

Cabinet

MINUTES of the OPEN section of the Cabinet held on Tuesday 19 September 2017 at 4.00 pm at the Council Offices, 160 Tooley Street, London SE1 2QH

PRESENT: Councillor Peter John OBE (Chair)
Councillor Stephanie Cryan
Councillor Maisie Anderson
Councillor Fiona Colley
Councillor Barrie Hargrove
Councillor Richard Livingstone
Councillor Victoria Mills
Councillor Johnson Situ
Councillor Ian Wingfield
Councillor Mark Williams

1. APOLOGIES

All members were present.

2. NOTIFICATION OF ANY ITEMS OF BUSINESS WHICH THE CHAIR DEEMS URGENT

The chair gave notice of the following late items:

Item 19a: Ledbury Estate: Reference from Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Item 30: Policy and Resources Strategy: Revenue Monitoring report, including Treasury Management 2017-18 (Month 4).

Reasons for urgency and lateness will be specified in the relevant minute.

3. NOTICE OF INTENTION TO CONDUCT BUSINESS IN A CLOSED MEETING, AND ANY REPRESENTATIONS RECEIVED

No representations were received in respect of the item listed as closed business for the meeting.

4. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS

Councillor Johnson Situ declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 14: A Review of Further Education and Skills Provision and Local Support Arrangements: A report from the overview and scrutiny committee, as he was a governor at Lewisham and Southwark College. The report was being received by cabinet and would be subject to a further report back within eight weeks.

5. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (15 MINUTES)

Public Question from Brigid Gardner on behalf of Dulwich Village Forum

The new junction design for Dulwich Village is going ahead despite community opposition. Once works are complete and the bedding-in period is over, what tools, data and criteria will be used to measure the success of the scheme against the Dulwich Vision, 'Healthy Streets' and the 2011 Transport Plan?

Response by Councillor Ian Wingfield, Cabinet Member for the Environment and the Public Realm

The Dulwich Village junction modification is part of the Elephant and Castle to Crystal Palace quietway proposal and a critical element of the council's cycle strategy.

Our monitoring plan will cover the entire route, although specific issues will be monitored at some significant locations, including the Dulwich Village junction

Following completion of the works at Dulwich Village full post monitoring will be carried out. Monitoring will start with a road safety audit stage 3 carried out by an independent road safety specialist as soon as possible after completion which will identify any immediate safety issues that occur post-construction

Over the following year the council will be monitoring air quality changes on the 4 approaches to the junction and traffic counts will be taken at intervals to see how traffic has been affected at various times of the year, as well as traffic flow and delay information which will be compared to the baseline and modelled data.

There is a central database of all collisions in the borough that result in personal injury and once a full 12 months data is available the independent road safety specialist will be invited back to carry out a further audit (stage 4) that looks at the cause of any incidents that have taken place, in particular those involving pedestrians and cyclists.

Summary of General Monitoring Plan for QW7

Activity	Measure	Baseline	Target
Safety	Average speed 85th percentile speed % of commercial vehicles Road Safety Audit stage 3 Road Safety Audit stage 4	Traffic speed conditions prior to changes. Ref-RSA 1&2	Average speed below 24mph on all roads No serious safety concerns raised at audit
Modal shift	Traffic counts as part of ongoing Annual Transport Plan Monitoring report.	current mode share for cycling in Southwark is 4.6 per cent, which equates to approximately 35,000 trips made by cycle every day	Our target is to increase mode share for cycling to 10 per cent by 2025/26. This means an increase of 40,000 daily trips in 10 years time. We will continue to review progress against our target on an annual basis as part of the Annual Transport Plan. Specific screen line counts will be taken on Q7 12 months after completion.

Monitoring Plan Specific for Dulwich Village Junction

Activity	Measures	Baseline	Target
Compliance to newly introduced internal stop lines by cyclists	Pedestrian conflict /comfort assessment	N/A	100% compliance at school opening times by cyclists
Queue length on Court Lane and Calton Avenue due to change in priority	Undertake junction review – traffic surveys (AM/ PM/ inter-peak delays)	Compare baseline queue length/delay	Delays within threshold and not more than 10% worse than baseline conditions
Queue length at Court Lane; Dulwich Village end ,due to reduction in traffic lanes	Undertake junction review – traffic surveys (AM/PM /inter-peak delays)	Compare baseline queue length/delay	Delays within threshold and not 10% worse than baseline conditions
Queue length and delay on all other arms	Undertake junction review – traffic surveys (AM/ PM/ inter-peak delays)	Compare baseline queue length/delay	Delays within threshold and not 10% worse than baseline conditions
Impact of change in priority at Calton Avenue on informal pedestrian crossing	Video survey	Compare baseline interaction	No significant incident of conflict in the first 6 -12 months. Details to be agreed with schools
Air quality at Dulwich Village junction	Measures air quality	Compare baseline air quality.	Air quality targets to be agreed

TfL (the funders of the Quietway programme) also have a London-wide Quietway monitoring programme. Results relevant to Southwark will be shared with the council.

