

## Item 19 - Update on Motions agreed by the Council – 31 January 2018

Date	From	Motion	Status	Accountable Director
22/02/17	Cllr J Kent	The Thameside Theatre is held in great affection by residents across Thurrock. Therefore the sudden announcement that the theatre is likely to close by April 2019 is causing real concern in many quarters. Council is of the collective view that the Thameside Theatre should remain open until a new civic theatre for Thurrock, situated in Grays, has opened.	Work is ongoing to review what is currently provided at the theatre and what can be done to improve its future financial viability. In parallel, work is continuing to look at options for new theatre provision in Grays in the context of the wider Grays master plan. The commitment remains to theatre provision continuing in Grays to support an evening economy. The theatre will not be closed until there is a replacement.	Steve Cox
29/03/2017	Cllr Hebb	Thurrock Council resolves to thank HM The Queen, for her selflessness and grace as monarch of the United Kingdom for 65 years, and it thanks her for her years of dedicated public service and advocacy of our great nation. In the spirit in which HM The Queen has herself taken with the Sapphire Jubilee, this council also seeks to recognise the memory of our former monarch George VI, for his unwavering patriotism during our nation's darkest hours. This council therefore resolves to rename a suitable park within the borough to be identified after public consultation - to the George VI Memorial Park in honour of the former King and his years of service to our country.	The consultation commenced on 24 November 2017 and concluded on 8 January 2018. Residents were asked if they wish to name a park after the late King George VI and if so which park would they like renamed, or would they like a new park in the future to be given this title.  Consultation Outcome - The majority of responders agree to the naming of a new park.	Julie Rogers
28/06/2017	Cllr Gerrish	Council calls on the Cleaner, Greener and Safer Overview and Scrutiny Committee to conduct a full review of fly tipping in private alleys, in order to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Understand the scale of the issue across the borough.</li> <li>Review the impact on residents of the council's policy on fly tipping in private alleys.</li> </ul>	The Cleaner, Greener and Safer Overview & Scrutiny Committee formed a member-led panel at its meeting of 13 July to address the Council Motion.  The lead member updated the committee at its meeting of 12 October with a view to presenting a final report to the committee at the December meeting, prior to a report to Cabinet recommending any policy adoption coming out of the review. This report has now	Steve Cox

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Evaluate potential policy responses, including understanding the cost to the council of taking action and exploring new, more innovative solutions.</li> <li>• Make recommendations on the best approach to improving the situation.</li> </ul>	<p>been put back to the 22 February 2018 meeting of the Cleaner, Greener and Safer Overview &amp; Scrutiny Committee.</p>	
28/06/2017	Cllr Halden	<p>Thurrock Council would oppose any closure of Orsett Hospital until new and modern facilities are put in place first to ensure that clinical services are maintained and improved in Thurrock and urges that Council resist attempts to move clinical resources or capacity from Orsett Hospital out of Thurrock.</p>	<p>We are awaiting details from NHS England on when the consultation will commence but we expect it to be sometime during the Autumn. The Council, with its NHS partners, is proceeding with its plans for the four Integrated Medical Centres and is out to tender for the design team for the Tilbury IMC.</p> <p>October Update : NHS England have indicated that the consultation on the STP will start in late October / early November and include consultation on the future of Orsett Hospital. We have appointed the design team to lead on the Tilbury IMC</p> <p>November Update – We are anticipating consultation on the STP to start at the end of November. Planning work is underway on all four of the proposed Integrated medical Centres.</p> <p>January Update – Consultation process has started and runs until 9 March 2018. The matter will be considered at HOSC and the Health &amp; Wellbeing Board.</p>	Roger Harris
27/09/2017	Cllr B Rice	<p>This Council calls on the Police and Crime Commissioner for Essex to fully review and evaluate Police numbers in Thurrock in light of the serious nature of crimes that are we are experiencing in the Borough.</p>	<p>A letter has been sent to the Police Fire and Crime Commissioner advising of the motion of Thurrock Council and inviting a response on how the issues raised would be taken forward. The Police Fire and Crime Commissioner is attending Full Council on 31 January 2018.</p>	Julie Rogers

