

LONDON BOROUGH OF CROYDON

REPORT:	Scrutiny and Overview Committee
DATE	6 June 2023
REPORT TITLE:	Scrutiny Recommendations
LEAD OFFICER:	Simon Trevaskis – Senior Democratic Services & Governance Officer - Scrutiny
PERSON LEADING AT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE MEETING:	Councillor Rowenna Davis – Chair of the Scrutiny & Overview Committee
ORIGIN OF ITEM:	<p>The Scrutiny & Overview Procedure Rules in the Council’s Constitution requires recommendations from Scrutiny Sub-Committee’s to be submitted to the Committee for its comment and consideration, before approving their submission to the appropriate decision maker.</p> <p>The Cabinet response to recommendations made by the Scrutiny & Overview Committee is provided for the Committee’s information.</p>
BRIEF FOR THE COMMITTEE:	<p>The Scrutiny & Overview Committee is asked to</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approve the recommendations made by its Sub-Committee’s for submission to the Executive Mayor for his consideration. 2. Review the response provided by Mayor to recommendations made by the Scrutiny & Overview Committee. 3. To agree whether to make any formal recommendations arising from the Scrutiny & Overview Committee meeting held on 22 May 2023.
PUBLIC/EXEMPT:	Public

1 SUMMARY

- 1.1. This report sets out for the consideration of the Committee the recommendations arising from recent meetings of its Sub-Committee. These are presented in accordance with the Council’s Constitution for approval by the Committee for submission to the appropriate decision maker. The recommendations set out in Appendix A are from the meeting of the Streets & Environment Sub-Committee meeting held on 14 March 2023 and relate to the following items: -

- Waste, Recycling and Street Cleansing Contract Specification (recommendations SE.1.23/24 to SE.3.23/24)
- Local Planning Authority Service Transformation (recommendation SE.4.23/24)

- 1.2. This report also sets out the response from the Mayor in Cabinet to recommendations made by the Scrutiny & Overview Committee. This is provided for the information of the Committee in Appendix B.
- 1.3. The meeting of the Scrutiny & Overview Committee meeting held on 22 May 2023 was unexpectedly ended prematurely by a fire alarm before the Committee had the opportunity to finalise its conclusions and recommendations on the Annual Asset Disposal Plan 2023/24 or to review the Waste and Street Cleansing Commissioning item.
- 1.4. It was not possible to reschedule a meeting of the Committee to formally conclude discussion of these items ahead of their consideration by the Mayor at the Cabinet meeting on 24 May 2023. However, the Committee received a briefing on the Waste and Street Cleansing Commissioning from the Cabinet Member for Streets & Environment, Cllr Scott Roche and council officers on 24 May prior to the Cabinet meeting.
- 1.5. Feedback from the both the Committee's discussion at this briefing and its discussion on the Annual Asset Disposal Plan (at the committee meeting on 22 May 2023) was provided by the Chair of the Scrutiny & Overview Committee to the Mayor at the Cabinet meeting held on 24 May 2023. However, should the Committee wish to make any specific recommendations on these items, these need to be formally agreed. Any recommendations to be agreed will be set out in Appendix C (to follow).

2 APPENDICES

- 2.1. Appendix A: Recommendations from Scrutiny Sub-Committees

Appendix B: Cabinet Response to Recommendations Made by the Scrutiny & Overview Committee.

Appendix C: Scrutiny & Overview Committee – Conclusions and Recommendations arising from the meeting held on 22 May 2023 (to follow)

3 SCRUTINY SUB-COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1. Paragraph 1.5 (iii & iv) of Part 4E – Scrutiny and Overview Procedure Rules of the Council's Constitution sets out the requirement that recommendations made by Scrutiny Sub-Committees should be submitted for the consideration of the Scrutiny & Overview Committee, to approve their submission to the relevant decision maker.

- 3.2 The exception to this requirement is for specific powers delegated to Sub-Committee relating to the scrutiny of Health Services and the duties and functions of the Council as an Education Authority. For these matters, the relevant Sub-Committee can make direct recommendations.
- 3.3 Set out in Appendix 5 is the recommendations arising from the meeting of the Streets and Environment Sub-Committee
- 3.4 The Committee is asked to review this recommendation and confirm its approval for them to be submitted to the next available meeting of the Cabinet for consideration.

4 CABINET RESPONSE TO SCRUTINY RECOMMENDATIONS

- 4.1 The rights of scrutiny to make recommendations to the Cabinet, Council, non-Executive Committee, Partner Agency or Partnership Board is set out in Section 8 of Part 4E – Scrutiny and Overview Procedure Rules of the Council's Constitution.
- 4.2 When making a recommendation to the Cabinet, a response needs to be given within two months to confirm whether the recommendation has been accepted or not. If accepted, this response should include how the recommendation will be implemented.
- 4.3 To ensure the Committee can monitor the response given to its recommendations, this report will be included as a standing item on each agenda, setting out in Appendices 1 to 4, the response from the Cabinet to the recommendations of the Committee.
- 4.4 The Committee is asked to note the responses given.