


Resources and Public Realm Scrutiny Committee Scrutiny Recommendation Tracker 2019-2020

(A key and explanatory note for this tracker table is provided at the end of this report).


12 September 2019

Subject	Scrutiny Recommendation	Decision Maker & Executive Response	Department, Cabinet Member and lead officer	Implementation Status	Review Date status
Knife Crime Scrutiny Task Group Report and recommendations	<p>Knife Crime Scrutiny Task Group Report and recommendations</p> <p>RESOLVED: The Resources and Public Realm Scrutiny Committee: agreed the report and recommendations of the Knife Crime Scrutiny Task Group and that the report now be referred to the Cabinet for consideration.</p>	<p>Cabinet 14 October 2019</p> <p>Cabinet Decision/Response:</p> <p>Decision: RESOLVED: that the recommendations set out in the report of the Knife Crime Task Group be agreed. (Cabinet 14 October 2019)</p>	<p>Regeneration and Environment</p> <p>The Safer Brent Partnership</p> <p><i>Cabinet Member:</i> Cabinet Member for Community Safety and Engagement</p> <p><i>Strategic Director:</i> The Strategic Director Regeneration and Environment</p>	A report on the progress of the implementation of the agreed scrutiny recommendations will be considered by the committee on Monday 10 May 2021.	 10 May 2021

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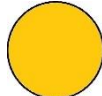
Subject	Scrutiny Recommendation	Decision Maker & Executive Response	Department, Cabinet Member and lead officer	Implementation Status	Review Date status
Air Quality Scrutiny Report	RESOLVED: 1. That the Air Quality Scrutiny Report and recommendations be adopted and referred to the Cabinet for consideration. 2. That the implementation of the report's recommendations agreed by the Cabinet be brought back to the Committee for review in 2020-2021.	Cabinet 14 January 2020 Cabinet Decision/Response: <i>RESOLVED that Cabinet note the Air Quality Scrutiny Report and recommendations.</i> (Cabinet 14 January 2020) Cabinet 20 April 2020 Cabinet Decision/Response: <i>Cabinet RESOLVED to approve the draft Executive Response to the Air Quality Scrutiny Report and recommendations of the Resources and Public Realm Scrutiny Committee.</i>	Regeneration and Environment <i>Cabinet Member:</i> Cabinet Member for Environment <i>Strategic Director</i> The Strategic Director Regeneration and Environment	A report on the implementation of the Air Quality Scrutiny Report recommendations was considered by the committee on 14 April 2021. <i>This has now been implemented.</i>	 14 April 2021



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Subject	Scrutiny Recommendation	Decision Maker & Executive Response	Department, Cabinet Member and lead officer	Implementation Status	Review Date status
Budget Scrutiny Task Group Report	RESOLVED that the Budget Scrutiny Report and recommendations be adopted and referred to the Cabinet for consideration.	<p>Cabinet 10 February 2020</p> <p>Budget & Council Tax 2020/21-2022/23 (Appendix D)</p> <p>Council 19 February 2020</p> <p>Cabinet Decision/Response:</p> <p><i>RESOLVED that Cabinet: To note the report from the Budget Scrutiny Panel in Appendix D of the report. In addition, Cabinet agreed at the meeting to recommend to Council that any overall underspend across the General Fund accrued at the end of March 2020 be ringfenced and bought forward as proposals for spending on the climate change emergency. (Cabinet 10 February 2020)</i></p> <p>Cabinet 20 April 2020</p> <p>Cabinet Decision/Response:</p> <p><i>Cabinet RESOLVED to approve the draft Executive</i></p>	<p>Finance</p> <p><i>Cabinet Member:</i> Resources and Deputy Leader of the Council</p> <p><i>Strategic Director:</i> Director of Finance</p>	<p>A progress report on the implementation of the agreed Executive Response and decisions was brought to the scrutiny committee for review on 1 October 2020.</p> <p><i>This has now been implemented.</i></p>	 1 Oct 2020

