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To: All Members of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Dear Member,

Overview & Scrutiny Committee
23 January 2014

I attach a copy of the following reports for the above-mentioned meeting which were not available at the time of collation of the agenda:

9. BUDGET SCRUTINY REPORT (PAGES 1 - 8)

Members are asked to agree and approve recommendations of the Scrutiny Panels and OSC for referral to Cabinet for consideration.

11. SCRUTINY PANELS REPORT BACK (PAGES 9 - 18)

To note the minutes, and agree any recommendations of the Scrutiny Panels.

- Adults & Health Scrutiny Panel – 12 December 2013
- Adults & Health Scrutiny Panel – 14 January 2014

16. MINUTES (PAGES 19 - 26)

To approve the minutes of the Overview and Scrutiny meetings held on:

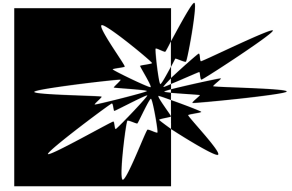
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18. SCRUTINY COMMITTEE ACTIONS REQUESTED (PAGES 27 - 30)

To note the actions completed since the last meeting.

Yours sincerely
Felicity Parker
Principal Committee Co-ordinator

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Haringey Council

Title:	Scrutiny of the Draft Medium Term Financial Plan – Draft recommendations
Lead Councillor	Cllr David Winskill Budget Scrutiny Lead
Lead Officer	Melanie Ponomarenko Senior Policy Officer (Scrutiny) Melanie.Ponomarenko@Haringey.gov.uk
Date:	23 rd January 2014

1. Haringey Constitution

- As laid out in Part 4, Section G of the Haringey Constitution, the Overview and Scrutiny Committee undertakes scrutiny of the Council's budget through a Budget Scrutiny process. The procedure by which this operates is detailed in the Protocol covering the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.
- Also laid out in this section is that the Chair of the Budget Scrutiny Review process will be drawn from among the opposition party Councillors sitting on the Overview and Scrutiny Committee. The Overview and Scrutiny Committee shall not be able to change the appointed Chair unless there is a vote of no confidence as outlined in Article 6.5 of the Constitution.

2. Overview and Scrutiny Protocol

- The Overview and Scrutiny Protocol lays out the process of Budget Scrutiny and includes the following points:
 - The budget shall be scrutinised by each Scrutiny Review Panel, in their respective areas. Their reports shall go to the OSC for approval. The areas of the budget which are not covered by the Scrutiny Review Panels shall be considered by the main OSC.

- A lead OSC member from the largest opposition group shall be responsible for the co-ordination of the Budget Scrutiny process and recommendations made by respective Scrutiny Review Panels relating to the budget.
 - Overseen by the lead member referred to in paragraph 9.2, each Scrutiny Review Panel shall hold a meeting following the release of the December Cabinet report on the new 3-year Medium Term Financial Plan. Each Panel shall consider the proposals in this report, for their respective areas. The Scrutiny Review Panels may request that the Cabinet Member for Finance and Sustainability and/or Senior Officers attend these meetings to answer questions.
 - Each Scrutiny Review Panel shall submit their final budget scrutiny report to the OSC meeting in January containing their recommendations/proposal in respect of the budget for ratification by the OSC.
 - The recommendations from the Budget Scrutiny process, ratified by the OSC, shall be fed back to Cabinet. As part of the budget setting process, the Cabinet will clearly set out its response to the recommendations/ proposals made by the OSC in relation to the budget.
- On consideration of the Draft MTFP Scrutiny Members should make recommendations to be referred to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee for approval, prior to approval and referral to Cabinet for consideration.
- 3.** Overview and Scrutiny Committee and the four Scrutiny Panels (Adults & Health, Environment and Housing, Children & Young People and Communities) met to consider the draft Medium Term Financial Plan in December 2013.

