions and case rates across the country, the Prime Minister announced a national lockdown and instructed people to stay at home. The Prime Minister reported that hospitals were under more pressure than they have been at any other point throughout the pandemic. Also on 4 January, the four UK Chief Medical Officers advised that the COVID threat level should move from level four to level five, indicating that if action is not taken NHS capacity may be overwhelmed within 21 days.

- 5.6. [A full description of national lockdown rules are available on the government website here.](#)

Managing critical services

- 5.7. As a result of the new restrictions, the Council is using resources to protect and support critical services. Adult and children's social care services are continuing and our waste collection teams are still collecting bins. Schools are currently only open to vulnerable children and the children of critical workers.
- 5.8. [A summary of changes is available on the Council website.](#)
- 5.9. The performance of critical service delivery is closely monitored by the Council's Gold Group through a daily dashboard of data. The data monitoring dashboard indicates if and when a critical service is struggling due to high demand or absence which will prompt action to provide resources to ensure the continued delivery of critical service.
- 5.10. The Council is beginning to see signs of increased pressure on critical services affecting the ability to operate services as normal. This is in large part due to sickness absence and self-isolation. Council Gold Group are now considering how to increase capacity in critical service areas to ensure continued delivery of services to Lewisham's most vulnerable residents.

COVID-19 Action Team

- 5.11. All Council services have been prioritised for the purposes of responding to COVID-19. Staff from non-critical services have been deployed to the Council's COVID-19 Action Team to support critical services and the Council's response to the pandemic. The COVID-19 Action Team replaces the Council's original staff volunteering scheme and is staffed by officers from non-critical service areas who have been deployed to support the Council's response.
- 5.12. As at mid-January, there are currently over 100 members of staff working as part of the COVID-19 Action Team. Staff have been deployed to support community testing, test and trace, shielding, personal protective equipment distribution and supporting small businesses claim grants.

Supporting the Clinically Extremely Vulnerable

- 5.13. People classed as clinically extremely vulnerable (i.e. at the greatest risk of severe illness due to COVID-19) were advised to shield at the start of the pandemic – this involved taking additional action to prevent themselves from coming into contact with the virus (e.g. staying at home at all times and avoiding any face-to-face contact)
- 5.14. During the first wave of COVID-19, the Government created a centrally coordinated shielding programme for people who did not have family, friends, neighbours or other nearby networks to assist them. The support offer covered two key areas:
- Essential groceries – a free, standardised weekly parcel of food and household essentials, and priority delivery slots with supermarkets;
 - Medicines – arrangements to have medicines delivered to people's homes by local community pharmacies or their dispensing doctor
- 5.15. The shielding programme was paused on 31 July and all clinically extremely vulnerable individuals were advised to adopt strict social distancing rather than full shielding measures.
- 5.16. During the second national lockdown in November, around 30 Council staff from the COVID-19 Action Team made proactive contact with about 10,000 Shielding individuals to ensure they were aware of the support available to them. This approach has continued since the move to Tier 4 and third lockdown, when text and email

updates were sent to all those shielding. We continue to call all new additions to the shielding list and those who register a support need.

- 5.17. In addition Community Connections Lewisham (which has developed from the Lewisham Local service delivered during the first lockdown) continues to directly support approximately 50 people, both those who are shielding and those who are not shielding.

Testing

- 5.18. The current Government guidance says that if people have symptoms of COVID-19 they should get a test which can be booked over the phone or online.
- 5.19. Currently in Lewisham there are now three live testing sites for people with coronavirus symptoms: one mobile testing site in Catford, one local testing site open every day in Deptford and a third testing site at Molesworth St in Lewisham town centre.
- 5.20. Residents in care homes are being testing on a monthly basis and care home staff are tested weekly. This identifies asymptomatic cases and supports effective isolation to prevent outbreaks in care homes.
- 5.21. Since the last update to OSBP, there have been concerted efforts to increase testing for those without symptoms to help pick up more cases and limit the spread of COVID-19. Community Testing, also known as Rapid testing or Lateral flow testing, has been rolled out across the country as part of the national community asymptomatic testing programme. Community testing was launched in early December 2020 for authorities in Tier 4 or above. It is a funded programme; authorities are eligible to receive some funding from the Department for Health and Social Care (DHSC) per test conducted.
- 5.22. Community Testing is a tool to help identify and isolate individuals who have COVID-19 but do not have symptoms and may inadvertently be spreading the virus. It is thought that as many as 1 in 3 people who have COVID-19 don't have symptoms and will be spreading the virus without realising putting their friends, families and colleagues at risk.
- 5.23. Lewisham Council were approved to undertake Community Testing following a successful bid submitted by the Director of Public Health on the 13th December. On 8 January, the Council opened a Community Testing centre for critical workers without coronavirus symptoms in the Civic Suite, Catford. The Council also received approval for a mobile Community Test centre and this has now been piloted at the Wearside Depot and will be used to provide better access to Community Testing across the borough.
- 5.24. We are currently exploring additional sites that could be suitable for further Community Testing centres. Our initial focus is assessing buildings already owned by the Council that could be repurposed to form a testing site. The Council is looking to provide a further Community Testing centre in the south of the borough and in the north of the borough.
- 5.25. As at 17 January, 2,150 tests have been administered in the Community Testing centre with a positivity rate of 1.67%.

Contact tracing

- 5.26. Once someone tests positive for COVID-19, their contacts are identified and asked to self-isolate to prevent further spread of infection. The national contact tracing system, NHS Test and Trace, employs contact tracers to make telephone calls to contacts of positive cases, advising them to self-isolate and to get a test if they develop symptoms. When a positive case is identified in a complex setting, such a school, a health setting, care home or prison, Public Health Specialists working in Local Health Protection Teams work closely with local authorities to manage complex situations and outbreaks.

In Lewisham, this function is delivered by the London Coronavirus Response Cell working closely with Lewisham's Public Health team.

- 5.27. Over 100 local authorities in the UK are now delivering local contact tracing systems to supplement the national scheme. Local test and tracing seeks to contact those people that NHS Test and Trace is unable to reach. In addition to telephone based contact, many Councils are including a door knocking element to reach people who are unable to be contacted on the phone. As well as harnessing local authority knowledge of and relationships with local people and places to increase contact tracing performance, local contact tracing also enables Councils to identify resident support needs and connect people with available statutory and voluntary and community sector support.
- 5.28. Lewisham's Local Test and Trace service was launched in mid-November. 42 staff members are supporting the service which operates 7 days a week.

Enforcement

- 5.29. All legislation for the new lockdown is in place until March 31 meaning the rules and restrictions may need to be followed until then. The presence of crowded environments, often with individual and group non-compliance with government directives, poses increased risk of COVID-19 infection and contributes to hospitalisation and mortality rates.
- 5.30. Local authority enforcement powers relate mainly to breaches by businesses. The Council's approach seeks to coordinate that activity while providing a visible presence to reassure the general public and engaging the Police for wider enforcement where necessary.
- 5.31. Lewisham has always strived to provide an effective and coordinated local authority contribution to the partnership enforcement response, in order to minimise the spread of infections, improve compliance with lockdown guidance (the law) and to aid the return to normality.
- 5.32. To date the approach has been both proactive and responsive i.e. officers are out in town centres and other areas providing general advice and guidance and intervene where necessary as well as respond to queries or complaints from members, the general public and other interested parties.
- 5.33. With the advent of the third lockdown there is an appreciation that the approach to enforcement needs to be strengthened. A more coordinated approach to reduce the spread of the virus is being implemented to ensure:
 - Maximum public safety through visibility and enforcement focusing on town centres, main retail high streets, parks and other public spaces
 - Effective communication - remind people of the guidance and let people know what action we're taking
 - Compliance by individuals and organisations is encouraged within those spaces
 - Community reassurance and behavioural change
 - Efficient and effective use of resources through appropriate reporting, assessment, and prioritisation
 - Minimal risk to enforcement staff through appropriate formal and dynamic risk assessment, safe systems of work and provision of any required equipment and training.
- 5.34. Officers will continue to provide engagement and education first in preference, and prior to, targeted formal enforcement. The strengthened approach includes:
 - Daily tasking of enforcement officers with the police to respond to hot spots and areas of concern.

