Croydon Council

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REPORT TO:	COUNCIL 27 January 2014
AGENDA ITEM NO:	13
SUBJECT:	BUSINESS REPORT OF THE LEADER INCORPORATING COUNCILLORS' WRITTEN QUESTIONS TO THE LEADER AND CABINET MEMBERS
LEAD OFFICER:	Julie Belvir, Director of Democratic and Legal Services
WARDS:	ALL

CORPORATE PRIORITY/POLICY CONTEXT:

The Business Report of the Leader and Cabinet is prepared in keeping with the Council Procedure Rules at Part 4A of the Constitution.

1. RECOMMENDATIONS

The Council is asked to:

- 1. Note the business report of the Leader and Cabinet;
- 2. Approve the Cabinet recommendations set out in the Leaders Business Report
 - Amendments to Housing Renewal Policy

2. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2.1 The Business Report of the Leader and Cabinet comprises a summary of matters of business formally undertaken by the Leader and Cabinet since the last ordinary meeting of the Council. The report also includes any Bulletins issued by Cabinet Members during that period and would include any recommendations made to Council by Cabinet.
- 2.2 The Constitution also permits written questions to Cabinet Members during consideration of the Business Report.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 Part 4A of the Constitution allows the Leader and the Cabinet to present to Council a report summarising the business it has undertaken since the last ordinary Council meeting. Cabinet is also required to include any recommendations that it has made to Council within that report.
- 3.2 In addition to oral questions on the content of the report, Members are also permitted to submit written questions on any relevant matter during consideration of the report.

- 3.3 No more than 20 minutes shall be allocated to questions to the Leader of the Council (including up to 4 minutes for announcements) and no more than 10 minutes shall be allocated to questions to any other individual Cabinet Member (including up to 2 minutes each for announcements). There is a strict guillotine of 10pm for the Council meeting as a whole. At that time the business report and written replies shall be taken as read and moved en bloc with any recommendations not deferred for debate put immediately to the vote.
- 3.4 Oral questions on matters included in the business report are limited to two per Councillor on any item contained within the report. Cabinet Members and the Councillor that seconds the report are not permitted to ask any questions.
- 3.5 Written questions on any other relevant matter are limited to three per Councillor. A Councillor may ask two supplementary questions arising from the reply given to a question they have submitted but shall do so only if called by the Chair.
- 3.6 The order in which the report shall be laid out, and that questions will be taken, is as follows:
 - i) The Leader of the Council; and
 - ii) Cabinet Members (order rotated for each meeting).
- 3.7 The order for this meeting and the remaining meetings of this Municipal year are attached at Appendix 2.

4. BUSINESS REPORT

4.1 The business report is attached at appendix 3. Cabinet Members Bulletins issued since the last Ordinary Council Meeting are attached at appendix 4.

5. WRITTEN QUESTIONS

- 5.1 Copies of all written questions and their draft replies, which may be subject to oral amendment, shall be circulated to all Councillors at the beginning of the meeting.
- 5.2 A Councillor may ask two supplementary questions arising from the reply given to a question they have submitted but shall do so only if called by the Chair.

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BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:

January 2014

	Councillor	Cabinet Portfolio
	Mike Fisher	Leader of the Council
3	Jason Perry	Cabinet Member for Planning, Regeneration and Transport
2	Tim Pollard	Deputy Leader (Communications) with Cabinet responsibility for Children, Families and Learning
1	Dudley Mead	Deputy Leader (Capital Budget and Asset Management) with Cabinet Responsibility for Housing
6	Phil Thomas	Cabinet Member for Highways and Environmental Services
5	Steve O'Connell	Cabinet Member for Finance and Performance Management
4	Margaret Mead	Cabinet Member for Adult Services and Health
9	Simon Hoar	Cabinet Member for Community Safety and Public Protection
8	Sara Bashford	Cabinet Member for Corporate and Voluntary Services
7	Vidhi Mohan	Cabinet Member for Communities & Economic Development

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March 2014

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COUNCILLOR MIKE FISHER LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

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ITEMS CONSIDERED AT 18 NOVEMBER 2013 CABINET

1. Plans for the Expansion of Gatwick Airport

The Leader of the Council informed the Cabinet that he had today met with the corporate director of Gatwick Airport who outlined their plans for the second runway. The government is considering the options for London airports expansion to meet future demand. A decision on the potential options will be made in the next few weeks and the Council understands today that the announcement of the shortlist will be made on 17 December 2013.

Gatwick's case is compelling. A second runway at Gatwick can be achieved at a fraction of the cost of a third runway at Heathrow, with significantly less impact on the environment and on the costs of travel for air passengers. Gatwick airport recognise the importance of Croydon to its plans and has agreed to work with the Council and the local enterprise partnerships to build the case for expansion and to develop a strategic plan for the Gatwick diamond to ensure the maximum level of economic benefits to Croydon and the M23 corridor.

In light of the timetable referred to above, the Leader of the Council sought Cabinet Members' endorsement in principle to the Council's support for Gatwick Airport in their representations to government and for the second runway. The Chief Executive has been asked to prepare a full report for the next meeting of the Cabinet on 16 December 2013.

Cabinet **RESOLVED**:

to endorse in principle the Council's support for Gatwick Airport in their representations to government and for the second runway.

2 Croydon Heart Town

Cabinet Member: Councillor Margaret Mead

Cabinet considered a report seting out a strategic partnership approach to improving health outcomes. It proposes that the Heart Town is reframed as a major five year programme to improve heart and vascular health in the

borough. Heart and circulatory diseases, including coronary heart disease and stroke, are responsible for around a third of all deaths in Croydon and are also major causes of early death (under 75 years) and disability. Women in the borough are over three times more likely to die of heart disease than breast cancer. Croydon's population is increasingly overweight and inactive, putting those individuals at risk of cardiovascular diseases.

With the Heart Town the council intends to use its new public health responsibilities and resources to put heart health on everyone's agenda. This means investing the ring fenced public health grant in high quality, integrated, 'wellness' services; encouraging health promoting environments, promoting community engagement, and fostering personal responsibility, resilience and independence. Over five years, the programme aims to improve Croydon's position relative to London and England against a range of indicators. It also aims to reduce inequalities in heart health outcomes within the borough.