	Reference	Draft Recommendation	Reason for recommendation
1	Cabinet Budget Report (June 2013) Adults & Housing Directorate - Proposed efficiency saving: Item 11 - Community Housing Staffing Efficiencies (£77,000)	It is recommended that the proposed saving does not go ahead.	<p>The Environment and Housing Scrutiny Panel noted that this related to the deletion of two front-line posts one of which was in the Private Sector Housing Management Team and the other in the Vulnerable Adults team.</p> <p><u>The panel indicated that it could not support this savings proposal because:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It conflicted with other financial proposals in the Medium Term Financial Plan (i.e. growth proposal relating to 'increased resources allocated to HMO licensing due to dramatic rise in private sector renting in the borough'); • There was an evident need to develop and expand enforcement within private rented sector in Haringey; • The retention of the post in the Private Sector Housing Management Team may potentially increase enforcement income; • The post in the Vulnerable Adults team relates to advice provided to vulnerable adults who are homeless and the deletion of this post may significantly impact on the work of the remaining team; • Officers indicated that there may be likely an over-achievement of procurement

			savings in relation to Item 12 (Housing Related Support – contract efficiencies) which could be off-set against this and negate the need for the deletion of both these posts.
2	Paragraph 12.14, Cabinet Report - Early Years block	That the Cabinet be recommended to approve an increase in the hourly rate for providers of the two-year-old early entitlement to £6.00 per hour	The Children and Young People Scrutiny Panel made this recommendation because: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Other boroughs were currently paying a higher hourly rate than Haringey and there was a danger that insufficient providers would participate if an increase was not made; • The Cabinet Member reported that the Schools Forum was recommending that the hourly for the two-year-old early entitlement offer be increased to £6.00 per hour and that this recommendation was due to go to Cabinet in January.
3	Cabinet Budget Report (June 2013) Adults & Housing Directorate - Proposed efficiency saving: Item 7 – Finance Teams – streamline and centralise (£180, 000)	It is recommended that a process be put in place in order to make interim payments should there be any delays in processing payments beyond the current three day turnaround.	Whilst the Adults & Health Scrutiny Panel were assured that the centralisation of the Finance team would not have an adverse effect on payments being made within a three day turnaround the Panel was concerned about the possibility of delays due to the transition, and possibility of human error more generally and felt that this could possibly have a significant adverse effect on a service user waiting for payment.
4	Cabinet Budget Report	It is recommended that	The Adults and Health Scrutiny Panel were

	(June 2013) Adults & Housing Directorate - Proposed efficiency saving: Item 8 – Care & Placement Budget (£1,420,000)	feedback from service users on the impact of service changes as a result of savings should be an integral part of this piece of work.	reassured that savings to the Care & Placement Budget won't adversely impact on service users needs, however the Panel would like reassurance that there will be full involvement of service users, carers and families throughout the transition.
5	General – Mental Health	That it be recommended that the Cabinet Member lobby to ensure that public mental health becomes a prominent and individual area on the Public Health spend category.	The Adults & Health Scrutiny Panel noted that public Mental Health is not included on the national Public Health spend category guidance as an individual line, but that it is listed under 'miscellaneous'. The Panel felt that more emphasis should be placed on public mental health.
6	General – Mental Health	Further increases in investment in public mental health are recommended, in line with the Health and Wellbeing Strategy Outcome 3 over the coming years.	The Adults & Health Scrutiny Panel are encouraged that the public mental health budget allocation has increased substantially, however note that this only represents just over 1.3%. The Panel also noted that Mental Health is one of the Health and Wellbeing Strategies stated outcomes.
7	General - Integration	The examples given on better coordination and working together are welcomed, however it is recommended that further	The Adults & Health Scrutiny Panel and the Overview and Scrutiny Committee noted that integration of services was a recurring theme – perhaps the move to zero-based budgeting in the future would show what could be done in this area.

		work is done around integrating services.	

General comments/observations

	Reference	Observation/Comment
1	<p>Medium term Financial Plan (November 2013) Growth Proposal Adults & Health (Item 2)</p> <p>The provision of £995,000 to meet cost pressures and the impact of Welfare Reform</p>	<p>The Panel noted the increasing cost of temporary accommodation in supporting local residents to respond to welfare reforms. The panel wished to highlight the possible use of Cumberland Road (or other soon to be vacant office buildings) for temporary accommodation. The Panel suggested that should similar accommodation become available, this should be considered for use as temporary accommodation within the planned Property Review currently being undertaken.</p>
2	<p>Cabinet Budget Report (June 2013) Place and Sustainability Directorate - Proposed efficiency saving:</p> <p>Item 18 – Efficiencies in Veolia Contract and reduction of ad hoc contractual spend (£250,000)</p>	<p>The panel were unclear how the proposed contract variation would impact on local waste and recycling provision. It was noted that this variation was still being negotiated with Veolia, and it was agreed that the outcome would be communicated to the panel.</p>
3	<p>Communications: Reductions in supplies and services budgets</p>	<p>The Communications budget needed to be open to more robust scrutiny and demonstrate that the department were</p>

		capable of generating more income.
4	General – property portfolio	More information should be made available on what council properties were being disposed of, and should be part of the scrutiny process.

