

<b>REPORT TO:</b>	<b>Cabinet 22 June 2015</b>
<b>AGENDA ITEM:</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<p><b>STAGE 2: SCRUTINY RECOMMENDATIONS ARISING FROM:</b></p> <p><b>SCRUTINY &amp; STRATEGIC OVERVIEW COMMITTEE</b> on 11<sup>th</sup> November 2014 and 10<sup>th</sup> February 2015</p> <p><b>STREETS &amp; ENVIRONMENT SCRUTINY SUB-COMMITTEE</b> a 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2014 and 20<sup>th</sup> January 2015</p> <p><b>CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE SCRUTINY SUB-COMMITTEE</b> on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2015</p>
<b>LEAD OFFICERS:</b>	<p><b>Nathan Elvery, Chief Executive</b> <b>Paul Greenhalgh, Executive Director, People</b> <b>Jo Negrini, Executive Director, Place</b></p>
<b>CABINET MEMBERS:</b>	<p><b>Councillor Tony Newman, Leader of the Council</b></p> <p><b>Councillor Alison Butler, Deputy Leader (Statutory) and Cabinet Member for Homes and Regeneration</b></p> <p><b>Councillor Kathy Bee, Cabinet Member for Transport and Environment</b></p> <p><b>Councillor Timothy Godfrey, Cabinet Member for Culture, Leisure and Sport</b></p> <p><b>Councillor Toni Letts, Cabinet Member for Economic Development</b></p> <p><b>Councillor Alisa Flemming, Cabinet Member for Children, Families and Learning</b></p> <p><b>Councillor Louisa Woodley, Cabinet Member for People and Communities</b></p> <p><b>Councillor Simon Hall, Cabinet Member for Finance and Treasury</b></p> <p><b>Councillor Stuart Collins, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Green Clean Croydon</b></p>

<b>WARDS:</b>	<b>All</b>
<p><b>CORPORATE PRIORITY/POLICY CONTEXT:</b> The Constitution requires that in accepting a recommendation, with or without amendment, from a Scrutiny and Strategic Overview Committee or Sub-Committee, the Cabinet shall agree an action plan for the implementation of the agreed recommendations and shall delegate responsibility to an identified officer to report back to the Strategic Overview Committee or Sub-Committee, within a specified period, on progress in implementing the action plan.</p>	
<p><b>AMBITIOUS FOR CROYDON &amp; WHY ARE WE DOING THIS:</b></p> <p>Croydon a Place to Live and Work;  Fairness – Equalities, Open &amp; Accountable;  Croydon Safe &amp; Secure; Sustainable Transport.</p>	
<p><b>FINANCIAL IMPACT:</b></p> <p>The recommendations in this report may have a financial implication and as each recommendation is developed the financial implication will be explored and approved.</p>	
<p><b>FORWARD PLAN KEY DECISION REFERENCE NO.:</b> not a key decision</p>	

The Leader of the Council has delegated to the Cabinet the power to make the decisions set out in the recommendations below

## 1. RECOMMENDATIONS

The Cabinet is recommended to approve the response reports and action plans attached to this report (at **Appendix 1**) and that these be reported to the Scrutiny and Overview Committee or relevant Sub-Committee.

## 2. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2.1 This report asks the Cabinet to approve the full response reports arising from the stage 1 reports to the Cabinet meetings held on 19 January, 17 February and 16 March 2015 including:

- Action plans for the implementation of agreed recommendations, **or**
- Reasons for rejecting the recommendations

and that these be reported to the Scrutiny and Overview Committee or relevant Sub-Committee.

## 3. SCRUTINY RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 The Scrutiny recommendations are contained in the schedule in **Appendix 1** to this report.

3.2 The detailed responses (including reasons for rejected recommendations) and action plans (for the implementation of agreed recommendations) are contained in **Appendix 1**.

#### **4. CONSULTATION**

4.1 There are no direct consultation implications arising from this report.

#### **5. FINANCIAL AND RISK ASSESSMENT CONSIDERATIONS**

5.1 There are none for the purposes of this report. The Scrutiny recommendations may have financial implications which be explored when the detailed proposals are developed.

#### **6. COMMENTS OF THE BOROUGH SOLICITOR AND MONITORING OFFICER**

6.1 . There are none for the purposes of this report.

#### **7. HUMAN RESOURCES IMPACT**

7.1 There are none for the purposes of this report.

#### **8. EQUALITIES IMPACT**

8.1 . There is no direct equalities impact arising from this report.