- Set up of a single email address and web site form to make it easier to report breaches.
- Review of enforcement work across the Council to redirect resources where possible to Covid enforcement work and to consider the short term recruitment of additional officers.

6. COVID-19 in Lewisham – position as at 15 January 2021

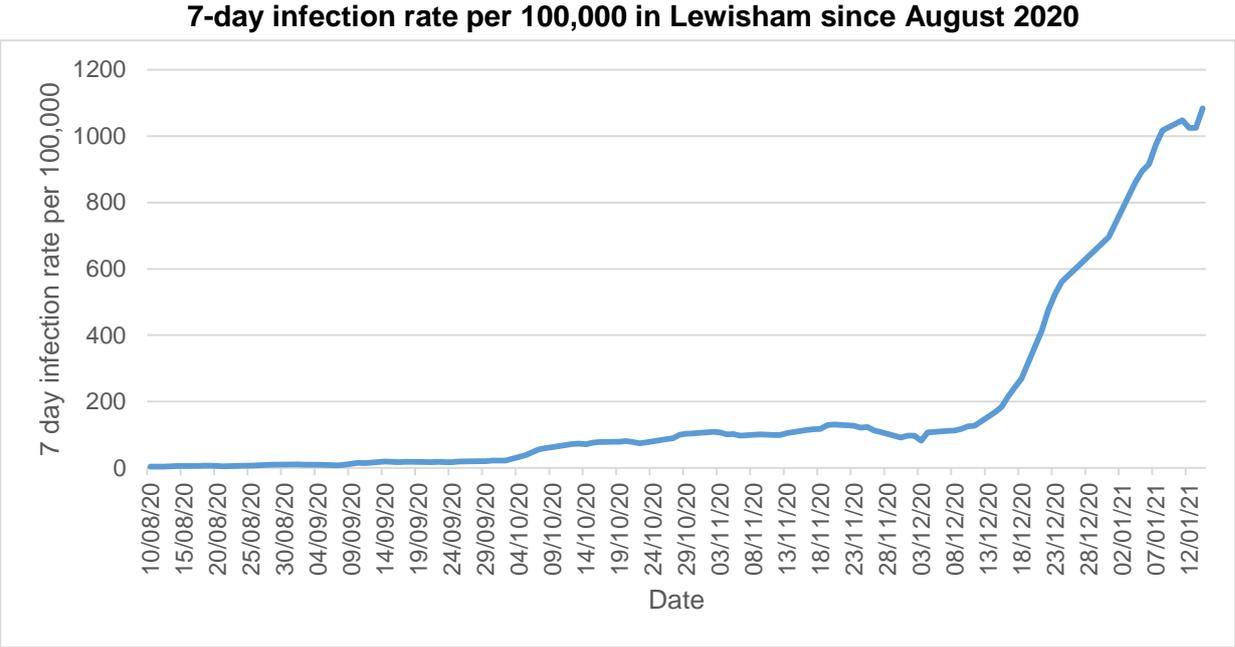
- 6.1. The rate of cases has continued to increase but at a slower pace in both Lewisham and across London. Lewisham infection rates continue to be well above the England level.
- 6.2. The number of new cases has increased to 3,314 in Lewisham during the week up to 8 January (most up to date reporting range). Lewisham is now seeing a case rate similar to the London average. We continue to monitor the situation daily to enable us to respond appropriately.
- 6.3. The testing rate in Lewisham has increased to be in-line with London. The positivity rate remains high and above the London average.
- 6.4. Case numbers and infection levels in Lewisham:

Number of COVID-19 lab confirmed cases in Lewisham			
Last 7 days	Last 14 days	Last 21 days	Total cases
3,314	6,373	8,538	16,327

Rate of lab-confirmed cases in the last 7 days (per 100,000 people)		
Lewisham	London	England
1,083	1,047	655

- 6.5. As at 15 January, the weekly testing rate per 100,000 population (7 day moving average) is 649.4, compared to 640.0 at a London level. The seven day test positivity levels (per 100 tests) in Lewisham are 24.9% compared to 24.3% across London.

6.6. The graph below shows the 7-day rate of infection per 100,000 in Lewisham since August 2020.

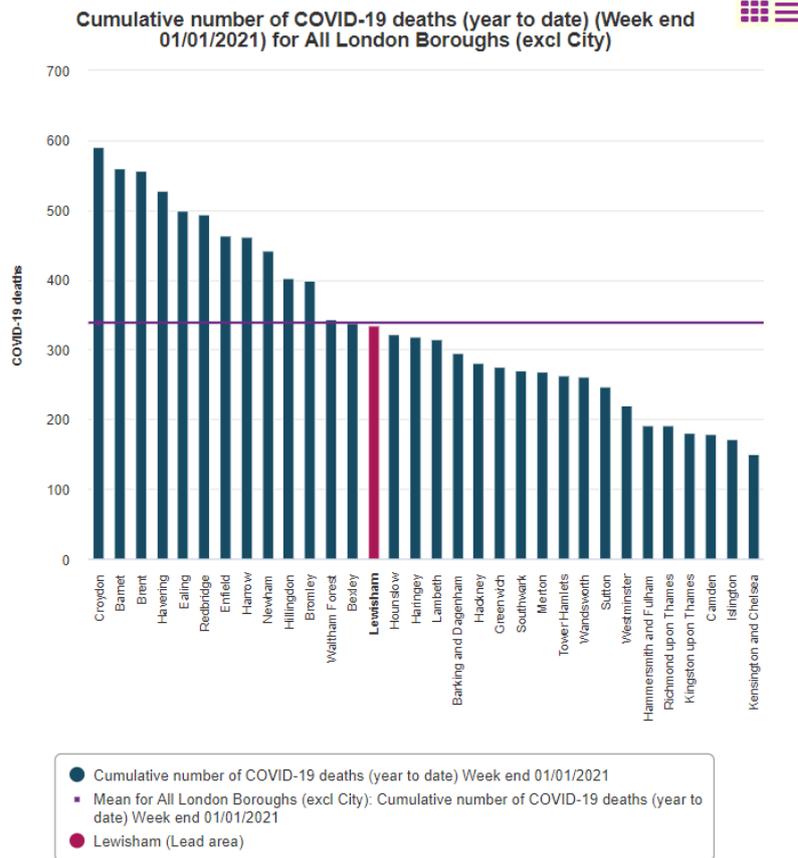


6.7. The R number is the average number of secondary infections produced by a single infected person. An R number of 1 means that on average every person who is infected will infect 1 other person, meaning the total number of infections is stable. If R is 2, on average, each infected person infects 2 more people. If R is 0.5 then on average for each 2 infected people, there will be only 1 new infection. If R is greater than 1 the epidemic is growing, if R is less than 1 the epidemic is shrinking. The higher R is above 1, the more people 1 infected person infects and so the faster the epidemic grows.

