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Details for note

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	Cllrs Bennett's suggested changes	Inclusion outcome	
1	Rather than calling it 'better borough' why not 'London's Best Borough'?	Rejected Conservative Group agreed an alternative name.	
2	"The Covid 19 Pandemic has had a dramatic affect on the way in which people shop, work and relax. Whether or not all these changes last once normal life resumes cannot at present be foreseen however it is safe to say that there will be social change. On line shopping had already accounted for more than 20% of purchases before the Pandemic and the collapse of a number of High Street chains suggests that the future High Street, and a lesser extent the local shopping parade will be a different place. The trend towards a more entertainment and hospitality orientated High Street has been underway for some time. The Council's policy will need to evolve to ensure that these organic changes are supported so that the High Streets remains thriving and attractive destinations".	Rejected The published Economic Development Strategy is responding to need as required. Any evolving commitment will be made by the Portfolio Holder and discussed at PDS before inclusion in a Corporate Strategy.	
3	The change in the High Street also provides an opportunity to encourage a return to residential accommodation on the High Street. In most continental towns and cities a substantial number of people live in apartments in the central districts. This provides customers for local shops, the evening economy and helps diminish crime.	Rejected The published Economic Development Strategy is responding to need as required. Members during consultation felt that we cannot commit to 'new' ideas in the Corporate Strategy that are not already agreed and resourced.	
4	"The move to on line shopping also presents an opportunity. Bromley is well situated on the A20 and A21 and close to several junctions on the M25 and it is worth looking at the provision of logistics warehouses to supply the growing home delivery market".	Rejected The published Economic Development Strategy is responding to need as required Members during consultation felt that we cannot commit to 'new' ideas in the Corporate Strategy that are not already agreed and resourced.	
5	"The move towards homeworking has also been a growing trend which has accelerated during the pandemic. No doubt they will be some return towards office based working but it is likely that a larger number of people will adopt a mixed	Accepted Language aligned to published Economic Development Strategy.	

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home/office work-life with all the consequences this has for ancillary services including local coffee shops and cafes, public transport, car usage. It is also possible that some larger companies will chose to set up local suburban hubs for with hot desking rather ran than concentrate the vast majority of their staff in central London".

"The move towards homeworking will consequential impacts in a rise in planning applications for home extensions and for better IT coverage".

"Bromley has a substantial elderly population largely living in their family homes. At the same time there is a continuing demand for family homes. Many elderly people would like to 'downsize' to more manageable homes but do not wish to leave the borough where they have family and society support. Residential 'villages' and homes bult round gardens (not unlike alms houses) have proved very popular in the Home Counties and if suitable sites present themselves within the borough could help ease the housing pressures the growth in population is causing. The impact on health and tackling social isolation will also be very beneficial.

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Facilitate the development of digital infrastructure in the borough, which will be critical to support the local economy strategy to meet the growing digital needs of businesses and homes, through our Digital Infrastructure Work Plan (DIWP).

And

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Digital infrastructure that is future-proof is vital for a growing local economy. The demand for fast and reliable connectivity has been growing at an unprecedented rate from both homes and businesses and as such it is more critical than ever that this is matched through digital infrastructure provision.

Rejected

Language aligned to published Housing Strategy, Homelessness Strategy and Regeneration Strategy.

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Accepted – acknowledgement of loneliness agenda

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Deliver our mitigating Loneliness Initiative – aiming to reduce isolation and improve the wellbeing of Bromley residents. Ensuring we maximise the use of

		volunteers to achieve community resilience and that we appropriately acknowledge and encourage their contribution to the community.
7	"The Council seeks always to provide first rate public services by the most efficient, economic and effective means possible. New technology is rapidly changing the way many commercial companies and central government operate and deliver their services. Over the past few years the Council has sought, with considerable success, to move many services on line. As the world stands at the start of what the World Economic Forum has described as the 'Fourth Industrial Revolution' there will be many areas where we can improve further our services through (digitalisation) the harnessing of Artificial Intelligence, Robotics, core technology, 3 D printing. Etc. The Council will seek to learn from the best practice in the public and private sectors with a view to utilising those technologies which provide practical improvements to our services".	Accepted Bold text included on page 29 Ambition 5 Reference also made to acknowledge emerging Digital Strategy (page 29) Continuing to exploit the benefits of digitalisation in service delivery through a new Digital Strategy
8	"The Pandemic has led to major changes in which the NHS delivers its' services. Many of these will be temporary but the use of econsult, telephone and on line video consultation is likely to remain in a modified form. Increasingly GP practices are providing services like blood testing, ECGs which were once the purview of the primary care (hospital) sector. We will work with the NHS South East London Clinical Commissioning Group to see where further services might successfully be decentralised to GP and other community hubs".	Accepted Alternative language adopted page 18 Continue the development of the One Bromley Local Care Partnership, delivering integrated health and social care services in line with the NHS Long Term Plan. This means strengthening our partnership practice across social care and health services to make the best use of our resources
Ema	il 5 July 2021 (Prior to consultation meeting) Clirs Bennett's suggested changes	Inclusion outcome
9	The title of the plan needs to be changed throughout the document including headers	Accepted Changes made
10	Page 4 I suggest we add: Community Links, Housing Associations, Residents' Associations. How we encompass 'faith groups' is more difficult as apart from SACRE we have no formal consultative group – perhaps we should have one?	Accepted Changes made page 5

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11	P14 what is an ECG?	Accepted
		Please note Cllr Bennett had included the anonym "ECG" in a suggested change see paragraph reference 8 above in this table.
		The full word "Echocardiogram" was added and then later in the consultation removed entirely as it was considered too wordy.
12	P22 what is community transport?	Accepted
		Removed use of phrase
13	Add a paragraph on working with TfL towards the elimination of diesel buses and their replacement by electric and other non-polluting forms of transmission	Accepted Alternative sentence added page 27 Encourage more sustainable forms of travel, including hybrid and electric vehicles, cycling, walking and delivering the longest electric bus route in London

Email 5 July 2021 (Prior to consultation meeting attachment to email for inclusion to introduction)

	Clirs Bennetts suggested changes	Inclusion outcome
14	The speed of scientific and medical research in the past few years has been significant – Genome sequencing – to give just one example may well enable vast improvements in preventive health treatment reducing the pressure on social care.	Rejected Members felt the Forward and Introduction should be rationalised and shortened.

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15	The Pandemic has shown how the Council, working with partners, can be agile in responding to sudden demands. We will build on the lessons learned from tackling Covid -19.	Accepted Included in Leaders Forward page 4
16	The Covid-19 Pandemic has thrown into sharp relief the impact of events outside the control of government. Some of the changes in the way people live – the shift to online shopping and working from home, were already underway before the Pandemic. At this stage it is impossible to forecast what the log-term impact will be, but the Council must be aware of these possible societal changes and be ready to respond with changes in planning policy if need be. Equally the drive towards a carbon neutral economy will have a significant effect not least in the switch towards electric vehicles.	Rejected Members felt the Forward and Introduction should be rationalised and shortened.
17	Through our Transformation and digital strategies, we will seek to ensure that our policies and processes respond to advances in science, Artificial Intelligence, robotics, and other new technologies to provide efficient, effective and economic services.	Accepted Reference made to acknowledge emerging Digital Strategy (page 29) Continuing to exploit the benefits of digitalisation in service delivery through a new Digital Strategy
18	No plan can be set in stone. Bromley London's Best Borough will be irritative developing and changing as circumstances demand.	Accepted Included in Leaders Forward page 4