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Adults and Health Scrutiny Panel

Budget Scrutiny

Draft minutes from meeting on 12th December 2013.

The Cabinet Member, Cllr Vanier, introduced the Adults and Public Health Budget.

The Panel then heard from Beverley Tarka, Acting Deputy Director, Adults. The following points were noted:

- Line 3 - Some vacancies have been help in admin and business support which are not being used as savings.
 - Reorganisations have taken place in order to manage with less staff. This has included new Job Descriptions for some staff and greater flexibility of staff to work across services.
- The deletion of cooks posts was reversed following representation from residents and Cllrs.
- Line 5 - The changes to the re-ablement service are due to the hours where there is more demand for the service. This has been a consensual change.
 - The change is a more effective way of working as a 'down time' had been identified in the middle of the day.
- Line 6 – This is a centralisation of the framework i IT function.
- Line 7 - The Panel were assured that the 3 day timeline for payments would remain.
- Line 8 - With regards to the Care & Placement saving proposal:
 - There had been some slippage with achieving savings and therefore the savings were now anticipated to be achieved over a two year period.
 - Savings were still intended to be delivered by 15/16.
 - Work had been done in this area previously in Learning Disabilities.
 - Each care package negotiation is accompanied by an up to date assessment of need before costs are negotiated.
 - A tool which is used to do this is the London Care Fund Calculator.
- Line 9 – There is a 65%/35% split between Adults and Housing in respect of this saving and involves only purchasing essential items.

Key discussion points noted:

- The Panel queried why the papers presented to the panel did not reflect the fact that the Care and Placement Budget savings were now split over 2 financial years.
- The Panel queried whether there would be some flexibility in the savings to ensure that should anyone's needs have increased at the point of reassessment then these would be incorporated and was assured that this would be the case, but that negotiations would also take place in these cases to ensure that the care package represented value for money.
- The Panel was informed that the process was done in Learning Disabilities a few years ago and that approx £250k savings were identified. It was also informed that Learning Disability

packages are often about 1/3 higher in cost than other care groups and that this did not reflect value for money.

- It was noted that some people's care package had not been reviewed in a number of years and therefore there was a need to ensure that these represented value for money.
- There is an element of culture change in the piece of work, including ensuring that staff look more holistically at care packages.
- Adults also inspects provision to ensure it is providing value for money.
- Adults are also doing work jointly with housing on uneconomic voids – replacing high cost placements with tenancies for service users.
- The 50 cases mentioned for review in the Care and Placement budget piece of work are high cost placements but not the end of the exercise.
- The Panel queried when more information would be available on savings relating to staff efficiencies, noting that the proposed cooks deletion did not immediately come to light. The Panel were informed that the proposed deletion of the cook was based on a model which had been carried out in learning disabilities and where it worked well, as cook provision was seen as being institutional. However, the service had recognised that the proposal would not work in older people and therefore withdrew the saving.
- Other staffing efficiencies was dependant on factors such as vacant posts and service developments such as personalisation whereby service delivery had changed, but roles had not necessarily changed alongside them.
- With reference to line 7 (financial assessments) the Panel was informed that the changes would take place in April 2014, however Adults and Children and Young People Teams would merge before that. The teams would come under Corporate Finance and as much as possible would be automated so a 3 day turnaround time would be maintained, subject to information being input correctly. It was felt that the change would be beneficial to the process as staff will be under one finance structure.
- The Integrated Care Fund has been renamed as the Better Care Fund.
- Adults are working with the CCG, Whittington Health and North Middlesex Hospital around winter planning – this includes having social workers 7 days a week, beds have been block booked to prevent delays and a dedicated team who meet regularly together to monitor progress. The aim is that the way of working goes beyond the winter.
- The Haringey Integrated Care Fund/Better Care Fund plan will be ready for early 2014, this will include reablement.
- The Care and Support Bill includes a national eligibility criteria.
- There is a need to shift the emphasis to prevention – this is being discussed with health colleagues already.
- Growth identified in the budget recognises demographic changes and capital programme investment.
- Growth to fund young people in transition is based on the number of young people who will be transitioning to adult services from children and young people services. The 16/17 line has been added as this year now forms part of the MTFP period.