		<p>Response to the Budget Task Group Scrutiny Report and recommendations of the Resources and Public Realm Scrutiny Committee. (Cabinet 20 April 2020)</p> <p>Council Decision: AGREED (6) To note the report from the Budget Scrutiny Panel in Appendix D of the report and approve the recommendation from Cabinet that any overall underspend across the General Fund at the end of March 2020 is ring fenced and that proposals are brought forward for spending on the climate change emergency. (Council 19 February 2020)</p>			
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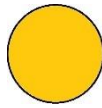
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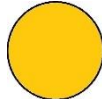
Subject	Scrutiny Recommendation	Decision Maker & Executive Response	Department, Cabinet Member and lead officer	Implementation Status	Review Date status
Brent Parks Strategy	That a new Brent Parks Strategy encompass the green and open spaces as a whole and include measurable targets, including bespoke targets for Brent, to facilitate the use of parks and open spaces by a diversity of different people in the community and to encourage sporting activities.	<p>Cabinet 17 August 2020</p> <p>Cabinet Decision/Response:</p> <p>Cabinet RESOLVED to approve the Executive Response to the recommendations made by the Resources & Public Realm</p>	<p>Regeneration and Environment</p> <p><i>Cabinet Member:</i> Cabinet Member for Environment</p> <p><i>Strategic Director</i> The Strategic Director</p>	The strategy is still in development but will include targets based on the recommendations made. Given the current demand on the Parks Service during the pandemic, a completed strategy is proposed towards the end of summer 2021.	 March 2021.

		<p>Scrutiny Committee on 12 March 2020 relating to the Council's Parks Strategy.</p> <p>Decision: AGREED.</p>	Regeneration and Environment		
Brent Parks Strategy	To improve the data on people using the park, which could be used to inform the strategy.	<p>Cabinet 17 August 2020</p> <p>Cabinet Decision/Response:</p> <p>Decision: AGREED.</p>	<p>Regeneration and Environment</p> <p><i>Cabinet Member:</i> Cabinet Member for Environment</p> <p><i>Strategic Director</i> The Strategic Director Regeneration and Environment</p>	The Parks Service will work with Brent Parks Forum and Friends of Groups as well as Parks for London to understand how this data can be obtained. Details will be included in the strategy to be produced later in 2021.	 March 2021.
Brent Parks Strategy	That provision be made within the strategy and management of parks to allow for barbeques in designated areas, perhaps with the requirement of a permit and perhaps after a trial period to test out how this might work.	<p>Cabinet 17 August 2020</p> <p>Cabinet Decision/Response:</p> <p>Decision: AGREED.</p> <p>Cabinet noted that consideration of the provision to allow use of BBQs in designated areas would require further review, in terms of the options available to manage any change as part of the ongoing development of the strategy, on which the Scrutiny Committee would continue to be kept updated.</p>	<p>Regeneration and Environment</p> <p><i>Cabinet Member:</i> Cabinet Member for Environment</p> <p><i>Strategic Director</i> The Strategic Director Regeneration and Environment</p>	Given the increased pressures on the Parks during the pandemic, work on this recommendation has not yet been undertaken. We will seek to understand the position on BBQ's from other London Boroughs who have designated areas to see whether they reduce the number of unauthorised BBQ's which cause damage to parks land and increased demand on the services of the fire brigade. This review will be undertaken by the end of the summer of 2021.	 March 2021.




