

<b>REPORT TO:</b>	<b>Cabinet 22 January 2018</b>
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<b>STAGE 1: RECOMMENDATIONS ARISING FROM SCRUTINY</b>
<b>LEAD OFFICERS:</b>	<b>Richard Simpson, Executive Director Resources and S151 Officer Stephen Rowan – Head of Democratic Services and Scrutiny</b>
<b>LEAD MEMBER:</b>	<b>Councillor Sean Fitzsimons Chair, Scrutiny and Overview Committee</b>
<b>WARDS:</b>	<b>All</b>
<b>CORPORATE PRIORITY/POLICY CONTEXT:</b>	<b>The constitutional requirement that Cabinet receives recommendations from scrutiny committees and to respond to the recommendations within two months of the receipt of the recommendations.</b>

The Leader of the Council has delegated to the Cabinet the power to make the decisions set out in the recommendations contained within this report:

## **1. RECOMMENDATIONS**

Cabinet is asked to:

- 1.1 Receive the recommendations arising from the Streets, Environment and Homes Scrutiny Sub-Committee (7 November 2017) and Children and Young People Scrutiny Sub-Committee (28 November 2017) to provide a substantive response within two months (ie. at the next available Cabinet meeting on **19 March 2018**)

## **2. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

- 2.1 Recommendations that have been received from the Scrutiny and Overview Committee and its Sub-Committees since the last Cabinet meeting are provided in the body of this report. The constitution requires that an interim or full response is provided within 2 months of this Cabinet meeting.

### **3. 7 NOVEMBER 2017 – STREETS, ENVIRONMENT AND HOMES SCRUTINY SUB-COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

3.1 The Committee considered an item on Clean Green Croydon; present was the Cabinet Member for Clean Green Croydon. Subsequent to questions to those present, the Committee came to the following conclusions:

- 1) That work had been ongoing for two years to improve and integrate the IT system.
- 2) That further work needed to be undertaken to ensure residents received notifications following reporting of flytips.
- 3) The new waste contract would introduce a number of service improvements and was welcomed.

The Committee made the following recommendations:

- 1) Leaflets on the bulky waste collections be clarified to include an additional line regarding the cost of white goods collection.
- 2) Members be informed when the integration of ICT systems across enforcement functions has been completed.
- 3) An update be provided to Members as to the issues experienced on IT integration and notifications to the public.

3.2 The Committee considered an item on South London Waste Partnership; present was the Cabinet Member for Clean Green Croydon. Subsequent to questions to those present, the Committee came to the following conclusions:

- 1) That the new waste contract in 2018 was welcomed.
- 2) That the communication strategy was integral in ensuring the successful delivery of the new contract.
- 3) That lessons had been learnt from the challenges experienced in the London Borough of Sutton.

The Committee made the following recommendations:

- 1) A further update on the contract delivery be brought to the Sub-Committee in twelve months.
- 2) The communications strategy be carefully planned for the new bin collections and street cleaning.
- 3) The KPIs for the contract be available to Members so they are aware of the expected standards.

### **4. 28 NOVEMBER 2017 – CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE SCRUTINY SUB-COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

4.1 The Sub-Committee considered multiple items to do with the safeguarding and welfare of children in Croydon; present was the Cabinet Member for Children, Young People and Learning.

The Committee made the following recommendations to Cabinet:

- 4.2 The Annual Report of the Croydon Safeguarding Children Board (Item 5)
- 1) Information be obtained on the achievements and lessons learnt from the Strengthening Families programme, the Troubled Families programme and the social work academy, to be enshrined in future good practice.
- 4.3 Statistics on missing children (Item 6)
- 1) To receive update reports on missing children and Resident Home Interviews (RHI's) at the February and March meetings of the sub-committee.
  - 2) To receive information on safeguarding provision and training at Bed and Breakfast establishments.

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

There are no financial implications arising directly from the contents of this report.

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

The recommendations are presented to Cabinet in accordance with the Constitution.

This requires that the Scrutiny report is received and registered at this Cabinet Meeting and that a substantive response is provided within 2 months (ie. **Cabinet, 19 March 2018** is the next available meeting).

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### **BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:**

**Background document 1:** Reports to the Streets, Environment and Homes Scrutiny Sub-Committee on 7 November 2017.

<https://democracy.croydon.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=170&MId=342>

**Background document 2:** Reports to the Children and Young People Scrutiny Sub-Committee on 28 November 2017.

<https://democracy.croydon.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=167&MId=1185>