

**Renewal and Recreation PDS Committee, 22nd November 2016
Chairman's Update**

The Committee considered the expenditure on consultants supporting the portfolio, raised questions about the use of consultants for planning appeals, and queried where spending may be recoverable (such as for Biggin Hill airport). We ask the Contracts Sub-Committee to consider splitting the register so that it separates out those consultants used as part of spending that have already been scrutinised.

It also heard the annual report from Mytime Active, who reported an increase in attendances to their activities. It discusses how Mytime Active could help meet the objectives of the Health and Wellbeing Board, the chairman of which will have a meeting with Mytime as a result.

Proposals for pedestrian and market improvements to Bromley High Street were scrutinised and comments fed in. Challenge was made on how the lessons learned from Bromley North Village (both positive and negative) could be applied to this scheme. The Committee was asked for the subsequent report to quantify the footfall benefit the market has for the town, and that consideration is given for the impact on shops, eateries and existing stallholders.

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