

LONDON BOROUGH OF CROYDON

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PUBLIC NOTICE OF KEY AND NON KEY DECISIONS MADE BY CABINET ON WEDNESDAY 24TH JULY 2024

This statement is produced in accordance with Regulation 13 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 key decisions may be implemented from **1300 hours on 2 August 2024** 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 the decision below:

Reasons for these decisions:

<https://democracy.croydon.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=183&MId=3913&Ver=4>

Other options considered and rejected:

<https://democracy.croydon.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=183&MId=3913&Ver=4>

Details of conflicts of interest declared by the decision maker: None

Note of dispensation granted by the Head of Paid Service in relation to a declared conflict of interest by that decision maker:

Cabinet has made the key decisions noted out below:

Decision Title: STAGE 1: RECOMMENDATIONS ARISING FROM SCRUTINY

Key Decision No: N/A

Details of decision:

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

Cabinet **RESOLVED** to:

1. Receive the recommendations arising from the meeting of the Homes Sub-Committee on 16 April 2024 (Appendix 1). and 22nd July 2024 Scrutiny Sub – Committee for Streets and Environment.
2. To provide a substantive response to the recommendations (a Scrutiny Stage 2 Report) at the Cabinet meeting on 25 September 2024.

Decision Title: SCRUTINY STAGE 2 RESPONSES TO RECOMMENDATIONS ARISING FROM: SCRUTINY & OVERVIEW COMMITTEE HELD ON 26 MARCH 2024 (APPENDICES 1, 2 & 3)

Key Decision No: N/A

Details of decision:

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

Cabinet **RESOLVED** to:

- 2.1.1 Approve the responses and action plans attached to this report as Appendices 1, 2, & 3; and
- 2.1.2 Delegate authority to the officers identified in Appendices 1, 2, & 3 to report back to the Scrutiny and Overview Committee, or relevant Sub-Committee, within the periods specified in the agreed responses and action plans, and on progress made in implementing any action plan.

Decision Title: BUS SHELTER DELIVERY PROGRAMME

Key Decision No: 1424EM

Details of decision:

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

Cabinet **RESOLVED** to:

- 2.1 To Agree to progress with Option Five 'TfL to use the London Passenger Transport Act 1934 to give them the right to provide, install, maintain and clean bus shelters and retain any advertising revenue of sites in the borough.'

- 2.2 To Agree to delegate authority to the Corporate Director of Sustainable Communities, Regeneration and Economic Recovery, in consultation with the Executive Mayor and Cabinet Member for Streets and Environment, to sign the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between TfL and LB Croydon.
- 2.4 To Agree to proceed with the development of the procurement strategy for the remaining Out of Home (OOH) advertising opportunities..

Decision Title: TACKLING VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND GIRLS ACTION PLAN

Key Decision No: 0124CS

Details of decision:

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

Cabinet **RESOLVED** to:

- 2.1 To endorse the work undertaken to deliver the Violence Against Women and Girls Delivery Plan
- 2.2 To agree the plan contained in appendix 1 as the three-year delivery plan.
- 2.3 To agree the commitment to maintain the levels of funding for making Croydon safer for women and girls at the same levels for the three-year duration of this plan.
- 2.4 To support the ongoing work and future commitments with the voluntary sector and communities.

Decision Title: 2023-24 PROVISIONAL OUTTURN FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE REPORT

Key Decision No: N/A

Details of decision:

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

Cabinet **RESOLVED** to:

- 2.1 to note the General Fund revenue budget provisional outturn breakeven position, after the budgeted utilisation of £63m capitalisation directions requested from the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government

(MHCLG). The risk contingency budget of £5m was not required to be utilised for the Council's overall financial position and has, therefore, been used together with the service and corporate underspends to increase the Council's Business Risk Reserve by £10.1m given the financial challenges currently facing local government.

- 2.2 to note that the provisional outturn is the position prior to final accounting adjustments (e.g. capital accounting/revaluation/receipts and any impact from potential changes in prior years' accounts which are still to be audited (e.g. debt calculations) and the external audit of the 2023-24 accounts.
- 2.3 to note that the significant level of 2024-25 savings (£23.731m), agreed by Full Council in March 2024, include reduction in budgets that are delivering underspends in 2023-24 and will, therefore, not be recurrent underspends in 2024-25.
- 2.4 to note the provisional outturn Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) savings achievement of £33.2m (91.9%) against the total savings target of £36.1m as set out in paragraph 4.93.
- 2.5 to note the provisional outturn expenditure on the Council's Transformation Programme as set out from paragraph 4.89.
- 2.6 to note the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) revenue budget provisional outturn overspend of £9.9m.
- 2.7 to note the General Fund capital programme 2023-24 provisional outturn underspend of £29.0m against the capital budget of £124.0m.
- 2.8 to note the HRA capital programme 2023-24 provisional outturn underspend of £3.5m against the capital budget of £39.2m.
- 2.9 to note the Council's historic borrowing and subsequent debt burden continues to be critical to the non-sustainability of the Council's revenue budget. Dialogue with MHCLG continues. The Council submitted a Financial Sustainability Plan on 22 May 2024 providing options of further financial support from Government in regard to its level of structural indebtedness to ensure it can deliver sustainable Local Government services.
- 2.10 to note that the Council continues to operate Spend Control Panels to ensure that tight financial control and assurance oversight are maintained.

