

Item No. 10.	Classification: Open	Date: 17 December 2019	Meeting Name: Cabinet
Report title:		Recommendations on Brandon Estate	
Ward(s) or groups affected:		Newington	
From:		Overview & Scrutiny Committee	

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That a core group of councillors, officers and residents meets regularly to review progress against the issues. This group should undertake a holistic review to ensure that all the strands of work in hand meet residents' needs. The group should work transparently by publishing documents such as action plans with RAG rating and minutes of its meetings.
2. That a clear timetable is set out and delivered for full access to the Jack Hobbs Club by April 2020.
3. That the housing scrutiny commission's review of district heating networks should include Brandon as one of its case studies. This should include the question of how compensation for heating outages is paid – i.e. whether it can be credited to bank accounts instead of rent/service charge accounts.
4. That an investigation be undertaken into the amount of time it took to implement the new CCTV, and that a report arising from the investigation be provided to the overview and scrutiny committee.
5. That cabinet considers the recommendations and request that the relevant cabinet member reports back within eight weeks.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

6. Overview and scrutiny committee discussed issues on the Brandon Estate at their meeting of 11 November 2019. The session had been requested by ward councillors in view of their concerns about some aspects of the council's response to 3 murders on the estate. The committee heard from ward councillors, tenants and residents association (T&RA) chairs, cabinet member Councillor Evelyn Akoto and senior council officers. The particular areas of concern were the delay in decision making around installing CCTV cameras, slowness of progress in establishing a young people's hub at the Jack Hobbs Club, the nature of the council's engagement with residents, heating outages and the system of compensation for outages.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Background Papers	Held At	Contact
Brandon Estate Update CCTV Decision Making Process CCTV Re-deployable Process Flow Chart	Scrutiny Team 160 Tooley Street London SE1 2QH	Fitzroy Williams 020 7525 7102
Links (please copy and paste into your browser):		
http://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/documents/s85665/Brandon%20Estate%20Update%202.pdf		
http://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/documents/s85734/CCTV%20decision%20making%20process.pdf		
http://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/documents/s85735/Fig%201%20-%20CCTV%20FLOWCHART.pdf		

AUDIT TRAIL

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