The following draft recommendations & comments to Cabinet were noted:

- Line 8 - Care & Placements Budget
 - The Panel were reassured that savings to the Care & Placement Budget won't adversely impact on service users needs, however the Panel would like reassurance that there will be full involvement of service users, carers and families throughout the transition.
 - The Panel would be interested in receiving some case studies on service users whose care package had been reassessed and renegotiated and what the impact had been as part of its future work programme.
 - Feedback from service users on the impact of service changes as a result of savings should be an integral part of this piece of work.
- Line 7 - Interim payments
 - The Panel recommends that a process be put in place in order to make interim payments should there be any delays in processing payments beyond the current three day turnaround.
- Line 5 –Re-ablement
 - The Panel recommends that any recommendations from the forthcoming Keogh re-ablement work are taken on board.
- Integration – The Panel welcomes examples given on better coordination and working together, however recommends that further work is done around integrating services.

Agreed

- That the Panel would received the full breakdown of the public health budget via the scrutiny officer.
- That the Panel would receive information on the total Care & Placement budget.
- That London Councils would be contacted to see whether savings were being made across other public health budgets.
- That further information would be provided on the 4YP Nurse post deletion under CYP.
- Briefing on the Public Health budget in order for the Panel to have a greater understanding.

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**MINUTES OF THE ADULTS AND HEALTH SCRUTINY PANEL
TUESDAY, 14 JANUARY 2014**

Councillors Adamou (Chair), Bull & Winskill

Cooptee Helena Kania (HFOP)

Apologies Councillor Erskine and Stennett

LC1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received from Cllr Erskine and Cllr Stennett

LC2. URGENT ITEMS

None received

LC3. DEPUTATIONS

None received.

LC4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None received.

LC5. MINUTES

LC6. PUBLIC HEALTH BUDGET

Dr Tamara Djuretic (AD Public Health) presenting the briefing paper to the Panel. The following points were noted:

- The public health grant for 2013/14 and 2014/15 is ring-fenced. This ring-fencing has recently been extended to include the 2015/16 public health grant.
- Public Health allocation of expenditure in Haringey is about in line with that across the national average. Exceptions are the Sexual Health allocation and the Drug and Alcohol allocation – where Haringey spends more than average. This is due to the population profile and needs in Haringey.
- The April 2013 Cabinet Paper detailed investment of the additional parts of the public health grant (£2.7million) across the three Health and Wellbeing Strategy Outcomes as well as Tottenham regeneration and commissioning priority gaps.
- With regards to the specific lines of the Public Health budget proposal – the following points were noted:

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1. Investment in health intelligence was identified as a need in the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment.
 2. £100k was originally set aside for the Family Nurse Partnership, after further consideration it was felt that £24k of this was not needed and therefore it was identified as a saving.
 3. School curriculum development – this was a one of sum needed to set up the website, including lesson plans to provide health lessons within the curriculum. Now that the site is set up the additional sum is no longer needed.
 4. Increase in grant – this is the difference between the 2013/14 and 2014/15 amount (uplift) and as this has not yet been invested there is no service change from the saving.
 5. Prevention in obesity – the £24k saving is out of a £422k budget. It should also be noted that there has been an overall £100k investment in the area.
 6. Substance mis-use re-tender – service remains the same, just better value for money from the contract.
 7. Social Isolation project - £90k was originally set aside. It was felt that this was not all needed due to a project on social isolation being commissioned by Adult Services.
- The next step in the budget process will be identifying areas which can be cross-charged for example in terms of management. Possible areas include drugs & alcohol and healthy living.
 - Discussion will take place as Public Health want to ensure public health outcomes, for example through Service Level Agreements.

Discussion points noted:

- The Panel raised concerns about the non investment of funds in social isolation giving the needs in the borough and was informed that there was a wider investment in social isolation, for example approximately £225k in the Tottenham Hub and that services were working in a more integrated way.
- The Health Intelligence saving is not a reduction, the sum was to be in addition to what there is currently.
- The Panel were informed that the increase of £2.7m in the grant for 2014/15 grant was announced in January 2013 and that allocations of that funding

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needed to be made by April 2013 as part of the budget setting process. Given the relatively short amount of time to allocate this was done (as per the April 2013 Cabinet report) and work is now being done to finesse the allocations, which is why there is changes.