Supplemental question

Brigid Gardner asked a supplemental question about whether the scheme would be measured against the Dulwich Vision and TfL healthy streets for London. Councillor Ian Wingfield confirmed that a holistic approach and review would be undertaken in Dulwich and confirmed a commitment to continue working with local residents.

Brigid Gardner also asked to receive a copy of the baseline which Councillor Ian Wingfield agreed to provide.

6. MINUTES

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 18 July 2017 be approved as a correct record and signed by the chair.

7. DEPUTATION REQUESTS

The Ledbury Estate Action Group and Tenants and Residents Association withdrew their deputation request.

8. PETITION FROM SOUTHWARK GROUP OF TENANT ORGANISATIONS (SGTO) - KEEP THE REPAIRS LINE FREE

The petition spokesperson addressed the meeting to outline their concerns relating to the decision to change the housing repairs line from a Freephone number to a paid number. It was felt that the move would cause considerable upset and hardship for the sake of saving a relatively minor sum of money. Additionally it was felt that many residents living in council housing do not use a land line or have a phone contract, with a large proportion using pay as you go calls. SGTO were happy to support a digital inclusion strategy but wished to exercise caution before any such strategy was mature, with the risk of impacting residents negatively.

Councillor Fiona Colley, cabinet member for finance, modernisation and performance responded to the petition by confirming that cabinet would retain the Freephone for housing repairs.

RESOLVED:

1. That the petition from Southwark Group of Tenant Organisations (SGTO) requesting to “keep the repairs line free” be received.
2. That the Freephone number for housing repairs be retained.

9. CANADA WATER REGENERATION

RESOLVED:

1. That the revised heads of terms for a development agreement as set out in Appendix 3 of the report be agreed.
2. That British Land (BL) undertake public consultation on options for entering into a long term arrangement for the management of various areas of public realm so as to secure investment and a sustainable future for these important local assets and to report back as part of work on agreeing the final development agreement for Canada Water.
3. That officers be instructed to work with BL to create a social regeneration charter for

the Canada Water area as outlined in paragraphs 25-26 of the report, for incorporation in the development agreement being finalised with BL.

4. That the request from BL that the council will support the regeneration project with the use of its powers under section 203 of the Housing and Planning Act 2016 subject to satisfaction of the relevant legal requirements and a further specific cabinet approval be noted.

10. APPROVAL OF THE COUNCIL'S LOCAL IMPLEMENTATION DELIVERY PLAN - ANNUAL SPENDING SUBMISSION FOR 2018-19

RESOLVED:

Decisions of the Cabinet

1. That the content of the council's proposed submission to Transport for London (TfL) identifying transport projects to be delivered with TfL LIP funding in 2018-19 Appendix A of the report be agreed.
2. That the identified programme be submitted to TfL by 13 October 2017 .
3. That the implementation of the programmes as set out in Appendix A of the report be agreed.

Decisions of the Leader of the Council

4. That authority be delegated to the cabinet member for environment and public realm to amend the programme for 2018-19 should any variations to the proposed programme be required. The cabinet member shall consult community council chairs regarding scheme changes in their area.
5. That authority be delegated to the cabinet member for environment and public realm to determine the most appropriate use of the £100,000 discretionary funding allocated by TfL for 2018-19.

11. REVIEW OF THE LOCAL OFFER FOR CARE LEAVERS: REPORT FROM THE EDUCATION AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES SCRUTINY SUB-COMMITTEE

Councillor Jasmine Ali, chair of the education and children's services scrutiny, presented this report to cabinet.

(The cabinet response to this report at item 28 was considered after this item.)

RESOLVED:

The recommendations of the scrutiny report, set out in section 7 of the report be noted.

12. SOUTHWARK SCHOOL SCRUTINY IN A DAY: REPORT FROM THE EDUCATION AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES SCRUTINY SUB-COMMITTEE

Councillor Jasmine Ali, chair of the education and children's services scrutiny, presented this report to cabinet.

RESOLVED:

That the recommendations of the scrutiny report, set out in the executive summary and summary of recommendations in section 3 of the report be noted and that the cabinet member for children and schools reports back within eight weeks.

13. SOUTHWARK GP PRACTICES: QUALITY OF PROVISION AND LOCAL SUPPORT ARRANGEMENTS: REPORT FROM THE HEALTHY COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY SUB-COMMITTEE

RESOLVED:

That the recommendations in the report, as set out on the first page of the report be noted and that the relevant cabinet member/s reports back within eight weeks.

14. A REVIEW OF FURTHER EDUCATION AND SKILLS PROVISION IN THE LONDON BOROUGH OF SOUTHWARK: A REPORT FROM THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

RESOLVED:

That the recommendations of the scrutiny report, set out in section 4 of the report be noted and that the relevant cabinet member reports back within eight weeks.

