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REPORT TO:	CABINET 17th FEBRUARY 2015
AGENDA ITEM NO:	9
SUBJECT:	RECOMMENDATIONS ARISING FROM THE STREETS & ENVIRONMENT SCRUTINY SUB- COMMITTEE MEETING ON 20 JANUARY 2015
LEAD OFFICER:	Council Solicitor and Monitoring Officer, Director of Democratic & Legal Services
LEAD MEMBER:	Councillor Sean Fitzsimons Chair, Scrutiny and Strategic Overview Committee
WARDS:	All
CORPORATE PRIORITY/POLICY CONTEXT:	The constitutional requirement that Cabinet considers recommendations from scrutiny committees.

The Leader of the Council has delegated to the Cabinet the power to make the decisions set out in the recommendations below

1. RECOMMENDATIONS

Cabinet is asked to consider recommendations arising from the meeting of the Streets and Environment Scrutiny Sub-Committee on 20th January 2015 and to provide a response at the Cabinet meeting on 16 March 2015.

2. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Streets and Environment Scrutiny Sub-Committee received a joint report from Transport for London and council officers relating to **Transport Infrastructure in Croydon** and a report on the **Connected Croydon** project at its meeting on 20th January 2015.

At this meeting the Streets and Environment Scrutiny Sub-Committee made recommendations to Cabinet which it is asked to consider.

3. DETAILS

The Streets and Environment Scrutiny Sub-Committee, at its meeting on 20th January 2015, resolved (Minute number A06/15 – Transport for London – Transport infrastructure in Croydon) to:

- Recommend to Cabinet that it strongly makes the case for funding accessibility improvements to Norwood Junction Station to Network Rail and/ or the Department for Transport as appropriate
- Express concern that in consulting on the Dingwall Road 'loop line', Transport for London did not include options for buses at the same time. As a result the Committee recommends to Cabinet that it aims to ensure that integrated transport solutions, including bus provision, be designed in to the final scheme
- Note that the tram network needs to be replaced before 2030, that the Dingwall Road loop offers an opportunity to start the process of improving tram infrastructure and that the Cabinet should therefore ensure that the quality of infrastructure (including gantries) for the new loop does not prejudice public realm aspirations for the town centre
- Recommend to Cabinet that it supports proposals for both possible tram extensions (Sutton and Crystal Palace) as these would help increase capacity which is integral to the economic development of the town
- Recommend to Cabinet that it (Cabinet) and Network Rail consider future options for the former Woodside Railway station building, which closed in 1997 in preparation for the construction of Croydon tramlink, as it is falling into decline and becoming an eyesore
- Recommend that Cabinet asks for a report on the lessons learned from the phasing of bridge replacement works at Spring Lane and Tension Road in advance of future bridge replacement or strengthening works (such as at Spurgeon Road) in order to minimise disruption to Croydon residents

The Streets and Environment Scrutiny Sub-Committee, at its meeting on 20th January 2015, resolved (Minute number A07/15 – Connected Croydon report) to:

- Ask the Cabinet to ensure that public realm improvements be maintained in the long term through possible links to the 'Don't Mess with Croydon – Take Pride campaign' and by allocating sufficient funds from the revenue budget

4. FINANCIAL AND RISK ASSESSMENT CONSIDERATIONS

Not relevant for the purposes of this report.

5. COMMENTS OF THE COUNCIL SOLICITOR AND MONITORING OFFICER

The recommendations are in accordance with the constitution. This requires that the Scrutiny report is noted and registered at this Cabinet Meeting and that a substantive response is provided at the next Cabinet meeting.

6. HUMAN RESOURCES IMPACT

Not relevant for the purposes of this report.

7. EQUALITIES IMPACT

Not relevant for the purposes of this report.

8. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

Not relevant for the purposes of this report.

9. CRIME AND DISORDER REDUCTION IMPACT

Not relevant for the purposes of this report.

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BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:

1: Transport for London – Transport infrastructure in Croydon report

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2: Connected Croydon report

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