

Report to Council

Date of meeting: 26 September 2017

Subject: Overview and Scrutiny Report to Council

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Recommendations/Decisions Required:

That the Overview and Scrutiny progress report from July 2017 to the present be noted.

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Overview and Scrutiny Committee Meeting – 18 July 2017

1. At our meeting on Tuesday 18th July, we reviewed the Forward Plan of Key Decisions; when the Committee considered the Council's corporate priorities and programme of key decisions for 2017/18. The committee went through the plan page by page asking questions as appropriate.
2. We then had The Head of Transformation, Mr Bailey, introduce his report on the Corporate Plan for 2018 – 2023. This new Corporate Plan would run from 2018 to 2023 and it sought to lay out the journey the Council would take to transform the organisation to be 'ready for the future'. This plan strived to link the key external drivers influencing Council services, with a set of corporate aims and objectives, grouped under three corporate ambitions. An annual Corporate Specification would detail how the Corporate Plan would be delivered through a set of operational objectives for that year. Committee members reviewed and commented on the new Corporate Plan for 2018-2023 and noted that this would also be going to each of the four Select Committees for comment.
3. We then went on to consider our ongoing scrutiny of external organisations, noting that the Barts Health NHS Trust had agreed to attend our next meeting at the end of October.
4. We also noted that TfL had been asked to make a return visit to us and we discussed what we would like them to cover. The Committee agreed they would like specialists from TfL to attend to update us on the Central Line and on the bus services served by TfL. Also there were access issues on the Central Line, especially at Buckhurst Hill which we would like to be covered.