

## Appendix A

### Community and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee (CWBSC) Scrutiny Recommendations and Information Request Tracker 2024-25

The Recommendations Tracker is a standing item on committee agendas, and documents the progress of scrutiny recommendations, suggestions for improvement, and information requests made by the Community and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee at its public meetings and as part of task and finish group reviews. Scrutiny recommendations, suggestions for improvement, and information requests will not be removed from the tracker until full responses have been provided to the Committee by either the Cabinet, council departments, and/or external partners.

#### Recorded Recommendations to Cabinet from CWBSC

| Meeting date and agenda item | Scrutiny Recommendation | Cabinet Member, Lead Officer, and Department | Executive Response | Implementation Status | Review date |
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#### Recorded Recommendations to external partners from CWBSC

| Meeting date and agenda item                                                       | Scrutiny Recommendation                                                                                                                                                                                                 | External partner                  | Response                                                                                                                                                                                           | Status |
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| 30 July 2024 - Brent Safeguarding Children Partnership Report (Oct 2022–Mar 2024). | To formally invite Keith Makin (Independent Chair and Scrutineer, Brent Safeguarding Children Forum) to accompany the Chair of the Community and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee to the next Brent Youth Parliament event. | Brent Safeguarding Children Forum | The Independent Chair has been liaising with the Brent Youth Parliament and will be attending their events as and when appropriate. The Chair of the CWBSC will also be joining him when required. |        |

**Recorded suggestions for improvement from to Council departments/partners**

| Meeting date and agenda item                                                                                   | Suggestions for improvement                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Council Department/External Partner                                                                                    | Response                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Status |
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| 30 July 2024 - Brent Safeguarding Adults Board (SAB) Annual Report (2023/24)                                   | Recommend that an Internal Communications Strategy is drawn up for data sharing between partners.                                                                                                                                    | Partnerships, Housing and Resident Services                                                                            | This has been accepted by the Independent Chairs and the Brent Strategic Partnerships Team. All relevant stakeholders will work together to ensure a strategy and processes are developed to ensure data sharing is incorporated into the work of both partnerships and the Brent Strategic Partnerships Team. This will now become an on-going action throughout the year. |        |
| 30 July 2024 - Brent Safeguarding Children Partnership Report (Oct 22– Mar 24)                                 | In relation to the commitment to develop data collection outlined in the report, to recommend that the next report details what the current system for data collection and analysis is and what the improvement over the period was. | Partnerships, Housing and Resident Services<br><br>Independent Chair and Scrutineer, Brent Safeguarding Children Forum | This has been agreed and will be included in the next report that will come to the Committee in the 2025/26 municipal year.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |        |
| 18 September 2024 – Overview of SEND Provision in Brent                                                        | To widen the understanding of SEND within the wider community outside of the school setting, particularly in organisations with a young people focus.                                                                                | Children and Young People                                                                                              | Accepted by the department at the meeting. Updates are and will continue to be provided through various channels to all partners and relevant organisations to ensure residents and families are well informed of the SEND offer Brent has in place and work carried out in this area.                                                                                      |        |
| 18 September 2024 – Early Years Provision and progress towards meeting the expansion of childcare entitlements | Recommend that officers working on the Food Strategy looked to further utilise data from food banks to map where provision of breakfast and afterschool clubs is required.                                                           | Children and Young People                                                                                              | Accepted by the department. CYP and partners will utilise data captured by our current providers, food bank partners, the Public Health team and other data sources available to ensure they have accurate data that can be used to target the correct areas and to ensure informed decisions are being made.                                                               |        |

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| 18 September 2024 – Early Years Provision and progress towards meeting the expansion of childcare entitlements | Recommend early years officers contact voluntary and community sector organisations who had data on children and families whose first language was not English so that information regarding provision could be disseminated to those families.                                              | Children and Young People                                                 | Accepted by the department. The department does and will continue to work with Brent's communications team, translation service, voluntary sector and community partners, medical services and other partner agencies to ensure that all residents have access to the information they need in a clear and understandable manner, presented to them in several of Brent's most prominent languages to ensure the highest possible catchment. |  |
| 20 November 2024 – Brent i4B and FWH performance update                                                        | At a future meeting, to receive the voids action plan, including reassurance that properties were being looked after in a systematic way before the point they became void, with staff checking property conditions while tenants were in situ. The plan should incorporate value for money. | Neighbourhoods and Regeneration<br>Chair of i4B and FWH Housing Companies | Accepted by the Chair of i4B and FWH. Future updates to the Committee will include detailed information on voids. This will include numbers by ward (where applicable), turnaround times, risks and a rectification action plan for long term major and minor voids. Information on planned inspections and maintenance will also be included.                                                                                               |  |
| 20 November 2024 – Brent i4B and FWH performance update                                                        | At a future meeting, to receive an engagement and communications plan that helps to improve the outcomes of future Tenant Satisfaction Measure (TSM) surveys.                                                                                                                                | Neighbourhoods and Regeneration<br>Chair of i4B and FWH Housing Companies | This has been agreed and will be included in future iterations of the i4B/FWH performance report presented to this Committee.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |
| 20 November 2024 – Brent i4B and FWH performance update                                                        | For future reports, where it is noted that performance targets are not being met, it should be stated what would be done to mitigate that.                                                                                                                                                   | Neighbourhoods and Regeneration<br>Chair of i4B and FWH Housing Companies | Accepted by the Chair of i4B and FWH. Future updates to the committee will include an exceptions report highlighting areas where performance is below target, relevant information on the impact of non-performance and subsequent mitigations.                                                                                                                                                                                              |  |
| 20 November 2024 – Brent Housing Management                                                                    | To provide information on the impact of the housing management services reorganisation at a future Committee meeting.                                                                                                                                                                        | Partnerships, Housing and Resident Services                               | Accepted by the department at the meeting. Updates will be provided to this Committee and others once the service reorganisation has been implemented.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |  |

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| Performance Update                                             |                                                                                                                                                      |                                             |                                                                                                                                                           |  |
| 20 November 2024 – Brent Housing Management Performance Update | To include health and safety considerations in future reports, particularly relating to cladding and fire safety, as well as climate change targets. | Partnerships, Housing and Resident Services | Accepted by the department. Future reports on BHM performance will include all relevant information on health and safety and climate change implications. |  |

**Information requests from CWBSC to Council departments/partners**

| Meeting date and agenda item                                               | Information requests                                                                                                                                          | Council Department/External Partner         | Response                                                                                                                                                                             |
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| 18 September 2024 – Overview of SEND Provision in Brent                    | For the Community and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee to receive a further breakdown of demand for EHCPs including ward breakdowns, age, gender and communities. | Children and Young People                   | Accepted by the department at the meeting. Future updates to the committee will include relevant data broken down into wards, age, gender and community groups wherever possible.    |
| 20 November 2024 – Brent Housing Management Performance Update             | To provide the number of tenants the Council had diversity data on.                                                                                           | Partnerships, Housing and Resident Services | Accepted by the department at the meeting. The diversity data requested will be circulated to the Committee once it has been compiled for presentation.                              |
| 20 November 2024 – Temporary Accommodation and Homeless Prevention Service | To provide the number of single homeless people aged 18-25 to Brent Youth Parliament.                                                                         | Partnerships, Housing and Resident Services | Accepted by the department at the meeting. The single homeless people (aged 18-25) data requested will be circulated to both the Committee and Brent Youth Parliament once compiled. |