The Heart Town has the full backing of Croydon Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG). The CCG is carrying out an extensive review of cardiology services, with support from the council's public health team and others, to ensure that future service provision is equitable, innovative and meets the needs of Croydon's diverse population.

Cabinet **RESOLVED**:

- 1. to approve the strategic partnership approach to improving heart health in the Borough.
- 2. to support the use of the Heart Town brand to connect a range of existing and new council initiatives, encompassing the promotion of healthy eating, sport and physical activity, stop smoking and tobacco control.
- 3. to extend the duration of Croydon's Heart Town programme from two to five years to enable the programme to demonstrate measurable improvements in health and wellbeing.

3. Education Estates Strategy update

Cabinet Member: Councillor Tim Pollard

Cabinet considered a report that sought to:

- provide an update on previous decisions to secure places for the 2014/15 and 2015/16 education years;
- provide an update on funding from the DfE;
- provide an update on demand data;
- agree in principle the strategy for school expansion for 2016/17;
- set out proposed arrangements for securing best value and maximizing funding from government.

In determining the strategy for school expansion in 2016-17 the report is seeking to achieve the following objectives:

- early engagement with schools;

- exploration of delivery of alternative forms of delivery to continue to drive value for money expectations;
- enabling sufficient time to consider, particularly in Central Croydon, the delivery of schools as part of infrastructure developments, for example, mixed use developments.

Cabinet **RESOLVED** to:

1. To note:

- 1) the demand update and the Council's 100% success in its bid for Targeted Basic Need Funding, securing £ 47m from the DfE towards the school estates programme:
- 2) the Secretary of State's approval of Harris Federation as the education provider of a new 2FE primary school at Haling Road and Oasis Community Trust as the provider of a new 6FE secondary school at Arena;
- 3) progress in relation to the previously agreed sites for 3 new schools, a 2FE primary school on Aberdeen Road, a 3FE primary school in central Croydon and a 3FE primary school at Westways House:
- 4) the further increase in expected demand for school places.
- 2. To delegate to the Executive Director of CFL the decision on the location of fixed term 'bulge' classes for the 2014/15 education year, for which a budget was agreed at Cabinet, January 2013, minute reference A6/13.
- 3. To agree the proposals for further improving value for money in funding school capital programmes and for maximising the funding secured from government, as set out in section 3.5, and to delegate to the Cabinet Member for Children Families and Learning and Executive Director of Children, Families and Learning authority to take any decisions necessary to take forward these arrangements.
- 4. To agree in principle the strategy for school expansions for 2016/17, subject to further clarification of funding, affordability and planning permission and to delegate to the Cabinet Member for Children, Families and Learning and Executive Director of Children, Families and Learning the early phases of development work, including commencement of consultation and publication of statutory notices, prior to the final strategy and budgetary issues, being brought to Cabinet in June 2014 for approval.

5. Special Educational Needs:

5.1 Courtwood Primary: To note the proposal to establish an Enhanced Learning Provision at Courtwood Primary school to offer 14 additional places for children with Asperger for September 2014; and having considered the responses to the statutory consultation process (at appendix A to the report) to agree the establishment of an Enhanced Learning Provision at Courtwood Primary school.

5.2 Beckmead Special School: To delegate the Cabinet Member for Children, Families and Learning and the Executive Director for Children, Families and Learning the decision, following statutory consultation, the decision regarding the establishment of the provision.

6. that the second column ('Core New Provision') of the table in paragraph 3.4.3 of the report be amended to read: "2FE & 6th form Expansion of Archbishop Lanfranc through the Priority Schools Building Programme".

4. Fairfield Halls Capital project position update and capital investment

Cabinet Members: Councillors Tim Pollard and Jason Perry

The Fairfield Halls (the complex) has served Croydon as the principal cultural venue and community meeting place of the town for 50 years, and is used for many different national, regional and local events. The complex consists of the Concert Hall, the Ashcroft Theatre and the Arnhem Gallery (multi-purpose function suite) and a range of smaller spaces and support facilities.

However, parts of the complex are showing their age and are in need of significant refurbishment and upgrading. The Council has committed, as part of the draft Capital Programme, to the refurbishment of Fairfield Halls.

The Capital Programme was recommended in draft by the Cabinet on February 2012 and approved by full Council on February 2012. It included an allocated budget for the overall project of £27 million over a 5 year period from 2012/13 to 2016/17. This reflected requirements and the planned programme of works at that time.

The enhanced project will build on the opportunities that the development of the Whitgift Centre and surrounding area and the wider regeneration of the town centre will bring to Croydon over the next 5 years. The complementary developments will offer the borough a once in a lifetime opportunity to significantly enhance the shopping and leisure offer and position Fairfield Halls as the cultural Hub in the borough for the next fifty years.

The report considered by Cabinet provided an update on the Project. In particular it highlights a review and testing of the Fairfield Halls project (the Project), the budget and options for the delivery of the design work.

A number of options have been considered:

- Do nothing Cease the project and continue maintenance regime to keep the Fairfield business going. This has been rejected as a feasible option as it would lead to the business closing through the high number of failures within the building and no refurbishment or modernisation to enable the business to continue.
- 2. £30.75m project option Updated costs to deliver the current project.

- 3. £33.75m project option as a standalone project Enhanced project delivering a scheme that will bring real quality and lasting benefit to the borough over the next 50 years.
- 4. Comprehensive College Green Development Progress the delivery of the planning and design of the enhanced project as set out in option 3 whilst also progressing the comprehensive College Green scheme in parallel and determine the route to deliver the enhanced project at Concept Stage C and the procurement of the College Green Development Partner.

Option 4 will enable the commencement of the design work of the enhanced project up to Stage C, which will include outline proposals for structural and building services systems, outline specifications and a preliminary cost plan, with a view to reporting back to cabinet by September 2014 following procurement of the College green development partner to agree how the project will be delivered. It is also proposed that, subject to the sale of items from, the Riesco collection of Chinese ceramics proceeding, to allocate the proceeds of sale to the Fairfield Halls 'enhanced project' and other cultural provision within Croydon.