15. SOCIAL REGENERATION - EMERGING FRAMEWORK AND NEXT STEPS

RESOLVED:

1. That it be agreed that social regeneration is about ensuring that the places where people live, now and in the future, create new opportunities, promote wellbeing and reduce inequalities so people have better lives, in stronger communities, and achieve their potential.
2. That it be agreed that the draft social regeneration policy framework (Appendix 1 of the report) be further shaped and used as part of the evidence for a wider conversation with residents, partners and stakeholders, with a report back on progress in early 2018.

16. GATEWAY 1 AND 2: PROCUREMENT STRATEGY AND CONTRACT AWARD APPROVAL - INTEGRATED COMMUNITY EQUIPMENT SERVICE CONTRACT

RESOLVED:

Decisions by Cabinet

1. That the procurement strategy for the community equipment service set out in the report as a participant of the London Consortium be approved.
2. That the option to call-off the London community equipment single-supplier consortium framework, to award a 3.5 year contract, with an option to extend for 2 years, to Medequip Assistive Technology, for an estimated maximum total cost of £3,465,000 for Southwark Council (£630,000 annual value), or £4,050,000 to include the estimated £585,000 portion of the contract to be provided on behalf of the Southwark Clinical Commissioning Group from 1 October 2017 to 31 March 2018 be approved.
3. That the proposal set out at paragraph 35 of the report for the council to act as the lead commissioner on behalf of NHS Southwark CCG for an integrated community equipment service for 2017-18 be approved, and the proposed agreement under s75 of the National Health Services (NHS) Act relating to Lead Commissioning of an integrated community equipment service also be approved.
4. That it be noted that a bridging contract was put in place for this service for six months from 1 April to 30 September 2017 in order to ensure service continuation and to enable the successful conclusion of negotiations with NHS Southwark CCG, as set out at paragraph 14 of the report.

Decision by the Leader of the Council

5. That decision making on any future variations to amend or extend the s75 arrangements with NHS Southwark CCG be delegated to the strategic director for children's and adults' services.

17. GATEWAY 2: CONTRACT AWARD APPROVAL - AWARD OF CONTRACTS FOR THE PROVISION OF SEXUAL HEALTH SERVICES

RESOLVED:

1. That the use of the open access pan-London contract that Lambeth Council have with Kings College Hospital NHS Foundation Trust (KCH) for the provision of integrated sexual health services, from 1 October 2017 to a maximum end date of 31 March 2022, producing an estimated maximum spend of £6,764,000 as detailed in paragraph 37 of the report be approved.
2. That the use of the open access pan-London contract that Lambeth Council have with Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust (GSTT) for the provision of integrated sexual health services, from 1 October 2017 to a maximum end date of 31 March 2022, producing an estimated maximum spend of £13,450,000 as detailed in paragraph 38 of the report be approved.

3. That it be noted that the total spend detailed in paragraphs 1 and 2 of the report includes costs for growth linked to the repatriation of patients into local services from clinics outside the area (as per paragraph 45 of this report), as follows:
 - a) a maximum spend of £225,000 over the maximum 4.5 year contract duration, which equates to £50,000 per annum, for KCH; and
 - b) a maximum spend of £450,000 over the maximum 4.5 year contract duration, which equates to £100,000 per annum, for GSTT.

These costs will only be paid if evidence of that repatriation (and attributable out of area cost savings) is provided.

4. That the successful partnership working between Southwark Public Health, the two trusts, and the commissioners in Lambeth Council provides the council with significantly reduced contract costs in delivering integrated sexual health services be noted. Over the lifetime of the contracts contract values will be reduced by £9.31m. The annual contract cost of the KCH contract will reduce from £2.44m in 2016-17 to £1.60m in 2018-19. For GSTT, the reduction is from £4.12m in 2016-17 to £3.04m in 2018-19.
5. That it be noted some of these reductions in contract costs for integrated sexual health services will be reinvested in expanding the provision of online testing, as part of the transformation programme to deliver lower sexual health costs into the future. This is in line with the gateway 1 report and subject to separate gateway 2 decisions. Moving asymptomatic testing out of clinic enables continuing cost efficiencies (online testing is cheaper than clinic testing), ensures a sustainable local sexual health system, and enables the council to continue to manage clinic demand and capacity. Early diagnosis also prevents onward infection (reducing the number of transmitted infections) and is essential in reducing the prevalence of infection within the population (and associated treatment costs, for which the council is responsible).

18. BOROUGH WIDE FIRE SAFETY

RESOLVED:

That the progress since the last cabinet report on fire safety be noted.

19. APPOINTMENT OF KEEPMOAT FOR EMERGENCY WORKS AT LEDBURY ESTATE

RESOLVED:

1. That the appointment of Keepmoat for emergency works at the Ledbury Estate tower blocks be noted.
2. That it be noted that a further report will come to cabinet later in the year, following the final structural report from Arup, detailing options for the towers going forward.

