

# **Follow On Committee Agenda**

Title:

**Audit and Performance Committee** 

Meeting Date:

Thursday 9th February, 2017

Time:

7.00 pm

Venue:

Rooms 3 & 4 - 17th Floor, Westminster City Hall, 64 Victoria Street, London, SW1E 6 QP

Members:

#### Councillors:

Ian Rowley (Chairman) Lindsey Hall Judith Warner David Boothroyd

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### **AGENDA**

# PART 1 (IN PUBLIC)

6. FINANCE (PERIOD 9) AND QUARTER 3 (APRIL-DECEMBER 2016) PERFORMANCE MONITORING REPORTS (TO FOLLOW)

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Reports of the City Treasurer and the Director of Policy, Performance & Communications

Charlie Parker Chief Executive 1 February 2017



# Audit and Performance Committee Report

**Meeting or Decision Maker:** Audit and Performance Committee

**Date:** 9<sup>th</sup> February 2017

**Classification:** General Release

**Title:** Period 9 Finance and Quarter 3 (Apr 2016 – Dec 2016)

Performance Report

**Key Decision:** Review and challenge officers on the contents of the

report

**Report of:** Steven Mair, City Treasurer

Julia Corkey, Director of Policy, Performance and

Communications

### 1. Executive Summary

The Quarter 3 Performance Report presents detailed results for the period April to December 2016 against the 2015/17 business plans. The report provides explanations and commentary in respect of outstanding, good and poor performance, including achievement of targets and details of remedial actions being taken where appropriate.

#### 2. Recommendations

- Committee notes the content of the report
- Committee indicate any areas of the report that require further investigation
- Committee highlights any new emerging risks that have not been captured

#### 2. Reasons for Decision

To inform Members of how the City Council is delivering on its key objectives, hold Officers to account and steer improvement activity where necessary.

### 3. Background, including Policy Context

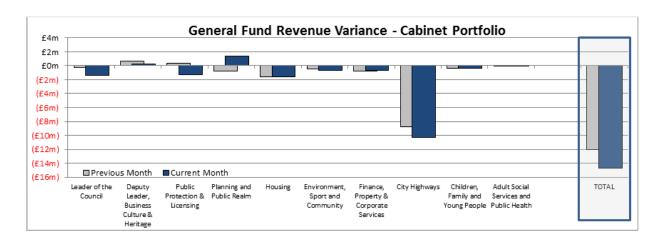
This report sets out how the City Council is delivering on the City for All vision and the management of the Council's financial affairs.

### 1. Key Messages

### Revenue - Forecast Outturn

At the end of period 9, the General Fund is projecting an under-spend of £14.714m

The Forecast Outturn variance by Cabinet portfolios is shown within the graphic below:



### **Capital Outturn**

Forecast service-related net under-spend currently stands at £101.423m. This is offset by delays and shortfalls in capital receipts and contingency budgets of £100.315m.

# Revenue Expenditure - Cabinet 2016/17 Budgets and Projected Expenditure – By Cabinet Member

#### Period 9 Forecast Outturn by Cabinet Member

Cabinet Portfolios	Budget (£,000's)	Projected Outturn (£,000's)	Projected Variance (£,000's)	Risks Identified (£,000's)	Opportunities Identified (£,000's)	Projected Net Risk (£,000's)
Leader of the Council	6,768	5,408	(1,360)	0	0	0
Deputy Leader, Business Culture & Heritage	(2,191)	(1,923)	268	120	(100)	20
Public Protection & Licensing	11,917	10,667	(1,250)	100	(150)	(50)
Planning and Public Realm	1,726	3,084	1,358	300	(200)	100
Housing	24,867	23,267	(1,600)	270	(525)	(255)
Environment, Sport and Community	50,469	49,824	(645)	90	(190)	(100)
Finance, Property & Corporate Services	36,930	36,222	(708)	1,868	(115)	1,753
City Highways	(42,400)	(52,750)	(10,350)	0	(575)	(575)
Children, Families and Young People	35,854	35,453	(401)	1,636	0	1,636
Adult Social Services and Public Health	59,180	59,154	(26)	0	0	0
Service Area Total	183,120	168,406	(14,714)	4,384	(1,855)	2,529
Council Tax	49,350	49,350	0			
Business Rates - Net of Tariff	75,919	75,919	0			
Revenue Support Grant	57,851	57,851	0			
Corporate Financing	183,120	183,120	0			
Net (Surplus) / Deficit	0	(14,714)	(14,714)			

At the end of period 9, the forecast outturn for the City Highways portfolio is a £10.350m favourable variance. This is largely attributable to increased income from parking bay suspensions, including unauthorised suspensions (£7.400m). Additionally, following the replacement of legacy cameras with automated cameras, enforcement of Moving Traffic Contraventions is higher than budgeted (£1.900m).

