

## **Addendum to Budget & Council Tax 2019/20 – 2020/21 Cabinet Report – Resources & Public Realm Scrutiny Committee (7<sup>th</sup> February 2019): Final budget proposals – Note of deliberation**

Resources & Public Realm Scrutiny Committee asks Cabinet to consider the following note of its deliberations on the final budget proposals.

We are pleased that Cabinet has responded positively to several of the committee's recommendations, namely:

- The application of classifications to future savings – cut, income generation, service transformation or efficiency;
- The ceasing of untargeted smoking cessation services;
- A review of litter-picking services and expansion of litter patrols;
- Not proceeding with the closure of Abbey Road recycling centre;
- Not introducing 15-minute home care visits;
- No reductions in library opening hours

However, there are a number of scrutiny recommendations that were not addressed in the final report and these are captured in the following table:

<b>Area</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Scrutiny	The three chairs are given a scrutiny budget and produce a proposal to deliver scrutiny based on that budget
Environment	Consider the ring-fencing of income from increased licensing activity
	Persuade all sites in the WLWA to agree to a 'no black bags' policy
	Amend the Cleaner Brent app
Roundwood	Investigation into the long-term viability of the site
Libraries	Consider how to extract further financial value from library sites
	Consider use of charitable trusts in the running of libraries
Borough of Culture	Scrutiny of planning, and quarterly financial updates to the chair of the relevant committee
Voluntary organisations	Signposting to other sources of funding where this is scaled back by the council.
Equalities	A full impact assessment is undertaken for every proposal
Tourism	Explore opportunities for a locally-set tourist tax

The Scrutiny Committee therefore requests that further information is provided in these areas, as to whether or not they will be taken forward. The Scrutiny Committee requests that information on these points is provided within one month of Cabinet i.e. by Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

Resources & Public Realm Scrutiny Committee