#### **9. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**

9.1 There is no direct environmental impact arising from this report.

#### **10. CRIME AND DISORDER REDUCTION IMPACT**

10.1 There is no direct impact on crime and disorder arising from this report.

#### **11. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS/PROPOSED DECISION**

11.1 Not applicable for this report

#### **12. OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED**

12.1 Not applicable for this report

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**CONTACT OFFICERS:** as shown in appendix 1

**BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:** none

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The Scrutiny and Strategic Overview Committee, at its meeting on 11th November 2014, resolved (Minute number A52/14 - Question Time: Cabinet Member for Culture, Leisure and Sport) to:						
1. To make a recommendation to the Cabinet that when considering names for new roads, the names of local sporting heroes and Olympians are included in any deliberations.	<b>Resources</b>  <b>Councillor Timothy Godfrey</b>	<b>Accept</b>	Nathan Elvery Chief Executive			Scrutiny & Overview Committee  8 September 2015
2. To make recommendations to Cabinet to refer inequalities of access to sports facilities to the Fairness Commission.	<b>Place</b>  <b>Councillor Timothy Godfrey</b>	<b>Accept</b>	Jo Negrini, Executive Director Place	<b>The scrutiny recommendation may have financial implications which will be explored when/if recommendations are received from the fairness commission.</b>		Scrutiny & Overview Committee  8 September 2015
The Scrutiny and Strategic Overview Committee, at its meeting on 11th November 2014 resolved (Minute number A53/14 - Pre-decision scrutiny: Cultural Landscape in Croydon) to:						
1. Recommend that the Cabinet continues to work with	<b>People</b>					Scrutiny & Overview

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commercial landlords and other potential partners to address the lack of affordable venues for amateur groups in the borough	<b>Councillor Timothy Godfrey</b>	<b>Accept</b>	Paul Greenhalgh, Executive Director People			Committee 8 September 2015
<b>The Streets and Environment Scrutiny Sub-Committee, at its meeting on 2nd December 2014, resolved (Minute number A34/14 - Street Lighting PFI contract update) to:</b>						
1. Refer its amended report to the Cabinet and the Croydon and Lewisham Joint Street Lighting Committee for consideration and a response to its conclusions and recommendations	<b>Place Councillor Kathy Bee</b>	<b>Accept</b>	Jo Negrini, Executive Director Place	<b>None</b>	<b>The amended report was referred to the Croydon and Lewisham Joint Committee 19 March 2015, the report was reviewed and responded to at the committee chair of Streets and Environment Scrutiny Sub-Committee attended.</b>  <b>Core Investment Programme reviewed monthly and action plan in place. Officers are working with the improved to deliver the core investment programme.</b>	Streets and Environment Scrutiny Sub-Committee  30 June 2015
<b>The Streets and Environment Scrutiny Sub-Committee, at its meeting on 2nd December 2014, resolved (Minute number A33/14 - Pre-decision scrutiny: Cycling in Croydon) to:</b>						

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1. Recommend to the Cabinet that a Cycling Strategy for Croydon including the guiding principles included in the draft strategy presented to this Committee be adopted but that cycling imagery should be inclusive of disabled cyclists and that the adopted strategy shows evidence of a disability focused Equality Impact Assessment.	<b>Place</b> <b>Councillor Kathy Bee</b>	<b>Accept</b>	Jo Negrini, Executive Director Place	<b>£10,000</b>	<b>February 2016</b>	Streets and Environment Scrutiny Sub- Committee  30 June 2015
2. Recommend that Cabinet Members and officers across the council work collaboratively to seek opportunities to combine separate 'pots' of funding with the aim of creating better neighbourhoods for residents.	<b>Place and Resources</b> <b>Councillor Tony Newman</b>	<b>Accept</b>	Nathan Elvery, Chief Executive and Jo Negrini, Executive Director Place			Streets & Environment Scrutiny Sub- Committee  30 June 2015
2. Recommend that Cabinet instructs the planning department and conservation officers work with transport officers to review planning policies and Supplementary Planning Guidance to remove impediments such as the need for planning permission for cycle storage and lockers whenever and wherever possible.	<b>Place</b> <b>Councillor Alison Butler</b>	<b>Reject</b> - Planning policies and Supplementary Planning Guidance cannot remove the need for planning permission (as set nationally). However, policies can set out criteria to ease the process of obtaining planning permission for cycle storage and	Jo Negrini, Executive Director Place	<b>Ensure matter addressed in Croydon Local Plan: Detailed Policies and Proposals (CLP2)</b>		Streets and Environment Scrutiny Sub- Committee  30 June 2015