Decision Title: REPORT ON 10 EXPERIMENTAL HEALTHY SCHOOL STREETS SCHEMES (GROUP 4)

Key Decision No: 1224EM

Details of decision:

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

Cabinet **RESOLVED** to:

2.1 To make the following eight experimental traffic orders, which form the healthy school streets schemes detailed within this report, permanent:

School	Affected road(s)	Section	ETMO Cited As	Ref
Harris Academy Invictus	Lennard Road, Croydon	a. Entire length of road	The Croydon (Traffic Movement) (No.11) Experimental Order 2023	HARRISINVICTUSHSS/2023
Harris Academy Beulah Hill	a. Spurgeon Road, South Norwood b. Spurgeon Avenue, South Norwood	a. Entire length of road b. Entire length of road	The Croydon (Traffic Movement) (No.12) Experimental Order 2023	HARRISUBHHSS/2023
Oasis Academy Byron	a. St David's, Coulsdon	a. Between Southlands Close and Oasis Academy Byron	The Croydon (Traffic Movement) (No.13) Experimental Order 2023	OASISBYRONHSS/2023
Elmwood Infant and Junior Schools	a. Greenwood Road, Croydon b. Lodge Road, Croydon	a. Entire length of road b. Between Elmwood Road and Cameron Road	The Croydon (Traffic Movement) (No.14) Experimental Order 2023	ELMWOODHSS/2023
The Minster Nursery and Infant School and The Write Time School	a. Warrington Road, Croydon b. Waynflete Avenue, Croydon c. Ludford Close, Croydon d. St Leonard's Road, Croydon e. Ravenswood Road, Croydon f. Harrison's Rise, Croydon g. Eland Road, Croydon h. Eland Place, Croydon	a. Entire length of road b. Entire length of road c. Entire length of road d. Entire length of road e. Entire length of road f. Entire length of road g. Entire length of road h. Entire length of road	The Croydon (Traffic Movement) (No.15) Experimental Order 2023	WARRINGTONHSS/2023
Kensington Primary School & Norbury High School for Girls	a. Kensington Avenue, Norbury b. Buckingham Avenue, Norbury c. Buckingham Gardens, Norbury d. Golf Close, Norbury e. Willowtree Way, Norbury f. Hawthorn Avenue, Norbury	a. Entire length of road b. Entire length of road c. Entire length of road d. Entire length of road e. Entire length of road f. Fronting property Nos. 45 to 63	The Croydon (Traffic Movement) (No.16) Experimental Order 2023	KENSINGTONHSS/2023
Rockmount Primary School	a. Rockmount Road, Upper Norwood b. Orleans Road, Upper Norwood c. Chevening Road, Upper Norwood d. Ilkley Close, Upper Norwood	a. Between Troy Road and Chevening Road b. Between Rockmount Road and Highview Road c. Entire length of road d. Entire length of road	The Croydon (Traffic Movement) (No.18) Experimental Order 2023	ROCKMOUNTHSS/2023
St James The Great RC Primary & Nursery School	a. Windsor Road, Thornton Heath b. Apostle Way, Thornton Heath	a. Entire length of road b. Entire length of Road	The Croydon (Traffic Movement) (No.20) Experimental Order 2023	STJAMESHSS/2023

2.2 To withdraw The Croydon (Traffic Movement) (No.17) Experimental Order 2023 effective as of 24 July 2024 in respect of the St Peter's Primary Healthy School Street in Rockhampton Road, Whitmead Close, Elm Close and Normanton Road, and not to proceed to make it permanent; and to authorise the Corporate Director of Sustainable Communities, Regeneration and Economic Recovery to

take steps necessary to publicise this withdrawal and remove any associated signage and other measures in place as a result of the experimental order.