6.8. As 15 January, the reproduction (R) number for London is: **1.1 – 1.4**

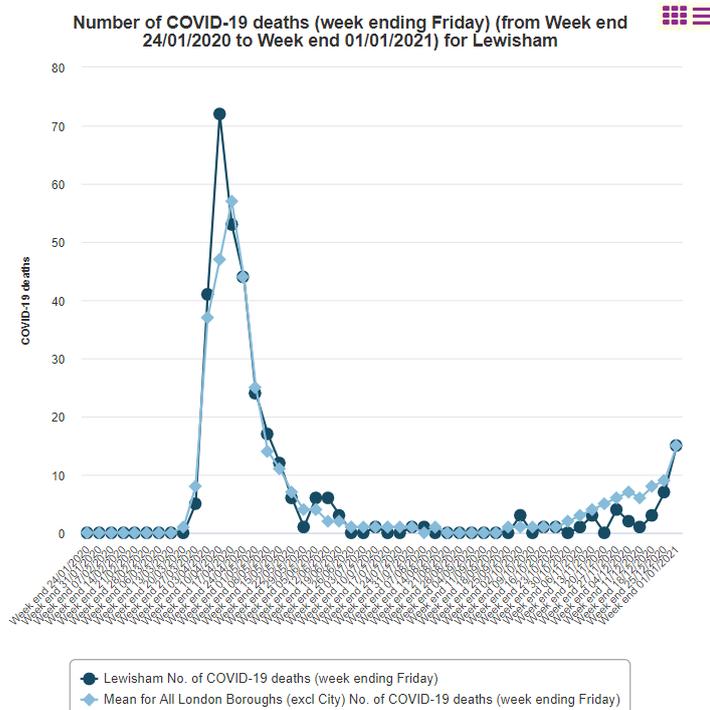
Mortality in Lewisham

- 6.9. There are two primary sources of information on COVID-19 mortality in all settings in Lewisham – Office of National Statistics (ONS) and Lewisham Registered Deaths.
- 6.10. ONS data is currently the only official, verified source of COVID-19 deaths registered in the UK that is available down to a local authority level. The data is published fortnightly and the numbers will therefore differ to the local registered deaths data that is available prior to verification by ONS. [This data is publically available from the ONS website.](#)
- 6.11. The Public Health Team now routinely receive details of all deaths registered at Lewisham Registry Office on a weekly basis. This information is considered highly confidential and sensitive. It is also shared before the official data verification process undertaken by ONS and for these reasons it is not for wider publication.
- 6.12. A total of 334 deaths from COVID-19 have been registered in Lewisham and verified by ONS up to 1 January 2021 from the beginning of 2020.



6.13. Lewisham has the 14th highest cumulative number of deaths from COVID-19 of all London boroughs, just under the London mean.

6.14. The graph below illustrates the number of deaths from COVID-19 in Lewisham compared to the mean for all London Boroughs from end of February to end of October.



6.15. Up to 1 January 2021 there have been 26 COVID-19 deaths registered as occurring in care homes in Lewisham.

7. Financial implications

- 7.1. The Council is facing in-year financial pressures due mainly to the need to ensure that throughout the COVID-19 pandemic the Council continues to protect its residents and maintain front line critical services. This has resulted in an estimated COVID-19 impact of £67m with a funding gap of up to £20m and service overspending of £10m. This however doesn't take into account the potential costs of the second wave, which is difficult to quantify at this stage. Much of the second wave costs will depend on the extent the lockdown measures are in place for, the potential increase demand of our services and the longer term impact the pandemic will have on our economy.
- 7.2. Taking the estimated costs and lost income considerations of the COVID-19 response and additional support from government into account, the Council has sufficient reserves to meet these financial commitments at present. While the impact of the COVID-19 response may reduce the Council's financial resilience to face future shocks, it is the section 151 officer's assessment that the circumstances do not require consideration of a section 114 notice (in consultation with the Head of Paid Service and the Monitoring Officer) at this time.

8. Legal implications

- 8.1. The Coronavirus Act 2020 received Royal Assent on 25 March this year. It gives the Government emergency powers to combat the COVID 19 pandemic. The provisions of the Act are time-limited for two years, though this period may be shortened by ministerial direction. In addition the Act is subject to Parliamentary review every 6 months.
- 8.2. The Act enables the Government to restrict or prohibit public gatherings, control or suspend public transport, order businesses such as shops and restaurants to close, temporarily detain people suspected of COVID-19 infection, suspend the operation of ports and airports, enrol medical students and retired healthcare workers in the health services, relax regulations to ease the burden on healthcare services, and assume control of death management in particular local areas.
- 8.3. Many of its provisions are specific to local government. For example the Act temporarily suspends local authorities' legal duty to meet the care needs of all people who are eligible under the Care Act 2014. Instead, councils will have a duty to provide care only if necessary to avoid breaching a person's rights under the Convention of Human Rights (ECHR). However as set out in the report, the Council has not sought to rely on any of the easements to the Care Act allowed in the Coronavirus Act.
- 8.4. The Act also makes provisions for elections and annual general meetings to be deferred and for council meetings to be held remotely.
- 8.5. A number of directions have been made to legislative provisions using the Coronavirus provisions. For example, the Secretary of State issued a direction on 31 March 2020 to Ofqual about the calculation of students' GCSE, AS and A level results and on 9 April in respect of technical qualifications though many of the government's intentions for local government have been expressed through non statutory guidance. Whilst having no statutory force, the Council would be well advised to have regard to this guidance, and only departing from it with good reason, particularly bearing in mind that the Secretary of State retains the power to issue directions if necessary.
- 8.6. Under Section 17 Crime and disorder Act 1998 the Council has a duty in the exercise of its functions to consider the impact of all their functions and decisions on crime and disorder in their local area.
- 8.7. Section 12 of the Health and Social Care Act inserted a new section 2B into the NHS Act 2006 to give a local authority a new duty to take such steps as it considers appropriate to improve the health of the people in its area. The steps in this report are

consistent with that duty.

- 8.8. Under S3 Local Government Act, 1999 the Council must make arrangements to secure continuous improvement in the way in which its functions are exercised, having regard to a combination of economy, efficiency and effectiveness. This duty remains even in these exceptional circumstances.

9. Equalities implications

- 9.1. There is emerging evidence that suggests a disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on groups with protected characteristics. National research shows there are significant health inequalities affecting Black African and Caribbean communities, which are perpetuated by inequalities in the wider determinants of health such as housing, employment and education. These have been exacerbated by COVID-19 and may underpin some of the excess deaths in these populations.
- 9.2. Lewisham Council and Birmingham City Council are partnering to conduct a review gather insights on health inequalities within Black African and Caribbean communities in Birmingham and Lewisham asking 'how do we break the cycle of inequality?'. The Council has also submitted evidence to the Women and Equalities Committee about the different and disproportionate impact that the Coronavirus – and measures to tackle it – is having on people with the protected characteristics under the Equality Act.
- 9.3. The Council is supplementing this work with an extensive impact assessment of COVID-19 on the borough, with a focus on those with protected characteristics.
- 9.4. 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.
- 9.5. 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
- 9.6. 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 in the paragraph above.
- 9.7. 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 members, bearing in mind the issues of relevance and proportionality. They 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.
- 9.8. 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>

9.9. 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

9.10. The essential guide provides an overview of the equality duty requirements

- The essential guide to the public sector equality duty
- Meeting the equality duty in policy and decision-making
- Engagement and the equality duty
- Equality objectives and the equality duty
- Equality information and the equality duty

9.11. The essential guide provides an overview of the equality duty requirement 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>

10. Climate change and environmental implications

10.1. There are no direct climate change and environmental implications arising from this report.

11. Crime and disorder implications

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

12. Health and wellbeing implications

12.1. There are no direct health and wellbeing implications arising from this report, however it should be acknowledged that COVID-19 presents a serious threat to the health and wellbeing of Lewisham's residents, as it does across the world. The Council's response and recovery objectives are rooted in promoting good public health and safety for Lewisham's residents.