Housing is forecasting an underspend of £1.600m. This projected underspend is made up of savings within Supporting People, Housing Benefits and Temporary Accommodation.

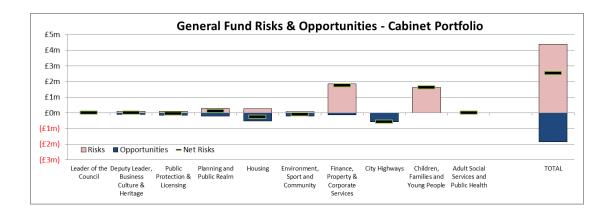
Other cabinet portfolios also offer up the prospect of net underspends or overspends

#### Revenue – Key Risks and Opportunities

Currently there are £4.384m of identified service area risks which are being carefully monitored to minimise their potential impact. Set against these are potential opportunities of £1.855m.

### **Risks and Opportunities by Cabinet portfolios**

The chart below shows the distribution of these within Cabinet portfolios.



Of the £4.384m of risk, £1.636m arises in Children, Families and Young People due to a worst case projection of the potential impact around the Tower Hamlets case which remains under review. A further £1.868m relates to the Finance, Property and Corporate Services portfolio – the largest elements relating to risks around City Hall refurbishment (£0.500m) and income around Major Projects (£0.800m).

Set against these risks are £1.855m of identified opportunities. This is distributed over a range of portfolios – the largest opportunities being £0.575m relating to lower than expected highway maintenance costs partly due to the mild winter, and a £0.260m potential saving on temporary accommodation costs.

#### 3. Capital Expenditure by Cabinet Area

2016/17 Budgets and Projected Expenditure - By Cabinet Area

	Spend Budget	Income Budget	Spend Forecast	Income Forecast	Spend Variance	Income Variance	Net Variance	Variance
Summary	(£,000's)	(£,000's)	(£,000's)	(£,000's)	(£,000's)	(£,000's)	(£,000's)	(%age)
Deputy Leader - Business, Culture & Heritage	7,880	(3,082)	12,606	(5,864)	4,726	(2,782)	1,944	41%
Public Protection and Licensing	1,355	(642)	1,335	(1,059)	(20)	(417)	(437)	-61%
Planning and Public Realm	8,726	(5,676)	7,377	(5,776)	(1,349)	(100)	(1,449)	-48%
Housing	57,061	(42,317)	45,782	(41,727)	(11,279)	590	(10,689)	-72%
<b>Environment, Sport and Community</b>	10,468	(4,045)	9,861	(4,037)	(607)	8	(599)	-9%
Finance, Property and Corporate Services	151,588	(27,012)	47,947	(11,815)	(103,642)	15,197	(88,445)	-71%
City Highways	12,106	(1,287)	9,958	(1,245)	(2,148)	42	(2,106)	-19%
Children, Families & Young People	8,667	(8,667)	3,794	(3,436)	(4,873)	5,231	358	n/a
Adult Social Services and Public Health	820	(820)	435	(435)	(385)	385	0	n/a
Service Area Total	258,673	(93,547)	139,095	(75,394)	(119,578)	18,154	(101,424)	-61%
Capital Receipts & Contingencies	5,649	(108,000)	1,000	(3,036)	(4,649)	104,964	100,315	-98%
Total	264,322	(201,547)	140,095	(78,430)	(124,226)	123,118	(1,109)	-2%
Funded by Borrowing	]	(62,774) (264,322)	I	(61,666) (140,095)	I	1,109 <b>124,226</b>	1,109	-2%

#### Capital forecast outturn variances against budget at period 9

Significant delays and under-achievement of this year's capital receipts projections, together with a  $\pm 4.649$ m fall in planned contingency expenditure means that the funding available to finance the net service area capital programme has however also fallen by  $\pm 100.315$ m – a net combined variance of  $\pm 1.109$ m.

