

Mayor and Cabinet			
Title	Comments of the Children and Young People Select Committee on the proposed cuts to health visiting services		
Contributors	Children and Young People Select Committee	Item No.	10
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1. Summary

- 1.1 This report informs the Mayor and Cabinet of the comments and views of the Children and Young People Select Committee, arising from discussions held on proposed cuts to health visiting services in Lewisham, considered at its meeting on 6 December 2018.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 The Mayor and Cabinet is recommended to note the views of the Select Committee as set out in this report and agree to provide a response.

3. Children and Young People Select Committee views

- 3.1 At its meeting on 6 December 2018, the Children and Young People Select Committee received a report on the public consultation on proposed cuts to the public health grant, including cuts to health visiting services.
- 3.2 The committee took oral evidence from Council officers and after questioning and discussion resolved to refer its views to the Mayor and Cabinet in the following terms:

The Children and Young People Select Committee is concerned about the impact that the proposed cuts to the Health Visiting Service would have on the current and future life experiences of children and young people in Lewisham and is strongly opposed to these cuts being taken.

4. Financial Implications

- 4.1 Although this report has no direct financial implications, there may be financial implications as a result of the Committee's comments.

5. Legal Implications

- 5.1 The Lewisham Constitution provides for Select Committees to refer reports to the Mayor and Cabinet. The Mayor and Cabinet are obliged to consider the report, and the proposed response from the relevant Executive Director, and report back to the Committee within two months.

Background papers

*Public health grant cuts consultation, Children and Young People Select Committee,
6 December 2018*

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