# **London Borough of Bromley**

Report No. CSD15105

**PART ONE - PUBLIC** 

Decision Maker: **EXECUTIVE AND RESOURCES** 

POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Date: 8<sup>th</sup> October 2015

**Decision Type:** Non-Urgent Non-Executive Non-Key

Title: MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS AND

**UPDATES FROM OTHER PDS COMMITTEES** 

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**Chief Officer:** Mark Bowen, Director of Corporate Services

Ward: N/A

# 1. Reason for report

- 1.1 Appendix 1 to this report updates Members on matters arising from previous meetings which continue to be "live." Three matters are listed concerning, special guardianship orders, information about consultants and the establishment of the Contracts Working Group.
- 1.2 At its first meeting in the Council year, the Committee agreed that short written updates from PDS Chairmen covering key points only should in future be received alongside matters arising from previous meetings. Any updates received from the following meetings will be circulated
  - Public Protection & Safety PDS Committee 15<sup>th</sup> September 2015
  - Care Services PDs Committee 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2015
  - Education PDS Committee 29<sup>th</sup> September 2015
  - Environment PDS Committee 30<sup>th</sup> September 2015

#### 2. RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee is invited to consider progress on matters arising from previous meetings and the updates received from PDS Committee Chairmen.

# Corporate Policy

- 1. Policy Status::
- 2. BBB Priority: Excellent Council

## **Financial**

- 1. Cost of proposal: No Cost:
- 2. Ongoing costs: Not Applicable:
- 3. Budget head/performance centre: Democratic Services
- 4. Total current budget for this head: £326,980
- 5. Source of funding: 2015/16 Revenue Budget

#### Staff

- 1. Number of staff (current and additional): 8 posts (7.39fte)
- 2. If from existing staff resources, number of staff hours: Monitoring the Committee's matters arising takes a few hours between each meeting.

#### Legal

- 1. Legal Requirement: None:
- 2. Call-in: Not Applicable: This report does not involve an executive decision.

#### Customer Impact

1. Estimated number of users/beneficiaries (current and projected): This report is intended primarily for the benefit of members of the Committee.

### Ward Councillor Views

- 1. Have Ward Councillors been asked for comments? Not Applicable
- 2. Summary of Ward Councillors comments: Not Applicable

Non-Applicable Sections:	Policy/Finance/Legal/Personnel
Background Documents: (Access via Contact Officer)	Minutes of previous meetings

# Appendix 1

Minute Number/ Title/Date	PDS Request	Update	Action By	Completion Date
149 (8) Adoption Update and Grant drawdown 14 <sup>th</sup> May 2015	Members suggested that a report on Special Guardianship Orders be referred to Care Services PDS Committee	This was covered in the Annual Adoption report at Care Services PDS Committee on 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Democratic Services Manager	23 <sup>rd</sup> June 2015
174 Matters Arising – Consultants 9 <sup>th</sup> July 2015	Committee requested that the information on use of consultants be referred to PDS Committees	Reports have been prepared for all other PDS Committees in the September/October cycle. PP&S PDS Committee raised concerns about the numbers of contracts where only one quote had been received.	Democratic Services Manager/ Assistant Director, Corporate Projects and Transformation	September /October 2015
174 Matters Arising – Contracts Working Group 9 <sup>th</sup> July 2015	Committee established a Contracts Working Group comprising Cllrs Wells, Fawthrop, William Huntington- Thresher, Onslow and Wilkins.	A first meeting was held on 16 <sup>th</sup> September 2015 at which working methods and terms of reference were discussed. Meetings were scheduled for 13 <sup>th</sup> October, 10 <sup>th</sup> November and 15 <sup>th</sup> December 2015.	Democratic Services manager	September 2015