13. Background papers

- 13.1. [Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel 5 May 2020 - Scrutiny of the Council's COVID-19 Response](#)
- 13.2. [Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel 26 May 2020 - Scrutiny of the Council's COVID-19 response.](#)
- 13.3. [Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel 23 June 2020 – Scrutiny of the Council's COVID-19 response.](#)
- 13.4. [Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel 21 July 2020 – Scrutiny of the Council's COVID-19 response.](#)
- 13.5. [Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel 18 August 2020 – Scrutiny of the Council's COVID-19 response.](#)
- 13.6. [Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel September 2020 – Scrutiny of the Council's COVID-19 response.](#)
- 13.7. [Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel October 2020 – Scrutiny of the Council's COVID-19 response.](#)

14. Glossary

Term	Definition
Council Gold	A gold/silver/bronze command structure is a hierarchy used by the emergency services and other public sector organisations (including local authorities) to manage the response to major incidents. Gold command is responsible for formulating a strategy for dealing with the incident and has overall control of resources.
COVID-19	Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) is an infectious disease caused by a newly discovered coronavirus. The three main symptoms of COVID-19 are a high temperature and a new, persistent cough, and loss or change in sense of smell or taste.
Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel	<p>Lewisham has two Business Panels (sub-committees of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee).</p> <p>Overview & Scrutiny Business Panel is made up of the chair and vice-chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, the chair of each of the Select Committees, and two other non-Executive councillors.</p> <p>The main functions of Business Panel are reviewing key decisions once they have been taken (potentially “calling in” key decisions that have been made but not yet implemented); coordinating and approving the overall scrutiny work programme; and allocating scrutiny work in the event that it crosses the remit of more than one scrutiny body.</p> <p>Three parent governors and two diocesan representatives sit on the Education Business Panel, alongside the councillors that make up the regular Business Panel. The Education Business Panel reviews.</p>

Term	Definition
Shielding	Those who are at the greatest risk of severe illness and have been advised to shield by the NHS.

15. Report author and contact

- 15.1. If there are any queries about this report, please contact Charlotte Parish, Principal Officer – Policy, Service Design and Analysis, by phone (020 8314 6101) or by email charlotte.parish@lewisham.gov.uk.



Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel

Key Decision Plan

Date: 26 January 2021

Key decision: No

Class: Part 1

Ward(s) affected: All

Contributors: Chief Executive / Head of Business and Committee

Outline and recommendations

Members are asked to receive a draft copy of the statutory Key Decision Plan and an explanatory appendix

1. Recommendation

It is recommended that the Business Panel receives and comments on the draft Key Decision Plan

FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS

Forward Plan February 2021 - May 2021

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.

December 2020	Broadway Theatre works update	13/01/21 Mayor and Cabinet	Claudia Lynch, Project Officer Capital Programme Delivery and Councillor Andre Bourne, Cabinet member for Culture, Jobs and Skills (job share)		
December 2020	CCTV IP Modernisation plan	13/01/21 Mayor and Cabinet	Daniel Fish-Halvorsen, Public Space CCTV Manager and Councillor		

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Date included in forward plan	Description of matter under consideration	Date of Decision Decision maker	Responsible Officers / Portfolios	Consultation Details	Background papers / materials
			Brenda Dacres, Cabinet Member for Safer Communities		
June 2020	Extension of Resurfacing and Footways Contract	13/01/21 Mayor and Cabinet	Louise McBride, Head of Highways & Transport and Councillor Sophie McGeevor, Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport		
November 2020	Leisure Management Arrangements	13/01/21 Mayor and Cabinet	James Lee, Director of Communities, Partnerships and Leisure and Councillor Andre Bourne, Cabinet member for Culture, Jobs and Skills (job share)		
October 2020	The Future of PLACE/Ladywell parts 1 & 2	13/01/21 Mayor and Cabinet	Karen Barke, Head of Strategic Development and Councillor Paul Bell, Cabinet Member for Housing & Planning		
October 2020	Schools Minor Works Programme 2020	13/01/21 Mayor and Cabinet	Kplom Lotsu, SGM Capital Programmes and Councillor Chris Barnham, Cabinet Member for Children's Services and School Performance		
December 2020	Permission to extend current Removal, Storage and Disposal of Abandoned Vehicles and	26/01/21 Executive Director for Housing,	Martin Skipper and Councillor Paul Bell, Cabinet Member for		

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	other Nuisance Vehicle Services Contract	Regeneration & Environment	Housing & Planning		
January 2021	COVID-19 Related Contract Extension for IHASS Floating Support Service providing Tenancy Sustainment and Floating Support to 150 Adults with Support Needs.	26/01/21 Executive Director for Community Services	Sarah Miran, Commissioning Manager and Councillor Chris Best, Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care		
December 2020	Council Tax Base, the NNDR Tax Base & Discounts for Second Homes and Empty Homes.	20/01/21 Council	Katharine Nidd, Strategic Procurement and Commercial Services Manager and Councillor Amanda De Ryk, Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources		
December 2020	2020/21 Budget	03/02/21 Mayor and Cabinet	David Austin, Acting Chief Finance Officer and Councillor Amanda De Ryk, Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources		
December 2020	2020/21 Budget Cuts Proposals	03/02/21 Mayor and Cabinet	David Austin, Acting Chief Finance Officer and Councillor Amanda De Ryk, Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources		
December 2020	Contract Award works to Council buildings and schools funded by Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme	03/02/21 Mayor and Cabinet	Martin O'Brien, Climate Resilience Manager and Councillor Sophie McGeever, Cabinet Member for Environment		

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			and Transport		
December 2020	2020/21 Budget Update	10/02/21 Mayor and Cabinet	David Austin, Acting Chief Finance Officer and Councillor Amanda De Ryk, Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources		
December 2019	Additions of new buildings to Local List St Lukes Church	10/02/21 Mayor and Cabinet	Joanna Ecclestone, Senior Conservation Officer and Councillor Paul Bell, Cabinet Member for Housing & Planning		
December 2020	Approval of s106 funding for housing development	10/02/21 Mayor and Cabinet	Karen Barke, Head of Strategic Development and Councillor Paul Bell, Cabinet Member for Housing & Planning		
September 2020	Catford Regeneration Partnership Ltd Business Plan 2020-21	10/02/21 Mayor and Cabinet	Kplom Lotsu, SGM Capital Programmes and Councillor Paul Bell, Cabinet Member for Housing & Planning		
November 2020	Determined Admissions Arrangements 2022-23	10/02/21 Mayor and Cabinet	Linda Fuller, Team leadert Admissions & Appeals and Councillor Chris Barnham, Cabinet Member for Children's Services and School Performance		
December 2020	Highways and Traffic Works	10/02/21	Zahur Khan, Director of		