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		lockers in locations that are suitable. Croydon Local Plan: Detailed Policies and Proposals (CLP2) - policies to assist the provision of cycle storage and lockers in suitable locations. CLP2 will be adopted in late 2017, but will be consulted on in late 2015 and mid 2016.				
<b>The Streets and Environment Scrutiny Sub-Committee, at its meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> January 2015, resolved (Minute number A06/15 – Transport for London – Transport infrastructure in Croydon) to:</b>						
1. Recommend to Cabinet that it strongly makes the case for funding accessibility improvements to Norwood Junction Station to Network Rail and/ or the Department for Transport as appropriate	<b>Place</b> <b>Councillor Kathy Bee</b>	<b>Accept</b>	Jo Negrini, Executive Director Place	The scrutiny recommendations may have financial implications which will be explored when the detailed proposals are developed		Streets & Environment Scrutiny Sub-Committee 30 June 2015
2. Express concern that in consulting on the Dingwall Road 'loop line', Transport for London did not include options for buses at the same time. As a result the Committee	<b>Place</b> <b>Councillor Kathy Bee</b>	<b>Accept</b>	Jo Negrini, Executive Director Place	No financial implications for Croydon Council	TfL comments that it is assessing the impact of the Dingwall Loop on buses and any changes to the network would be subject to consultation in the usual way.	Streets & Environment Scrutiny Sub-Committee



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recommends to Cabinet that it aims to ensure that integrated transport solutions, including bus provision, be designed in to the final scheme						30 June 2015
3. Note that the tram network needs to be replaced before 2030, that the Dingwall Road loop offers an opportunity to start the process of improving tram infrastructure and that the Cabinet should therefore ensure that the quality of infrastructure (including gantries) for the new loop does not prejudice public realm aspirations for the town centre	<b>Place Councillor Kathy Bee</b>	<b>Accept</b>	Jo Negrini, Executive Director Place	Continuing to be the subject of discussion between Croydon Council, TfL and the GLA	TfL comments that subject to agreed funding, consents and design, the extension of the Dingwall Loop project scope (so that public realm aspirations are not prejudiced and can be delivered alongside the Loop by TfL) would ensure a more coherent scheme	Streets & Environment Scrutiny Sub- Committee  30 June 2015
4. Recommend to Cabinet that it supports proposals for both possible tram extensions (Sutton and Crystal Palace) as these would help increase capacity which is integral to the economic development of the town	<b>Place Councillor Kathy Bee</b>	<b>Accept</b>	Jo Negrini, Executive Director Place	£10k is currently being expended revising and updating the business case for the extension to Crystal Palace		Streets & Environment Scrutiny Sub- Committee  30 June 2015
5. Recommend to Cabinet that it (Cabinet) and Network Rail consider future options for the former Woodside Railway station building, which closed in 1997 in preparation for the	<b>Place Councillor Kathy Bee</b>	<b>Accept</b>	Jo Negrini, Executive Director Place		TfL comments that the old station building at Woodside (as distinct from the bridge itself) is within TfL's freehold ownership and a programme of repair works to the building	Streets & Environment Scrutiny Sub- Committee

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construction of Croydon tramlink, as it is falling into decline and becoming an eyesore					are scheduled to start in May 2015.	30 June 2015
6. Recommend that Cabinet asks for a report on the lessons learned from the phasing of bridge replacement works at Spring Lane and Tennison Road in advance of future bridge replacement or strengthening works (such as at Spurgeon Road) in order to minimise disruption to Croydon residents	<b>Place</b> <b>Councillor Kathy Bee</b>	<b>Accept</b>	Jo Negrini, Executive Director Place	<b>None</b>	<b>A lesson learnt exercise has been undertaken into the Spring Lane Project and lessons learnt log completed.</b>	Streets & Environment Scrutiny Sub-Committee  30 June 2015
<b>The Streets and Environment Scrutiny Sub-Committee, at its meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> January 2015, resolved (Minute number A07/15 – Connected Croydon report) to:</b>						
1. Ask the Cabinet to ensure that public realm improvements be maintained in the long term through possible links to the 'Don't Mess with Croydon – Take Pride campaign' and by allocating sufficient funds from the revenue budget	<b>Place</b> <b>Councillor Kathy Bee</b>	<b>Accept</b>	Jo Negrini, Executive Director Place	<b>None</b>	<b>Links with “Don't Mess with Croydon” – Take Pride Campaign already in place during design stages.</b>  <b>The Streets revenue / capital budget covers the cost of the upkeep of the public highway.</b>	Streets & Environment Scrutiny Sub-Committee  30 June 2015
<b>The Scrutiny and Strategic Overview Committee, at its meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2015,</b>						

