



Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel

Decision made by Mayor and Cabinet on 15 January 2020

Date: 28 January 2020

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 decisions taken by the Mayor and Cabinet on 15 January 2020 I open session

1. Recommendation

To consider key decisions taken by the Mayor and Cabinet on 15 January 2020, which will come in to force on 29 January 2020.

2. Background

2.1 The Mayor and Cabinet considered the following key decisions on 15 January 2020.

2.2 The notice of the decisions to be made 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 decisions to be made will come into force on 29 January 2020:

- (i) Achilles Street Estate Regeneration Ballot Results
- (ii) Adopting a Residents Charter for Estate Regeneration
- (iii) Housing Strategy
- (iv) Building for Lewisham part 1
- (v) Parking Policy update
- (vi) Beckenham Place Park Swimming Concession
- (vii) Proposal to Transfer Management of Five Community Centres
- (viii) Former Wide Horizon Sites part 1



NOTICE OF DECISIONS MADE BY THE MAYOR & CABINET

The Mayor and Cabinet made the following decisions on January 15 2020. All recommendations shown were agreed by a 10-0 vote of voting members in attendance.

Decisions 1 to 11 will become effective on January 29 2020 unless called in by the Overview & Scrutiny Business Panel on January 28 2020.

1. Achilles Street Estate Regeneration Ballot Results

Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Housing, Councillor Paul Bell, the Mayor and Cabinet agreed that:

- (1) the results be noted of the Resident Ballot for Estate Regeneration on the Achilles Street Estate, where 72.8% of residents who voted, voted "Yes" with a turnout of 92%.
- (2) the Council and Lewisham Homes should now develop the proposals for regenerating the Achilles Street Estate in line with the information set out in the Council's Landlord Offer to residents, that was agreed by Mayor and Cabinet in September 2019;
- (3) authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Housing Regeneration and Environment to carry out a statutory s105 consultation on the proposals for regenerating the Achilles Street Estate with the results of that consultation being reported back to Mayor and Cabinet for consideration.
- (4) engagement is continuing with residents on the estate as set out;
- (5) repairs will continue to take place on the estate, and that Lewisham Homes are currently working to assess what essential works may be required should demolition take place as proposed;
- (6) new secure lettings be stopped on the Council properties in Azalea House, Austin House, Fenton House and 363 New Cross Road, and to use any voids that arise for temporary accommodation for homeless

households or other residential uses as identified by the Council's housing services; and

(7) a further report be presented setting out the position and requirements for the residential and commercial land assembly.

2. Adopting a Residents' Charter for Estate Regeneration

Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Housing, Councillor Paul Bell, the Mayor and Cabinet agreed that:

(1) the responses received from the Residents' Charter consultation be noted;

(2) the final principles set out should be adopted as the Residents' Charter for all residents in Lewisham whose homes will form part of Council led estate regeneration schemes; and

(3) a final Residents' Charter document should be created that includes the agreed principles alongside explanatory text, and authority be delegated to the Director of Regeneration and Place to work in conjunction with the Director of Strategy & Communications to approve the final version.

3. Draft Housing Strategy 2020 – 2026

Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Housing, Councillor Paul Bell, the Mayor and Cabinet agreed that:

(1) the support of the Housing Select Committee on the draft strategy consultation document be noted,

(2) the key themes, main priorities for action and strategic objectives for the proposed Housing Strategy 2020-26 contained within the document at appendix A

(3) an eight week consultation, as detailed, be approved.

4. Building for Lewisham Programme

Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Housing, Councillor Paul Bell, the Mayor and Cabinet agreed that:

(1) the update provided for the Council's initial housebuilding programme be noted;

(2) Lewisham Homes, in collaboration with officers of the Council, will consult will local residents, ward councillors, local amenity groups and other relevant stakeholders about the Council's intention to redevelop these sites within the Building for Lewisham Programme;

(3) the scope of the Building for Lewisham Programme be approved;

(4) officers will return to Mayor and Cabinet to agree the addition or removal of specific schemes to/from the Building for Lewisham Programme beyond feasibility;

(5) authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Housing Regeneration and Environment to initiate and carry out any s105 consultation required on sites within the Building for Lewisham programme, at the appropriate time;

(6) the result of the s105 consultation will be referred back to Mayor and Cabinet for consideration and approval to continue with the development;

(7) authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Housing Regeneration and Environment to approve the submission of proposals for planning permission and discharge of conditions, non-material amendments and section 73 applications - where applicable - as part of the programme and authorises Lewisham Homes to act on behalf on the Council with respect to all of the above, subject to approval of any s105 consultation required;