19a. LEDBURY ESTATE: REPORT FROM OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

It was not possible to circulate this report five clear days in advance of the meeting. The chair agreed to accept the report as urgent as the meeting were considering two related items on this agenda, "Borough Wide Fire Safety and "Appointment of Keepmoat Emergency Works at Ledbury Estate". It was important that cabinet considered any feedback from overview and scrutiny committee to feed into ongoing urgent work on these matters and any future reports to cabinet.

RESOLVED:

That the report be noted.

20. GATEWAY 3: VARIATION DECISION - HOUSING MAJOR WORKS CONTRACTS

RESOLVED:

1. That the variation of Contract area 3, Camberwell and Peckham contract to Keepmoat Regeneration (Apollo) Ltd (Keepmoat) to extend the term of the contract for a period of two years from 14 June 2018 at an estimated maximum cost of £45m per annum, making a revised contract value of £450m for ten years be approved.
2. That the variation of Contract area 4, Nunhead, Peckham Rye and Dulwich contract to A&E Elkins Ltd (A&E Elkins) to extend the term of the contract for a period of two years from 14 June 2018 at an estimated maximum cost of £24m per annum, making a revised contract value of £240m for ten years be approved.
3. That the variation of Contract area 5, Borough-wide street properties, temporary accommodation and major voids contract to Saltash Enterprises Ltd (Saltash) for a period of two years from 14 June 2018 at an estimated maximum cost of £6m per annum, making a revised contract value of £60m for ten years be approved.

21. UPDATE ON THE DELIVERY OF THE HOUSING ASSET MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

RESOLVED:

1. That it be noted that in the light of the Grenfell fire, there could be substantial investment implications for the council, and a further report will follow regarding these matters.
2. That the status of the asset management investment programmes with particular reference to achieving the QHIP (Quality Homes Investment Programme) standard be noted.
3. That the current QHIP commitments following the first year of the programme and the forward programme to ensure all residents are at the QHIP standard over the first cycle of the programme in 8-10 years, including the changes to the programme be noted.
4. That it be noted that at the end of 2016-17 the housing stock stood at a 93.35%

decency level up from 91.3% at the end of the 2015-16.

5. That it be noted that this report will be sent to home owners' council, tenant council and future steering board for information following cabinet approval.

22. GATEWAY 3: VARIATION DECISION - EXTENSION TO THE CONSOLIDATED FACILITIES MANAGEMENT CONTRACT

RESOLVED:

1. That the variation to extend the term of the consolidated facilities management (FM) contract with Interserve (Facilities Management) Limited (Interserve FM) for a period of 24 months, from 1 February 2018 to 31 January 2020, at an estimated total cost of £13,595,000 be approved. When combined with the estimated contract extension it will bring the total estimated contract value at 31 January 2020 to £45,900,000.
2. That it be noted that the contract extension shall include a six month break clause as detailed in paragraph 10 of the report.

23. NON-DOMESTIC RATES - DISCRETIONARY RATE RELIEF POLICY FOR REVALUATION RELIEF, SUPPORTING SMALL BUSINESSES RELIEF AND PUBS RELIEF

RESOLVED:

1. That it be noted that following the revaluation of rateable values for businesses within Southwark by Government, business rates payable have increased by £54m in 2017-18.
2. That the additional four year discretionary rate relief policy for revaluation relief attached as Appendix A of the report, as per government's requirement to offer additional relief to the value of £6.9m with any future amendments to be made by an individual decision by cabinet member (IDM) be approved.
3. That the policy incorporating small businesses and pubs relief be agreed.

24. POLICY AND RESOURCES STRATEGY: CAPITAL MONITORING REPORT, INCLUDING CAPITAL PROGRAMME UPDATE 2017-18 (MONTH 4)

RESOLVED:

1. That the general fund capital programme for the period 2017-18 to 2026-27 as at Month 4, as detailed in Appendices A and D of the report and the £170.6m financing required for 2017-18 be noted.
2. That the housing investment programme for the period 2017-18 to 2026-27 as at Month 4 2017-18, as detailed in Appendix B of the report and the £13.18m financing required for 2017-18 be noted.
3. That the virements and variations to the general fund and housing investment capital

programme as detailed in Appendix C of the report be approved.

4. That the projected expenditure and resources for 2017-18 and future years for both the general fund and housing investment programmes as detailed in Appendices A, B and D of the report as at month 4 2017-18 be noted and this position will be updated during the year when more up to date information is available.
5. That the inclusion in the programme of the capital bids set out in Appendix E of the report be approved.
6. That it be noted this report indicates that external borrowing will be required in 2017-18 to finance the programme. Options to identify the most appropriate source of financing will be appraised by the strategic director, finance and governance in conjunction with the cabinet member for finance, modernisation and performance.
7. That in the event of additional resources being required for Ledbury Estate, authority be delegated to the strategic director of finance and governance for identifying resources to be made available in a timely way (in consultation with the cabinet member for finance, modernisation and performance and the cabinet member for housing).