- It was noted that the extent, value and nature of sexual health contracts had taken time to become clear for example the exact figures committed in previous contracts.
- It was important to note that the vast bulk of public health expenditure was already committed in contracts which the Primary Care Trust had held and that Public Health had inherited these (£13.8m).
- It was noted that Mental health was not a statutory line in public health budgets and the Panel asked that the Cabinet Member push for a greater prominence and emphasis on public Mental Health.
- The Panel queried why mental health expenditure was so low in proportion to the overall budget (1.13%). The Panel was informed that historically Public Health had not held budgets for public mental health.
- It was noted that:
 - The budget for public mental health just a few years ago was £27k, whereas now it is £203k.
 - The evidence base in public mental health is relatively new.
 - You can't go from very little investment to a lot of investment without building up a clear picture of where the money is needed and is going.
 - Haringey is now ahead of the game in the investment it makes in public mental health.
 - 7 new interventions had recently been commissioned, this included a lot of work in schools and interventions focused on young Turkish men.
 - A good base for public mental health is being created in Haringey.
 - In response to a question on commissioning pharmacies to carry out health checks the Panel was informed that the most cost effective way to deliver health checks at present is via GP surgeries.
 - The Panel raised concerns about the perception of savings being made in relation to obesity and noted that healthy eating is just part of the wider picture. In response the Panel was informed that obesity is a priority and it is a huge challenge and issue. The following points were noted:

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- Obesity is a very complex issue.
 - It is not about pointing fingers of blame at people.
 - It is a societal issue.
 - The focus is on healthy living and healthy lifestyles and trying to make Haringey fit into this.
 - It is a political issue – for example trying to encourage Members to address issues such as the availability of alcohol, planning issues, as well as issues across the council such as encouraging walking and cycling.
 - It is not an area that you can throw money at. There needs to be a considered approach.
 - Active for Life as a scheme has been increased.
 - Some money has also been put into weight management targeting men, but the evidence base isn't there yet for this.
 - People's perception of what a 'normal weight' child should look like are not always correct.
 - There is a healthy schools initiative in Haringey, with 20 schools signed up.
- In response to a query about the staff costs outlined in the April 2013 Cabinet report, the Panel was informed that the increase from £1.4m to £2.2m was due to both new posts, for example sexual health commissioners, it was also over heads and approximately £500k was previously Council staff who come under Public Health now that Councils have a public health remit for example the Director of Public Health was previously a joint Council/PCT post, it is now just a Council post.

AGREED

- That a recent briefing done on social isolation would be shared with the Panel.
- The Director of Public Health would share a presentation she is doing about opportunities in public mental health at a GLA London Councils event.

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- That it be recommended that the Cabinet Member lobby to ensure that public mental health becomes part of the national public health budgetary framework.
- The Panel are encouraged that the public mental health budget allocation has increased substantially, however note that this only represents just over 1.3%. The Panel also noted that Mental Health is one of the Health and Wellbeing Strategies stated outcomes. The Panel therefore recommends further increases in investment over the coming years.

LC7. NEW ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS

None received

Cllr Gina Adamou

Chair

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**MINUTES OF THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
MONDAY, 6 JANUARY 2014**

Councillors Councillors Adamou, McNamara, Newton, Bull (Chair) and Scott

Apologies Councillor Winskill

Also Present: **Co-optees:** Yvonne Denny and Evan Reid
Councillors: Bevan, Reece and Wilson
Officers: Stephen McDonnell, Graeme Beattie, Daliah Barrett, Rob Mack, Alison Vydulinska and Felicity Parker

**MINUTE
NO.**

SUBJECT/DECISION

<p>OSCO11.</p>	<p>WEBCASTING</p> <p>The Chair welcomed all present to the meeting.</p> <p>As the meeting was not being held in the Council Chamber, the meeting would not be webcast.</p>
<p>OSCO12.</p>	<p>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</p> <p>Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Winskill.</p> <p>Councillor Scott attended as a substitute for Councillor Winskill.</p>
<p>OSCO13.</p>	<p>URGENT BUSINESS</p> <p>There was no such business.</p>
<p>OSCO14.</p>	<p>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</p> <p>Councillor Scott advised that he was a member of the Alexandra Palace and Park Board, and although this was not a disclosable pecuniary interest, he wished to make the Committee aware of it.</p> <p>Councillor Egan requested legal advice on the comments made by Councillor Reece that “The Liberal Democrats have opposed plans to massively increase the number of concert days at Finsbury Park”, and asked whether this meant that all Liberal Democrats would have a prejudicial interest in the policy.</p> <p>Alison Vydulinska – Legal – advised that as the purpose of the meeting was to make a decision on the call-in and not the policy, the Liberal Democrat members would not have a prejudicial interest.</p>
<p>OSCO15.</p>	<p>DEPUTATIONS/PETITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/QUESTIONS</p> <p>The Chair advised that there would be seven deputations made by local residents.</p>

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Konrad Borowski – Stroud Green Residents Association

Mr Borowski had previously addressed the Cabinet at the meeting on 17 December 2013 where the decision had been made. He felt that the consultation seemed to have been ignored, and it had been presented to residents as a Finsbury Park consultation, not as a wider policy.

