



## Mayor and Cabinet

### **Report title: Overview and Scrutiny Committee - requests for further information**

**Date:** 9 December 2020

**Key decision:** No

**Class:** Part 1

**Ward(s) affected:** All

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### **Outline and recommendations**

This report informs Mayor and Cabinet of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee's requests for further information arising from the question and answer session with the Mayor, held on 10 November 2020. The Mayor and Cabinet is recommended to note the requests of the committee and agree to provide a response.

- Mayor and Cabinet is recommended to note the requests for further information set out in section 4 below and ensure that a response is provided to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

## 1. Summary

- 1.1 This report informs Mayor and Cabinet of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee's requests for further information arising from the question and answer session with the Mayor, held on 10 November 2020. The Mayor and Cabinet is recommended to note the requests of the committee and agree to provide a response.

## 2. Recommendation

- 2.1 The Mayor and Cabinet is recommended to note the views of the committee as set out in section four of this referral and agree to provide a response.

## 3. Policy Context

- 3.1 The strategic priorities of the Council's [Corporate Strategy for 2018-2022](#) are:

[Open Lewisham](#) - Lewisham is a welcoming place of safety for all, where we celebrate the diversity that strengthens us.

[Tackling the housing crisis](#) - Everyone has a decent home that is secure and affordable.

[Giving children and young people the best start in life](#) - Every child has access to an outstanding and inspiring education, and is given the support they need to keep them safe, well and able to achieve their full potential.

[Building an inclusive local economy](#) - Everyone can access high-quality job opportunities, with decent pay and security in our thriving and inclusive local economy.

[Delivering and defending: health, social care and support](#) - Ensuring everyone receives the health, mental health, social care and support services they need.

[Making Lewisham greener](#) - Everyone enjoys our green spaces, and benefits from a healthy environment as we work to protect and improve our local environment.

[Building safer communities](#) - Every resident feels safe and secure living here as we work together towards a borough free from the fear of crime.

- 3.2 The work carried out by the Mayor and his Cabinet directly contributes to the Council's corporate priorities.

## 4. Overview and Scrutiny Committee's views

- 4.1 At its meeting on Tuesday 10 November 2020, the Committee held a question and answer session with the Mayor.

- 4.2 The Mayor agreed to provide further information to the Committee on the following issues:

- Street homelessness prevention project – an update on how the funding gap is being managed.
- The figure for the cost of reconfiguring the Lewisham and Lee Green Low Traffic Neighbourhood scheme.
- The Council's BAME career progression programme – further information.

## 5. Financial implications

- 5.1 There are no direct financial implications arising from the implementation of the recommendation in this report.

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## **6. Legal implications**

6.1 There are no direct legal implications arising from the implementation of the recommendation in this report.

## **7. Equalities implications**

7.1 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.

7.2 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.

## **8. Climate change and environmental implications**

8.3 There are no direct climate change or environmental implications arising from the implementation of the recommendation in this report.

## **9. Crime and disorder implications**

9.1 There are no direct crime and disorder implications arising from the implementation of the recommendation in this report.

## **10. Health and wellbeing implications**

10.1 There are no direct health and wellbeing implications arising from the implementation of the recommendation in this report.

## **Background papers**

[Mayor's Question and answer session – Overview and Scrutiny Committee – 10 November 2020](#)

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