As part of the process, a development agreement with Fairfield (Croydon) Ltd (Fairfield) will be produced, which will include the agreed scope of works for the enhanced project and allow the Council to appropriate parts of the Premises to enable the works to be carried out efficiently and effectively.

The Council will be in discussion with Fairfield Halls in respect of the above and is presently in discussion with the Fairfield concerning the surrender of the existing lease and the grant of a shorter term lease. This will include break provisions that would enable the substantive future refurbishment of the Fairfield Halls and the wider development of the College Green area to take place. These discussions take into account a number of complex considerations including the Fairfield's position as a charity and the obtaining of Charity Commission consent to any surrender of the Lease.

It is anticipated that the new lease agreement will be agreed with Fairfield Halls 'in principle' by February 2014, before the contract award and commencement of the design stage of the project.

The report considered by a Cabinet sought agreement to Option 4 and that the Executive Director of Children, Families & Learning be given delegated authority, in consultation with the Council Solicitor to finalise and agree the lease surrender and new lease arrangements with Fairfield.

Cabinet **RESOLVED**:

1. to agree that the Council progresses the planning and design of the 'enhanced project' up to Concept Design stage C to modernise and improve Fairfield Halls and deliver a scheme that will bring real quality and lasting benefits to the borough over the next 50 years subject to the agreement of the Fairfield (Croydon) Ltd to the new lease arrangements and the agreement of the Charity Commission.

- 2. to agree that in respect of the above, and subject to the sale of items from, the Riesco collection of Chinese ceramics proceeding, the intention is to allocate the proceeds of sale to the Fairfield Halls 'enhanced project' and other cultural provision within Croydon.
- 3. to delegate authority to the Executive Director of Children, Families & Learning, in consultation with the Council Solicitor to finalise and agree the surrender of the current lease and new lease arrangements with Fairfield (Croydon) Ltd.
- 4. to agree to align the enhanced project with the comprehensive development of the adjoining College Green area in line with the approved Fair Field masterplan and invite potential development partners, to be procured through the London Development Panel, to align their proposals with the modernisation of Fairfield Halls or to incorporate the modernisation of Fairfield Halls within their proposals.
- 5. to report back to Cabinet by September 2014 at the completion of Concept Design stage C and following the appointment of the College Green development partner to agree how the project will be delivered.

5. Infrastructure Investment on the A23 corridor: Transport for London Local Infrastructure Agreement

Cabinet Members: Councillor Jason Perry, Dudley Mea and Phil Thomas

The Leader recently attended a strategic meeting with the Deputy Mayor for London, with responsibility for Transport, where Transport for London (TfL) set out their transport priorities for Croydon. Responding to the strategic importance of the A23 corridor the Deputy Mayor raised the GLA's desire to work with the Council to address congestion and traffic capacity along this strategic route, thus enabling an increase in capacity and reductions in congestion and promoting inward investment and development in Croydon's metropolitan centre.

In particular, Transport for London (TfL) is proposing to prepare a detailed corridor study, leading to the development of an options report, outlining possible strategic highway improvements on the A23 corridor. TfL aim to complete this feasibility work within 12 months. The study will be used to inform future funding decisions for highway improvements including allocation of the TfL Growth Fund and, if approved, Council funds. A minimum funding package of £25 million from the TfL Growth Fund is being allocated to this project and this report seeks approval to the Council committing up to £20million to aid delivery of this TfL led scheme.

Croydon has enormous potential for growth and development particularly in its Opportunity Area, and, in order to see the London Mayor's and the Council's plans for thousands of new homes, jobs and business opportunities realised, it is paramount that the Council supports TfL's investment.

The Council has ambitions to achieve higher levels of economic growth and position Croydon as one of the capital's major centres for inward investment. Working with major companies and Develop Croydon it is clear that investment in the strategic road infrastructure that serves the Croydon Opportunity area (COA) will enhance our offer to investors and developers and improve the perception of Croydon to businesses and residents alike.

The Connected Croydon programme is already transforming the town centre, and this new funding will ensure that the Council has the right infrastructure in place to attract investment and support growth in the Croydon Opportunity Area.

The report considered by Cabinet sought approval to respond to TfL, who will provide funding to undertake feasibility work and subsequently enable delivery of interventions with a value of up to £45 million in partnership with the Council. This work would be underpinned via a Local Infrastructure Agreement between TfL and the Council.

Cabinet **RESOLVED** to

- 1. welcome Transport for London's commitment to invest £25 million in Croydon and lead feasibility work into assessing improvements along the A23 corridor, as set out in the report.
- 2. agree that the Council enters into a Local Infrastructure Agreement in respect of 1 above; and makes a contribution of £20 million, to be drawn down from the 2013/14 to the 2017/18 capital programme.
- 3. agree that the Executive Director of Development and Environment, in consultation with the Council Solicitor, be given delegated authority to negotiate the detailed terms and complete the agreement; and
- 4. agree that a further report be brought to Cabinet in 12 months when the feasibility work and options appraisal has been completed.

6. RE:FIT – Invest to Save Energy Efficiency

Cabinet Member; Councillor Sara Bashford

Cabinet considered a report that highlights the costs of energy consumption in corporate buildings, schools and the communal areas of housing sites and the longer term cost exposure if no action is taken. It sets out the different options (in terms of delivery route, finance and scope) for investing in energy efficiency measures in these buildings to generate cost savings. These measures will include, but not be limited to, lighting upgrades, heating system upgrades and replacements, window upgrades, insulation, draught proofing, replacement pumps and fans, renewable technologies and efficient appliances.

The measures that would be installed in each site will be determined by

Investment Grade Proposals completed by the preferred energy services company (ESCo), which will be appointed from one of the 13 contractors appointed to the RE:FIT supplier framework.

By installing these energy efficiency measures, the Council will generate substantial cost and CO₂ savings. These savings will be guaranteed by the service provider for the duration of the contract with the ESCo. The energy efficiency measures will typically have a life cycle of 15 years or longer.