The Stroud Green Residents Association requested that the decision be referred back to the Cabinet for them to reconsider the policy and reduce the days back to the 2002 policy, which was for five one-day events. This generally resulted in the five days being spread over two weekends, rather than five separate events.

The income target for Finsbury Park was £165k. Based on Mr Borowski's calculations (using figures from the report), a two day event would produce an income of £378k, and a three day event would produce £450k – a total of £828k, which was significantly more than the income target. It was therefore difficult to understand why the number of event days needed to increase when the existing five days more than met the income target.

Each event also required set up and take down time – increasing the event days to fifteen would result in an extra ten weeks of disruption.

Martin Ball – Friends of Down Lane Park

Mr Ball raised deep concern over the exploitation of park areas in the borough. Parks were public places for residents, and should not be for sale. Consideration should be given to local people.

Events in parks had not been well managed and had caused disruption to the local environment and people. It was unrealistic to expect that events were not going to take place, but they needed to be managed in a better way. The scale of events currently being held was out of context with the size of the parks.

If the policy was not sent back to the Cabinet, it would set a precedent for other events.

Lynn Percival – Friends of Finsbury Park

Ms Percival presented the Committee with a petition containing over 400 signatures from local people who felt that the consultation had not been carried out correctly.

Friends of Finsbury Park were not completely against events in the park, but there were concerns that the recreational use of the park was lost when events took place. There were also safety issues, accessibility issues, and the affect on wildlife.

The local community already had to put up with five event days in a year, increasing this to fifteen was excessive. The set up and take down of events was extremely disruptive to park users – the trucks destroyed the grass, fence panel and trees had been broken, and people were unable to use large areas of the park.

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Friends of Finsbury Park were keen to work with the Council in order to protect the park.

In response to a question from the Chair, Ms Percival explained that although Simon Farrow had attended a couple of FoFP meetings, it was very difficult to engage with the Council. It would be useful to have a senior contact within the Council.

Sally Billott

Ms Billott explained that she was the Vice-Chair of the Finsbury Park Trust, and a former Haringey Councillor (although she was no longer a member of any political party).

Finsbury Park is a public amenity, surrounded by residential areas. The use of the space for large events would lead to a deterioration of the park, and eventually could lead to the park ceasing to be a public place and becoming a dedicated music venue.

50,000 people attended the Stone Roses concert in July 2013, and there was extreme disruption for local residents. The promoters, SJM, had not managed the concert well.

The policy made no financial sense. SJM made millions from the Stone Roses concert, whereas Haringey Council made £130k. Haringey Council should charge more money to promoters, and hold one large event per year in the park so that local people could have full use for the rest of the time.

Carrie Anker

The impact on residents was more than could be imagined. However well the Council tried to manage events, there were always issues. The policy should remain as it was until the current levels were managed better.

The information in the report was disingenuous. The report stated that 75% of the park was available to use when events were taking place. This was not strictly true, as some of the space included areas which could not be used for general use, such as the cricket ground.

There were many issues with regards to events in the park – litter, broken trees / branches, burned areas of grass, anti-social behaviour and disruption to the use of the park.

Sarah Caton – Chair of Governors, Stroud Green Primary School

Major events in the park had a huge impact on the school. The set up and take down of events limited the use of the park, which was a main route for children walking to school. People attending the Stone Roses concert had congregated near the primary school, and children were subjected to abuse when they had to walk past these drunk people. The school had suffered from the huge numbers of people walking past it after the concert had finished, with rubbish and beer