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<b>resolved (Minute number A07/15 - Question Time: Cabinet Member for Economic Development):</b>						
1. Request Cabinet that it (Cabinet) provides scrutiny with a report on the proposed Investment Bank and information relating to its structure, funding, management and governance.	<b>Place</b> <b>Councillor Toni Letts</b>	<b>Accept</b>	Jo Negrini, Executive Director Place	The Cabinet member was referring to the Revolving Investment Fund (RIF) – here is no Investment Bank. The financial implications of the Revolving Investment Fund will be picked up in the June Cabinet paper.	There is a paper at June Cabinet which outlines the Revolving Investment Fund and questions can be raised at the meeting. There will be no further need to outline again to Scrutiny.	Scrutiny and Overview Committee  8 September 2015
<b>The Children and Young People Scrutiny Sub-Committee, at its meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2015, resolved (Minute number A09/15 – Children’s Safeguarding) to:</b>						
1. Run a greater range of learning and development events to help Members improve their understanding of the specific issues involved in child protection, including child sexual exploitation and missing children, and ensure that opportunities are provided to non-executive Members to	<b>People</b> <b>Councillor Alisa Flemming</b>	<b>Accept</b>	Paul Greenhalgh, Executive Director People	The scrutiny recommendations may have financial implications which will be explored when the detailed proposals are developed	A separate Cabinet report in June 2015 seeks to agree the principle of the establishment of mandatory training for all members on safeguarding children and corporate parenting. Subject to agreement, this will then be provided as part of the	Children and Young People Scrutiny Sub-Committee  14 July 2015

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carry out visits to gain a deeper understanding of child protection and safeguarding work					members training programme.	
2. Provide Members with written guidance to clarify their role in safeguarding, covering the safeguarding of children and adults, and procedures to follow to raise and track concerns	<b>People</b> <b>Councillors Alisa Flemming &amp; Louisa Woodley</b>	<b>Accept</b> the provision of guidance on Members role in relation to safeguarding	Paul Greenhalgh, Executive Director People	The scrutiny recommendations may have financial implications which will be explored when the detailed proposals are developed	Guidance will be incorporated into the safeguarding training referred to above.	Children and Young People Scrutiny Sub-Committee  14 July 2015
3. Consider the appointment of a safeguarding champion to work alongside the portfolio holder and deputy to work across children's and adults' safeguarding issues and to champion the needs of children, young people and adults who are in need of protection	<b>People</b> <b>Councillors Alisa Flemming &amp; Louisa Woodley</b>	<b>Reject:</b> such a champion already exists in the role of the Independent Chair of the Local Safeguarding Children Board	Paul Greenhalgh, Executive Director People			Children and Young People Scrutiny Sub-Committee  14 July 2015
4. Provide Members, and in particular the Cabinet Member and deputy, with more opportunities to directly hear the voice of the child or young person on child protection issues while recognising the sensitivity of engaging with children and young people at risk	<b>People</b> <b>Councillor Alisa Flemming</b>	<b>Accept</b>	Paul Greenhalgh, Executive Director People	The scrutiny recommendations may have financial implications which will be explored when the detailed proposals are developed	Arrangements are being put in place to hear more directly the voice of the child on the Corporate Parenting Committee. Appropriate safeguards will be put in place in relation to any data protection issues.	Children and Young People Scrutiny Sub-Committee  14 July 2015
5. Strengthen the link between Children and Young People	<b>People</b>	<b>Reject</b> as these are boards with separate	Paul Greenhalgh, Executive Director			Children and Young People

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Scrutiny Sub-Committee and the Corporate Parenting Panel by sharing Part A papers to the constituents of both groups	<b>Councillor Alisa Flemming</b>	functions; and the protocols around these boards align appropriately with other similar boards.	People			Scrutiny Sub-Committee 14 July 2015
6. Ask senior officers to provide assurances to Scrutiny that front-line workers are able to appropriately escalate concerns where this may be necessary	<b>People Councillors Alisa Flemming &amp; Louisa Woodley</b>	<b>Accept</b> Although there is evidence that staff feel able to escalate concerns where necessary, it is helpful to reinforce this message	Paul Greenhalgh, Executive Director People	<b>Within existing resources</b>	With immediate effect	Children and Young People Scrutiny Sub-Committee 14 July 2015
7. Provide Scrutiny with up-to-date research findings regarding children's safeguarding issues	<b>People Councillor Alisa Flemming</b>	<b>Accept.</b>	Paul Greenhalgh, Executive Director People	<b>Within existing resources</b>	Where officers become aware of relevant research on children's safeguarding, this will be shared with scrutiny Members; appropriate synopses will be built in to training for Members.	Children and Young People Scrutiny Sub-Committee 14 July 2015