Cabinet **RESOLVED**:

- 1. to approve expenditure of up to £6.3m over two years to 2016 to fund an invest-to-save programme to install energy efficiency measures in selected corporate buildings, schools and the communal areas of housing sites through the Greater London Authority's RE:FIT programme;
- 2. to note that funding from the London Energy Efficiency Fund is in place to deliver these works; and
- 3. to note the indicative phasing of the programme as detailed in Appendix 1 of the Cabinet report..
- 7 Houses in Multiple Occupation (HMO) Proposal to extend of additional licensing to cover the whole borough and to include certain blocks of converted self-contained flats
 Cabinet Member: Councillor Dudley Mead

There is an existing scheme, introduced in 2009, to include HMOs of all sizes occupied by three or more unrelated tenants sharing facilities. It applies to all wards in the borough except New Addington, Fieldway, Shirley and Selsdon and Ballards wards. At the time these wards did not contain any HMOs. However, over time changes in the nature of occupancy of properties in these wards means their exclusion has led to a disparity in standards required in different parts of the borough.

Further, the scheme introduced in 2009 did not include the licensing of buildings converted to self-contained flats.

Properties converted to self-contained flats prior to 1991 do not comply with current building regulations, particularly the requirements for fire safety measures, and there is currently no requirement for the owners of these properties to notify the council of their existence and arrange for an inspection to ascertain if works are required to bring the properties up to an acceptable standard.

HMO licensing generates income from licence fees, and the proposals to extend licensing requirements would be self-financing, ie the cost of the licences would cover the cost of additional staff required to carry out the extra work relating to licensing and not include profit or the costs of addressing unlicensed activity.

The request for approval of the proposals in principal is being sought prior to further public consultation. The request for delegated consideration as to whether or not to proceed with either proposal is being sought to avoid the need for the same proposals being brought back to informal cabinet/cabinet in the future.

Cabinet **RESOLVED**:

- 1. To agree to consult on whether or not to extend the existing HMO licensing scheme, to include: -
- 1) the New Addington, Fieldway, Shirley and Selsdon and Ballards wards; and
- 2) blocks of self-contained flats converted prior to 1991, which consist of more than two flats and at least 2/3 of the flats are tenanted (not occupied by owners or long leaseholders);
- 2. for the reasons detailed in paragraph 2.5 of the report, delegate considerations of the responses to that consultation and the decision as to whether to proceed with either proposal to the executive director for adult services, health and housing in consultation with the deputy leader (statutory) (capital budget and asset management) and Cabinet Member for Housing.

8. Homelessness – Update report on measures to expand the supply of accommodation and second phase strategy

Cabinet Member: Councillor Dudley Mead

Cabinet considered a report on the present position in respect of homelessness and demand for housing in the Borough, and the actions delivered to specifically address the pressure on Bed and Breakfast (B&B) accommodation and availability of temporary accommodation (TA) to move people from B&B to TA in Croydon, London and nationally. The report details options for phase two of the supply action plan and requests approval from Cabinet of the options presented in Part B of this report and requests delegated authority to the Director of Finance and Assets, in consultation with the Deputy Leader (Statutory) (Capital Budget and Asset Management) and Cabinet Member for Housing to implement the options and investment strategy to expand supply of temporary accommodation.

Homeless applications in Croydon increased from 2,176 in 2011/12 to 3,134 in 2012/13, an increase of 44%. The number of homeless acceptances (duty decisions) also increased from 847 in 2011/12 to 912 in 2012/13, an increase of just under 8%. There is a time lag between homeless applications and acceptances.

The Homelessness (Suitability of Accommodation) (England) Order 2003 (SI 2003/3326) introduced in 2004 makes the use of shared bed and breakfast accommodation for households with "family commitments" unlawful except in an emergency, and then for no longer than 6 weeks. Nationally, the number of households in bed and breakfast accommodation for more than 6 weeks has

increased fivefold from 120 in December 2009 to 690 in September 2012. Croydon reported a nil return in June 2013 due to the extensive work undertaken.

Procuring private sector tenancies remains difficult and existing council homes continue to fill the gap in the supply of temporary accommodation, which impacts on the ability to meet necessary allocations and transfers, so should be limited at the earliest opportunity. Latest figures show 1027 homeless households occupying council homes as at the end of June 2013. Croydon were able to secure 393 private rented tenancies in 2008/09, 31 in 2011/12 and only 17 in 2012/13 for homelessness prevention, therefore our ability to secure supply has been significantly reducing.

Croydon have been able to secure 80 properties between January and September 2013 against a target of 100 through its expanding temporary accommodation project, therefore demonstrating sound investment to meet intended outcomes. The costs are within the financial model agreed by Cabinet. It is however resource intensive and has associated risks such as bad debt, voids and costs associated with bringing the properties up to a lettable standard and the on-going management of the property through Croydon Landlord Services. Property values are rising and therefore with an already tight model, to continue the scheme in-house may become unaffordable and alternative models should be explored.

There is a continuing need to focus on solutions to this rise in demand and reduction in private sector accommodation supply and minmise the use of council stock for temporary accommodation and improve the outcomes and quality of life for residents experiencing homelessness.

Cabinet **RESOLVED**

- 1. to agree that the Director of Finance and Assets, in consultation with the Deputy Leader (Statutory) (Capital Budget and Asset Management) and Cabinet Member for Housing be given delegated authority to take any further steps to implement the options, including entering into agreements on behalf of the authority, to implement these options; and
- 2. to note the present position in respect of homelessness and the actions delivered by the Council to meet housing needs in Croydon and the approval request detailed in the Part B report on the Cabinet agenda regarding future investment options to secure more temporary accommodation.

ITEMS CONSIDERED AT 16 DECEMBER 2013 CABINET

9. Annual Report of the Croydon Safeguarding Adults Board 2012/13 Cabinet Member: Councillor Margaret Mead

This annual report of the Croydon Safeguarding Adults Board (CSAB) covers the period from April 2012 to the end of March 2013 (The report is available as

an e-copy

www.croydon.gov.uk/contents/departments/healthsocial/pdf/1028604/csa-report-12-13).

The Safeguarding Adults Board is now chaired independently by Jane Lawson who has been in post since January 2011. This reflects the direction of travel towards giving Safeguarding Adults Boards greater formality, accountability and responsibility with boards set to become a statutory body under the Care Bill. The report reflects a great deal of commitment and hard work across agencies in Croydon in support of the safeguarding adults' agenda. The growing membership of the Croydon Safeguarding Adults Board is committed to ensuring robust partnership responses to safeguarding adults at risk, strengthening safeguarding work in all areas of the community. This commitment is reflected in the reports submitted by partner agencies for inclusion within the annual report.

