



To: The Cabinet Member for
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Dear Councillor Bonavia

Re: Overview and Scrutiny Committee – 28 January 2019

Thank you for attending the recent meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and outlining the work you have recently been undertaking in relation to your portfolio. You agreed to look into the following two matters:

- **Voicemail** – the investigation of issues resulting from the move to a new telephone system, the re-stacking of Laurence House and staff use of the system.
- **Local Democracy Review** – the consideration of updated CIPFA guidance (2018) on Audit Committees and the relevant recommendations, with a view to indicating whether the Democracy Review would be recommending that the best practice for audit committees put forward in the document should be adopted.

I would be grateful if you could provide the Committee with an update on these two matters in time for the next scheduled meeting on 7 March 2019. Papers for that meeting will be published on 26 February so a response by that date would be welcome. Please can you also provide an update on plans to review local assemblies and efforts to build more resilience locally, in Lewisham, in terms of the Shared IT service.

Yours Sincerely

Councillor Bill Brown
Chair of Overview and Scrutiny