

**LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS**  
**Pre-Decision Question - Overview and Scrutiny Committee – 20<sup>th</sup> July, 2016**

Items 5.1 & 5.5 below & the response to Item 5.6 are set out below

<b>Cabinet Report/Question</b>	<b><u>Response</u></b>
<p><b>5.1 Housing Capital Projects: Pipeline schemes</b></p> <p><b>Question:</b> The list of any “Urban infill” sites connected with this Rpt.</p>	<p>LBTH are currently assessing the sites for inclusion in the programme of infill sites, based on a series of feasibility appraisals and early discussions with planners. Once we have identified suitable sites we will establish a programme of engagement with local residents and Ward Members as part of the comprehensive consultation process. The Consultation Strategy can be referred to you as the Chair of OSC.</p>
<p><b>5.5. Improvement and Transformation of Information Communications and Technology</b></p> <p><b>Question:</b> Would be possible just to see the evidence base to prove that what is being proposed in the above mentioned report is better.</p>	<p>The IT investment has yet to occur so there is no direct evidence as to share with OSC at this time; however the socitm report (previously Society of IT Managers) sets out the need to invest in IT that just works, mobile working, information management and partnership working, which will be delivered and enabled through the IT investment and the Smarter Together programmes; and draws on their extensive experience that these changes have had a transformational effect on other local authorities where they have been implemented.</p> <p>The investment will be managed through existing processes and Cllr Edgar as the lead member involved in the key discussions, with reports on spend and progress to scrutiny as appropriate, this will ensure the investment delivers both value for money and the improved outcomes required.</p>