25. ACQUISITION OF FUTURE AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN BLACKFRIARS

RESOLVED:

1. That the acquisition of the affordable housing to be provided as part of the regeneration known as 18 Blackfriars on the principal terms set out in the closed version of the report be approved.
2. That the director of regeneration be authorised to agree detailed terms of the purchase including whether the freehold or leasehold interest in the housing is acquired and in conjunction with the strategic director of housing and modernisation the specification of the housing to be acquired.

26. MOTIONS REFERRED FROM COUNCIL ASSEMBLY

RESOLVED:

What does Brexit mean for Southwark ?

That the motion referred from council assembly as a recommendation to cabinet, set out below, be agreed.

1. Council assembly notes that the administration remains committed to its core values of fairness and equality, and to delivering its manifesto commitments made to the residents of our borough in 2010 and 2014 - to creating a fairer future for all. This commitment will not change as the UK prepares to leave the EU.
2. Council assembly notes that the UK Statistics Authority estimates the number of EU nationals living in the borough is 31,000, and recognises the significant contribution that EU nationals living and working in Southwark make to our community.

3. Council assembly notes that 73% of those who voted in the EU referendum in Southwark opted for the United Kingdom to remain a member of the European Union and welcomes the administration's public commitment at that time to "work hard to ensure that Southwark does not lose the many benefits that the EU brings".
4. Council assembly notes that since 2010 the employment rate in our borough has risen by over 10% to nearly 77%, with nearly 40,000 more people aged 16 – 64 now in work.
5. Council assembly welcomes the administration's commitment to attracting jobs and investment to Southwark, and notes with concern that some employers may delay investment decisions or consider transferring some employment away from London as a result of the Brexit decision.
6. Council assembly notes that this administration is dedicated to making our borough a greener and healthier place to live, and has invested in making walking and cycling easier, and reducing the council's own carbon emissions.
7. Council assembly notes that despite years of national government funding cuts, this administration has remained committed to protecting the most vulnerable in our communities, recognising that because of inflation and a weaker pound in the period since June 2016, our residents are facing rising costs for food, energy and other essentials.
8. Council assembly recognises the importance of Southwark's cultural, ethnic and religious diversity, and believes that this diversity is one of the factors that makes Southwark such an exciting and vibrant area to live and work in. Our diversity is strengthened by our bonds with other EU countries, and we should therefore continue to work with, and strengthen our connections with, our twinned boroughs of Clichy and Langenhagen.
9. Council assembly calls on cabinet to work with Southwark's three Labour MPs to lobby their leader, Jeremy Corbyn, and this Conservative government in order to clarify the rights of EU nationals to remain, rule out withdrawal from the EU without a deal, guarantee a Parliamentary vote on any final outcome to negotiations, set out transitional arrangements to maintain jobs, trade and certainty for business, set out proposals to retain the benefits of the Customs Union and Single Market, set out clear measures to respect the competencies of the devolved administrations, include clear protections for EU nationals living in the UK now, including retaining their right to remain in the UK, and reciprocal rights for UK citizens, and to take every opportunity to ensure that local residents can continue to benefit from the jobs and apprenticeships in our borough which are connected to the EU.
10. Council assembly further calls on cabinet to maintain our high environmental standards and diversity, and to continue to protect our most vulnerable residents during the Brexit negotiations and after the UK leaves the EU.

Promoting the sale of new housing to local people

That the motion referred from council assembly as a recommendation to cabinet, set out below, be agreed.

1. Council assembly notes with concern that:
 - Recent research conducted for the Mayor of London indicates that over half of new build properties bought by foreign investors in London are sold at a price-point deemed suitable for first-time buyers (under £500,000).
 - The same research indicates that 25% of new build homes sold in the London Borough of Southwark are sold overseas, putting Southwark in the top four London boroughs for the proportion of new homes sold overseas.
2. Council assembly further notes that:
 - The redevelopment of the Heygate Estate will see more than 2,700 new homes built; at least 25% of these new homes will be offered for social rent, affordable rent or shared-ownership sale following the intervention of the then newly elected Labour council. This is opposed to if the amount of affordable housing was determined through the planning system alone as advocated by Southwark Liberal Democrats which would have secured significantly less affordable housing.
 - Council assembly also notes that the last Labour government provided £120,000 subsidy for each new affordable home built, and that the Conservative/Liberal Democrat coalition slashed this to just £20,000 per affordable unit.
 - Council assembly further notes that the former MP for Bermondsey and Old Southwark was reprimanded by the Parliamentary Commissioner for Standards for not declaring a donation from a developer on the Old Kent Road, whose scheme only comprised 6% affordable housing. Council assembly also notes this application was refused by Southwark's planning committee, but was overturned by the Conservative Mayor Boris Johnson.
3. Council assembly welcomes:
 - The announcement from Labour's shadow housing secretary, John Healey, indicating that a Labour government would give local people "first dibs" on new homes ahead of overseas buyers.
 - The call from the Mayor of London's advisory board, Homes for Londoners, for steps to be taken "to make more homes available to Londoners before anyone else, with any measures particularly focusing on homes sold for prices that Londoners, especially first-time buyers, are more likely to be able to afford".
 - That this council already requires developers to give UK residents a fair chance by marketing new homes to them before they are advertised abroad.
4. Council assembly therefore calls on cabinet to take urgent action to promote the sale of new homes to local people by:
 - Ensuring that at least one in three homes in every new development is genuinely affordable.

