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Ward(s) affected:	Report for Key/Non Key Decisions:
West Green & Bruce Grove	

## 1. Describe the issue under consideration

1.1 To acknowledge amendments made to West Green & Bruce Grove Area Plan following the last Area Committee meeting held on 23 April 2012 and to sign off the final plan.

## 2. Cabinet Member introduction

- 2.1 As part of the Council's 2011 governance arrangements seven Area Committees were established under the Council's constitution. These Committees meet quarterly and their terms of reference include a commitment to develop an Area Plan. This will set out priorities for the year 2012/13 onwards.
- 2.2 The Council sees the following as the principal reasons for their use:
  - To target resources at evidenced need
  - To initiative two-way information sharing and joint local priority setting
  - To strengthen collective responsibility
  - For transparency of expenditure
  - To improve attendance through stronger public stakes
  - To improve the resolution of local problems
  - To improve the delivery of priority local services



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#### 3. Recommendations

3.1 Committee Councillors to sign off and 'make live' the West Green & Bruce Grove Area Plan. The plan will then be published on the Committee pages of the Haringey website as a live document that can be updated after each quarterly Forum & Committee meeting (monitoring and managing process outlined below).

#### 4. Background information

- 4.1 Online consultation, service data and a public workshop informed the development of the area plan. Consultation raised a range of issues but the following priorities were identified as key concerns:
  - 1. Active Community Life
  - 2. Broadwater Farm District Centre
  - 3. Community Capacity Building
  - 4. Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour
  - 5. Early Intervention
  - 6. Health
  - 7. Housing
  - 8. Parks and Green Spaces
  - 9. Public Realm
  - 10. Tottenham Regeneration Programme
  - 11. Unemployment
  - 12. Youth Provision
- 4.2 Following the consultation stage, these priorities and a range of prospective activity were put to services and partner organisations for their response. Services and partners were asked to respond in terms of feasibility and timescales (and to provide detail on any existing activity relating to the priority).
- 4.3 At the 23 April 2012 meeting of the Area Committee, Committee members made a number of comments on the draft circulated. Amendments have been made to reflect these comments in instances where the Chair agreed. The amendments made, are:
  - An additional 'Community Capacity Building' priority inserted, with activity relating to opportunities for residents to receive better information on how to navigate planning and licensing processes and support enforcement activity
  - Within the 'Tottenham Regeneration Programme' priority, insertion of activity to improve the forecourt of Bruce Grove Overground Station, both to design out crime and improve aesthetics



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4.4 Committee members discussed a past plan drafted by the West Green Resident's Association that sought to improve the aesthetics of Turnpike Lane Tube Station and asked that Frontline Officers locate this plan and consider whether it should revived as part of the Area Plan. The plan was located (as part of the 2008 Wood Green Town Centre Supplementary Planning Documents) and has been provided informally to the Committee to consider what aspects they may want included.

# 5 Monitoring and Management of Plans

5.1 Roles & Responsibilities

## Officer from Place & Sustainability performing coordinating role:

- Prompt to activity leads to update their parts of the plan quarterly
- Document management, to include electronic filing and change control
- Uploading updated plans to the Area Forum & Committee web pages
- Supporting annual review of priorities
- Forwarding updated plan to Committee Clerks for consideration at agenda setting meetings

## Area Chairs:

- Suggesting new activity content each Forum / Committee meeting (ensuring requests to services are formally noted and actioned by Committee clerks)
- Deciding when activity has been duly actioned and can be archived
- Directing and overseeing annual review of Area Plan priorities
- Holding services and partners to account

## Activity Leads:

- Providing quarterly updates on activity (or upon request)
- Considering requests from Area Chairs for new activity and submitting a formal responses within 10 days of request
- Attend Area Forum and Committee meetings to present activity updates upon reasonable request

## Area Champions (CB Officers):

- Providing advice and guidance to Area Chair on change control and new requests for activity
- Escalating any arising Area Plan issues through CB to ensure prompt resolution (feeding back through formal minutes of Area Committee)
- Supporting Area Chairs to direct and oversee annual review of Area Plan priorities

## Committee Clerks:



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- Managing attendance sheets and signage at Area Forum and Committee meetings
- Formally noting any Area Plan issues arising and new requests for activity as part of formal Area Committee minutes
- Ensuring Area Plans are a standing item at agenda setting meetings and quarterly Chairs meetings to address any issues

What	Who	When
Overall coordination of Area Plan updates	Officer from Place & Sustainability Directorate	Ongoing
Updates on existing plan activity	Named activity leads	Quarterly and upon request from Area Chair
Change control suggestions (adding new activity and archiving old)	Area Chairs	Quarterly (after each Area Forum & Committee)
Escalating issues arising from Area Plans (non-response to update requests etc)	Area Champions (CB Officers)	As necessary
Formal noting of Area Plan issues and requests for new activity	Committee Clerks	Quarterly (as part of Area Committee minutes)
Annual review of priorities	Led by Chairs and Area Champions with support from named officer from Place & Sustainability directorate	Annually

5.2 Area Plan Monitoring Process (Summary)

## 6. Comments of the Chief Finance Officer and financial implications

There is no specific budget allocation to implement Area Plans and thus any actions would need to be funded from existing resources being re-prioritised or targeted as necessary. If this is not possible actions could only be pursued once a Cabinet decision to provide funding is made.

## 7. Head of Legal Services and legal implications

7.1 The Head of Legal Services has been consulted in the preparation of this report and confirms that the Council's protocol covering Area Committees sets out the responsibility of each Area Committee to develop its 3 year area plan. There are no legal implications arising from this report.

## 8. Equalities and Community Cohesion Comments



8.1 The development process for the plan tried to ensure the views of a wide range of stakeholders were sought and listened to. Discussion at the January workshop was based on robust area profile data, which included information on health inequalities, population profile and Index of Multiple Deprivation (IMD) findings. Addressing the issues and priorities identified through the area plan development would help to tackle some of the existing inequalities and disadvantage in the area.

# 9. Use of Appendices

Appendix A – Final Area Plan

Appendix B – Turnpike Lane plans (as contained in 2008 Wood Green Town Centre Supplementary Planning Documents)

## 10. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985