The two largest net variances to the programme are within the Finance, Property & Corporate Services and the Housing portfolios. The Finance, Property and Corporate Services portfolio variance consists mainly of the Investment Property Review Scheme (£52.00m) and the Property Investment Schemes (£12.666m). The Housing portfolio variance consists of the following:

	Spend	Income	Spend	Income	Spend	Income	Net	Variance
Housing	(£,000's)							
Tresham House	4,390		100		(4,290)	0	(4,290)	U/Spend
Affordable Housing Fund Budget	32,702	(32,702)	22,477	(22,477)	(10,225)	10,225	0	Re-Profiled
Churchhill Gardens Project	815	(815)	0	0	(815)	815	0	Re-Profiled
Circus Road	543		100		(443)	0	(443)	Re-Profiled
Beachcroft	505		535		30	0	30	Re-Profiled
Carlton Dene	500		50		(450)	0	(450)	Re-Profiled
Westmead	250		50		(200)	0	(200)	Re-Profiled
Temporary Accommodation Acg's	17,356	(8,800)	22,470	(19,250)	5,114	(5,114)	0	U/Spend
remporary Accommodation Acq's	17,550	(0,000)			0	(5,336)	(5,336)	U/Spend
	57,061	(42,317)	45,782	(41,727)	(11,279)	590	(10,689)	

Both the capital and revenue budget strategies are developed to allow for such short term adverse net variances and delays. The impact on the revenue position for 2016/17 is thus expected to be able to be largely mitigated in year. However, should the £86.0m capital receipt not materialise by the end of 2017/18, this could have a significant impact on the medium term interest earnings and capital financing budgets particularly in relation to City Hall where it is planned to finance revenue budgets through the flexible use of capital receipts. As this option is only available for receipts generated between 2016/17 - 2018/19, it will not be possible unless the £86.0m is generated this year.

The overall variance of £1.109m comprises re-profiling of budgets into 2017/18 together with a number of under-spends and over-spends. These are summarised in the table below:

		Budget	Forecast	Variance	Re-Pro	ofiled	Under-9	Spends	Over-Sp	pends
		(£,000's)								
Summary:	Spend	264,322	140,095	(124,226)	(29,228)	(80,364)	1,645	(22,394)	2,177	3,938
	Income	(201,547)	(78,430)	123,118	29,228	85,900	(1,645)	(8,689)	(2,178)	20,500
		62,774	61,666	(1,109)	0	5,536	0	(31,083)	(0)	24,438

#### 4 HRA

#### Revenue Expenditure - 2016/17 Budgets and Projected Expenditure

As shown in the below, at Period 9 the forecast outturn is a surplus of £11.854m resulting in a favourable variance of £4.513m. This reflects higher rental, service charge and other income, lower commercial rent income, and capital charges, partially offset by additional housing management and repairs and maintenance costs. The variance also includes a 100% increase in Major Works Income. This is a one off variance caused by timing differences as a result of a change in billing practice. It is expected to revert back to the budgeted level in future accounting periods.

#### **Revenue Period 9 Forecast**

Description	Budget	Forecast	Variance
	£'000	£'000	£'000
Income			
Dwelling Rent	(75,764)	(75,937)	(173)
Non Dwelling Rent	(1,188)	(1,188)	(1)
Service & Facilities charges	(17,017)	(18,727)	(1,710)
Commercial Rent (net)	(6,692)	(4,979)	1,713
Major Works Income - Lessee	(4,741)	(9,557)	(4,817)
Other Income	(1,977)	(2,435)	(458)
Total Income	(107,378)	(112,825)	(5,446)
Expenditure			
Housing Management	47,769	48,538	769
Repairs & Maintenance	16,267	16,607	340
Capital Charges	35,152	34,977	(176)
Bad Debt Provision	850	850	0
Total - Expenditure	100,038	100,971	933
Net Operating deficit/(surplus)	(7,340)	(11,854)	(4,513)

### **Capital Expenditure**

As shown in the below, at Period 9 the forecast outturn is £64.907m resulting in a total variance of £18.510m from the revised budget. This includes underspends for the Major Works programme of £14.595m, the Housing Regeneration projects of £12.700m, and overspends on other projects of £8.784m. The future costs for all projects have been reprofiled and reported in the HRA 30 year Business Plan.

#### **Capital Period 9 Forecast**

**Total Financing** 

Description	Budget	Forecast	Variance
	£'000	£'000	£'000
Major Works	41,418	26,824	(14,595)
Housing Regeneration	35,243	22,543	(12,700)
Other Projects	6,756	15,541	8,784
Total Capital Expenditure	83,418	64,907	(18,510)
Financed By:			
Major Repairs Reserves (MRR)	22,767	23,267	(500)
New Borrowing	29,700	0	29,700
Capital Grant - AHF	2,081	3,453	(1,372)
Capital Receipts - Other	18,365	1,595	16,770
Capital Receipts RTB/Non RTB	1,556	19,561	(18,005)
HRA Reserves	8,948	17,031	(8,083)

83,418

<u>Major Works</u> – The £14.6m variance is due to deferment of schemes for the new term contracts and procurement delays arising from project strategy reviews where large resident leaseholder bills have been identified. Of which £9.2m was reprofiled in the HRA 30 year business plan and a further reduction of £5.4m has since arisen and consists of Major Works £4.4m and Planned Maintenance £1m.

