

RESOLUTIONS OF THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE: 21 MARCH 2017

Ref	Resolution	Response/Outcome	State of Play
Min 50 Sept 15	<p>Task and Finish Group on the Commercialisation of Council Services</p> <p>The Task and Finish Group made 9 recommendations which were considered by Cabinet on 10 November 2015;</p>	<p>Cabinet established a Project Board to advise Cabinet on the best method for this Council to consider the recommendations of the Task and Finish Group. The Project Board was scheduled to report to Cabinet in June 2016. It has yet to do so.</p>	<p>Pending.</p>
Min 103 Mar 16	<p>Task and Finish Group on the Quality of Council Reports</p> <p>Report considered by Cabinet in June 2016.</p>	<p>There will be a report to the Committee on the implementation of the recommendations at a future meeting</p>	<p>Pending</p>
Min 73 Dec 16	<p>2nd Quarter Monitoring Report: Key Projects 2016/17</p> <p>That monitoring against the project relating to the development of John Barker Place be removed from future monitoring reports.</p> <p>That the Payment and Reconciling Manager be requested to mark projects as amber as soon as she is advised that, on the balance of probability, the project would likely not meet the deadline or not take place;</p> <p>That the Payment and Reconciling Manager be requested to only mark projects that were in place as complete.</p>	<p>This will be removed from the next report by the Payment and Reconciliations Manager</p> <p>Passed to the Payment and Reconciliations Manager for action.</p> <p>Passed to the Payment and Reconciliations Manager for action</p>	<p>In hand</p> <p>In hand</p> <p>In hand</p>

<p>Min 85 Jan 17</p>	<p>Review of the Green Space Strategy</p> <p>That the Parks and Countryside Manager be requested to provide Cabinet, at the meeting to be held on 24 January 2017, with details of the demographics of the focus groups;</p> <p>That the Parks and Countryside Manager be requested to circulate the information provided in (1) above to all Members and Substitutes of this Committee;</p> <p>Recommended to Cabinet:</p> <p>That Cabinet consider whether the demographics and size of the focus groups were appropriate for the type of consultation, particularly whether the views of young people and children who were the main users of these facilities, had been included;</p> <p>That Recommendation 2.3 of the report be amended to reflect that the Council should be more proactive in seeking community groups to take on facilities and advertise that support would be offered to guide groups through the process, particularly through use of social media.</p>	<p>This was provided to Cabinet</p> <p>This has been circulated to the Committee</p> <p>Cabinet resolved:</p> <p>(1) That the results of the consultation, as identified in the body of the report, be noted, and that it be further noted that Cabinet was satisfied that demographics and size of the focus groups were appropriate for the type of consultation, and that the views of young people and children who were the main users of these facilities had been included in the consultation results;</p> <p>(2) That the draft new Green Space Management Strategy (GSMS) 2017 – 2021, as attached at Appendix A to the report, be formally adopted;</p> <p>(3) That it be noted that, prior to removing facilities identified in the Strategy, the Council shall allow up to 1 March 2018 for interested parties to put forward sustainable proposals that would fund both the capital and revenue requirements to safely continue to provide such</p>	<p>Complete</p> <p>Complete</p>
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<p>Min 87 Jan 17 and Min 68 Dec 16</p>	<p>Committee & Member Input into Policy That the Scrutiny Officer be requested to organise a meeting between the Executive Member for Policy, Transport and Green Issues and the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of this Committee to discuss issues raised in his presentation to the Committee in December 2016 namely:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The rise in the percentage of the budget spent on statutory services and associated percentage reduction in funds available for discretionary services. 	<p>The Chairman of the Committee and Scrutiny Officer met Cllr Cunningham on 2 February. The Scrutiny Officer will update the Committee as part of the work programme report.</p>	<p>In hand</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Whether the Council should continue with the same levels of capital spending. 		
Min 88 Jan 17	<p>Work Programme</p> <p>That the following topics for Task and Finish Groups (TFGs) be removed from the list:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How the Council awards Contracts; Keeping North Herts tidy. <p>That the following topics for TFGs be placed on a reserve list;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Urban/Rural Divide; NHDC's Document Centre; Balancing cost savings against possible environmental impacts. <p>That the following TFG be added to the list:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consultations, including the demographic make up of the group and formats used. <p>That the following items be considered by this Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commissioning and Contracting of Services Undertaken by CAB, CVS and Minority Ethnic Forum; Parking Charges. <p>That the Scrutiny Officer together with the Chairman of this Committee and the Executive Member for Policy, Transport and Green Issues, be requested to develop some suggestions regarding methods to effectively influence policy making in</p>	<p>These topics have been removed.</p> <p>These topics have been placed on a reserve list.</p> <p>This topic has been added to the TFG Programme</p> <p>These items have been added to the agenda for the Committee's meeting in March</p> <p>The Chairman of the Committee and Scrutiny Officer met Cllr Cunningham on 2 February. The Scrutiny Officer will update the Committee as part</p>	<p>Complete</p> <p>Complete</p> <p>Complete</p> <p>Complete</p> <p>In hand</p>

	the future.	of the work programme report.	
15 Feb 2017	<p>Call in: Green Space Management Strategy That the decisions made by Cabinet on 24 January 2017 regarding the Review of the Green Space Management Strategy not be referred back to Cabinet;</p> <p>That the Head of Leisure and Environmental Services be requested to produce a report detailing the steps taken and the progress made in identifying interested groups and organisations to safely provide facilities and present it to this Committee at the meeting due to be held on 18 July 2017;</p> <p>That the Head of Leisure and Environmental Services be requested to produce a report detailing the steps taken and the progress made in identifying interested groups and organisations to safely provide facilities, together with details of play areas that have not attracted any interested groups and would likely close following the deadline of 1 March 2018 and present it to this Committee at the meeting due to be held in March 2018.</p>	<p>No action needed</p> <p>Passed to the Head of Leisure and Environmental Services for action</p> <p>Head of Leisure and Environmental Services</p>	<p>Committee to note</p> <p>Pending</p> <p>Pending</p>