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	<p>Partnering Contract The report reviews the recent and ongoing Highways Maintenance & Planned Works procurement exercise, assesses future strategic need and recommends a procurement route to benefit the council.</p>	Mayor and Cabinet	Public Realm and Councillor Paul Bell, Cabinet Member for Housing & Planning		
December 2020	<p>Modern Slavery Statement 2021</p>	10/02/21 Mayor and Cabinet	Karen Barke, Head of Strategic Development and Councillor Brenda Dacres, Cabinet Member for Safer Communities		
November 2020	<p>State of the Highways Infrastructure - Asset management Strategy</p>	10/02/21 Mayor and Cabinet	Louise McBride, Head of Highways & Transport and Councillor Sophie McGeavor, Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport		
December 2020	<p>2020/21 Budget</p>	24/02/21 Council	Kathy Freeman, Executive Director for Corporate Resources and Councillor Amanda De Ryk, Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources		
June 2020	<p>Climate emergency action plan update</p>	10/03/21 Mayor and Cabinet	Martin O'Brien, Climate Resilience Manager and Councillor Sophie McGeavor, Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport		

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October 2020	A21 Development Strategy	10/03/21 Mayor and Cabinet	David Syme, Strategic Planning Manager and Councillor Paul Bell, Cabinet Member for Housing & Planning		
September 2020	Building for Lewisham Package A s105 & demolition budget approval	10/03/21 Mayor and Cabinet	Karen Barke, Head of Strategic Development and Councillor Paul Bell, Cabinet Member for Housing & Planning		
June 2020	Conversion of 77 Amersham Road and 114-116 Manor Avenue to temporary housing	10/03/21 Mayor and Cabinet	James Masini, Regeneration and New Supply Manager and Councillor Paul Bell, Cabinet Member for Housing & Planning		
August 2020	Occupational Health Employee Assistance Programme contract	10/03/21 Mayor and Cabinet	David Austin, Acting Chief Finance Officer and Councillor Amanda De Ryk, Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources		
June 2020	Options appraisal of the security contract	10/03/21 Mayor and Cabinet	Chris Damri, SGM Asset Strategy and Technical Support and Councillor Amanda De Ryk, Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources		
November 2020	Small Sites SPD	10/03/21 Mayor and Cabinet	James Masini, Regeneration and New Supply Manager and Councillor Paul Bell,		

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			Cabinet Member for Housing & Planning		
December 2020	Lewisham Homes Business Plan 2021-22	24/03/21 Mayor and Cabinet	Councillor Colin Elliott and Councillor Paul Bell, Cabinet Member for Housing & Planning		
November 2019	Approval to appoint operator for concessions contract at the lake, Beckenham Place Park	24/03/21 Mayor and Cabinet	Gavin Plaskitt, Programme Manager and Councillor Sophie McGeevor, Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport		
December 2020	Approval of a new Housing Allocations Scheme'	26/05/21 Mayor and Cabinet	Michael Moncrieff, Housing Policy & Partnerships Manager and Councillor Paul Bell, Cabinet Member for Housing & Planning		
October 2019	Mayow Road Supported Living Service Parts 1 & 2	14/07/21 Mayor and Cabinet	Tom Brown, Executive Director for Community Services and Councillor Chris Best, Deputy Mayor and Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care		

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EXPLANATORY NOTES KEY DECISION PLAN

Name of Report	Contact Officer and Cabinet Member	Description of Item
Council Tax Base, the NNDR Tax Base & Discounts for Second Homes and Empty Homes.	Katharine Nidd, Strategic Procurement and Commercial Services Manager and Councillor Amanda De Ryk, Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources	To ask Council to set the Council Tax Base, note the 2021/22 NNDR estimated income, delegate final approval of the NNDR1 form to the Executive Director for Corporate Resources and approve the policy relating to discounts for second / empty homes and the continuation of the discretionary Council Tax discount for care leavers for 2021/22
COVID-19 Related Contract Extensions	Sarah Miran, Commissioning Manager, Laura Harper, Public Health Commissioning Manager. Danny Waites, Commissioning Manager, Executive Director of Community Services – Tom Brown	Extensions for Covid-19 related contracts across multiple services, including; adult social services, supported housing services, homelessness service, stop smoking service and sexual health services.
Permission to extend current Removal, Storage and Disposal of Abandoned Vehicles and other Nuisance Vehicle Services Contract	Martin Skipper and Councillor Paul Bell, Cabinet Member for Housing & Planning	Delegated decision to extend a current contract for the services specified.
Highways and Traffic Works Partnering Contract	Zahur Khan, Director of Public Realm and Councillor Paul Bell, Cabinet Member for Housing & Planning	The report reviews the recent and ongoing Highways Maintenance & Planned Works procurement exercise, assesses future strategic need and recommends a procurement route to benefit the council.
Catford Regeneration Partnership Ltd Business Plan 2020-21	Kplom Lotsu, SGM Capital Programmes and Councillor Paul Bell, Cabinet Member for Housing & Planning	Annual consideration of the company's Business Plan.

Additions of new buildings to Local List St Lukes Church	Joanna Ecclestone, Senior Conservation Officer and Councillor Paul Bell, Cabinet Member for Housing & Planning	To consider representations from the Church of England on the proposed local listing of St Lukes Church
Determined Admissions Arrangements 2022-23	Linda Fuller, Team leadert Admissions & Appeals and Councillor Chris Barnham, Cabinet Member for Children's Services and School Performance	This report seeks approval for the local authority's admissions arrangements for the academic year 2022/23. The arrangements include: The admissions policy for mainstream community schools; The pan London admissions schemes for the planned reception and secondary transfer rounds; the locally coordinated in year admissions scheme; and the Published Admissions Number (PAN) for all community mainstream schools.
Approval of s106 funding for housing development	Angela Bryant and Councillor Paul Bell, Cabinet Member for Housing & Planning	Request for s106 funding from Lewisham for a unique development that will provide 33 temporary accommodation units at social rent, with 100% LBL nomination rights.
State of the Highways Infrastructure - Asset management Strategy	Louise McBride, Head of Highways & Transport and Councillor Sophie McGeevor, Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport	This report includes an update of the Councils highways asset management with the update of the "state of the highways infrastructure". It reports on the delivery of the Policy and Objectives set out in this strategy
Modern Slavery Statement 2021	Katharine Nidd, Strategic Procurement and Commercial Services Manager and Councillor Brenda Dacres, Cabinet Member for Safer Communities	The Modern Slavery Statement 2021 sets out Lewisham Council's commitment to the opposition of modern day slavery and human trafficking and sets out the role it plays as a public sector organisation, together with its partners, to drive the identification, recognition, raising of awareness and disruption of this abhorrent crime.
Contract Award works to Council buildings and schools funded by Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme	Martin O'Brien, Climate Resilience Manager and Councillor Sophie McGeevor, Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport	Awaiting summary

2020/21 Budget	David Austin, Acting Chief Finance Officer and Councillor Amanda De Ryk, Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources	The purpose of this report is to finalise the 2021/22 budget for consideration by the Council on 24 February 2021.
2020/21 Budget Update	David Austin, Acting Chief Finance Officer and Councillor Amanda De Ryk, Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources	This report provides the Mayor with updates to the 2021/22 Budget Report, presented to Mayor and Cabinet on the 3 February 2021.
2020/21 Budget	Kathy Freeman, Executive Director for Corporate Resources and Councillor Amanda De Ryk, Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources	The purpose of this report is to set out the overall financial position of the Council in relation to 2020/21 and to set the Budget for 2021/22. This report allows the Council Tax to be agreed and housing rents to be set for 2021/22. It sets the Capital Programme for the next three years and the Council's Treasury Strategy for 2021/22. The report also provides summary information on the revenue budget cut proposals that were presented at Mayor & Cabinet on the 9 December 2020 and the 3 February 2021 for implementation in 2021/22. The approval and successful delivery of these cuts is required in order to help balance the budget for 2021/22 and prepare to address the budget requirement for 2022/23.
Building for Lewisham Package A s105 & demolition budget approval	Karen Barke, Head of Strategic Development and Councillor Paul Bell, Cabinet Member for Housing & Planning	To seek approval for the Demolition budget for schemes using the Small Sites Small Builders GLA Grant and to report S105 consultation outcomes.
Small Sites SPD	James Masini, Regeneration and New Supply Manager and Councillor Paul Bell, Cabinet Member for Housing & Planning	The Small Sites Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) will become part of a suite of planning guidance documents which underpin, elaborate and explain the policies within Lewisham's Development Plan. The document is intended to support an increase in the delivery of new homes in the borough as part of the GLA's Homebuilding Capacity Fund.
Conversion of 77 Amersham Road and 114-116 Manor Avenue to temporary housing	James Masini, Regeneration and New Supply Manager and Councillor Paul Bell, Cabinet Member for Housing & Planning	This report relates to potential opportunities in various locations across the borough for converting properties for use as temporary housing for homeless households. The report sets out the properties, the early design work and the viability based on those designs. The report will request a budget to complete design work, submit planning applications (where applicable) and a budget to complete the work.