The Board promotes constructive challenge, innovation and reflective and evidenced based practice, drawing on the increasing body of knowledge and experience emerging in the field of safeguarding adults. The period 2012/13 has seen a number of milestones and developments in safeguarding adults nationally including the publication of the final report of the Mid Staffordshire NHS Foundation Trust Public Inquiry chaired by Robert Francis QC; a statement of Government policy on adult safeguarding and new advice and guidance to Directors of Adult Social Services, issued by the Association of Directors of Adult Social Services. The priorities of the CSAB reflect this national learning.

Cabinet **RESOLVED**:

that they were aware of the contents of the annual report, the work that is happening regarding safeguarding adults at risk and the on-going planning to strengthen this area of joint work by the Council and its statutory and voluntary partner agencies.

10. Annual Review Council Tax Support Scheme

Cabinet Member: Sara Bashford

As part of the Spending Review 2010, the Government localised council tax benefit (CTB) from 2013/14 (1st April) whilst reducing funding nationally by 10%. As a result of Croydon's growth in claims the impact of the reduction was much higher in Croydon and is currently expected to be a 16% reduction in funding.

These proposed changes represented a significant additional cost to the Council of £4.8m in 2013/14 with the expectation of further additional costs in future years if the increase in demand for support from within the community continued.

In order to understand how the limited funding could be best used to support local families in 2013/14 the council consulted on a number of options and used feedback to define its own local scheme for council tax support.

As part of the changes to the legislation the council is required to review its local scheme annually and determine whether there any changes are required. This report provides background to the original changes, how the CTS Scheme has performed this year and recommends that that the scheme continues unchanged with annual uprating for 2014.15.

Cabinet **RESOLVED**:

- 1. to note the impacts of the initial period of operation of the Council Tax Support scheme;
- 2. to agree the continuation of the existing Croydon Council Tax Support Scheme, on the current terms for 2014/15.

11. Financial Performance 2013/14 – Quarter 2

Cabinet Members: Councillors Dudley Mead and Steve O'Connell

Cabinet considered a report that summarises the Council's financial performance and related operational performance indicators as at the month ending September 2013. It details the projected outturn position and highlights the action taken to manage under performance.

Cabinet **RESOLVED**:

- 1) to approve virement detailed in paragraph 3.2 of the Cabinet report.
- 2) to note the projected outturn for 2013/14 of an overspend of £1.842m
- 3) to note the changes to the capital programme for 2013/14 incorporating re-phasing of the programme to take account of the slippage and underspends identified shown in table 4.
- 4) to note the HRA forecast of a surplus of £0.245m for the current financial year.

12. Amendments to Housing Renewal Policy (Council Appendix 1) Cabinet Member: Councillor Dudley Mead

The Regulatory Reform (Housing Assistance) Order 2002 requires the Council to publish a Housing Renewal Policy. The first Policy was agreed by Cabinet on 7 April 2003 and set out the assistance that the Council would give for housing renewal. It was agreed that the Policy should be subject to regular review. The Policy was last reviewed in 2011 and the amendments agreed by Cabinet (Minute A22/11) on 21 February 2011.

The key proposed changes are: changes to the available external funding sources resulting in the continuation of some and the introduction of new services and forms of assistance, the introduction of a new discretionary loan for the provision of adaptations in exceptional circumstances and changes to the maximum amounts for Discretionary Home Investment Loan and Disabled Facilities Relocation Grant.

The Regulatory Reform (Housing Assistance) Order 2002 also requires that the Council publish the types of assistance available and in order for the Council to

offer loans to home owners for disabled facilities, the terms and conditions must be detailed in the Housing Renewal Policy. The existing Policy contains details of the home investment loans that are already available to home owners and the revised policy will also include the new eligibility criteria for discretionary loans for disabled facilities.

The amendment will also be used as an opportunity to make a number of minor procedural changes and clarifications to the terms and conditions contained within the Policy.

Cabinet RESOLVED

to recommend to full Council that it agrees the proposed amendments (shown in appendix B to the report) to the Housing Renewal Policy.

13. Proposed change of use of Tonbridge House retirement housing scheme to general needs temporary accommodation for homeless families with children

Cabinet Member: Councillor Dudley Mead

The report considered by Cabinet provided an overview of the results of the consultation on the proposed change of use of Tonbridge House retirement housing scheme to general needs temporary accommodation for homeless families with children. The proposal presents a series of recommendations including a recommended option as a way forward.

Demand from statutory homeless households has been rising at a significant rate, and the council is experiencing increasing difficulty in meeting its statutory duties towards homeless households in priority need.

One particular manifestation of these growing needs is increasing reliance on non-self-contained bed and breakfast accommodation for families with children. clearly not a suitable type of housing for anything but very short periods. As well as developing a programme of measures to increase access to selfcontained private sector housing, the council is also seeking to make the most effective use of its own housing stock. There is an imbalance between the supply of retirement housing and that of general needs housing; the average wait for retirement housing ranges from one month to just under two years as opposed to between eight months and 11 years for a one-bedroom general needs property, this waiting time being greater again for family-sized home. At the same time, some retirement housing schemes are unpopular with housing applicants and therefore difficult to let. Whilst acknowledging the importance of retirement housing in meeting the needs of older people, a modest level of conversion to general needs housing will help to rebalance the stock and better manage the increasing homelessness problem, and ensure that the council can fulfil its statutory obligations.

Consultation with residents at Tonbridge House retirement scheme started on Wednesday 2 October 2013 and ended on Friday 1 November 2013 and the full results from the survey are provided at Appendix 5 of the Cabinet report.

A record of the issues raised and comments made at the public meeting on 2 October 2013 is provided at Appendix 7. A summary of the results is provided in section 4.4.

The survey results indicate a significant preference to maintain the status quo, with 76% of respondents indicating that they fully disagree with the proposed change of use to Tonbridge House. Only 19% partially agreed and another 5% neither agree nor disagree.