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27/09/2017	Cllr Spillman	<p>Council calls on Cabinet to work with local arts and music groups to assist them in looking at options for establishing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A not-for-profit community arts and music multi use venue open to all arts, crafts and music groups across Thurrock which will be able to secure relevant licenses that will allow the venue to be financially sustainable by raising revenue through ticketed music and performance events, and</li> <li>• A not-for-profit, open air, “Festival of Thurrock” to provide an opportunity for a wide range of artists and musicians in Thurrock to showcase their talents.</li> </ul>	<p>The Cabinet recognises the value of arts and culture in supporting our local communities and creating pride in Thurrock. Meetings have been held with Cllr Spillman and arts and heritage groups to discuss ways to work together to support the sector in Thurrock.</p> <p>Cllr Spillman and the local groups involved in discussions have been invited to participate in the next round of consultation on the Arts and Heritage (Cultural Economy) strategy. Following the next round of consultation the strategy will be presented to Planning, Transport and Regeneration Overview and Scrutiny Committee at their next meeting in March. .</p> <p>Festivals do require significant resources to organise, produce and manage however the Council continues to work with groups on a range of arts activities and events and is willing to consider new financially viable ideas.</p>	Steve Cox
27/09/2017	Cllr B Rice	<p>Members in this Council Chamber to call on the Cabinet to re-evaluate the need for £5 per week charge for grounds maintenance to Council tenants as this will cause many residents further hardship.</p>	<p>The Grounds Maintenance service charge has been temporarily suspended pending a review. This will be reported back to Housing Overview and Scrutiny Committee in December and Cabinet in January/February.</p> <p>January Update – December Scrutiny Committee recommended that the charges are not proceeded with. The final decision will be made at February Cabinet.</p>	Roger Harris
25/10/2017	Cllr Jones	<p>We call on Thurrock Council to write to the Secretary of State to express many residents’ views that in its present state the police service contact number 101 is not fit for purpose.</p>	<p>A letter was sent to the Secretary of State on Wednesday 8 November to express the views of residents in relation to the 101 contact number. We have yet to receive a response to the letter sent, and have sent a reminder letter.</p>	Julie Rogers

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25/10/2017	Cllr J Kent	Thurrock Council believes the, so called, "dementia tax" is unfair and would be damaging to many older residents of Thurrock. The Council calls on the care minister, Jackie Doyle-Price, to rule out forcing older people to pay for their care with their home.	Motion has been sent to the Care Minister on Wednesday 8 November 2017.	Roger Harris
25/10/2017	Cllr Gerrish	<p>Thurrock Council calls on the Government to provide the necessary resources and rule changes which would allow councils to build additional council housing at a scale proportional to need, in particular removing the Housing Revenue Account borrowing cap. Council resolves to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Write to the Prime Minister, Chancellor and DCLG setting out our concerns and seeking urgent action to enable the building of council housing at necessary volumes.</li> <li>• Write to Thurrock's MPs seeking all possible Parliamentary support.</li> <li>• Request that the Housing Overview and Scrutiny Committee consider whether there are any additional local opportunities to increase our supply of new council houses in Thurrock.</li> </ul>	<p>Letters have been sent to those requested. Meeting with DCLG officers has also been arranged for 9 November 2017 and Housing Overview and Scrutiny will be considering this at its December meeting.</p> <p>January Update – The December Budget indicated that there will be further resources available, including allowing Councils to borrow more through the HRA. We await further details from the HDCLG.</p>	Roger Harris
29/11/2017	Cllr J Kent	Care leavers who were looked after by the Council are amongst the most vulnerable groups in our community. As Corporate parents we should aim to keep young people safe and improve their life chances. Therefore Thurrock Council resolves that - to help ensure the transition from care to adult life is as smooth as possible, and to mitigate the chances of care leavers falling into debt as they begin to manage their own finances, that the executive bring forward plans in its "headstart housing paper - supporting care leavers", which is proposed for	The Head Start Housing Paper to provide housing and holistic support for care leavers contains a proposal for targeted Council Tax relieve for care leavers up to the age of 21 and discretionary provision up to the age of 25. This has been consulted with Children's Overview and Scrutiny Committee and the Corporate Parenting Committee. This report is being presented to February Cabinet for implementation from 1 April 2018.	

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		December Scrutiny, includes proposals for targeted Council tax relief and for Scrutiny to make recommendations to Cabinet regarding a whole package of support for these young people and that Council now adds it's support for an executive decision for start of the year 2018/19.		
29/11/2017	Cllr Snell	This Council calls on government to reject the idea of piloting the re-integration of former extremists and returning jihadists by giving them priority on housing waiting lists which this Council would oppose.	The Council will be responding to any formal consultation document in line with the terms of this motion and will be writing to the relevant government department.	
29/11/2017	Cllr Jones	We call on Thurrock Council to write to the Police and Crime Commissioner, Roger Hirst, and Essex Police to ask them to outline their strategy to reduce anti-social behaviour, crime and violent attacks in Thurrock.	A letter was sent to the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner, Roger Hirst on the 19 December 2017. The letter invited Mr Hirst to outline his strategy for Essex Police to reduce anti-social behaviour, crime and violent attacks in Thurrock.  The PCC will be attending full Council in January 2018.	