Options appraisal of the security contract	Gary Brown SGM Asset Strategy and Technical Support and Councillor Amanda De Ryk, Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources	Mayor & Cabinet approved an extension of the current security contract with CIS until Dec 2020 at Oct 2019 M&C, subject to an options appraisal to determine whether to insource or re-tender the contract. The Mayor & Cabinet paper will detail that options appraisal and make a recommendation
Occupational Health Employee Assistance Programme contract	David Austin, Acting Chief Finance Officer and Councillor Amanda De Ryk, Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources	An extension of the Occupational Health/Employee Assistance Programme contract was approved for a period of one year due to COVID19. The existing contract expires in 2021. Approval is sought to tender for a new OH/EAP contract provider.
Approval to appoint operator for concessions contract at the lake, Beckenham Place Park	Gavin Plaskitt, Programme Manager and Councillor Sophie McGeevor, Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport	This report seeks the approval of Mayor & Cabinet to award a new five year concession contract for the operation of swimming and boating activities at Beckenham Place Park lake.
Lewisham Homes Business Plan 2021-22	Councillor Paul Bell, Cabinet Member for Housing & Planning	To approve a proposed Business Plan for Lewisham Homes
Approval of a new Housing Allocations Scheme'	Michael Moncrieff, Housing Policy & Partnerships Manager and Councillor Paul Bell, Cabinet Member for Housing & Planning	The Allocations Policy outlines the priorities by which social housing is allocated, and procedures to be followed in assessing housing need. This paper will ask Mayor and Cabinet to agree a public consultation on proposed changes to the Housing Allocations Policy.

Agenda Item 5



Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel

Decisions made by Mayor and Cabinet

Date: 26 January 2021

Key decision: Yes

Class: Part 1

Ward(s) affected: All

Contributors: Chief Executive / Head of Business and Committee

Outline and recommendations

Members are asked to consider decisions taken at a meeting of the Mayor and Cabinet held on 13 January 2021 in open session

1. Recommendation

To consider decisions taken by the Mayor and Cabinet on 13 January 2021 will come into force on 27 January 2021, unless called in by the Overview & Scrutiny Business Panel on 26 January 2021.

2. Background

2.1 The Mayor and Cabinet considered the following decisions on 13 November 2020:

1. The Future of PLACE Ladywell
2. Upgrade of the CCTV cameras and control room equipment
3. Broadway Theatre Works (part 1)
4. Leisure Management Arrangements
5. Council Tax Base

2.2 The notice of the decision in respect of this report is attached below.

2.3 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, the decisions will come into force on 27 January 2021.



NOTICE OF DECISIONS MADE BY THE MAYOR & CABINET

The Mayor and Cabinet made the following decisions on January 13 2021. All recommendations shown were agreed by a 9-0 or 10-0 vote of voting members in attendance.

The decisions will become effective on January 27 2021 unless called in by the Overview & Scrutiny Business Panel on January 26 2021.

1. The Future of PLACE Ladywell

Having considered an open and a confidential officer report, and presentations by a local Councillor and the Cabinet Member for Housing & Planning, Councillor Paul Bell, the Mayor and Cabinet agreed that:

- (1) the phasing of the comprehensive redevelopment of the former Leisure Centre site by developing the rear of the site as a first phase and retaining the PLACE/Ladywell building to be developed as a second phase in the future, as set out, be approved;
- (2) the proposed baseline tenure mix for the new dwellings as set out be approved;
- (3) the inclusion of the additional area (Lammas Green Nursery) as outlined in red on the plan at Appendix E to the development site be approved;
- (4) authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Housing, Regeneration & Environment in consultation with the Executive Director for Corporate Resources and Director of Law, Governance & HR to procure and appoint consultants and contractors or extend existing contracts to design the land to the rear of PLACE/Ladywell and the nursery site, together with public realm treatment around the PLACE/Ladywell building.
- (5) authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Housing, Regeneration & Environment in consultation with the Executive Director for Corporate Resources and Director of Law, Governance & HR to procure and appoint consultants and contractors to carry out the refurbishment works to the PLACE/Ladywell building.

(6) the stated budget expenditure to refurbish the PLACE/Ladywell building.

2. Upgrade of the CCTV cameras and control room equipment

Having considered an open and a confidential officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Safer Communities, Councillor Brenda Dacres, the Mayor and Cabinet agreed that the appointment of Eurovia Infrastructure Limited to commencement of the upgrade the CCTV cameras, transmission and CCTV control room equipment, based on their tender, for a period of 12 to 13 months be approved at an agreed cost of £984,876.31

3. Broadway Theatre Works (part 1)

Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the jobshare Cabinet Member for Culture, Jobs & Skills, Councillor Andre Bourne, the Mayor and Cabinet agreed that:

(1) an open procurement exercise be approved to find a suitable Principal Contractor for the proposed works to the Broadway Theatre, at the approximate value set out in section one of the Part 2 report, and using the process set out in section six of the open report; and

(2) officers be authorised to continue to utilise the services of Purcell as Lead Consultant for RIBA stages 3-7 via direct call-off from the Fusion 21 Framework and to award a further contract to Purcell at a cost of £607,605.

5. Leisure Management Arrangements

Having considered an officer report, and presentations by two members of the public and by the jobshare Cabinet Member for Culture, Jobs & Skills, Councillor Andre Bourne, the Mayor and Cabinet agreed that:

(1) Officers proceed with the approach to delivery of leisure facilities in the borough during the next period including phased approach to the centres as set out in the report namely:

- Downham Health and Leisure Centre returns to full operating capacity as soon as COVID restrictions allow.
- Glass Mill Leisure Centre returns to full operating capacity as soon as COVID restrictions allow.
- Forest Hill Pools returns to full operating capacity as soon as COVID restrictions allow.

- Wavelengths Leisure Centre returns to full operating capacity as soon as COVID restrictions allow apart from the leisure pool whose opening is reviewed in Spring 2021.
- The Bellingham Leisure and Lifestyle Centre (Bellingham) returns to full operating capacity as soon as COVID restrictions allow but given that a significant part of the centre's provision will be prohibited even under Tier 3, the centre will only reopen fully once restrictions in London are at below this level at least.
- The Bridge Leisure Centre remains closed for a period.

(2) Officers proceed with an Expression of Interest process to gauge the appetite amongst third parties to take on a lease for Ladywell Arena and to operate the site as a publicly accessible facility.

(3) Officers work with the local community to develop a sustainable operating model for the Lewisham Indoor Bowls Centre while wider consideration of the Bridge Leisure Centre is ongoing.