However, the rationale for the proposal - contributing to a reduction in the reliance on bed and breakfast accommodation and helping to limit the length of time that families must stay in bed and breakfast - is very compelling. Tonbridge House would provide a safe alternative to bed and breakfast hotels by providing self-contained flats which meet the Decent Home Standard and which will be suitable for stays of longer than a few days or weeks.

Of 38 properties at Tonbridge House, one is vacant and two tenants have indicated that they would like to relocate if the use of the block were to change. Additional vacancies would arise due to natural turnover.

A full Equalities Impact Assessment (EqIA) has been undertaken in respect of the recommended option and with reference to the results and issues raised (Appendix 2). The EqIA does indicate negative impacts however, as detailed in Section 3 of the EqIA, there are measures that would be taken to eliminate or mitigate those impacts.

To summarise, three measures would help to mitigate the negative impact on the existing tenants making the option to convert the scheme a much more palatable choice.

The first is that each tenant will be able to choose for her/himself whether to remain or whether to request alternative housing.

The second is a programme of measures which will on the one hand remove or reduce the possible problems at the scheme (such as anti-social behaviour or access for the existing tenants to communal facilities) and, on the other, ensure support, including a financial package for people who move elsewhere.

The third measure is that when placing families at Tonbridge House, greater sensitivity will be applied in the selection of families to ensure that any problems are not exacerbated.

A cost savings summary is provided at Appendix 1 and sets out a range of scenarios and assumptions. Based on these factors, a minimum saving of £1k could accrue to the General Fund in 2013/14 followed by a saving of £55k in 2014/15, rising to £138k in 2015/16 and each year thereafter. The summary illustrates that although there will be a cost implication, this will be more than offset by longer term savings. Given the nature of the costs which are directly related to council tenants and properties, it is appropriate that these are met from the housing revenue account.

Therefore, it is recommended that option 2 be progressed.

Cabinet RESOLVED:

Having considered the responses to the consultation on the proposal to change the use of Tonbridge House retirement housing block to general needs temporary accommodation for homeless families with children, together with officer's comments on these as detailed in the report and appendices, and having considered the equality impact assessment relating to this proposal at Appendix 2 of the Cabinet report:

1. to agree that Tonbridge House retirement housing scheme be converted to general needs housing for use as temporary accommodation for homeless households in priority need (Option 2 for consultation purposes), and to note that existing tenants will be given the choice of remaining in the scheme or moving to alternative suitable accommodation(with support provided).

2. to agree:

- 2.1 implementation of the activities and processes from March 2014 to realise the effects of change of use to general needs temporary accommodation as soon as possible.
- 2.2 to Implement the actions proposed at Appendix 8 of the report to mitigate the concerns raised by existing tenants.
- 2.3 that priority be given to tenants from Tonbridge House wishing to relocate on the allocation of vacant properties in the neighbouring block Sevenoaks.
- 2.4 to commit an average sum of £4k per household to cover the costs associated with resettling the existing tenants who choose to move to alternative accommodation on the basis of the Re-housing Policy and Procedure at Appendix 4 of the report.
- 2.5 that the Executive Director for Adult Health and Housing in consultation with the Deputy Leader (Statutory), Capital Budget and Asset Management and Cabinet Member for Housing, be delegated authority to agree any further steps necessary for the implementation of the Option 2.
- 2.6 that the Executive Director for Adult Health and Housing in consultation with the Deputy Leader (Statutory) be delegated authority to agree any future retirement housing scheme to be converted to general needs temporary accommodation for homeless households.

14 Your Croydon Counts

Cabinet Member: Councillor Steve O'Connell

This is the Your Croydon Counts performance report for the second quarter of 2013/14, giving latest available data for our Croydon Counts Key Performance Indicators.

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Your Croydon Counts measures the Council's progress in delivering the priorities and objectives set out within our Corporate Plan for 2013-15, as signed off by Cabinet in July 2013.

This performance report aims to be accessible, clear and concise; and to report only new and fresh data for a selected set of key areas.

Cabinet **RESOLVED** to note the Quarter 2 performance for 2013/14 within appendix 1 of the report.

COUNCILLOR DUDLEY MEAD, DEPUTY LEADER (STATUTORY) (CAPITAL BUDGET AND ASSET MANAGEMENT) & CABINET MEMBER FOR HOUSING

1. TENDERS AND PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS, ETC., APPROVED BY CABINET MEMBER UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY BETWEEN 1ST DECEMBER 2013 AND 1ST JANUARY 2014

Date of Corporate Services Committee Meeting	Minute No.	Tender/Property Transaction
11 December 2013	B73/13	Pre-construction design services for the provision of a new 6 form of entry secondary school at Croydon Arena
11 December 2013	B74/13	Tenders for a term contract for the control of Legionellosis within the Council stock of flats and maisonettes
I December 2013	B76/13	Contract cost variances to Hayes, Whitehorse Manor and Kensington Avenue Primary Schools and Robert Fitzroy Academy expansion projects
11 December 2013	B77/13	Disposal of 3 South Lodge Addington

COUNCILLOR STEVE O'CONNELL, CABINET MEMBER FOR FINANCE AND PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT

1. TENDERS AND PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS, ETC., APPROVED BY CABINET MEMBER UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY BETWEEN 1ST DECEMBER 2013 AND 1ST JANUARY 2014

Date of Corporate Services Committee Meeting	Minute No.	Tender/Property Transaction
11 December 2013	B75/13	Procurement of Income Management, Cash Receipting and Electronic Payment systems support and maintenance contract
11 December 2013	B78/13	Provision of ICT Data Centre and Disaster recovery services

COUNCILLOR PHIL THOMAS CABINET MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND HIGHWAYS

CABINET MEMBER'S ITEMS CONSIDERED AT 17TH DECEMBER 2013 TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT CABINET COMMITTEE

1. OBJECTIONS TO TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT ORDERS, WELLESLEY ROAD CROSSINGS SCHEME

The Cabinet Committee having considered the comments and objections received in response to the statutory notices published in respect of the proposed Traffic Management Orders for the Wellesley Road Crossings scheme and the officer's response to those objections as detailed in Section 3 of the report.