- Using its influence with existing developers to ensure that new-build homes in Southwark costing £500,000 or less are actively marketed to local people in the first instance rather than marketing them overseas.
- Including the above two conditions in any future development agreements.
- Lobbying the Mayor of London to implement the recommendations of the Homes for Londoners Sub-Group Board Report on Overseas Investment.

Southwark's response to the London Bridge attack

That the motion referred from council assembly as a recommendation to cabinet, set out below, be agreed.

1. Council assembly notes that on 3 June 2017, a horrific terrorist attack took place on London Bridge and in Borough Market which killed eight people, and left a further forty-eight people injured.
2. Council assembly notes that within 20 minutes of the terrorist attack taking place, Southwark Council's emergency planning team were in contact with the chief executive of the council and setting up the Borough Emergency Control Centre (BECC).
3. Council assembly notes that in the immediate aftermath of the terrorist attack and beyond, Southwark Council staff voluntarily came into work on a Saturday night to support the work of the BECC, with many working throughout the night. In the days and weeks after the attack, staff continued to play an important role, which included, but was not limited to:
 - Supporting residents who were unable to immediately return to their homes and helping them find alternative accommodation.
 - Providing information and support to local businesses affected, and assisting them in re-opening.
 - Co-ordinating the lifting of the police cordon around Borough Market.
 - Cleaning and preparing roads and other areas before they were re-opened to the public.
 - Working with the NHS and local charities to set up a community assistance centre for local people affected by the terrorist attack to seek emotional support.
4. Council assembly notes that without the council staff who volunteered their assistance, the council would not have been able to provide as high quality support to residents, businesses, local organisations and the emergency services.
5. Council assembly would like to formally put on record its thanks to the emergency services, and all council staff, local residents, business owners and community groups who helped to respond to the terrorist attack. By standing together, we have shown that this dreadful attack will not defeat us, and that we will always stand together as a community. Southwark can, and should, be proud of our response.

The terror attack on London Bridge and Borough Market

That the motion referred from council assembly as a recommendation to cabinet, set out below, be agreed.

Council assembly:

1. Offers its thoughts and condolences to the friends and family of the eight people who lost their lives, those who were injured, are still in hospital or were otherwise caught up in the horrendous terrorist attack on London Bridge and Borough Market on Saturday 3 June 2017.
2. Offers its sincere thanks to the Metropolitan Police Service, the Counter Terrorism Police, the London Ambulance Service, NHS staff, Southwark Council staff and other emergency workers for the professional and outstanding way they responded to the incident and the care and support they have provided to those affected.
3. Acknowledges the impact on Borough Market, Southwark Cathedral and other business and venues in the vicinity of the attack and pledges its support to their response and commitment to get "back to business".
4. Acknowledges the impact on residents who live in the area which was cordoned-off and who were either unable to leave their homes or unable to return home.
5. Thanks the clergy and staff of Southwark Cathedral and religious leaders from churches, mosques and other places of worship across the borough for their prayers and spiritual guidance in the wake of the attack.
6. Thanks the Mayor of London and other politicians for their united response to the terror attack and acknowledges the wider support and love shown to those affected by the attack from people across London, the UK and the world.
7. Acknowledges the unique role that James Hatts and @SE1 played in providing up to date information to those caught up in the incident, including residents and businesses.
8. Recognises the strength and solidarity of the community in SE1 and across Southwark in their response to the attack and celebrates the community cohesion and diversity that exists in our borough.
9. Calls upon cabinet to take steps to look at what lessons can be learnt from the response to the attack, including exploring any additional measures that can be put in place to make our borough safer and seeking to improve our response to sharing information and building on existing networks and communities in the event of a major incident.
10. Resolves to promote the financial appeals and ongoing support structures that have been launched or put in place for those who lost their lives, were injured or were impacted psychologically or financially as a result of the attack.
11. Resolves to celebrate our way of life and our shared values of tolerance, openness and diversity and reconfirms that those who seek to attack us will never win and that

love will always conquer hate.

12. Calls on the council, in conjunction with the families of those who died, those who were injured and other appropriate stakeholders, to consider an appropriate memorial for the victims of this attack.

Southeastern Trains

That the motion referred from council assembly as a recommendation to cabinet, set out below, be agreed.

