

Resources and Public Realm Scrutiny Committee

4 December 2019

Report from Strategic Director of Customer and Digital Services

SCRUTINY RECOMMENDATION TRACKER

Wards Affected:	All
Key or Non-Key Decision:	Non Key Decision
Open or Part/Fully Exempt: (If exempt, please highlight relevant paragraph of Part 1, Schedule 12A of 1972 Local Government Act)	Open
No. of Appendices:	Appendix 1 - Scrutiny Recommendation Tracker 2019-2020
Background Papers:	None.
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1.0 Purpose of the Report

1.1 The purpose of this report is to present the Scrutiny Recommendation Tracker table, which tracks the progress of recommendations made by the committee.

2.0 Recommendation(s)

2.1 That the progress of the previous recommendations of the committee be noted.

3.0 Detail

- 3.1 In accordance with Part 4 of the Brent Council Constitution (Standing Orders of Committees) Brent Council scrutiny committees may make recommendations to the Full Council or the Cabinet with respect to any functions which are the responsibility of the executive or of any functions which are not the responsibility of the executive, or on matters which affect the borough or its inhabitants. The Community and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee may also make recommendations to the relevant NHS bodies or relevant health service providers or Full Council.
- 3.2 Scrutiny committees may not make executive decisions and scrutiny recommendations therefore require consideration and decision by the

- appropriate decision maker; usually the Cabinet, but also to full Council for policy and budgetary decisions and the NHS where it is the decision maker.
- 3.3 The Scrutiny Recommendation Tracker table attached at Appendix 1 provides a summary of scrutiny recommendations made during the municipal year, so that the scrutiny committee can track the progress of the recommendations made.
- 3.4 Scrutiny recommendations include through Task and Finish Groups and scrutiny reports agreed by the committee, as well as other scrutiny recommendations agreed in committee.
- 3.5 The Scrutiny Recommendation Tracker table includes the Scrutiny Recommendation made and the date it was made, which will be what is recorded in the committee minutes, identification of the Decision Maker (eg Cabinet), the actual Cabinet Decision, which may be different from the scrutiny recommendation and will be minuted in the Cabinet minutes, the date the Cabinet decision was made and identification of whether or not the Cabinet decision has been implemented (Yes/No).
- 3.6 The Scrutiny Recommendation Tracker enables the scrutiny committee to track whether their recommendations have been agreed, what actually was agreed (if different) and ask about any outcomes arising from the scrutiny recommendations, for example, service improvements, value for money savings and outcomes for residents.
- 3.7 In consideration of this, it is anticipated the committee will come to determination of if and when each recommendation/decision has been made. It is anticipated that when recommendations/decisions have been implemented, they will not be referred over to the Scrutiny Recommendation for the next municipal year, but that recommendations/decisions that have not been implemented will be referred to the Scrutiny Recommendation Tracker for the next committee cycle.

4.0 Financial Implications

4.1 There are no financial implications for the purposes of this report.

5.0 Legal Implications

5.1 There are no legal implications for the purposes of this report.

6.0 Equality Implications

6.1 There are no equality implications for the purposes of this report.

7.0 Consultation with Ward Members and Stakeholders

7.1 None for the purposes of this report.

8.0 Human Resources/Property Implications (if appropriate)

8.1 There are no Human Resources/property implications for the purposes of this report.

Report sign off:

Peter Gadsdon – Assistant Chief Executive