RESOLVED

- 1.1 not to proceed with:-
 - The proposed shared use cycle tracks on Wellesley Road, Poplar Walk, Bedford Park and Lansdowne Road; or
 - The Toucan Crossings for cyclists on Wellesley Road.
- 1.2 That the General Manager of Enforcement and Infrastructure, Parking Services be authorized to make the necessary Traffic Management Orders as detailed in Section 3 under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended) to confirm:
 - The bus lane order in respect of Lansdowne Road;
 - The changes to the prescribed route order in respect of Wellesley Road and Lansdowne Road, Poplar Walk, and Bedford Park.
 - A two stage straight across controlled pedestrian crossing on Wellesley Road at the Junction of Bedford Park and Poplar Walk
 - A two stage straight across controlled pedestrian crossing on Wellesley Road at the Junction of Lansdowne Road
 - Removal of a two stage controlled pedestrian crossing and installation of a straight across controlled pedestrian crossing on Poplar Walk at the junction with Wellesley Road
 - Removal of a straight across controlled pedestrian crossing and installation of a two stage controlled pedestrian crossing on Bedford Park at the junction with Wellesley Road
 - Amendments to the two stage controlled pedestrian crossing on Lansdowne Road at the junction of Wellesley Road; and
- 1.3 That officers inform the consultees and objectors of the decisions.

2. PROPOSED ONE WAY WORKING AT BYNES ROAD

The Cabinet Committee having considered the responses to the informal consultation and officers responses to these as detailed in Appendix 1 of the report **RESOLVED**:

- 1.1 To introduce a one-way working for northbound traffic in Bynes Road and at an estimated cost of £20,000.
- 1.2 That the Executive Director of Planning and Environment be authorised to carry out the Statutory consultation, serve notices and make the necessary Traffic Management Orders under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended), and the Highways Act 1980, in order to introduce the changes, subject to receiving no material objections on the giving of public notice; and
- 1.3 Noted that any material objections received on the giving of public notice, where required, will be reported to a future Cabinet Committee for Members' consideration.

3. SPICES YARD CAR PARK – PROPOSED CHANGES AND RENAMING TO RESTAURANT QUARTER CAR PARK

The Cabinet Committee **RESOLVED** to:

- 1.1 Agree to the proposed name change for Spices Yard Car Park to Restaurant Quarter Car Park.
- 1.2 Note the reduction in the car park charges as outlined in the report and to come into operation from Monday 2 December.
- 1.3 That the Manager of Enforcement and Infrastructure, Highways and Parking Services be authorised to make the necessary Traffic Management Orders under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended) in order to introduce the above proposal.

4. SANDPITS ROAD AND BLACKFORD CLOSE - POSSIBLE PARKING SCHEMES - RESULTS OF CONSULTATION

The Cabinet Committee **RESOLVED**:

- 1.1 To note the results of the consultation on possible parking schemes in Sandpits Road and Blackford Close; and
- 1.2 Abandon the proposals for parking schemes in these roads but to monitor parking conditions and complaints / requests from residents for future review.

5. INTRODUCTION OF NEW PARKING RESTRICTIONS - VARIOUS LOCATIONS

The Cabinet Committee considered a report that proposed to introduce mainly 'At any time' waiting restrictions at various locations across the Borough, where parking is presently creating obstruction and safety concerns.

The Cabinet Committee **RESOLVED**:

- 1.1 That the Manager of Enforcement and Infrastructure, Highways and Parking Services, be authorised to make the necessary Traffic Management Orders under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended) to introduce mainly 'At any time' waiting restrictions at the locations detailed below and in Drawing Nos. PD 225a to PD 225r, subject to receiving no material objections on the giving of public notice:
 - Sandringham Road junctions with Pitt Road, Kynaston Road and Palmerston Road – Bensham Manor
 - Waddington Ave junctions with Inwood Ave & Homefield Rd Coulsdon East
 - Brighton Road between Marlpit Lane and Farthing Way Coulsdon West
 - Woodlands Grove Coulsdon West (upgrade of restrictions to 7am to 8pm, Monday to Sunday)
 - Lodge Lane by Headley Drive, within slip road Fieldway
 - Montacute Road junctions with Wolsley Crescent, Aldrich Crescent & Shaxton Crescent – Fieldway and New Addington
 - Featherbed Lane by Nos. 2, 3 & 4 (around gap in verge between main carriageway and service road) Heathfield
 - Norbury Court Road / Ena Road (including bend) Norbury
 - Brancaster Lane by Bowling Club Purley
 - Ingleboro Drive / Mitchley Avenue Sanderstead
 - Bridle Road outside Spring Park Primary School Shirley
 - Parry Road / Egerton Road South Norwood
 - Spurgeon Road / Beulah Hill Upper Norwood
 - Pampisford Road between Chancellor Gardens and Hamond Close and between Harepit Close and Kendra Hall Road – Waddon
 - St Augustine's Avenue by Tirlemont Road Waddon
 - Redford Avenue junctions with Fairlands Avenue, Ashley Road, Goldwell Road and Grove Road – West Thornton
 - Watcombe Road / Albert Road Woodside
- 1.2 to note that any material objections received on the giving of public notice will be reported to a future Traffic Management Cabinet Committee for Members' consideration.

6. PROPOSED PARKING BAYS – VARIOUS LOCATIONS

The Cabinet Committee considered a report proposing additional Pay & Display bays, shared-use Permit / Pay & Display bays, 30 minute maximum stay bays and disabled bays in Brampton Road, Addiscombe, London Road, West Croydon, Coulsdon Town Centre, Broadcoombe, Selsdon, Crossways Parade, Gravel Hill and Farley Place, South Norwood to help businesses, residents and visitors.

