

## LONDON BOROUGH OF CROYDON

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### **PUBLIC NOTICE OF KEY DECISIONS MADE AT THE CABINET MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, 7 DECEMBER 2022**

This statement is produced in accordance with Regulation 12 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.

In accordance with the Scrutiny and Overview Procedure Rules the following decisions may be implemented from **1300 hours on 16 December 2022** unless referred to the Scrutiny and Overview Committee (ie after 13.00 hours on the 6th working day following the day on which the decision was taken). The call-in procedure is appended to this notice.

The following apply to each decision listed below

#### **Reasons for these decisions:**

<https://democracy.croydon.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=183&MId=2988>

#### **Other options considered and rejected:**

<https://democracy.croydon.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=183&MId=2988>

**Details of any consultation and representations received not included in the published report:** None

**Details of conflicts of Interest declared by any Cabinet Member:** None

The Executive Mayor has made the executive decisions noted out below:

**Agenda Item: 5      DISTRIBUTION OF HOUSEHOLD SUPPORT FUND GRANT**

**Key Decision No.: 7222EM**

#### **Details of decision:**

Having carefully read and considered the Part A report, and the requirements of the Council's public sector duty in relation to the issues detailed in the body of the reports, the Executive Mayor in Cabinet

**RESOLVED:** To

1.1 Accept the Department for Work and Pension Household Support Fund (HSF) allocation of £3,013,689.49 as set out in this report and make associated budget adjustments.

1.2 Approve the proposed allocation of the HSF in line with Appendix A to this report and the administration of the fund. This covers a local eligibility framework, an approach to enabling access to grant funding that supports households most in need, and the development of a local delivery approach.

1.3 Approve the proposed phased roll out approach set out in paragraph 7 of the report.

**Agenda Item: 6 ADOPTING THE RESIDENTS' CHARTER**

**Key Decision No.: 7322EM**

**Details of decision:**

Having carefully read and considered the Part A report, and the requirements of the Council's public sector duty in relation to the issues detailed in the body of the reports, the Executive Mayor in Cabinet

**RESOLVED: To**

1. Note and agree the Residents' Charter (Appendix One)
2. Note the Council's plans to embed the Charter's principles within the Housing directorate

**Agenda Item: 8 UPDATING THE HOMELESSNESS AND ROUGH SLEEPING STRATEGY**

**Key Decision No.: 5722EM**

**Details of decision:**

Having carefully read and considered the Part A report, and the requirements of the Council's public sector duty in relation to the issues detailed in the body of the reports, the Executive Mayor in Cabinet

**RESOLVED: To**

- I. Approve the updated draft 2023/24 Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy Action Plan (Appendix One)
- II. Note and approve the Housing Directorate's plan to develop a revised Homelessness & Rough Sleeping Strategy, following a comprehensive review of homelessness in the Borough, which will set out the strategic direction for service delivery for 2024- 2027.

**Agenda Item: 9            REPORT ON THE RESULTS OF INFORMAL PUBLIC CONSULTATION 13 HEALTHY SCHOOL STREETS**

**Key Decision No.: 6522EM**

**Details of decision:**

Having carefully read and considered the Part A report, and the requirements of the Council's public sector duty in relation to the issues detailed in the body of the reports, the Executive Mayor delegated to the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Lynne Hale, the power to make the decisions set out in the recommendations contained within this report. The Deputy Mayor in Cabinet

**RESOLVED:**

i. That the following 10 Healthy School Street schemes are agreed for implementation under ETMOs, with proposed amendments to HSS 17 and HSS 20 schemes as detailed in this report:

<b>Ref:</b>	<b>Scheme name</b>
HSS14	Elmwood Schools (Infant & Junior)
HSS15	Harris Academy Crystal Palace
HSS16	Harris Academy Invictus
HSS17	Harris Academy South Norwood, Beulah Hill Campus <b>(as amended)</b>
HSS18	Kensington Primary & Norbury High
HSS19	Minster Schools
HSS20	Oasis Academy Byron <b>(as amended)</b>
HSS21	Rockmount Primary
HSS22	St. James the Great Primary
HSS24	St. Peter's Primary

If the above recommended school streets are agreed to proceed, the Deputy Mayor is recommended to agree the following to ensure that the experimental schemes progress smoothly during the 18-month trial period:

- i. Provide the relevant delegated authority to the Road Space Manager, Sustainable Communities Division to make the required ETMOs which will be valid for a maximum period of 18 months. The first 6 months will serve as the statutory objection period.
- ii. Authorise officers to implement relevant parking, waiting and/or loading restrictions required to support the successful operation of the experimental school street schemes.

- iii. Authorise officers to install the relevant equipment that allows the collection of traffic and air quality data for the 10 School Street sites.