64,907

18,510

The Major Works reduction substantially arises from additional strategic reviews of blocks/estates where the scope of work generates large resident leaseholder liabilities affecting the majority of projects within the investment programme. Principles have now been agreed and the projects can begin to progress through procurement although this is likely to put pressure on the supply chain with numerous tendering opportunities being advertised at one time.

<u>Housing Regeneration</u> - The £12.700m variance mainly relates to underspends for the Church Street projects partially offset by higher forecast spend for Parsons North.

Other Projects - The £8.784m variance mainly relates to additional discretionary acquisition of family size homes to meet housing need (£13.294m) partially compensated by underspends from a number of other schemes.

#### **HRA Reserves**

The HRA general reserve stood at £31.606m on 1st April 2016. The operating account will contribute an estimated £12.875m to the reserves this year, and an estimated £17.031m will be used to finance HRA capital expenditure, and £3.162 transferred from earmarked reserve for Business Transformation resulting in an estimated end of year balance of £29.591m. The minimum level of reserves to safeguard the HRA against unforeseen factors is judged to be £11m.

Other HRA balances stood at £56.435m on 1st April 2016. The forecast balance at year end after financing forecast capital expenditure is £40.580m, a forecast net movement of £15.855m. This includes earmarked reserves, accumulated RTB and capital receipts from the sale of other HRA assets.

# Quarter 3 (Apr 2016 - Dec 2016) Performance Report

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### Introduction

This is the Q3 Performance Report for Westminster Council. It covers performance up to the end of December 2016. As well as providing re-assurance against 2016/17 Business Plans the new format of the Q3 performance report highlights the substantial strategic challenges and opportunities for each Directorate. It provides analysis, explanations and commentary in respect of outstanding, good and poor performance, including achievement of targets and details of remedial actions being taken where appropriate.

The aim of the new report format is to focus discussion on the areas that matter and are the most relevant at the end of the third quarter. The information presented in this report is from Insight gathered across Service Directorates via the Online Performance Portal, Risk Registers, Monthly Insight Report and various media sources. Additional analysis has also been undertaken by PPC to provide greater insight and challenge on areas of performance.

If you have any queries relating to this report please contact the **Evaluation and Performance Team**.

# 1. Overall performance of the City Council

# 1.1 Cross-Cutting Priorities

This table sets out the thirteen cross-cutting priorities identified as underpinning the council's strategic objectives and short-term commitments throughout the year. These 13 priorities require a range of services and partners to work together to deliver them. Summarised progress updates against each priority are provided below.

### Organisational Health Check

Priorities	Update on progress
We will enable the Business to evolve and transform by delivering on our major projects and programmes that are fundamental to our long-term financial sustainability.	<ul> <li>✓ Implementation of new shared IT service structure completed</li> <li>✓ Customer Journey – Model for joint Adult Social Care / NHS work to improve efficiencies and experiences for clients / patients across care and hospital settings completed, and processes now bedding down.</li> <li>✓ Retention and Recruitment - The Westminster recruitment brand building around the essence statement 'Be where it all happens' has been launched.</li> </ul>
We will ensure Council resources are deployed effectively and efficiently, to achieve value for money, and to reduce costs whilst delivering improved outcomes	<ul> <li>✓ Public Health have developed an evidence based prioritisation tool to make better resource allocation decisions. Public Health restructure also almost complete.</li> <li>✓ Achieved "commitment" level of the London Healthy Workplace charter</li> <li>✗ Continuing risk of extra cost pressures in Adult Social Care, beyond 2016/17, due to demographics, health service challenges and a fragile local market.</li> <li>✗ The average number of working days lost through sickness absence in 2016 is 3.3 days. This is below the average numbers reported by other London boroughs (7.8) and lower than the WCC average of 5.4 days reported in 2014/2015. During 2017, People Services will focus on ensuring managers are reporting all absences correctly.</li> <li>✗ Estimated annual staff turnover is 16%, which is line with the median turnover for all London Boroughs. Voluntary turnover at Q3 is 10.2% which is in line with the Council's target. The impact of turnover will be addressed in the forthcoming Talent and Succession Planning programme planned for 2017.</li> </ul>