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

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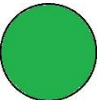
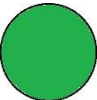
Subject	Scrutiny Recommendation	Decision Maker & Executive Response	Department, Cabinet Member and lead officer	Implementation Status	Review Date status
The Public Realm	That the new parking strategy ensure that it is always cheaper to park a bike than park a car in Brent, and ensure that the cheapest resident parking permit is more expensive than using a bike hangar.	<p>Cabinet 12 October 2020</p> <p>Cabinet Decision/Response: Cabinet RESOLVED to approve the Executive Response.</p> <p>Decision: AGREED.</p> <p>Cabinet Decision: That consideration be given to raising the lowest parking permit price to the equivalent of the starting price for using a cycle hanger.</p>	<p>Regeneration and Environment</p> <p><i>Cabinet Member:</i> Cabinet Member for Environment and Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Property & Planning</p> <p><i>Strategic Director:</i> The Strategic Director Regeneration and Environment</p>	<p>The department will look to raise the lowest parking permit price to the equivalent of the starting price for using a cycle hanger, i.e. from the current £25 to £36.</p> <p>The Council uses two suppliers for the provision and management of Cycle Hangars in the borough, residents pay £36 for 3 years (subsidised) rising to £72 per annum for a space. This charge includes administration and also cleaning and maintenance of the hangar. The lowest resident annual permit is £25 per year, this is to encourage ownership of greener vehicles in the borough. We have no plans for changes to the emission based permit charges at present, but this can be considered when reviewed in the future.</p> <p>We have secured £300k of S106 developer funding for the expansion of the boroughs cycle</p>	 March 2021.

				<p>hangar network over the next 2 years. Officers have been exploring the options to reduce the cost of a bike hangar space following the 3 year subsidy and have contacted our current suppliers to see if they have the scope to manage this on our behalf and reduce the annual charge residents would have to pay, or whether this can be managed in-house. The team have been focussing on the introduction of school streets in response to the Covid-19 pandemic, but will further explore options in the Spring / Summer. If the option is for a supplier to manage cycle hangar requests, this will require procurement / contract arrangements.</p> <p>This will not be progressed during the current pandemic restrictions, with the target start date for consultation on this proposal no earlier than June 2022.</p>	
The Public Realm	That 20mph be adopted as the default speed on Brent roads, subject to an environmental audit, and that a timetable be drawn up for the introduction of a 20mph speed limit across the borough.	<p>Cabinet 12 October 2020</p> <p><i>Cabinet Decision:</i> That consideration be given to introducing 20mph as the default speed on Brent</p>	<p>Regeneration and Environment</p> <p><i>Cabinet Member:</i> Cabinet Member for Environment and Cabinet Member</p>	<p>A large percentage of the borough is already 20mph and new safety schemes introduce 20mph speed limits when introduced. Further consideration to a borough wide approach will be given in 2021, but with limited funding available</p>	 March 2021.



		roads to an extent that reasonably accounts for the feasibility, the cost, the value, the actual impact on traffic and speeding at any given location, and the capacity of the department to deliver this policy at this time.	for Regeneration, Property & Planning <i>Strategic Director:</i> The Strategic Director Regeneration and Environment	it may not be cost effective at this time.	
The Public Realm	That unspent balances in the capital budget be reinvested in active travel.	<p>Cabinet 12 October 2020</p> <p>Cabinet Decision/Response: <i>This recommendation was rejected.</i></p> <p>Reason: <i>it is not envisaged that there will be any unspent capital budgets available.</i></p> <p>Response: <i>It is not clear what capital budgets are being referred to. Local Implementation Plan funding has been frozen. Brent funded capital is for maintenance only and Section 106 funding is usually scheme specific although we can seek to prioritise.</i></p>	<p>Regeneration and Environment</p> <p><i>Cabinet Member:</i> Cabinet Member for Environment and Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Property & Planning</p> <p><i>Strategic Director:</i> The Strategic Director Regeneration and Environment</p>	A review of the LTTS is currently underway. A draft plan is scheduled to be taken to Cabinet in Summer 2021 for approval to undertake consultation in Autumn 2021, with the final, revised plan set to be published in early 2022.	N/A
The Public Realm	That any future transport strategies and plans include clear measurements and modelling for active transport and the impact on air quality.	<p>Cabinet 12 October 2020</p> <p>Cabinet Decision:</p>	<p>Regeneration and Environment</p> <p><i>Cabinet Member:</i></p>	A review of the LTTS is currently underway. A draft plan is scheduled to be taken to Cabinet in Summer 2021 for approval to undertake	

