

## Recommendations Tracker – 31 August 2023

| Date    | Agenda Item  | The Corporate, Performance & Budget Scrutiny Committee;   | Lead Member  | Lead Officer                 | Accepted Yes/No | Progress/Comments  | Complete Yes/No |
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| 12.6.23 | Quarter Four Performance Monitoring Report 2022-2023 | <b>3.2.</b> welcomes the success of Music in the Park and looks forward to an evaluation of return on investment and future plans being made available.           | Leader of the Council & Cabinet Member (Policy, Reform and Communications) | Director (Change & Delivery) | Yes             | The evaluation is underway and will inform options on future plans. This will be shared with Members once drafted.   | No              |
| 12.6.23 | Quarter Four Performance Monitoring Report 2022-2023 | <b>3.3.</b> is grateful for the offer of further information and statistics with regards to the uptake of the cost of living support;                             | Cabinet Member (Wealth Building, Social Justice, Equality and Diversity)   | Director (Communities)       | Yes             | This will be considered further by the Community and External Scrutiny Committee as part of its work programme on 9 October 2023   | No              |
| 12.6.23 | Quarter Four Performance Monitoring Report 2022-2023 | <b>3.4.</b> asks that the council work with the credit union to increase the opening hours of their office and to provide outreach to other parts of the borough; | Cabinet Member (Wealth Building, Social Justice, Equality and Diversity)   | Director (Communities)       | Yes             | A programme of outreach sessions have started at the Uniform shop and further are planned at the Community cafes, Dr Bike sessions, Community Hubs and they will also be invited to the Chairs and Vice Chairs hub meeting and members briefing session. Discussions are ongoing with the Credit Union with regards to extending opening hours and outreach services. A full update is due to be considered by Cabinet on 13 September 2023. | No              |

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| 12.6.23 | Quarter Four Performance Monitoring Report 2022-2023 | <b>3.5.</b> asks for further information on the councils contribution to the credit union and how the council ensures value for money;                              | Cabinet Member (Wealth Building, Social Justice, Equality and Diversity) | Director (Communities)      | Yes             | An update on the success of the Credit Union, including value for money is due to be considered at Cabinet on 13 September 2023.  | No              |
| 12.6.23 | Quarter Four Performance Monitoring Report 2022-2023 | <b>3.6.</b> welcomes the offer of a response to the query raised on the criteria of the Select Move process;  | Cabinet Member (Communities, Leisure and Wellbeing)                      | Director (Communities)      | Yes             | Applicants can apply to all three districts for accommodation and are not limited on the numbers of applications made at one time. When the new allocations policy is adopted the geographical connection will be strengthened. Therefore people with a geographical connection to an area will be prioritised for the accommodation. There are a number of caveats to this for example victims of domestic abuse and people serving in the armed forces. | Yes             |
| 12.6.23 | Quarter Four Performance Monitoring Report 2022-2023 | <b>3.7.</b> invites the new cabinet member for Customer and Digital to the next meeting to discuss customer services indicators, including the abandoned call rates | Chair of the Corporate, Performance & Budget Scrutiny Committee          | Head of Democratic Services | Yes             | As part of the Scrutiny Committee's work programme a report looking at customer service performance will be brought to a future meeting.  | No              |

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| 12.6.23 | Quarter Four Performance Monitoring Report 2022-2023 | <b>3.8.</b> asks that the new planning committee be advised of the implications of deferring applications and the risk of non-determination. | Cabinet Member (Planning, Business Support and Economic Development) | Chief Executive    | Yes             | Following membership being appointed both new and returning committees members have undertaken relevant training which included implications of deferring applications and the risk on non-determination.   | Yes             |
| 12.6.23 | Revenue Budget Outturn 2022-23                       | <b>4.2.</b> welcomes the offer of a copy of the UKSPF (UK Shared Prosperity Fund) Business Plan being provided to the committee;             | Cabinet Member (Finance and Public Protection)                       | Director (Finance) | Yes             | This information was included in a report presented to Full Council on 19 July 2023.  | Yes             |
| 12.6.23 | Revenue Budget Outturn 2022-23                       | <b>4.3.</b> asks that the total agency and contractor costs mapped across the directorate staffing underspends be provided;                  | Cabinet Member (Finance and Public Protection)                       | Director (Finance) | Yes             | The total expenditure incurred by SRBC on Agency Staff in 22/23 was £794,000.   | Yes             |
| 12.6.23 | Revenue Budget Outturn 2022-23                       | <b>4.4.</b> encourages the greater use of LinkedIn and other social media platforms to attract and recruit employees to the council;         | Cabinet Member (Finance and Public Protection)                       | Director (Finance) | Yes             | We promote our vacancies using our Corporate LinkedIn profile however we use LinkedIn recruit (which is high cost, paid advertising) only if it is appropriate to the reach and relevance of the role we are recruiting to. We are continuing to review this as part of our recruitment strategy approach to ensure we achieve best value and attract the best people to our Council. | Yes             |

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| 12.6.23 | Revenue Budget Outturn 2022-23            | <b>4.5.</b> requests that the apprenticeship underspends be explored further;                              | Cabinet Member (Finance and Public Protection) | Director (Finance) | Yes             | We have refreshed and co-ordinated our approach to apprentices to ensure that there are clear progression plans for them once they finish their apprenticeship. In doing this, we have used vacant non-apprentice posts to create apprentice opportunities, retaining the option to then progress apprentices into the substantive post, and thereby significantly increasing the number of apprentices recruited over the past 2 years. We want to ensure we keep the talent we are attracting.  | Yes             |
| 12.6.23 | Capital and Balance Sheet Outturn 2022-23 | <b>5.2.</b> requests that further focus be given to reduce the level of slippage in the capital programme; | Cabinet Member (Finance and Public Protection) | Director (Finance) | Yes             | An original budget of £350k was established a couple of years ago to support future Leisure Local schemes – of this amount, £40k has been utilised and the £310k has been carried forward to meet the costs of such schemes in the future. Expenditure has been spent on Leisure Local type projects/schemes and capital grants provided to local organisations to deliver the same, but these have been funded from Covid grants or grants specifically earmarked for this purpose and so there has been no need to tap into the councils budget | Yes             |

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|      |             |   |             |              |                 | earmarked within the capital programme. |                 |