1. Council assembly recognises the importance of public transport for residents in Southwark and that the Southeastern line to London Victoria is used by thousands of passengers from Nunhead, Peckham Rye and Denmark Hill stations. It links south East London and Kent to the DLR and Overground as well as the tube network at Victoria and provides public transport to Kings College and the Maudsley Hospitals.
2. Council assembly notes that after much lobbying (including the 2012 motion agreed by this assembly), this service was extended to a full Monday to Sunday service including evenings. Residents had already lost the Victoria to London Bridge service when the Overground service via Peckham Rye started and extension to this service was much needed. There has already, therefore been a net loss in service to Victoria on Monday to Saturday peak times of two trains per hour.
3. Council assembly is deeply concerned by the recent Department for Transport consultation seeking passengers' views on the principle of reducing the choice of London termini to provide a more regular timetable and reliable service. This has arisen to appease the Kent commuters who want a faster service into London. The proposal is to rationalise the services via Lewisham so they go to London Bridge or Cannon Street only and not to Victoria, thereby cancelling the service via Southwark to Victoria. As well as the loss of the service, this means, that when there are problems or engineering works on the Thameslink line, there won't be the option of rerouting services into Victoria as happens at present.
4. Council assembly accepts that the Lewisham train junction is a busy one. Therefore, if rationalisation of services through this junction is deemed necessary, alternative rerouting to the south of Lewisham would need good, frequent connections at Lewisham and extra train services, i.e. a return to four trains per hour through Southwark, as our residents also use the service southbound towards Dartford for work and school.
5. Council assembly find it unacceptable that the recent consultation has been skewed towards the longer distance commuters. This consultation was not even advertised at our stations. We believe the current system provides a poor outcome for our residents and that Transport for London (TfL) should take on the responsibility for the running of this and other south east London rail services to enable our residents to have a properly integrated transport system.
6. Council assembly calls on cabinet to work with Network Rail and TfL to seek a concrete commitment and funding from Government to support the reopening of Camberwell station in order to provide a much needed additional transport link for the local area.

7. Council assembly recognises the increase in passenger numbers at Denmark Hill station which has resulted in dangerous overcrowding and therefore calls on cabinet to support plans to build an additional entrance and ticket machines on Windsor Walk by accelerating the anticipated planning application and other council required permissions.
8. Council assembly calls on cabinet to lobby the Department for Transport to reinstate the South London Line service, in order to provide a key link for many Southwark residents to Central London, once rebuilding works at London Bridge have been completed.

Fire safety in Southwark

That the motion referred from council assembly as a recommendation to cabinet, set out below, be agreed.

1. Council assembly offers its sincere and heartfelt condolences on behalf of the people of Southwark to all those affected by the tragic fire at Grenfell Tower in Kensington and Chelsea.
2. Council assembly notes:
 - The courageous response of the men and women of the emergency services to the fire at Grenfell Tower.
 - The impressive scale of donations and offers of help from members of the public and voluntary organisations in response to the fire at Grenfell Tower.
 - The contribution of Southwark Council to the London Councils' led Grenfell Fire Response Team in providing support to those affected.
 - The contribution of Eleanor Kelly, chief executive of the council, for her work with the government taskforce in providing support in Kensington and Chelsea.
3. Council assembly further notes:
 - The investment into improving the fire safety of council properties in Southwark since the devastating fire at Lakanal House in 2009.
 - Decisions made by the cabinet in 2013 on where best to focus investment in response to the coroner's recommendations.
 - The understandable concerns that Southwark residents will have about the safety of council-owned blocks and about whether they will be safe in the event of a fire.
 - The independent review into fire safety in council blocks commissioned by the deputy leader and cabinet member for housing which will include but is not limited to ascertaining the need for and cost of fitting sprinkler systems and any other fire safety measures in these buildings.
 - The work the council has undertaken to keep residents updated through the council's website, letters from the deputy leader and cabinet member for housing and a special fire safety edition of Southwark Life.
4. Council assembly therefore calls upon the cabinet to:
 - Make public the findings of the independent review.
 - Establish a fire safety advisory group to allow residents to be involved in

- shaping fire safety following the review.
- Bring a report to cabinet outlining the measures that the council will take to implement the recommendations of the review.

Safety on Ledbury Estate

That the motion referred from council assembly as a recommendation to cabinet, set out below, be agreed.

1. Council assembly notes the significant concerns of residents of the four Ledbury tower blocks – Bromyard House, Peterchurch House, Sarnesfield House and Skenfrith House – regarding fire safety.
2. Council assembly views the tragic events at Grenfell Tower as requiring every council to put significant focus on improving fire safety, and recognises that our residents have a right to feel safe in their own homes.
3. Council assembly acknowledges the steps taken by the council to date to address the fire safety concerns at the four Ledbury Tower blocks over the last two weeks, but believes that the council needs to do more to ensure that its residents are safe, improve communication with them and address their concerns.