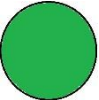

		<p><i>That consideration be given, when reviewing and updating the Long Term Transport Strategy or drafting any new strategies for future transport strategies and plans, to include clear measurements and modelling for active transport and the impact on air quality.</i></p>	<p>Cabinet Member for Environment and Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Property & Planning</p> <p><i>Strategic Director:</i> The Strategic Director Regeneration and Environment</p>	<p>consultation in Autumn 2021, with the final, revised plan set to be published in early 2022.</p>	 March 2021.
The Public Realm	<p>That low traffic streets be rebranded in a way that is clearer for the public, for example 'Healthy Streets' or 'Peaceful Streets'.</p>	<p>Cabinet 12 October 2020</p> <p><i>Cabinet Decision:</i> <i>That the Council's low traffic streets policy be branded 'Healthy Neighbourhoods'.</i></p>	<p>Regeneration and Environment</p> <p><i>Cabinet Member:</i> Cabinet Member for Environment and for Regeneration, Property & Planning</p> <p><i>Strategic Director:</i> The Strategic Director Regeneration and Environment</p>	<p>This has been branded 'Healthy Neighbourhoods'.</p> <p><i>This has been completed.</i></p>	 March 2021.
The Brent Economy	<p>That the Cabinet Member for Regeneration work with the West London Prosperity Board to set up a jobs summit with large local employers (regardless of sector) to look at ways the public and private sectors can work together to support local employment.</p>	<p>Cabinet</p> <p><i>Cabinet Decision/Response:</i> <i>Cabinet RESOLVED to approve the Executive Response.</i></p> <p><i>Decision:</i> <i>AGREED.</i></p>	<p>Regeneration and Environment</p> <p><i>Cabinet Member:</i> Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Property & Planning</p>	<p>A Skills Summit was held in Feb 2021 involving large local employers; over 100 people attended.</p> <p><i>This has been completed.</i></p>	 March 2021.

			<i>Strategic Director:</i> The Strategic Director Regeneration and Environment		
Social Welfare in Brent	That the COVID-19 Interest Free Loans Eligibility Criteria to include debt as part of the criteria.	Cabinet 20 July 2020 Cabinet Decision/Response: <i>Cabinet RESOLVED:</i> To support and approve the following recommendations made by the Resources & Public Realm Scrutiny Committee being taken forward as part of the development and implementation of the new support funds: (a) That the Covid-19 Interest Free Loans eligibility criteria be extended to include debt;	Customer and Digital Services <i>Cabinet Member:</i> Cabinet Member for Housing and Welfare Reform <i>Strategic Director:</i> Strategic Director Customer and Digital Services	<i>This has been completed.</i>	 July 2021
Social Welfare in Brent	That the department organise a member development session to brief elected members of the Council on the new support funds and when it may be appropriate to refer people to them.	Cabinet 20 July 2020 Cabinet Decision/Response: <i>Cabinet RESOLVED:</i> (b) A member development session be arranged on the new support funds and their referral process;	Customer and Digital Services <i>Cabinet Member:</i> Cllr Eleanor Southwood - Cabinet Member for Housing and Welfare Reform <i>Strategic Director:</i>	A member development session is being arranged on the new support funds and their referral process.	 July 2021

			Strategic Director Customer and Digital Services		
Social Welfare in Brent	That the department use the information it has available on vulnerable local people to proactively contact them to advise of the support on offer, and accompany this with a media campaign through social media and traditional media.	Cabinet 20 July 2020 Cabinet Decision/Response: Cabinet RESOLVED: (c) The Strategic Director, Customer & Digital Services be requested to consider how best to proactively use data already available to offer advice and support for vulnerable local people;	Customer and Digital Services <i>Cabinet Member:</i> Cllr Eleanor Southwood - Cabinet Member for Housing and Welfare Reform <i>Strategic Director:</i> Strategic Director Customer and Digital Services	This is being implemented.	 July 2021
Social Welfare in Brent	That the department conduct a review of its debt collection processes in the light of the COVID-19 crisis, to ensure that the circumstances of vulnerable people adversely affected by the epidemic will be taken into account.	Cabinet 20 July 2020 Cabinet Decision/Response: Cabinet RESOLVED: (d) The Strategic Director, Customer & Digital Services be requested to undertake a review of debt collection processes in light of Covid-19 to ensure that the circumstances of vulnerable people adversely affected by the pandemic were fully taken into account.	Customer and Digital Services <i>Cabinet Member:</i> Cllr Margaret McLennan – deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Resources <i>Strategic Director:</i> Strategic Director Customer and Digital Services	This is being implemented.	 July 2021