### City for All: Aspiration

Priorities	Update on progress
We will encourage economic growth in the City	<ul> <li>✓ Inclusion of social value in key procurements such as City Hall refurbishment contract – offering employment and other benefits to residents.</li> <li>✓ Westminster Employment Service operational and financial plans approved. Programme Board and governance structure in place and implementation has started.</li> </ul>
We will get Westminster working by helping people be the best they can	<ul> <li>Children's services Missing and Absent pilot to support young people on the cusp of getting into more serious trouble identified key preventative solutions</li> <li>SEN capabilities need building up to avoid failing Children and Family Act requirements</li> </ul>
We will support businesses to do more for the local community	<ul> <li>Westminster Enterprise Week – business and entrepreneurs encouraging and making young people aware of opportunities</li> <li>Young Westminster Foundation – delays in appointing a new CEO</li> </ul>
We will deliver more homes, helping the most vulnerable and supporting prosperity for all	<ul> <li>✓ New Affordable Housing – New social and intermediate units built at Cleland House (SW1), intermediate at Lanhill Road, and units for decanted families at Page and Regency street. Demolition completed at Dudley House site</li> <li>✓ Welfare Reform – New Benefit Caps in November 2016 and January 2017 likely to increase pressure on homelessness, over 600 households to be capped.</li> </ul>

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# City for All: Heritage

Priorities	Update on progress
We will make Westminster one of the Greenest Cities in Europe by improving the Environment	<ul> <li>✓ Air Quality proposals being developed to reduce parking related emissions in the Low Emission Neighbourhood</li> <li>✓ Marylebone Low Emission Neighbourhood – Year 1 of 3 year programme completed to improve air quality in local area through improve public realm schemes and behavioural change actions</li> <li>✓ Anti-Idling Enforcement – City Marshalls delicate to educating and enforcing against unnecessary idling from vehicles in order to reduce pollution and nuisance.</li> </ul>
We will protect our heritage by managing places and spaces that can be enjoyed now and in the future	<ul> <li>Westminster's 'Special Policy Areas' came into effect, protecting the important areas of Saville Row, Mayfair, Harley Street, St James' and Portland Place so that they remain home to the world leading industries that put them on the map.</li> <li>Potential risk of designation as an underperforming planning authority because of performance times for non-major developments.</li> <li>Budgetary pressures in Development Planning – reduction in pre application advice requests and external competition.</li> </ul>
We will deliver a world class setting for the country's most celebrated events	<ul> <li>✓ Westminster Carer Awards attended by 120 unpaid carers.</li> <li>✓ Organised and event managed the Westminster Tea Dance attended by 1,000 residents aged 65 and over.</li> <li>✓ Delivered the brand new Christmas in Leicester Square event and coordinated Christmas light switch on events across the City, including Oxford Street and Regent Street.</li> </ul>

# City for All: Choice

Priorities	Update on progress
We will prioritise those who need our help the most by supporting the most vulnerable people	<ul> <li>5 year Sustainability and Transformation plan submitted with alignment with Health and Well Being Board priorities.</li> <li>Adult Social Market – remains fragile and difficult to develop</li> </ul>
We will create opportunities for everyone to be active and healthy	<ul> <li>✓ SHINE project funding secured to help support individuals at risk of fuel poverty and help reduce extra seasonal demand for health and care services</li> <li>✓ Progress with the Moberly sports and leisure centre project is positive and the programme of works is on track</li> <li>✓ Forest Schools programme and PESS (Physical Education and School Sport Programme) in place to tackle inactivity in younger people</li> <li>✓ Public Health removal of ring-fence on grant income may create more opportunities for joint working with other departments</li> <li>× Public Health commissioning delays around GUM</li> </ul>
We will provide new ways for residents to contact the Council and have their say	<ul> <li>Risk of Adult Social Customer satisfaction – due to service changes for existing clients</li> </ul>
We will help residents and communities to remain independent and safe	<ul> <li>✓ Helping People stay at home – New provider taken up role to deliver the Community Independence Service and reduce admissions to hospital and residential care placements</li> <li>✓ Begging, street based ASB, Spice – joint work across WCC, hostels and police to alleviate local problems, by agreeing approaches and successful lobbying re Spice drug categorisation,</li> <li>× ASB – despite joint operations with CityWest Homes, Police, Fire Brigade major local disturbances around Halloween / Bonfire Night</li> </ul>

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# 2. Performance by exception for each Directorate

The information presented below is by exception and covers the significant achievements and top emerging and current challenges for each Directorate at the end of the third quarter of 2016/17. Insight has been gathered from the Quarter 3 performance submissions by service directorates, online performance portal, risk registers, Monthly Insight Report and Media Summaries. Additional analysis has also been undertaken by PPC to provide greater insight and challenge on areas of performance.

