

## Information on each proposal, including the main policy/community/resource impacts

Proposal		Panel recommendation	Officer comments		
			Policy implications	Community impact	Resource implications
A	A legal duty to be imposed on Network Rail and any other rail operators to work in partnership with local authorities and local communities to safeguard and improve the environment directly relating to railway land and infrastructure.	Recommended for submission	<p>The Safer Southwark Partnership (SSP) Rolling Plan emphasises the importance of safety around the transport infrastructure.</p> <p>A significant proportion of crimes take place around transport hubs. The SSP is committed to working more closely with transport providers and Transport for London (TfL) to improve safety and just as importantly the perception of safety. Likewise the environment in and around stations is variable and can be of poor quality. The state of stations can have a negative impact across the Corporate Plan and Southwark 2016 objectives and priorities.</p> <p>At present there is no legal duty to work in partnership to safe guard and improve the environment directly relating to railway land and infrastructure.</p>	<p>The SSP Plan identifies that safety in and around the transport infrastructure is a top concern of residents. Likewise the environment in and around rail stations impacts on people's perceptions and experience of the broader environment and streetscene within Southwark.</p> <p>Addressing this issue would have a beneficial community impact.</p>	A duty to work in partnership could lead to more effective use and targeting of existing resources.
B	To relax the requirement for 20mph zones, that every street must have "self-enforcing" calming measures	Recommended for submission	Currently all Local Authorities are required by law to make all 20mph Zones self enforcing by implementing traffic calming	This would not have a detrimental impact on casualty reduction.	To remove the legal requirement for 20mph Zones to be self enforcing would place the

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	Remove the unconditional requirement i.e. it should be at the discretion of the council whether there are self enforcing calming measures and what form they take		<p>measures. In some instances this would require minor roads that are little longer than 50 meters that don't have a road casualty or speed problem having to have traffic calming measures to meet the legal requirement.</p> <p>This is often viewed by residents as unnecessary, disproportionate and a waste of money.</p>		responsibility of enforcement on the Police
C	To create a clearer and more consistent tax regime to incentivise sustainable commuting and work related travel for businesses and their employees: 1) a comprehensive review of the current system, looking at all relevant tax legislation and guidance 2) exploring the scope for greater incentives	Recommended for submission	<p>This will support Corporate Plan priorities on healthy &amp; independent living, and valuing the environment.</p> <p>Action by Government is required to review the tax system</p>	This will have a positive impact on Southwark's community with more people encouraged to use sustainable forms of transport such as walking, cycling and public transport, thereby reducing carbon emissions and increasing health and fitness	There are no direct resource implications for the Council
D	<p>To create a national no plastic bag day for the UK</p> <p>No exchange of plastic bags between retailer and customer</p> <p>Not stating the date but give example of 12 September</p>	Recommended for submission	<p>This proposal supports the Council's existing Waste Minimization Strategy which aims to reduce waste growth in the borough.</p> <p>National legislation would be required to establish a national no plastic bag day for the UK</p>	In the first few years of the campaign, it is envisaged that the community impact would be fairly limited to the sections of the community that are already receptive to environmental campaigns. However, this will depend on the scale of the awareness raising campaign and	In line with the proposal although the scheme would be mandatory from the start, during the initial years of the campaign, enforcement would be low and resources would be focused on education and awareness raising. There

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	Mandatory but in the first few years enforcement is low key, backed up by education and awareness campaigns			where it's targeted. E.g. if targeted through the schools it could have a high impact	will therefore need to be additional provision made within the communications budget. Enforcement could be restricted to targeting the supermarkets and other high profile retail centres. After the campaign has been embedded, enforcement will play a greater role in the campaign. This could be through the council's existing enforcement officers and community wardens and could involve officers making spot checks at retailers throughout the borough. This could not be provided through existing resources therefore would require additional resources from central government.
E	<p>Southwark Camera Partnership</p> <p>Transfer of funding to a Southwark camera partnership (which will need to be established). Allow the Southwark camera partnership to keep revenue from existing cameras and, for example,</p>	Recommended for submission	<p>Although Southwark is able to establish a local partnership, it would not be able to access the funding or meet the other aims of the proposal.</p> <p>The implications will be dependant on the outcome of the consultation with the relevant bodies (see paragraph 17)</p> <p>The resource implications are not clear at this stage (including how the funding who be apportioned to the new Southwark partnership, the cost of the partnership and the revenue retained).</p>		

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	used for road calming measures, and to move existing cameras				
F	Permaculture design principles  A permissive regime that enables Council to prioritise permaculture design principle in local planning policy	Recommended for submission - but not by a consensus, no one registered disagreement, and subject to getting views from officers on how to make workable	Officer advice to follow		
G	Parks: statutory requirements on parks, targets for investment, strategic integrated approach and capacity building	Withdrawn by the proposer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The specific aims around Burgess Park are to be taken forward through existing mechanisms.</li> <li>▪ Proposer to work up a proposal to release funding to improve use of parks to promote the objectives of the Sustainable Communities Act, to submit in the next round</li> </ul>			
H	The government should support and set standards for the development of public libraries as an integral part of a broader local, national and regional network	Withdrawn by the proposer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Proposer to develop further, moving to more local solutions rather than national standards, to submit in the next round</li> </ul>			
I	Unlawful use of properties  Penalties for unlawful use of a property, with the council having the ability to impose	Recommended for submission	Increased compliance with planning regulations, which results in a better quality environment for people live, work and visit .	The community will benefit from a more effective enforcement of planning regulations. In the long-term a reduction of impacts of unlawful use of a property will	Additional officer time to serve fixed penalty notices will be required and to follow up any failure to comply.

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	civil penalties on the freeholder to cover the costs of planning enforcement			have a positive impact on communities. This proposal will also promote sustainable communities within the Borough.	
J	<p>A change in the rules to allow councils to help smooth leaseholder repair bills</p> <p>Change in the rules to allow councils to take deposits and prudently invest leaseholder funds, on a voluntary basis, to help smooth leaseholder repairs bills</p>	Recommended for submission	This initiative meets the council's policy around 'making Southwark's homes and neighbourhoods great places to live where good quality services are provided right first time'.	<p>Large major works service charges impact all leaseholders but have a disproportionate effect on: the elderly (often original RTB leaseholders); more recent RTB leaseholders with large mortgages (statistics show over 50% of these come from BMI groups); and more recent open market assignees (with up to or over 100% mortgages).</p> <p>The drop in property values in the past 18 months means many have slipped into negative equity. Only in a very few cases where the (usually elderly) leaseholder is in receipt of income support is there partial benefit cover.</p> <p>This scheme will incentivize the council's leaseholders on lower fixed incomes to budget to meet their service charge obligations.</p>	<p>This scheme must be on a voluntary basis because we have no right to demand payment into a scheme. Consequently implications for resources are dependent on take up numbers.</p> <p>Staffing resources will include financial staff needed to set up and monitor the new accounts, constructing and issuing statements. Also the staff resources involved in investing receipts and applying the interest.</p> <p>Consideration needs to be given as to whether to charge a management fee for this function.</p> <p>Homeownership staff can debit the savings account on completion of major works final accounts. The use of IT resources will be</p>

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					<p>needed to establish these new accounts.</p> <p>Detailed resource implications are not known at this stage. They should be ascertained and taken into consideration in deciding the appropriate body to run the scheme.</p>