(8) the request for feasibility budgets be noted for:

(a) Acquisitions programme (via Lewisham Homes);

(b) Identified sites where some feasibility work has begun (via Lewisham Homes);

(c) Site identification as part of the Council's ongoing pipeline;

(9) the risks highlighted with regard to the delivery of this programme be noted and a report will return to Mayor and Cabinet on a quarterly basis to monitor progress;

(10) this item is accompanied by a Part 2 report outlining the financial parameters of the programme as well as requests for additional spend on rooftop extensions and Canonbie Road;

(11) officers will return to Mayor and Cabinet to approve the allocation of budgets for the purpose of commencement of building work;

(12) a number of other schemes sit within the programme but will be the subject of separate Mayor and Cabinet reports.

5. **Parking Policy Update: consultation results and recommendations**

Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport, Councillor Sophie McGeevor, the Mayor and Cabinet agreed that

(1) the results of the public consultation and recommendations from SDSC following from the meeting on 4 December 2019, be noted;

(2) the following updates to the Council's parking policy, included in the updated Parking Policy document be approved:

i. The introduction of an emissions based charging scheme for parking permits, as set out in the charging bands proposal in Appendix 4 as amended at the meeting. A separate £50 surcharge for diesel vehicles should also be implemented, but diesel vehicles that conform to the most recent vehicle emissions standards (Euro VI standards or higher) should be exempted. This exemption standard should be reviewed annually and revised per the latest research and emissions standards. Any refunds that need to be issued will incur a £15 administration cost;

ii. To automatically provide ten hours of visitor parking credit annually free of charge to all households when they purchase at least one paid annual resident parking permit as detailed in section 6.5 of this report and to increase the cost of visitor permits as set out in that section and in Table 1;

Current cost	Proposed cost
1 hour	£1.40 £1.60*
Book of 10 vouchers	£10.00 - £16.00
5 hours	£2.80 - £3.20
Daily	£5.60 £6.40
Weekly	£20.00 - £25.60

*sold as part of a book of 10 permits

iii. To approve the proposal to harmonise the rate for PCNs at the Band A rate across the borough, as detailed in section 6.6 of this report. Approval for this will then need to be sought from London Councils;

iv. To provide only mandatory, enforceable disabled parking bays (and no longer provide advisory disabled parking bays), as detailed in section 6.7 of this report;

v. To amend the application criteria for disabled bays to new criteria set out in Appendix 6;

vi. To increase the tariff for pay and display parking to £0.50 for each 15 minute period for both cash and cashless payments as shown in section 6.8;

vii. To rationalise the number of pay and display machines in the borough as shown in section 6.8; and

viii. To make the minor amendments, as detailed in section 6.11;

ix. Remove the limit on the number of 'floating car club permits' issued to car club operators, with this monitored closely by officers, as set out in section 6.12.

x. Approve the updated parking policy which incorporates the above amendments, as presented in Appendix 9.

(3) the responses in sections 6.6, 6.7 and 10 to the views expressed on Wednesday 4 December 2019 by the Sustainable Development Select Committee be approved

6. Beckenham Place Park - Swimming Concession

Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport, Councillor Sophie McGeevor, the Mayor and Cabinet agreed that the procurement of a concession contract for lake activities in Beckenham Place Park with the minimum criteria outlined be approved.

7. Proposal to Transfer Management of Five Community Centres to Lewisham Homes

Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Community Sector, Councillor Jonathan Slater, the Mayor and Cabinet agreed that

(1) the transfer of management responsibility of the five centres listed be approved as from 1 April 2020, to include the ability for Lewisham Homes to make decisions on the community use of the centres and any change to the existing occupational arrangements; and

(2) delegated authority be given to the Executive Director for Community Services in consultation with the Head of Law for decisions about the nature and terms of agreement for the proposed transfer of responsibility.

8. Disposal of Former Wide Horizons Outdoor Education Sites in Kent & Wales

Having considered both an open and a confidential officer report, and a presentation by the Mayor, the Mayor and Cabinet agreed that:

(1) the three sites be declared surplus to the Council's requirements.

(2) the Executive Director for Housing, Regeneration and Environment be authorised to seek authority to dispose of the three sites from the Secretary of State for Education;

(3) Subject to that authority being obtained, authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Housing, Regeneration & Environment to agree the most appropriate method of disposal, and to dispose of the sites.

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