



Mayor and Cabinet

Report title: Comments of the Sustainable Development Select Committee on parking policy

Date: 15 January 2020.

Key decision: No.

Class: Part 1.

Ward(s) affected: All.

Contributors: Sustainable Development Select Committee

Outline and recommendations

This report informs the Mayor and Cabinet of the comments and views of the Sustainable Development Select Committee, arising from discussions on the update of Lewisham's parking policy.

Mayor and Cabinet is asked to consider the Committee's comments and ask the relevant officers to provide a response.

1. Summary

- 1.1. On Wednesday 4 December 2019, the Sustainable Development Select Committee considered a report from officers on proposals to update Lewisham's parking policy (the agenda for that meeting can be viewed online here: [link to the agenda and reports for the meeting of Sustainable Development Select Committee on 4 December 2019](#)) The Committee considered the contents of the report – and received a presentation from senior officers. Following questions to officers, the Committee agreed to refer its views to Mayor and Cabinet.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1. Mayor and Cabinet is asked to consider the Committee's comments and ask the relevant officers to provide a response.

3. Sustainable Development Select Committee views

- 3.1. The Committee commends the parking policy update and recognises the work that officers have put into designing and managing the consultation. Nevertheless, it recommends that:
- parking charges should be reviewed annually in light of the data being collected by the new parking machines. It believes that specific consideration should be given to the ongoing impact of the climate crisis as well as: the impact of the implementation of fifteen minute parking slots; and the health of businesses on high streets.
 - consideration should be given to the management of parking (and enforcement) in the vicinity of Lewisham Hospital – and that additional consideration should be given to management and enforcement of parking around other institutions in the borough that attract large numbers of users.
 - the changes to the enforcement of disabled parking bays should be communicated to residents. The Committee would also welcome further details about the process for the review of mandatory disabled parking bays – particularly in instances in which users no longer require them.
 - further consideration should be given in future reports to the potential equalities impact of any proposed changes to parking policy.

4. Financial implications

- 4.1. There are no direct financial implications arising from the implementation of the recommendations in this report. However, there may be implications arising from them implementation of the Committee's recommendations. These will need to be considered as part of the response.

5. Legal implications

- 5.1. The Constitution provides for select committees to refer reports to the Mayor and Cabinet, who are obliged to consider the report and the proposed response from the relevant Executive Director; and report back to the Committee within two months (not including recess).

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6. Equalities implications

- 6.1. The Equality Act 2010 brought together all previous equality legislation in England, Scotland and Wales. The Act included a new public sector equality duty, replacing the separate duties relating to race, disability and gender equality. The duty came into force on 6 April 2011. It covers the following nine protected characteristics: age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation.
- 6.2. 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.
- 6.3. There may be equalities implications arising from the implementation of the Committee's recommendations – these will need to be considered in the response.

7. Climate change and environmental implications

- 7.1. There are no direct climate change or environmental implications arising from the implementation of the recommendations in this report. There may be climate change and environmental implications arising from the implementation of the Committee's recommendations – these will need to be considered in the response.

8. Crime and disorder implications

- 8.1. There are no direct crime and disorder implications arising from the implementation of the recommendations in this report. There may be implications arising from the implementation of the Committee's recommendations – these will need to be considered in the response.

9. Health and wellbeing implications

- 9.1. There are no direct health and wellbeing implications arising from the implementation of the recommendations in this report. There may be implications arising from the implementation of the Committee's recommendations – these will need to be considered in the response.

10. Report author and contact

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