

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

ACTION NOTES

DATE OF MEETING	MINUTE NO.	ITEM	ACTION	OFFICER/ COUNCILLOR RESPONSIBLE	UPDATES
29 February 2016	1.1	Vote of Thanks	Letter to be written by Chair to Rev. James Olanipekun expressing gratitude.	David Knight	
	3.1	Unrestricted Minutes	4 th January minutes to be checked, regarding amendments.	David Knight	
	3.2	Unrestricted Minutes	The audio of the minutes from the 1 st February meeting be checked to confirm the points raised by Dr Rice.	David Knight	
	6.1	Crime & Disorder Spotlight	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Head of Street Enforcement would circulate the note from the ASB Operations Group to the Committee; 2. A briefing paper be submitted to a future meeting identifying ways to improve communication among the police, local residents, community safety and the councillors; 3. The MPS Officers responsible for investigating the electoral malpractice be invited to a future meeting; 4. The results of issues raised at ward walkabouts be circulated as requested by Councillor Hassell; and 5. Statistical data be provided to a future meeting that includes police engagement with primary schools. 	Trevor Kennett Andy Bamber Andy Bamber / Kevin Kewin Andy Bamber Andy Bamber Andy Bamber	
	7.1	Find it, Fix it, Love it	Chair requested a copy of the original report presented to him at the "Chair's Call Over" meeting.	Fiona Heyland	
	7.2	Welfare Reform Task Group Update	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Information relating to Welfare Reform should be communicated more to councillors and could include the Members' Bulletin with a FAQs page. 2. RSLs and other Advice Agency SLAs should be 	Kevin Kewin Zena Cooke /	

			<p>checked to ensure that advice, signposting and supporting local residents to complete forms is included and it is being monitored appropriately.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Additional partnerships and joint working should be explored with other London Boroughs to ensure unified responses to the Government. 4. The Welfare Reform Update should be scheduled into the work programme for the Overview and Scrutiny Committee so that it is kept on the radar to be re-visited. 	<p>Steve Hill</p> <p>Kevin Kewin / Zena Cooke / Steve Hill Kevin Kewin</p>	
<p>01 February 2016</p>	7.1	<p>New Local Plan: First Steps</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Wanted more information on what is being done to develop tourism, protect heritage sites within TH & to improve the rates of recycling; 2. Wanted to know what can be done to restrict the expansion of betting shops and pay day lenders in the Boroughs various town centres; 3. Wanted to see more explicit reference in the Plan as to what is being done in terms of the health and wellbeing of the Borough (Including the provision of affordable housing for key workers (e.g. medical professionals); 4. Wanted to see more details on be engagement with the various communities in the Borough; 5. LBTH does not have properly designated town centres and that this should be addressed in the Plan; 6. Wanted to see details of those assets in LBTH that are considered to be of community value e.g. the older and more established public houses. 7. Noted that a report would be submitted to a future meeting addressing the transport infrastructure requirements of the Borough; 8. Noted that through the Local Plan LBTH can secure community facilities as part of the infrastructure and address the provision of “play space”. 	<p>Adele Maher</p>	

7.2	Community Safety Plan Extension	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Heard that with regards to domestic violence and violence against women and girls that there is concern that many victims suffer in silence and that they need to be encouraged to come forward; 2. Heard that the Council are looking at increasing the numbers of third-party reporting sites and preventative work e.g. more should be encouraged to come forward to report any incidences of Islamophobia and that the Prevent agenda is being addressed in a holistic fashion that encompasses the whole family; 3. Wanted to know what is being done to address Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) in a truly sensitive fashion and to ensure that people know where they go to get help and that agencies have the relevant training in place for their staff; 4. Want to know what is being done to address the radicalisation of local residents in a manner that does not isolate communities or potentially criminalising individuals within those communities; 5. Wanted to see as part of any refresh of Safer Neighbourhood Panels (SNP) how they can be involved in responding to issues such as radicalisation and FGM; and 6. Wanted to see how actions arising from "Ward Walks" are being addressed. 	Shazia Ghani	
7.3	Recruiting more diverse school governors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wanted to have details on the representation of support staff on governing bodies; • Asked for more information on how individuals can become governors and that they wished to see people from the wider community being encouraged to come forward to become the school governors; • A need to look at how contact is made with local communities to promote increased participation in governing bodies; and • Asked to be provided with more details on those 	Hania Franek	

			schools that had vacancies on their governing bodies.		
7.4	Progress Update: review on improving post-16 educational attainment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wished to know how LBTH are helping young people to secure employment (e.g. developing the necessary life skills and the choosing the most appropriate courses for their career development); • Wanted to know what is being done in LBTH to address the gender gap in literacy 		Tim Williams	
8	Verbal Updates Scrutiny Leads	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Councillor Jones indicated that a report on the recycling will be available shortly; and • Councillor Hassell is to meet with officers to look at the provision for those female students with social and emotional needs. 		Cllr Jones Cllr Hassell	