**Agenda Item: 11      REFINANCING OF STREETLIGHTING PFI**

**Key Decision No.: 6722EM**

**Details of decision:**

Having carefully read and considered the Part A report, the associated confidential part B report, and the requirements of the Council's public sector duty in relation to the issues detailed in the body of the reports, the Executive Mayor in Cabinet

**RESOLVED: To**

1. Delegate to Corporate Director of Resources and Section 151 Officer in consultation with Monitoring Officer and Cabinet Member for Finance to accept or reject the final outcome of the refinancing offer subject to due diligence.
2. Subject to outcome of Recommendation 1 Delegate to Corporate Director of Resources and Section 151 Officer in consultation with Monitoring Officer and Cabinet Member for Finance to consider taking an upfront gain through a cash receipt or a reduced Unitary Charge payment in future.
3. Subject to outcome of Recommendation 1 Delegate to Corporate Director of Resources and Section 151 Officer in consultation with Monitoring Officer and Cabinet Member for Finance to consider receiving the gain for Department of Transport (DfT) in return for reduced PFI credits over time.
4. Delegate to Corporate Director of Resources and Section 151 Officer in consultation with Monitoring Officer and Cabinet Member for Finance to vary the Project Agreement should the refinancing require commercial adjustment to be made to the agreements.

**Signed:** Monitoring Officer

**Notice date:** 08 December 2022

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## Scrutiny Referral/Call-in Procedure

1. The decisions may be implemented **1300 hours on 16 December 2022** (the 6th working day following the day on which the decision was taken) unless referred to the Scrutiny and Overview Committee.
2. The Council Solicitor shall refer the matter to the Scrutiny and Overview Committee if so requested by:-
  - i) the Chair and Vice Chair of the Scrutiny and Overview Committee and 1 member of that Committee; or for education matters the Chair, Vice Chair and 1 member of that Committee; or
  - ii) 20% of Council Members (14)
3. The referral shall be made on the approved pro-forma (*attached*) which should be submitted electronically or on paper to Democratic Services by the deadline stated in this notice. Verification of signatures may be by individual e-mail, fax or by post. A decision may only be subject to the referral process once.
4. The Call-In referral shall be completed giving:
  - i) The grounds for the referral
  - ii) The outcome desired
  - iii) Information required to assist the Scrutiny and Overview Committee to consider the referral
  - iv) The date and the signatures of the Councillors requesting the Call-In
5. The decision taker and the relevant Chief Officer(s) shall be notified of the referral who shall suspend implementation of the decision. The Chair of the Scrutiny & Overview Committee shall also be notified.
6. The referral shall be considered at the next scheduled meeting of the Scrutiny & Overview Committee unless, in view of the Council Solicitor, this would cause undue delay. In such cases the Council Solicitor will consult with the decision taker and the Chair of Scrutiny and Overview to agree a date for an additional meeting. The Scrutiny & Overview Committee may only decide to consider a maximum of 3 referrals at any one meeting.
7. At the Scrutiny & Overview Committee meeting the referral will be considered by the Committee which shall determine how much time the Committee will give to the call in and how the item will be dealt with including whether or not it wishes to review the decision. If having considered the decision there are still concerns about the decision then the Committee may refer it back to Cabinet for reconsideration, setting out in writing the nature of the concerns. The Cabinet shall then reconsider the decision, amending the decision or not, before making a final decision.
8. The Scrutiny and Overview Committee may refer the decision to the Council if it considers that the decision is outside of the budget and policy framework of the Council. In such circumstances, the provisions of Rule 7 of the Budget & Policy Framework Procedure Rules (Part 4C of the Constitution) apply. The Council

may decide to take no further action in which case the decision may be implemented. If the Council objects to Cabinet's decision it can nullify the decision if it is outside the Policy Framework and/or inconsistent with the Budget.

9. If the Scrutiny and Overview Committee decides that no further action is necessary then the decision may be implemented.
10. If the Council determines that the decision was within the policy framework and consistent with the budget, the Council will refer any decision to which it objects together with its views on the decision, to the Cabinet. The Cabinet shall choose whether to either amend, withdraw or implement the original decision within 10 working days or at the next meeting of the Cabinet of the referral from the Council.
11. The responses of the decision-taker and the Council shall be notified to all Members of the Scrutiny and Overview Committee once the Cabinet or Council has considered the matter and made a determination.
12. If either the Council or the Scrutiny and Overview Committee fails to meet in accordance with the Council calendar or in accordance with paragraph 6 above, then the decision may be implemented on the next working day after the meeting was scheduled or arranged to take place.
13. **URGENCY:** The referral procedure shall not apply in respect of urgent decisions. A decision will be urgent if any delay likely to be caused by the referral process would seriously prejudice the Council's or the public's interests. The record of the decision and the notice by which it is made public shall state if the decision is urgent and therefore not subject to the referral process. The Chair of the Scrutiny and Overview Committee must agree that the decision proposed cannot be reasonably deferred and that it is urgent. In the absence of the Chair, the Deputy Chair's consent shall be required. In the absence of both the Chair and Deputy Chair, the Mayor's consent shall be required. Any such urgent decisions must be reported at least annually in a report to Council from the Leader including the reasons for urgency.

**Signed:** Monitoring Officer

**Notice Date:** 08 December 2022

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**PROFORMA**

**REFERRAL OF A KEY DECISION TO THE  
SCRUTINY AND OVERVIEW COMMITTEE**

For the attention of: Colin Sweeney and Michelle Ossei-Gerning, Democratic Services  
& Scrutiny e-mail to

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Meeting:  
Meeting Date:  
Agenda Item No:

**Reasons for referral:**

- i) The decision is outside of the Policy Framework
- ii) The decision is inconsistent with the budget
- iii) The decision is inconsistent with another Council Policy
- iv) Other: Please specify:

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**The outcome desired:**

**Information required to assist the Scrutiny and Overview Committee to consider  
the referral:**

Signed:

Date:

Member of \_\_\_\_\_ Committee