

Decisions taken by the Sustainable Development Select Committee on Thursday, 12 November 2020

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Part A – Items considered in public

A1	Minutes of the meeting held on 15 September 2020	Resolved: that the minutes of the meeting held on 15 September be agreed as an accurate record.
A3	Responses from Mayor and Cabinet	Resolved: that the responses from Mayor and Cabinet be noted.
A5	Budget cuts	<p>Resolved – that the Committee would refer its views to Mayor and Cabinet (via the Public Accounts Select Committee) as follows -</p> <p>The Committee notes the scale of the challenge facing the Council and it recognises the difficulties facing officers in proposing these cuts. Committee members wish to emphasise the severe and continued reduction in funding from central government over more than ten years of austerity – which has led to a reduction in spending on services of £500 per Lewisham resident. Members believe that further work should be carried out to communicate the reasons for the cuts to residents.</p> <p>Members are concerned about the impact on the lives of staff who might be made redundant as a result of cuts and reorganisations. The Committee believes that, where possible, options should be considered for job sharing and flexible working between staff - rather than the deletion of full time posts.</p> <p>In relation to proposals F15 (environmental operations review) and F16 (new waste strategy) - the Committee supports the move to increase place based environmental services and the joined up management of areas. The Committee also believes that further work should be carried out on a proactive and informative ‘keep Lewisham tidy’ campaign, which emphasises everyone’s responsibility to keep Lewisham’s streets clean.</p> <p>In relation to proposal F18 (controlled parking zone extension) the Committee believes that any proposed changes should be carried out with the utmost sensitivity and care – in full consultation with Lewisham’s communities. Members also emphasise the importance of</p>

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		strategically and carefully integrating the timing of any changes with plans to improve Lewisham's walking and cycling routes.
A6	Select Committee work programme	Resolved: that the report be noted – and that the Committee would discuss the work programme for its January meeting at a later date.