Greater insight on performance for each Service Directorate is available in the appendices.

- Assessment of key performance indicators can be found in appendix 1, pages 27 of 36.
- Full service commentary on progress against the 16/17 business plans at the end of the third quarter is provided in appendix 2 (continued in separate paper), pages 37 of 56.

#### 2.1 Adult Services

Successes - significant achievements at the end of the third quarter of 2016/17 are noted below:

ial Care	Description (Transformation Project)	<b>Customer Journey</b> All work following delivery of the restructure including bedding down of the new target operating model was completed end of November 2016. Revised Standard Operating Procedures have been issued for Out of Hospital, Reablement and Safeguarding. The programme is scheduled to close February 2017. The closure of the programme is being supported by an Internal Audit of the new service system and a full report.
Adult Social Care	Outcome achieved (outcomes TBC in Q4)	Report awaited – intention is to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of joint working with NHS partners – operations across front door, hospital services and complex care.  Reductions in delayed discharge, better signposting for patients, and better customer experience (independence, control, clarity, co-ordination, quality) Significant savings (to be quantified in quarter four)

Adult Social Care	Description (Transformation Project)	<b>Sustainability and Transformation Plan (STP)</b> - The latest submission of the 5-year STP for North West London was sent to NHS England on 21 <sup>st</sup> October 2016. The Westminster Health and Wellbeing (H&WB) Strategy 2016-2021 priorities, signed off by the Board in December 2016, have been designed to mirror the STP priorities.
	Outputs delivered	<ul><li>Completed STP Plan</li><li>Aligned Health &amp; Wellbeing Strategy</li></ul>
	Outcome achieved	Alignment with Health & Wellbeing strategy means agreement on joint priorities and strategies across all services with input into care, health and well-being.

Public Health	Description (Better Management Of Service)	The <b>prioritisation framework tool</b> has been developed.
	Outputs delivered	A tool that enables comparing services, identifying gaps in service provision, and prioritising collaborative programmes of work.
Pul	Outcome achieved (Intended)	The tool supports Public Health to make better resource allocation decisions based on what services provide most beneficial outcomes for Westminster residents

Adult Social Care	Description (Business Plan Deliverable)	Community Independence Service (CIS) - The mobilisation phase for Central and North West London NHS Trust (CNWL) starting work as the new lead provider for Community Independence Services has now been completed. The Trust took up the role from the 1st November 2016 and the overall Head of Service is a now a Trust employee. The Trust have finalised and signed a contract for service with the CCG and a Memorandum of
		Understanding for joint work with each of the boroughs. A working group has been established to put in place a full Section 75 (arrangements to support the buying and delivery of social care) provider to provider agreement with the Council by the end of April 2016.
	Outputs delivered	Community Independence Service mobilised with new provider.
	Outcome achieved (to be monitored)	<ul> <li>The CIS is expected to support people to remain at home living independently, and reduce admissions to hospital and residential/ nursing placements.</li> <li>Admissions to residential care have been reduced (see performance Indicator table on page 27 in appendix 1).</li> </ul>

Public Health	Description (Transformation of Service)	The <b>public health restructure</b> process is almost complete. The consultation period is over and the final public health structure and implementation plan has been published. The new structure is on track to be operational by April 2017.
	Outputs delivered (Intended)	The restructure provides Public Health with opportunities ranging from coordinated activity and integrated delivery, as well as commissioning services in close partnership with other departments/ partners amongst others.
	Outcome achieved (Intended)	More efficient use of resources and better outcomes for residents through better alignment of resources and activities.

# **Challenges** - facing the service and city council in the third quarter of 2016/17 are outlined below:

Public Health	Description (Commissioning services)	<ul> <li>Commissioning and procurement</li> <li>Delay in contract award of the Sexual health or genitourinary medicine (GUM) services will increase cost to the local authorities in 2017/18.</li> <li>There may be delays to the London wide e-service procurement which impact on costs of GUM provision contingency plan in development.</li> </ul>
	Impacts and consequences	GUM contract delays could increase cost to the local authorities in 2017/18.
	Mitigation and progress	To monitor risk.

	Description (Financial Change)	Public health grant reductions and removal of ring fence
c Health	Impacts and consequences	Health outcomes may be impaired by future reductions of the public health grant. This may impact on public health's ability to deliver against the council's medium term plans.
Public	Mitigation and progress	Discussions about the utilisation of business rates for funding of Public Health activities and the protection of such funding are on-going at local, regional and national levels. Additionally good in year management of current PH budgets further offsets this risk.