(4) Officers undertake proactive work with schools and other institutions to increase community access to sports hall facilities and neighbouring leisure facilities to meet demand displaced from the Bridge Leisure Centre; and

(5) Officers return to Mayor and Cabinet in mid 2021/22 with an update and proposals for the wider leisure facility offer in the borough and further consideration of The Bridge Leisure Centre.

5. Council Tax Base

Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources, Councillor Amanda De Ryk, the Mayor and Cabinet agreed in a recorded vote that:

(1) the Council Tax Base calculation for 2021/22, as set out in the annual Council Tax Base government return, attached at Appendix A;

(2) Council be recommended to agree a Council Tax Base of 88,614.3 Band D equivalent properties for 2021/22;

(3) Council be recommended to agree a budgeted Council Tax collection rate of 95.0%;

(4) Council be recommended to agree no changes be made to

the Council Tax Reduction Scheme (CTRS) for 2021/22, that eligible claimants make a minimum contribution of 25% towards their council tax;

(5) Council be recommended to approve the continuation of the discretionary Council Tax discount of 100% for care leavers up to the age of 25, as set out in section five;

(6) Council be recommended to agree that the existing policy of a 0% discount for second homes for 2020/21 be continued for 2021/22, as set out in section five;

(7) 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, as set out in section five of this report;

(8) 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, as set out in section five;

(9) Council be recommended to agree that the existing Long Term Empty Property homes premium of 100% for properties empty between 2 and 5 years, and 200% for those empty for over five years with further incremental increases in future years be continued, as set out in section five;

(10) the proposed 2021/22 National Non Domestic Rate (NNDR) estimated net yield of £65m, based on current information available and excluding any potential additional Covid reliefs or rateable value changes, be noted; and

(11) Council be asked to delegate the approval of the final 2021/22 NNDR1 form to the Executive Director for Corporate Resources for submission by the deadline of 31 January 2021.

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January 14 2021



Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel

Scrutiny Update

Date: 26 January 2021

Key decision: No

Class: Part 1

Ward(s) affected: All

Contributors: Assistant Chief Executive (Overview and Scrutiny Manager)

Outline and recommendations

The purpose of this item is for Members to receive an oral update from Select Committee Chairs on any scrutiny activity related to their Committee that they wish to bring to the Panel's attention. The Overview and Scrutiny Manager may also provide an update if the Select Committees have met since the last Business Panel meeting.

1. Summary

- 1.1. The intention of this item is to provide Members with an update on current scrutiny activity.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1. Members are asked to discuss and note any information provided.

3. Scrutiny Update

- 3.1 The second round of budget cuts are being considered by all the Select Committees at the following meetings:

Healthier Communities - 13 January

Safer Stronger Communities – 14 January

Sustainable Development – 14 January

Children and Young People – 21 January

Housing – 28 January

Public Accounts – 2 February.

- 3.2 Mayor and Cabinet will consider the budget cuts on 3 February 2021. The Public Accounts Select Committee can submit a referral on the cuts to this meeting, on its behalf and on behalf of the other Select Committees.

- 3.3 The Select Committee work programmes are attached at Appendix A.
- 3.4 The agendas for the March Select Committee meetings may be amended once Members and officers have discussed the implications of the ongoing pandemic response in terms of the capacity of the organisation to attend and support the current schedule of formal meetings.
- 3.5 Select Committee Chairs will be invited to provide an oral update on any scrutiny activity related to their committee that they wish to bring to the Panel's attention.

4 Financial implications

- 4.1 Scrutiny work is managed within existing budgets. Formal recommendations to the Mayor arising out of any specific work items within select committee work programmes are evaluated in the usual way through the process of formal reports. There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

5 Legal implications

- 5.1 There are no direct legal implications arising from this report.

6 Equalities implications

- 6.1 The delivery of the Council's equalities objectives is to be achieved through the delivery of all of the Council's strategies, plans and procedures. As such, all select committees and other scrutiny bodies, when planning their work and scrutinising items, bear in mind the delivery of the Council's equality objectives.
- 6.2 Scrutiny tries to make sure that its work reflects the diversity of Lewisham's communities and that the views of residents are fairly represented in scrutiny processes. Any recommendations arising from scrutiny work support the Council's corporate strategy and reflect the needs of local residents.

7 Climate change and environmental implications

- 7.1 There are no direct climate change or environmental implications arising from this report.

8 Crime and disorder implications

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

9 Health and wellbeing implications

- 9.1 There are no direct health and wellbeing implications arising from this report.

10 Glossary

Term	Definition
Overview & Scrutiny	Overview and scrutiny is the way in which Mayor and Cabinet (the 'Executive'), officers and external organisations are held to account for the decisions that they make. It is led by councillors who are not members of the Executive. They also influence policy development and investigate issues of local concern, making recommendations for improvement.
Overview and Scrutiny Committee	A committee made up of all non-executive councillors which carries out scrutiny focussing on strategic and cross cutting issues.
Overview & Scrutiny Business	Lewisham has two Business Panels (sub-committees of the

<p>Panel (OSBP) and Education OSBP</p>	<p>Overview and Scrutiny Committee).</p> <p>OS Business Panel is made up of the chair and vice-chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, the chair of each of the Select Committees, and two other non-Executive councillors.</p> <p>The main functions of Business Panel are reviewing key decisions once they have been taken (potentially “calling in” key decisions that have been made but not yet implemented); coordinating and approving the overall scrutiny work programme; and allocating scrutiny work in the event that it crosses the remit of more than one scrutiny body.</p> <p>Three parent governors and two diocesan representatives sit on the Education Business Panel, alongside the councillors that make up the regular Business Panel. The Education Business Panel reviews (and can call-in) key decisions that are education matters.</p>
<p>Select Committee</p>	<p>Lewisham has six Select Committees (sub-committees of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee), each made up of non-Executive councillors and responsible for scrutinising a specific service area. Select Committees gather evidence to help them review policies and performance and make recommendations to improve outcomes for residents.</p>
<p>Select Committee Work Programmes</p>	<p>The annual programme of work setting out the matters which each select committee will scrutinise over the year.</p>

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Appendix A – Select Committee Work Programmes

Safer Stronger Communities Select Committee 2020/21

Work Item	Type of review	Strategic Priority	Delivery deadline	9th-Sep	1st-Dec	14th-Jan	1st-Mar	Next Municipal Year
Budget	Standard Item	CP1-CP7	Sep-20					
Confirmation of Chair and Vice-Chair	Constitutional requirement	CP1	Sep-20					
Select Committee Work Programme 2020/21	Constitutional requirement	CP1,CP4 and CP7	Sep-20					
Equalities in-depth review	Performance monitoring	CP1	Sep-20		Response			
Stop and Search and Prevent review response and update	Performance monitoring/in-depth review	CP1 + CP7	Dec-20					
Update from Local Police	Standard Item	CP7	Dec-20					
Q&A with Director of HR	Performance monitoring	CP1	Jan-21					
Q&A Cabinet Member for Democracy, Refugees and Accountability	Performance monitoring	CP1	Mar-21					
Violence Against Women and Girls Strategy	Pre-decision	CP1 and CP7	Jan-21					TENTATIVE
YOS progress and challenges inc. update on changes to the probation service and lessons from COVID response	performance monitoring	CP7	Jan-21					TENTATIVE
Safe Lewisham Plan	Performance monitoring	CP7	Mar-21					TENTATIVE
Local Assemblies Review and future inc. NCIL	performance monitoring	CP1	Mar-21					TENTATIVE
Lewisham Libraries- Future and Transformation inc annual report	Performance monitoring	CP1	Mar-21					TENTATIVE