1 October 2020

Subject	Scrutiny Recommendation	Decision Maker & Executive Response	Department, Cabinet Member and lead officer	Implementation Status	Review Date status
Brent Council Procurement Strategy	That the Council policy on Modern Slavery be published on the Council website.	Cabinet 12 October 2020 Cabinet Decision/Response: Having noted the intention to incorporate the recommendations made by the Resources & Public Realm Scrutiny Committee when considering the strategy at their meeting on 1 October 2020, Cabinet RESOLVED to approve the Procurement Strategy 2020-2023 as set out in Appendix A of the report to Cabinet 12 October 2020.	Customer and Digital Services <i>Cabinet Member:</i> Cllr Margaret McLennan The Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Resources <i>Strategic Director:</i> The Strategic Director of Customer and Digital Services	The Strategy and Partnerships Team are leading this work and will publish on the website when completed. There is a modern slavery element in all relevant strategies, and we plan to publish a modern slavery statement <i>This has been completed.</i>	 April 2021.
Brent Council Procurement Strategy	That the Brent Council Procurement Strategy include how fair trade is to be delivered.	Cabinet 12 October 2020 Cabinet Decision/Response: Having noted the intention to incorporate the recommendations made by the Resources & Public Realm Scrutiny Committee when considering the strategy at their meeting on 1 October 2020, Cabinet RESOLVED to approve the Procurement	Customer and Digital Services <i>Cabinet Member:</i> Cllr Margaret McLennan The Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Resources <i>Strategic Director:</i>	The Procurement Strategy under the Sustainability Pillar can add the additional KPIs to support the recommendation. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report on the number of suppliers who have signed up to the Fairtrade Mark. • Work with the whole supplier base to encourage an increase in the understanding Fairtrade principles and encourage sign up to the Fairtrade 	 April 2021.

		Strategy 2020-2023 as set out in Appendix A of the report to Cabinet 12 October 2020.	The Strategic Director of Customer and Digital Services	The Procurement Sustainability policy was published April 2020. It includes various KPI's and measures including number of suppliers signed up to the Fairtrade mark. <i>This has been completed.</i>	
Brent Council Procurement Strategy	To consider how Council contracts may be made available to smaller company providers.	Cabinet 12 October 2020 Cabinet Decision/Response: Having noted the intention to incorporate the recommendations made by the Resources & Public Realm Scrutiny Committee when considering the strategy at their meeting on 1 October 2020, Cabinet RESOLVED to approve the Procurement Strategy 2020-2023 as set out in Appendix A of the report to Cabinet 12 October 2020.	Customer and Digital Services <i>Cabinet Member:</i> Cllr Margaret McLennan The Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Resources <i>Strategic Director:</i> The Strategic Director of Customer and Digital Services	The Active Procurement and Community Wealth building pillars of the strategy, in particular, are relevant to this recommendation. For example there is a requirement on Service Areas, in the Active Procurement pillar, to review each major contract at least 18 months before it is due to expire. This includes, amongst other things, consideration of whether having smaller more local suppliers would be a viable option. The Community Wealth building pillar is all about keeping the Brent pound in the Brent economy. The processes are in place and beginning to be implemented. <i>This has been completed.</i>	 April 2021.
Violence Against Women Scrutiny report	That the Violence Against Women Scrutiny report and recommendations be adopted and referred to Cabinet for consideration.	Cabinet 7 December 2020 Cabinet RESOLVED to approve the Executive Response to the recommendations made by the Violence against Women	Regeneration and Environment The Safer Brent Partnership <i>Cabinet Member:</i>	The scrutiny report and the Cabinet's Executive Response was considered the Safer Brent Partnership on the 26 th January 2021. A report on the progress of the implementation of the agreed	 December 2021.