- 2.3 To withdraw The Croydon (Traffic Movement) (No.19) Experimental Order 2023 effective as of 24 July 2024 in respect of the Harris City Academy Crystal Palace School Street in Sylvan Road, Kitley Gardens, Cantley Gardens, Maberley Road and Windall Close and not to proceed to make it permanent; and to authorise the Corporate Director of Sustainable Communities, Regeneration and Economic Recovery to take steps necessary to publicise this withdrawal and remove any associated signage and other measures in place as a result of the experimental order. This Healthy School Street will be removed from Group 4 and join Group 5 of the Healthy School Streets programme.
- 2.4 Subject to approval of recommendation 2.1 above, to delegate authority to the Corporate Director of Sustainable Communities, Regeneration and Economic Recovery to undertake all measures necessary to make the eight experimental orders permanent Traffic Management Orders, including pursuant to the statutory requirements of the Road Traffic Management Act 1984 and Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996 and make arrangements for the enforcement thereof.

**Decision Title: REPORT ON INFORMAL CONSULTATION ON 6
EXPERIMENTAL HEALTHY SCHOOL STREETS SCHEMES (GROUP 5)**

Key Decision No: 1324EM

Details of decision:

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

Cabinet **RESOLVED** to:

- 2.1 To proceed to statutory consultation for the following Healthy School Street schemes detailed in this report, and, following consideration of the statutory consultation responses, to delegate the decision to proceed to implementation to the Corporate Director of Sustainable Communities, Regeneration & Economic Recovery, in consultation with the Executive Mayor and the Cabinet Member for Streets & Environment:

School	Affected road(s)	Section	Ref
Applegarth Academy	Bygrove	Entire length of road	APPLEGARTH/HSS2024
Beulah Infant and Nursery School	Furze Road	Entire length of road	BEULAH/HSS2024

2.2 To delegate the decision to proceed to statutory consultation, following further engagement with Calleydown Shortbreak Children’s Home, and implementation, following the statutory consultation stage, to the Corporate Director of Sustainable Communities, Regeneration & Economic Recovery in consultation with the Executive Mayor and the Cabinet Member for Streets & Environment, for the following Healthy School Street scheme detailed in this report:

School	Affected road(s)	Section	Ref
Rowdown Primary School	Calley Down Crescent	Between Windham Avenue and Stowell Avenue	ROWDOWN/HSS2024

2.3 To delegate the decision to proceed to statutory consultation, following a further informal consultation stage, and implementation, following the statutory consultation stage, to the Corporate Director of Sustainable Communities, Regeneration & Economic Recovery, in consultation with the Executive Mayor and the Cabinet Member for Streets & Environment, for the following Healthy School Street schemes detailed in this report, which includes Harris City Academy Crystal Palace School Street having moved from Group 4 to Group 5 of the Healthy School Streets programme:

School	Affected road(s)	Section	Ref
Harris Primary Academy Purley Way	Propeller Crescent	Between no. 1 and junction with Purley Way by school	HARRISPW/HSS2024
Harris City Academy Crystal Palace	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Sylvan Road b. Kitley Gardens c. Cantley Gardens d. Maberley Road (southern section) e. Windall Close 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Between No. 14/16 and Maberley Road b. Entire length of road c. Entire length of road d. Between Mowbray Road and Sylvan Road e. Entire length of road 	HSS19

2.4 Not to proceed with the following Healthy School Street schemes detailed in this report:

School	Affected road(s)	Section	Ref
John Wood Primary School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Dartnell Road b. Jesmond Road c. Exeter Road d. Laurier Road 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Between Rymer Road and Bredon Road b. North of Bredon Road c. Entire length of road d. Entire length of road 	JOHNWOOD/HSS2024
Riddlesdown Collegiate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Dunmail Drive b. Honister Heights c. Derwent Drive d. Grisedale Gardens e. Eskdale Gardens f. Ingleboro Drive 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Entire length of road b. Entire length of road c. Entire length of road d. Entire length of road e. Entire length of road f. East of Buttermere Gardens 	RIDDLESDOWN/HSS2024

Decision Title: CROYDON CARERS STRATEGY 2024 - 2029

Key Decision No: 1324EM

Details of decision:

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

Cabinet **RESOLVED** to:

- 2.1 to approve the Croydon Carers Strategy 2024 - 2029 and endorse the Council's commitment to its delivery.

Decision Title: ADULT SOCIAL CARE AND HEALTH LOCAL ACCOUNT 23-24

Key Decision No: N/A

Details of decision:

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

Cabinet **RESOLVED** to:

- 2.1.1 To agree the publication of the Local Account 2023/24

Signed: Monitoring Officer

Notice Date: 25 July 2024

Scrutiny Referral/Call-in Procedure

1. The decisions may be implemented **1300 hours on 2 August 2024** (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: 25 July 2024

Contact Officers: Petra.Stephenson@croydon.gov.uk

PROFORMA

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

For the attention of: Petra Stephenson, Democratic Services & Scrutiny e-mail to Petra.Stephenson@croydon.gov.uk

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:

The outcome desired:

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

Signed:

Date:

Member of _____ Committee