Report No. CSD17138

London Borough of Bromley

PART ONE - PUBLIC

Decision Maker: PUBLIC PROTECTION AND SAFETY POLICY DEVELOPMENT

AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Date: Wednesday 27 September 2017

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

Title: EXPENDITURE ON CONSULTANTS 2016/17 AND 2017/18

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Chief Officer: Director of Corporate Services

Ward: Borough-wide

1. Reason for report

1.1 At its meeting on 7th September 2017, the Executive and Resources PDS Committee considered the attached report on expenditure on consultants across all Council departments for both revenue (appendix 2) and capital (appendix 3) budgets. The Committee requested that the report be considered by all PDS Committees.

2. RECOMMENDATION(S)

2.1 That the Committee considers the information about expenditure on consultants relating to the Public Protection and Safety Portfolio contained in the attached report, and considers whether any further scrutiny is required.

Impact on Vulnerable Adults and Children

Summary of Impact: N/A

Corporate Policy

- 1. Policy Status: Not Applicable:
- 2. BBB Priority: Not Applicable:

Financial

- 1. Cost of proposal: Not Applicable:
- 2. Ongoing costs: Not Applicable:
- 3. Budget head/performance centre:
- 4. Total current budget for this head: £
- 5. Source of funding:

Personnel

- 1. Number of staff (current and additional):
- 2. If from existing staff resources, number of staff hours:

Legal

- 1. Legal Requirement: None:
- 2. Call-in: Not Applicable: No Executive decision.

<u>Procurement</u>

Summary of Procurement Implications:

Customer Impact

1. Estimated number of users/beneficiaries (current and projected):

Ward Councillor Views

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

3. COMMENTARY

- 3.1 <u>Revenue</u> expenditure on consultants in the Public Protection and Safety Portfolio is set out in <u>Appendix 2</u>, and is focused on (i) one-off specialist advice, no-one with specialist skills and (ii) insufficient in-house skills/resources. Expenditure amounted to £17,779 in 2016/17 and £2,710 in 2017/18 to date.
- 3.2 <u>Capital</u> expenditure on consultants in the Public Protection and Safety Portfolio is set out in <u>Appendix 3.</u> No capital consultants are listed under the Public Protection and Safety Portfolio.

Non-Applicable Sections:	Impact on Vulnerable Adults and Children/Policy/Financial/Personnel/Legal/Procurement
Background Documents: (Access via Contact Officer)	None