Adult Social Care	Description (Financial Pressures)	Whilst a balanced budget is projected for Adult Social Care in 2016/17 there is an <b>increasing risk of overspends</b> . This is associated with a range of factors including the delivery of savings that are dependent on successful demand and market management, counter demographic and care act pressures that may not be fully catered for through growth and risks associated with continuity of health funding.
	Impacts and consequences	Additional cost pressures to manage
	Mitigation and progress	Delivery of all efforts to reduce costs through demand and market management and improved modelling, tracking and reporting systems; relationship management with Health and continued development of whole systems working.

Adult Social Care	Description (Externality)	Adult Social Care Market for Care and Support is fragile
	Impacts and consequences	Inability to develop certain services, limited growth capacity, risks around viability of current provision, and difficulty in assuring quality.
	Mitigation and progress	Mitigation includes market management including working on a regional and sub-regional basis and the appointment of strategic provider partners on a long term basis.

Adult Social Care	Description (Reputational Risk)	<b>Risk to reducing customer satisfaction</b> , particularly existing customers that experience change to their services.
	Impacts and consequences	<ul><li>Reduced satisfaction in users, user's families and carers.</li><li>Wider reputational risk to the organisation</li></ul>
	Mitigation and progress	Use of customer insight and intelligence to design and delivery all major programmes and projects. Departmental Communications and Change Management strategy has been put into place that puts emphasis on close consultation and co-production through the change process. Lower level plans are in place for all major programmes and projects that are focused on the outcomes that are most valued by customers.

# Featured Analysis - Adult Social Care financial outlook and care markets

Adult Social Care remains the largest area of spend at £2.2bn across London in 2016-17. This represents 31 per cent of total spend on average (lower than other authority types on average) but varies from 24 to 43 per cent across London. ASC has provided the most savings in absolute terms of all services since 2010 (around £250 million). Spend per capita has fallen in London and is now lower than the England average for the first time. Over half of London boroughs overspent on ASC in 2015-16. The funding outlook has improved as a result of the Spending Review, but there could still be a cumulative funding gap of £800m by 2020 exacerbated by disproportionate population growth in London and new burdens.

Source: Analysis by London Councils October 2016

# 2.2 Children's Services

Successes - significant achievements at the end of the third quarter of 2016/17 are noted below:

Children's Social Care	Description (Business Plan Deliverable)	<b>Intervene early</b> when children show signs of not reaching their potential or getting into trouble to include supporting more young people at Triborough Alternative Provision to receive effective support when they are witnesses or victims of crime. Whilst the initial funding has now concluded, it was identified that some young people could benefit from further support i.e. YOS education workers, caseworkers and the (MAP) Missing and Absent workers - another MOPAC funded project that prioritised working with young people who were spending significant periods of time absent from school and deemed vulnerable. The MAP project comes to an end in January 2017.
	Outputs delivered	Since April 2016, 15 Westminster young people educated at the Triborough alternative provision schools have been identified as victims and/or witnesses of crime.  100% of the young people identified have engaged through both 1-to-1 and group sessions.
	Outcome achieved	Nine of the young people (60%) have already reported an increase in self- esteem confidence and feeling safe, while those that have not will continue being worked.

Schools	Description (Business Plan Deliverable)	<b>Expand Christchurch CE Primary School</b> with an additional 30 places in each year group from September 2016
	Outputs delivered	The additional spaces provided are expected to be sufficient for currently forecast demand in the locality. They will be available from September 2017.
	Outcome achieved	The high levels of anticipated demand have been mitigated to some degree by changing demographics, but the additional pupil yield resulting from housing regeneration in the area has also been slower than expected. Additional provision at the school will be required when this occurs.

**Challenges** - facing the service and city council in the third quarter of 2016/17 are outlined below:

	Description (Performance Indicator)	<b>Create a Young Westminster Foundation</b> enabling businesses and other individuals to collaborate in providing services including youth services and youth clubs.
Youth Services	Impacts and consequences	Recruitment for the new CEO. Following an application and two-stage interview process during the late Summer / Autumn 2016, founding trustees concluded that they were not sufficiently satisfied with the candidates for the key role of CEO for the new Young Westminster Foundation.
Youth S	Mitigation and progress	Plans are in place for a second recruitment process to be initiated and advertised in January 2017, a period which is expected to attract a broader range of candidates.  Given these delays, it is proposed that an interim resource is recruited for the duration of the second recruitment phase to initiate relationship development and fundraising activity with the corporate sector and large third sector funding bodies.

