

Decisions of the Performance and Contract Management Committee

1 September 2015

Members Present:-

Councillor Anthony Finn (Chairman)
Councillor Sury Khatri (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Geof Cooke
Councillor Rohit Grover
Councillor Kathy Levine
Councillor John Marshall
Councillor Peter Zinkin

Councillor Reema Patel
Councillor Shimon Ryde
Councillor Dr Devra Kay (as substitute)
Councillor Ammar Naqvi (as substitute)

Apologies for Absence:-

Councillor Anne Hutton
Councillor Arjun Mittra

1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting held on 12 May 2015 be agreed as a correct record.

2. ABSENCE OF MEMBERS

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Anne Hutton, who was substituted by Councillor Dr Devra Kay, and Councillor Arjun Mittra, who was substituted by Councillor Ammar Naqvi.

3. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

The following interest was declared:

Councillor	Agenda Item	Nature of interest	Details of interest
John Marshall	7	Non-pecuniary	Councillor John Marshall is a director of The Barnet Group.

4. REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER (IF ANY)

There was none.

5. PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS (IF ANY)

Details of the questions asked and the published answers were provided with the agenda papers for the meeting. Verbal responses were given to supplementary questions at the meeting.

6. MEMBERS' ITEMS (IF ANY)

There were none.

7. QUARTER 1 PERFORMANCE MONITORING 2015/16

The Education and Skills Director, Ian Harrison, was invited by the Chairman to discuss how Barnet is performing in respect to school results. An update was provided on how Barnet is performing in respect to school results, with attention paid to Primary Schools, Key Stage 2, Secondary Schools and Key Stage 5.

Following discussion of the issue Councillor Finn moved a motion to request that the following be added to Recommendation 1:

- That the Committee request the Children, Education, Libraries and Safeguarding Committee to consider catchment areas in a more logical way, with a focus on how children living in roads nearby schools can be better considered within the school allocation process.

The motion was duly seconded by Councillor Zinkin. The Committee voted on the motion, with votes recorded as follows:

For	11
Against	0
Abstain	0

The motion was therefore carried.

The Assistant Director of Finance for CSG, Paul Thorogood, was invited by the Chairman to provide an overview of the Council's budget, with attention paid to meeting service targets, service budgets and the whole Council budget. The Adults and Communities Director was then invited by the Chairman to provide an overview of how the Adults and Communities delivery unit is performing in respect to meeting budgetary targets.

Following discussion of the issue Councillor Finn moved a motion to request that the following be added to the recommendations:

- That the Committee request that the recovery plan for the Adults and Communities delivery unit be shared at the next meeting of the Committee.

The motion was duly seconded by Councillor Zinkin. The Committee unanimously agreed the motion, therefore meaning that the motion was carried.

The Assistant Director of Finance for CSG provided an overview of the financial issues that the Family Services (which sits within Children's Service) is facing.

The Director of Operations for Barnet Homes, Derek Rust, was invited by the Chairman to provide an overview of Housing performance. The Committee specifically considered the Empty Homes Strategy and the financial performance of Barnet Homes.

The Street Scene Director, Lynn Bishop, was invited by the Committee to provide an overview of the performance of waste and recycling services.

The Chairman then introduced the performance of Public Health. The Committee discussed the take of Health Checks in the borough.

Following discussion of the issue, Councillor Finn moved a motion to request that the following be added to Recommendation 1:

- That the Committee request the Health and Wellbeing Board to consider how the take up of Health Checks can be improved.

The motion was duly seconded by Councillor Khatri. The Committee unanimously agreed the motion, therefore meaning that the motion was carried.

The Head of Customer Strategy and Programmes was invited by the Committee to provide an overview of customer perception performance.

The Chairman then moved to the recommendations. Votes were recorded as follows:

For	11
Against	0
Abstain	0

The following was therefore resolved:

1. The Committee is asked to agree the following referrals to other committees:

Committee	Referral
Policy and Resources	None
Adults and Safeguarding	The Committee to note the ongoing financial, performance and demand pressures within the remit of the committee
Assets, Regeneration and Growth	None
Children, Education, Libraries & Safeguarding	The Committee request the Children, Education, Libraries and Safeguarding Committee to consider catchment areas in a more logical way, with a focus on how children living in roads nearby schools can be better considered within the school allocation process
Community Leadership	None

Environment	The Committee is requested to consider, as a matter of urgency, an action plan to address performance when setting a future Waste Strategy.
Housing	The Committee are asked to note the changes in national policy in regards to rent, welfare changes and the potential performance impact to ensure appropriate mitigation activity is commissioned.
General Functions Committee	None
Health and Wellbeing Board	That the Committee request the Health and Wellbeing Board to consider how the take up of Health Checks can be improved.

2. **The Committee is asked to note the quarter 1 2015/16 revenue budget and capital position contained in paragraphs 1.11 and 1.17.**
3. **The Committee is asked to note the Agency Costs for the quarter 1 2015/16 as detailed in paragraph 1.19.**
4. **The Committee is asked to note the Transformation Programme position as at the 30 June 2015 as detailed in paragraph 1.20.**
5. **The Committee is asked to note the Treasury position outlined in paragraph 1.21**
6. **The Committee is asked to note the £7.98m capital slippage of the outturn for 2015/16, as outlined in Appendix D.**
7. **That the Committee request that the recovery plan for the Adults and Communities delivery unit be shared at the next meeting of the Committee.**

8. MEMBERS' ENQUIRIES SERVICE - A REVIEW

The Chairman introduced the item, which related to Members' Enquiries. The Customer Services Operations Director, Jim Gibbs, was invited by the Chairman to answer questions relating to the item.

Following discussion of the item, the Committee agreed to defer the item until the next meeting of the Committee due to there being insufficient time to consider the item at this meeting.

9. COMMITTEE FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME

The Chairman introduced the item, which related to the forward work programme for the Committee.

Following discussion of the item, the Committee **RESOLVED** – to note the items included in the 2015/16 work programme.

10. ANY OTHER ITEMS THAT THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES ARE URGENT

There were none.

The meeting finished at 9.59 pm