Council assembly therefore calls upon the cabinet to ensure that:

4. Any tenant of the four Ledbury Tower blocks that requests a transfer to a new home is treated as a band 1 priority.
5. The council urgently requests that Arnold Tarling shares his report on safety issues regarding the towers with the council so that all the issues that it raises can be fully addressed.
6. The council continue to carry out the type 4 fire risk assessments to the four Ledbury tower blocks and ensures all other necessary safety checks are carried out urgently. The council should share any reports arising from these reports with residents as quickly as is possible.
7. Any council officer or contractor involved in work on the towers treats every resident with the same respect and concern as if they were a valued member of their own family.
8. Whilst fire wardens are in place in the blocks, council officers ensure that they are fully trained and equipped to perform their role as fire marshals.
9. The council installs a comprehensive fire alarm system in all communal areas in the four blocks to ensure that there is full fire safety coverage in these areas once the fire wardens leave.
10. A compensation package for tenants and residents is developed that recognises the disruption and distress to their lives caused through the fire safety concerns to their homes.
11. The council does all that it can to share all that it knows with residents, recognising

that different residents have different communication needs. Where information is not yet known, the council must be clear about what steps it is taking to find this out and give an indication of how long this will take.

12. The entryphone system is fully reinstated as soon as it is safe to do so, with new fobs being issued to every resident.
13. Leaseholders of the four blocks are not charged for any safety work arising from the safety issues there.

27. OFSTED INSPECTION OF 'SERVICES FOR CHILDREN IN NEED OF HELP AND PROTECTION, CHILDREN LOOKED AFTER AND CARE LEAVERS' - POST INSPECTION ACTION PLAN

The following amendment to the text at paragraph 6 of the report was noted as follows: "children looked after and achieving permanence" judgement should read "requires improvement."

RESOLVED:

That the Southwark post inspection action plan be endorsed.

28. RESPONSE TO REVIEW OF LOCAL OFFER FOR CARE LEAVERS

RESOLVED:

That the response to the education and children's services scrutiny sub-committee report, review of local offer for care leavers, be approved.

29. GATEWAY 1: PROCUREMENT STRATEGY APPROVAL: SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS AND/OR DISABILITY (SEND) TAXIS FOR CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND VULNERABLE ADULTS

This item was deferred.

30. POLICY AND RESOURCES STRATEGY: REVENUE MONITORING REPORT, INCLUDING TREASURY MANAGEMENT 2017-18 (MONTH 4)

The report had not been circulated five clear days in advance of the meeting. The chair agreed to accept the report as urgent because the emerging improving financial position of the council was of significant interest, particularly, in the context of the 2016-17 general fund budget pressures previously reported to cabinet (18 July 2017: Revenue Monitoring Report and Treasury Management 2016-17 Outturn Report).

RESOLVED:

1. That the following be noted:
 - the general fund outturn forecast for 2017-18 of £0.407m (table 1, paragraph

11 of the report) after the application of the supplementary improved better care fund grant (IBCF) as agreed by the health and well being board on 11 September

- the reduced but continuing pressures on the children's and adults' social care of £4.229m; prior to the application of the IBCF, these cost pressures were forecast to be £11.7m (paragraphs 12 to 21 of the report)
 - the adverse variance in public health of £0.6m due to continued demand pressures in sexual health services (paragraphs 22 to 26 of the report)
 - cost pressures in housing and modernisation in temporary accommodation, No Recourse to Public Funds and corporate facilities management (paragraphs 28 to 44 of the report)
 - the £4m contingency is utilised in full to mitigate the total impact of cost pressures (paragraph 48 of the report)
 - the general fund outturn forecast including the final projected outturn position assumes a total net reduction in reserves of £7.1m (table 2 of the report)
 - the forecast reduction in reserves includes the full allocation of remaining Dedicated Schools Grant Reserve of £1,249 (table 2, paragraph 62 of the report)
 - the housing revenue account forecast set out in table 2, paragraphs 50 to 57 of the report
 - the treasury management activity to date in 2017-18 (paragraphs 63 to 67 of the report).
2. That the general fund budget movements that exceed £250,000, as shown in Appendix A of the report be approved.
 3. That the general fund budget movements that are less than £250,000 as shown in Appendix A of the report be noted.

EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED:

That the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in category 3 of paragraph 10.4 of the access to information procedure rules of the Southwark Constitution.

The following is a summary of the decisions taken in the closed part of the meeting.

31. MINUTES

The minutes of the closed section of the meeting held on 18 July 2017 were approved as a correct record and signed by the chair.

32. ACQUISITION OF FUTURE AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN BLACKFRIARS

The cabinet considered the closed information relating to this item. Please see item 25 for decision.

Meeting ended at 6.15 pm.

CHAIR:

DATED:

DEADLINE FOR NOTIFICATION OF CALL-IN UNDER SECTION 21 OF THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PROCEDURE RULES IS MIDNIGHT, WEDNESDAY 27 SEPTEMBER 2017.

THE ABOVE DECISIONS WILL NOT BE IMPLEMENTABLE UNTIL AFTER THAT DATE. SHOULD A DECISION OF THE CABINET BE CALLED-IN FOR SCRUTINY, THEN THE RELEVANT DECISION WILL BE HELD IN ABEYANCE PENDING THE OUTCOME OF SCRUTINY CONSIDERATION.