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	<p>bottles being thrown over the fence, and people had urinated around the perimeter.</p> <p>It was not acceptable that young people should be subject to this behaviour, and until existing problems had been resolved, the policy should stay the same.</p> <p><u>Amanda Smith</u></p> <p>Noise was a major issue for local residents. Regardless of the size of the event, noise affected all local residents.</p> <p>Live Nation, who now had a licence for Finsbury Park, had previously held the licence for Hyde Park. The residents in the area had experienced the same issues as residents in the Finsbury Park area.</p>
<p>OSCO16.</p>	<p>CALL-IN OF CABINET DECISION - 17 DECEMBER 2013 - CAB575 - HARINGEY OUTDOOR EVENT POLICY</p> <p>Councillor Reece introduced the call-in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The damage to the park from major events was extensive. Information on how the damage would be repaired was required. Hyde Park had reduced the number of events in the park due to the damage caused by them. • Objections to the policy had been received from both Islington and Hackney, yet this did not seem to have been taken into account. • Cross-borough co-ordination was required. The Police have stated that they would not be able to cope with an event at Emirates and Finsbury Park at the same time. • A consultation had been held with the Stroud Green Residents Association, but this had not been advertised to all members of the public. • There were issues around the budget – what would happen to the income from events? • Had benchmarking exercises been carried out with other comparable parks with regards to charges? • The policy states that there would be no major events in the school holidays, but this would probably lead to events taken place over a 10 week period from May-July, which would restrict the use of the park for local residents. • The closure of the Oxford Road gate would not necessarily stop people from congregating in that area, as many would visit the Faltering Fullback pub on that road. • It was suggested that the policy should be put on hold, to see how the next two events were managed, and then the policy could be revisited after this time. <p>Councillor Bevan responded to the call-in, and the deputations made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Since becoming Cabinet Member for Environment, he had become aware of the deterioration in Finsbury Park. It was clear that investment was required to maintain standards in parks. • The Council was taking independent advice to ensure that the charges to hire the park were high enough.

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- 7000 leaflets had been distributed to local residents – only 262 responses had been received, with only 182 from Haringey. This indicated that there were not many people who had concerns.
- Privatisation of the parks had been considered to save money, and then decided against. Therefore it was important to make money to maintain the standards. Finsbury Park alone cost £350k per year to run.
- With regard to event clashes, there was a process to check whether events were running at the Emirates at the same time as Finsbury Park.
- He offered residents the opportunity to be involved in the monitoring of events.

Councillor Bevan and officers responded to questions from the Committee:

- The assumptions in the policy with regard to set up times was based on the theory of having 15 event days, in order to set up the policy. In reality, it was not known how the events would work i.e. 15 separate days or 5 events over 3 days. In the last five years there had not been many large concerts – an increase in the policy did not necessarily mean that all 15 event days would be used.
- The average income over the past five years for Finsbury Park was £41500, and it cost £350,000 to maintain the park.
- If there was extra damage caused to the park which required extra spend, this would be charged to the promoter.
- The Cabinet Member had the authority to agree to an additional event if the maximum number of days had been reached.
- A yearly report was produced as part of the budget to show the income generated from the parks.
- The consultation predicated three things – income target, supporting community events and putting money back into parks.
- Whenever there were events in Finsbury Park, residents would be able to access an area as big as any other park in the borough.

Councillor Wilson addressed the Committee:

- The parks service did not make use of the existing policy over the past five years. There was no need for extra concerts to meet the income target, the target could be met using the existing policy.
- It was disingenuous to imply that there was no impact. Residents and local ward councillors had raised concerns. These concerns should be listened to.
- The problem with the process of the consultation was that it gave the impression that extra event days were required to generate income, when this was not the case.

Councillor McNamara made a number of recommendations which could be taken forward:

- That a stakeholder group be introduced, chaired by Councillor Bevan, and comprised of-
 - Friends of the Parks
 - Local Residents Associations

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- London Borough of Hackney
- London Borough of Islington
- Ward Councillors
- Officers
- Increase of small / medium events to generate income in place of major events.
- To carry out licensing reviews of each event.
- To investigate how better to deal with noise and anti-social behaviour – possibly increase the use of Fixed Penalty Notices.
- Increase the number of bins and toilets at events.
- Provision of tickets for local young people.
- To investigate altering the design of the part to include multi use surfaces for a small section, to prevent damage to the park.
- To look at increasing the charges per event.
- A report to be provided to OSC each year to see if the policy was still meeting its objectives.

Councillor Newton proposed that the report be taken back to Cabinet with a recommendation that the implementation of the policy be postponed until after the two events had taken place and been subject to a review.

A vote was taken, with 2 Members in favour and 3 against.

The chair **MOVED** that no further action be taken, and the Cabinet Member to take on board the recommendations as set out by Councillor McNamara.

A vote was taken and carried; 3 in favour, 1 against and 1 abstention.

RESOLVED that no further action be taken.