		and Girls Scrutiny Task Group, as detailed within Appendix 1 of the report. http://democracy.brent.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=455&MId=6090&Ver=4	Cabinet Member for Community Safety and Engagement <i>Strategic Director:</i> The Strategic Director Regeneration and Environment	scrutiny recommendations should be considered by the committee in December 2021.	
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Notes

This is a table to track the progress of scrutiny recommendations made by one of the formal scrutiny committees at Brent Council, with details provided by the relevant lead departments. It is a standing item on the Committee's agendas, so that the Committee can keep track of the recommendations it has made, the decisions made, implementation status and provoke consideration of outcomes that have for residents, the Council and its statutory partners.

The tracker lists the recommendations made by the committee throughout a municipal year and any recommendations still not fully implemented from previous years since June 2019.

The tracker documents the scrutiny recommendations made, the dates when they were made, the decision maker who can make each decision in respect of the recommendations, the date the decision was made and the actual decision taken. The executive decision taken may be the same as the scrutiny recommendation (e.g. the recommendation was "agreed") or it may be a different decision, which should be clarified here. The tracker also asks if the respective executive decisions have been implemented and this should be updated accordingly throughout the year.

Scrutiny Task Group report recommendations should be included here but referenced collectively (e.g. the name of the scrutiny inquiry and date of the agreement of the scrutiny report and recommendations by the scrutiny committee, along with the respective dates when the decision maker(s) considered and responded to the report and recommendations. The Committee should generally review the implementation of scrutiny task group report recommendations separately with stand-alone agenda items at relevant junctures – e.g. the Executive Response to a scrutiny report and after six months or a year, or upon expected implementation of the agreed recommendation of report. The "Expected Implementation Date" should provide an indication of a suitable time for review.

Key:

Date of scrutiny committee meeting - For each table, the date of scrutiny committee meeting when the recommendation was made is provided in the subtitle header.

Subject – this is the item title on the committee’s agenda; the subject being considered.

Scrutiny Recommendation – This is the text of the scrutiny recommendation as it appears on the minutes – **in bold**.

Decision Maker – the decision maker for the recommendation, (**in bold**), eg the Cabinet (for Council executive decisions), full Council (for Council policy and budgetary decisions), or an NHS executive body for recommendations to the NHS. In brackets, (date), the date on which the Executive Response was made.

Executive Response – The response of the decision maker (eg Cabinet decision) for the recommendation. This should be the executive decision as recorded in the minutes. The Executive Response should provide details of what, if anything, the executive will do in response to the scrutiny recommendation. Ideally, the Executive Response will include a decision to either agree/reject/or amend the scrutiny recommendation and where the scrutiny recommendation is rejected, provide an explanation of why. In brackets, provide the date of Cabinet/executive meeting that considered the scrutiny recommendation and made the decision.

Department – the Council directorate (and/or external agencies) that are responsible for implementation of the agreed executive decision/response. Also provided, for reference only, the relevant Cabinet Member and strategic director.

Implementation Status – This is the progress of any implementation of the agreed Executive Response against key milestones. This may cross reference to any specific actions and deadlines that may be provided in the Executive Response. This should be as specific and quantifiable as possible. This should also provide, as far as possible, any evidenced outcomes or improvements resulting from implementation.

Review Date and Status - This is the expected date when the agreed Executive Response should be fully implemented and when the scrutiny committee may usefully review the implementation and any evidenced outcomes (eg service improvements). (Note: this is the implementation of the agreed Executive Response, which may not be the same as the scrutiny recommendation).