Information Reports, briefings and minutes

Equalities Data Digest	Performance monitoring	CP1 + CP7	on-going					
Public Health Approach to Violence Reduction	Performance monitoring	CP7	on-going					

	Item completed
	Item on-going
	Proposed timeframe

Housing Select Committee work programme 2020/21 - work programme

Item	Type	Priority	Delivery	15-Sep	18-Nov	28-Jan	09-Mar
Confirmation of Chair and Vice Chair	Constitutional req	CP2	Sep				
Financial stabilisation - budget update and medium term plan	Standard item	CP2	Sep				
The Impact of COVID-19 on Housing	Standard item	CP2	Sep				
Housing Strategy 2020-26 and Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy 2020-22	Standard item	CP2	Sep				
Work programme 2020-21	Constitutional req	CP2	Sep				
Budget cuts proposals	Standard item	CP2	Nov				
Overcrowding referral	M&C response	CP2	Nov				
Allocations policy	Standard item	CP2	Nov				
Homelessness	Standard item	CP2	Jan				
Shared ownership	Standard item	CP2	Jan				
Fire safety	Performance monitoring	CP2	Mar				
Lewisham Homes business plan	Standard item	CP2	Mar				

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Information reports, briefings and visits	Type	Priority	Delivery				
Lewisham Homes annual report and business plan	Performance monitoring	CP2	Sep				
Allocations policy review	Chair's briefing	CP2	Oct				
Shared ownership at L&Q	Chair's briefing	CP2	Oct				
Shared ownership at Hyde	Chair's briefing	CP2	Nov				
Regenter B3 annual report and business plan	Performance monitoring	CP2					
Annual lettings plan	Performance monitoring	CP2					
Rent and service charge increases	Performance monitoring	CP2					
New homes programme updates	Performance monitoring	CP2					

	Item completed
	Item on-going
	Proposed timeframe

Sustainable Development Select Committee work plan 2020-21

Item	Type	Corporate priority	15-Sep-20	12-Nov-20	14-Jan-21	04-Mar-21
Financial stabilisation - budget update and medium term plan	Standard item	All				
Catford Town Centre Regeneration: masterplan framework	Performance monitoring	CP2,4,6				
Railway Children urban national park: neighbourhood plans and environmental protection	Standard item	CP6				
Lower Sydenham and Bell Green vision study	Policy development	CP6				
Budget cuts	Standard item	All				
A21 Development Strategy	Policy development	CP2,4,6				
Small sites SPD	Policy Development	CP2,4,6				
Climate Emergency action plan	Policy development	CP6				
Implementation of the transport strategy: walking, cycling and healthy neighbourhoods	Standard item	CP6				tbd
Planning policy: delivery of affordable housing in new developments	Standard item	CP6				

Information items

Children and Young People Select Committee 2020/21

Programme of Work

Work Item	Type of item	Strategic Priority	21-Sep	26-Nov	21-Jan	04-Mar
Election of the Chair and Vice-Chair	Constitutional requirement					
Select Committee work programme 2019/20	Constitutional requirement	CP3				
Stabilisation Budget	standard item	CP3				
Children's Social Care update	Performance monitoring	CP3 & CP5				
BAME school attainment, inc diversity of governing bodies	standard item	CP3				
Budget and cuts proposals	standard item	CP3&5				
CAMHS transformation plan - Norman Lamb	performance monitoring	CP3&5				
Corporate Parenting and LAC Annual Report	performance monitoring	CP3 & CP5				
SEND - transition between young people and adult services	Performance monitoring	CP3&5				
Early Help	policy development	CP3 & 5				
Safeguarding, inc child exploitation	standard item	CP3, 5 & 7				
How living in temporary accommodation affects children and young people - 6 month follow up	In-depth review	CP3				

Briefings and visits

Briefing Mayor and Advisors	informal meeting	CP3 & CP5			14-Dec	
Impact of GCSE/ A Level results algorithm on Lewisham pupils	For information	CP3				
Elective Home Education, inc unregulated education settings	for information	CP3				
Response from Mayor and Cabinet: children in temporary accommodation indepth review	in depth review	CP3 & CP5			consider in March with 6 month follow up	
Briefing - how the Comprehensive Spending Review will affect Lewisham	briefing	CP3&CP5				
Safeguarding annual report (formerly LSCB)	Performance Monitoring	CP3 & CP5				

	Item completed
	Item on-going
	Item outstanding
	Proposed timeframe
	Item added

Healthier Communities Select Committee work programme 2020/21

Item	Type	Priority	Delivery	23-Sep	11-Nov	13-Jan	25-Feb
Confirmation of Chair and Vice Chair	Constitutional req	CP5	Sep				
Work programme 2020-21	Constitutional req	CP5	Sep				
Financial stabilisation - budget update and medium term plan	Standard item	CP5	Sep				
Lewisham system recovery plan	Standard item	CP5	Sep				
Leisure centres performance management	Standard item	CP5	Sep				
Safeguarding referral	M&C response	CP5	Sep				
Budget cuts proposals	Standard item	CP5	Nov				
The scope of the Birmingham and Lewisham African & Caribbean Health Inequalities Review	Standard item	CP5	Nov				
Pathology arrangements	Standard item	CP5	Nov				
Adult social care review update	Standard item	CP5	Feb				
Better Care Fund review update	Standard item	CP5	Feb				
Health and social care workforce	Standard item	CP5	Feb				
Health and wellbeing priorities	Standard item	CP5	Feb				

Information reports, briefings and visits	Type	Priority	Delivery				
Lewisham Adult Safeguarding Board (LASB) annual report	Performance monitoring	CP5	Sep				
Lewisham and Greenwich NHS Trust (LGT) quality account	Performance monitoring	CP5					
South London and Maudsley NHS Trust (SLaM) quality account	Performance monitoring	CP5					
Adult Learning Lewisham (ALL) annual report	Performance monitoring	CP5					
Migrant charging update	Performance monitoring	CP5	Jan				
Annual public health report	Performance monitoring	CP5	Feb				

	Item completed
	Item on-going
	Proposed timeframe

Public Accounts Select Committee Work Programme 2020-21

Item	Type of item	Corporate priority	24-Sep-20	03-Dec-20	02-Feb-21	17-Mar-21
Income generation and commercialisation review 2019-20	In-depth review	All	Final report			
Financial stabilisation - budget update and medium term plan	Performance monitoring	All				
Children's social care	Standard item	All, CP3				
Budget cuts	Performance monitoring	All				
Council budget 2021-22	Policy development	All				
Cost pressures in the Public Realm division	Standard item	All, CP6				
Capital programme	Standard item	All				
Financial forecasts 2020-21	Performance monitoring	All				

Corporate Priorities

Priority

1	Open Lewisham	CP 1
2	Tackling the Housing Crisis	CP 2
3	Giving Children and young people the best start in life.	CP 3
4	Building an inclusive local economy	CP 4
5	Delivering and defending: health, social care and support	CP 5
6	Making Lewisham greener	CP 6
7	Building Safer Communities	CP 7



Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel

Exclusion of the Press and Public

Date: 26 January 2021

Key decision: No

Class: Part 1

Ward(s) affected: Various

Contributors: Chief Executive / Head of Business and Committee

Outline and recommendations

Members are asked to note items that will be considered in closed session

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:-

Decisions made by the Mayor and Cabinet on 13 January 2021:

- i. The Future of PLACE Ladywell
- ii. Upgrade of the CCTV cameras and control room equipment.

Agenda Item 8

By virtue of paragraph(s) 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A
of the Local Government Act 1972.

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