The Cabinet Committee **RESOLVED** to agree:

1.1 The introduction of a 30 minute maximum stay, 8 to 9.30am,

- 2.30 to 4pm, Monday to Friday disabled bay in Brampton Road by Davidson Road.
- 1.2 The introduction of four 1 hour maximum stay, 9am to 5pm, Monday to Saturday free parking bays (with a ticket) in Brighton Road by Malcolm Road, Coulsdon.
- 1.3 The introduction of three 2 hour maximum stay shared-use Permit / Pay & Display Bays in Station Approach Road by Edward Road, Coulsdon.
- 1.4 The introduction of a 1 hour maximum stay 9am to 5pm, Monday to Saturday Pay & Display Only Bay (first 30 minutes free) in Chipstead Valley Road, Coulsdon.
- 1.5 The introduction of an 'At any time' disabled bay in Broadcoombe by Tedder Road.
- 1.6 To introduce an additional three 30 minute maximum stay free parking bays and a 3 hour maximum stay disabled bay (both operating 9am to 5pm, Monday to Saturday) in Crossways Parade, Selsdon Park Road as shown on Plan No. PD 204b.
- 1.7 The introduction of four 8 hour maximum stay shared-use Permit / Pay & Display Bays in Broad Green Avenue by London Road.
- 1.8 The introduction of four 4 hour maximum stay shared-use Permit / Pay & Display Bays in Elmwood Road by London Road.
- 1.9 The introduction of four off-peak (10am to 4pm, Monday to Saturday) one hour maximum stay (first 30 minutes free) Pay & Display only bays in London Road by Elmwood Road in conjunction with 7 to 10am and 4 to 7pm, Monday to Saturday waiting and loading restrictions.
- 1.10 The introduce of three 2 hour maximum stay shared-use Permit / Pay & Display Bays in Farley Place, South Norwood; and
- 1.11 that the Manager of Enforcement and Infrastructure, Highways and Parking Services be authorised to make the necessary Traffic Management Orders under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended) in order to introduce the above measures, subject to receiving no material objections on the giving of public notice. Any material objections received on the giving of public notice will be reported to a future Traffic Management Cabinet Committee for Members' consideration.

7. OBJECTIONS TO PROPOSED PARKING SCHEMES

The Cabinet Committee considered the comments and objections from the public following the formal consultation process on proposals to introduce a Controlled Parking Zone in Mill View Gardens, free 30 minute maximum stay bays in Crossways Parade, Selsdon Park Road and the revocation of the parking bays.

The proposed CPZ hours of operation and layout of parking bays for Mill View Gardens was amended following representations from residents and readvertised. Subsequently further objections have been received and responded to in this report and officers have recommended to proceed with the Monday to Friday to 9.30 to 10.30am and 1.30 to 2.30pm scheme as shown on Plan No. PD - 206b.

The report also considered an objection to the proposed 30 minute maximum stay parking bays in Crossways Parade, Selsdon Park Road and recommends to introduce these bays as shown on Plan No. PD 204b. A recommendation to introduce an additional three 30 minute maximum stay bays and a disabled bay is included in another report. (item 6 above)

The report also considered an objection to the proposed revocation of 7 parking bays in London Road but recommends that the bays should be revoked to enable the completion of a residential development on the corner of London Road and Bensham Lane.

The Cabinet Committee **RESOLVED** to agree:

- 1.1 To introduce a Controlled Parking Zone with free parking bays in Mill View Gardens with operational hours 9.30 10.30am and 1.30 2.30pm, Monday to Friday as shown on Plan No. PD 206b.
- 1.2 To introduce six 30 minute maximum stay free parking bays (operating 9am to 5pm, Monday to Saturday) in Crossways Parade, Selsdon Park Road as shown on Plan No. PD 204b.
- 1.3 To the revocation of the parking bays in the London Road service road by Bensham Lane.
- 1.4 That the Manager of Enforcement and Infrastructure, Highways and Parking Services be authorized to make the necessary Traffic Management Orders under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended); and
- 1.5 That officers inform the objectors of the above decisions.

8. OBJECTION TO PROPOSED DISABLED PARKING BAY IN REDSTART CLOSE

The Cabinet Committee having considered the objection received in response to the formal public notice in respect of the proposal to provide a Disabled Persons' parking bay in Redstart Close, New Addington and officers' response to the objection as detailed in paragraph 3 or the report **RESOLVED**

- 1.1 That the Manager of Enforcement and Infrastructure, Highways and Parking Services be authorised to make the necessary Traffic Management Order as recommended in paragraph 3 under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended); and
- 1.2 That officers inform the applicant and objector of the decision

9. PROPOSED ZEBRA CROSSINGS AT PARKWAY, NEW ADDINGTON

The Cabinet Committee **RESOLVED**:

- (a) to authorise the giving of public notice in respect of the proposal to introduce a Zebra crossing facilities at the following location:
 - Parkway New Addington outside NHS walk-in centre as shown on the plan TH-0011,
- (b) That the Head of Parking Services be authorised to carry out the statutory consultation, serve notices and make the necessary Traffic Management Orders under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended), in order to introduce the changes, subject to receiving no material objections on the giving of public notice.
- (c) To note that any material objections received on the giving of public notice, where required, will be reported to a future Cabinet Committee for Members' consideration.

10. OBJECTIONS TO PROPOSED PARKING RESTRICTIONS VARIOUS LOCATIONS

The Cabinet Committee having considered the objections and comments received to the proposed introduction of yellow line parking restrictions at the following locations **RESOLVED**:

- 1.1 Mardell Road agreed not to proceed
 - Rickman Hill / Portnalls Close agreed to proceed
 - Princess Road / Beulah Grove agreed to proceed
- 1.2 That the Manager of Enforcement and Infrastructure, Highways and Parking Services be authorised to make the necessary Traffic Management Orders as recommended above under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended); and
- 1.3 That officers inform the objectors of the above decisions.
- 1.4 Croham Manor Road officers to consult with local residents on revised proposals and any report any objections back to the Cabinet Committee.

11. PROPOSED STREETSCENE PROJECT – PILOT

The Cabinet Committee considered a report that sought approval for selected roads in the borough to be closed for a day to allow various essential highways maintenance works (i.e. gullies/drains cleansing, carriageway/footway repairs, street lighting etc) to be carried out as a pilot streetscene project.

The Cabinet Committee RESOLVED

1.1 To agree that under the current temporary Traffic Management

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Order (Appendix A1 & A2) in place for maintenance works, as a pilot streetscene project, selected roads in the borough be closed for a day as detailed in para 3.6 to allow various essential highways maintenance works to be carried out.

- 1.2 To note that a notification letter (Appendix B) will be delivered to all affected residents/businesses advising of the road closure and advance warning signs erected on lamp posts.
- 1.3 To note that a Penalty Charge Notice may be issued to any vehicle preventing access to the works being carried out and the vehicle relocated.

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