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	The chair thanked all for attending.
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Chair

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Actions arising from OSC

Agenda Item	Action	Responsible Officer/Member	Update/response
16 December 2013			
Budget Scrutiny	To request that in future years, the budget report be separated more clearly for the budget areas scrutinised by the Panels and OSC.	Kevin Bartle / Finance team	Noted for future budget scrutiny
	To provide a briefing note on the 4YP programme and where it was in terms of funding.	Susan Otit Assistant Director of Public Health	See attached briefing note
	To provide a cost comparison on external commercial charges between the Council and private organisations	Stephen Lawrence-Orumwense	<p>All fines for all criminal offences go to central government. The costs for prosecuting a crime is, however, recoverable. An application for our prosecution costs is made in every case. Usually, at least a proportion of the costs are awarded. If the defendant has the means to pay and the costs are considered reasonable, the courts tend to award the whole amount.</p> <p>The responsibility for ensuring costs are actually recovered falls to the Courts Service. Legal Services receives a monthly list of payments it receives for cases including HMO prosecutions. It has</p>

			been agreed corporately that all prosecution costs recovered remain in the Legal Services budget. The Court Service had been criticised nationally in recent years for its low collection rates. Central government has ploughed more resources into it.						
	To provide an update on the webcasting contract		The webcasting contract was extended for a further one year period, which finishes in September 2014.						
	Haringey People – to provide the income figures for the past 3 years from advertising	George O’Neill	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>10/11</td> <td>11/12</td> <td>12/13</td> </tr> <tr> <td>£22,952</td> <td>£52,148</td> <td>£33,000</td> </tr> </table>	10/11	11/12	12/13	£22,952	£52,148	£33,000
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	To find out the number of agency / contract staff in the Council.	HR Metrics & Information	As of December 2013 - 298 Full time equivalent Agency staff.						

Briefing - 4YP Programme

From: Susan Otit, Assistant Director of Public Health

To: The Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Date: 20th January 2014

1. Introduction

The Overview & Scrutiny Committee requested 'a short briefing note on the 4YP programme and where it was in terms of funding'.

2. Background

The Health and Social Care Act 2012 changed the previously led NHS sexual health commissioning landscape. From April 2013 local authorities became responsible for commissioning comprehensive sexual health services (health promotion, prevention, assessment and treatment services – excluding termination of pregnancy services, HIV treatment and care services and those contraception and sexual health services that are part of the nationally agreed GP contract). The commissioning of this new council responsibility is led by Public Health.

NHS contracts and their funding transferred from NHS North Central London Cluster to Haringey Council 1st April 2013 as part of the public health grant.

3. Sexual health services for young people

4YP is the collective name used for sexual health services targeting the under 25 age group that aims to reduce teenage conceptions and improve the sexual health of young people (improving access to contraception services and reducing the prevalence of sexually transmitted infections).

4YP services include those commissioned from Whittington Health NHS Trust and Haringey community pharmacists.

Whittington Health NHS Trust

There are two dedicated 4YP clinical services per week in Haringey. In addition 4YP staff support a range of prevention activities both internal to the clinical services and in an outreach capacity. These include:

- Health Promotion – this includes a range of events throughout the year linking up with other organisations and institutions to celebrate and raise awareness of services available. The 4YP team and other staff within the sexual and reproductive health service organise workshops and events throughout the year promoting general sexual health, condom use and HIV awareness.
- Co-ordinate Haringey's condom distribution scheme which is part of the pan London Come Correct C Card Scheme. Young people under 25 years old have

an initial sexual health assessment, and condom demonstration if necessary, then they are registered on to the city wide scheme Following registration they can access free condoms from a number of outlets across Haringey (community pharmacies, children centres, the council's children and young people's services, voluntary organisations, Haringey 6th form centre, COHENEL and health services for young parents) and other participating outlets across London.

Community pharmacists

There are currently 20 community pharmacies across Haringey offering young people free of charge;

- Emergency hormonal contraception
- The London wide C card scheme
- Chlamydia screening postal kits and treatment when necessary

The scheme is being expanded and we aim to have 25 pharmacies taking part by the end of March 2014.

4. Funding

Funding for the contraception and sexual health service and genito-urinary medicine service provided by Whittington Health NHS Trust and the community pharmacist local enhanced service was transferred to the Public Health in April 2013 as part of the public health grant.

Public Health is currently negotiating the 2014/15 contract with Whittington Health NHS Trust. Public Health is interested in extending the scope of the current agreement with community pharmacists as part of establishing the national Healthy Living Pharmacy programme in Haringey. Public Health is currently working with the Local Pharmaceutical Committee, community pharmacists and Haringey Clinical Commissioning Group medicine management team on implementing the national programme.