	Description (Business Plan Deliverable)	<b>Develop SEN services</b> strategy to meet Children and Families Act requirements
	Impacts and consequences	A key risk currently facing the SEN service is to ensure we deliver our statutory responsibility around Education and Health Care (EHC) Plans as stipulated in this Children and Families Act. If the service fails in this regard then the Council and/or partner agencies could be seen to be at fault.
	Mitigation and	
Children's Social Care	progress	There are a number of actions to support the building of capacity in the service to reduce the risk of service failure. These include the reorganisation of the SEN Service and the recruitment of 3.2 additional keyworkers to support the allocated Keyworkers together with 0.6 managers to oversee the transfer reviews is complete. Ongoing activity continues to prioritise groups of children and young people with the most pressing need for a review and potential transfer to an EHCP such as those who are due to go through phase transfer because of their age. In addition, further capacity is being developed in special schools to maximise opportunities to start the review process for significant numbers of children with SEN.  Through a related development, the establishment of the Young Westminster Foundation will support those member organisations in the third sector that provide services to children and young people to develop their service offer. Ensuring that services are inclusive and able to meet the varied needs of children and young people, including those with special education needs and disabilities (SEND), will be encouraged through the work of the Foundation.

# 2.3 City Management and Communities

**Successes** - significant achievements at the end of the third quarter of 2016/17 are noted below:

Residential Environmental Health	Description (Business Plan Deliverable)	Seasonal Health Interventions Network (SHINE)  Ofgem Funding has been made available for Westminster to be involved in a pilot of a fuel poverty and health network- the Seasonal Health Interventions Network (SHINE)  A number of interventions providers such as London Fire Brigade, Thames Water, UK Power Networks, energy suppliers are already in place and referrals to these partners could be made immediately. Advisors are already in a position to make referrals for Warm Home Discount, Priority Services Registers and supplier energy efficiency schemes. This will tie in with the Public Health related work carried out by Residential Services and complement the Warm Homes Healthy People project. The pilot is due to run until the end of May 2017
	Outputs delivered	Interventions focussed on people's home environment, their financial status, seasonal health and general social support.  Identification of vulnerable residents to reduce the risk of fuel poverty and health impacts.
	Outcome achieved	Reduction in seasonal mortality and health demands that might lead to increased demand on social care and health services.  Reduction in numbers of households in fuel poverty.

Parking Services – Air Quality	Description (Transformation Project)	Parking related Low Emissions Neighbourhood (LEN) proposals are being developed, included a diesel surcharge in F-zone for pay to park to come into effect in April 2017, and a trial to enforce PCN 63 (parked with engine running) at hot-spot location in zone F. Traffic orders are being made for this purpose.  City-wide proposals have also been proposed for minimal parking charges for electric vehicles and charging for consumption of electricity
	Outputs delivered (intended)	<ul> <li>Reduction in numbers of high polluting vehicles</li> <li>Reduction in emissions through vehicle idling (at targeted locations)</li> <li>Income increase from polluting vehicles</li> </ul>
	Outcome achieved (intended)	Alongside other initiatives, to reduce chronic air-pollution in the LEN area.
	Figure 1 – LEN Area Map	

Residential Services	Description (Business Plan Deliverable)	<ul> <li>Officers within Residential Services have undertaken seven prosecutions in the current financial year against non-compliant landlords and property agents predominantly involving the offence of failure to licence Houses in Multiple Occupation (HMOs) that require a licence. A number of these cases have resulted from intelligence obtained from RBKC which identified a particular landlord operating the 'let to let' business model and renting out houses as HMOs, none of which were licenced. Residential Services will continue to share information with neighbouring boroughs in order to tackle problematic landlords and bring about improvements to properties. Other prosecutions have involved offences such as poor property management, failure to carry out improvement works, and failure to comply with licence conditions.</li> <li>Prosecution proceedings have also been taking action against one particular 'rogue landlord' who operates several managing agent businesses and is well known to Trading Standards and RBKC.</li> </ul>
	Outputs	Support for vulnerable individuals
	delivered	Partnership approach with neighbouring boroughs to tackle problem landlords
	Outcome achieved	<ul> <li>Clear message to landlords about compliance</li> <li>Reduced likelihood of health and safety risks to tenants</li> <li>£80,000 raised in fines</li> </ul>

# **Challenges** - facing the service and city council in the third quarter of 2016/17 are outlined below:

	Description (Business Plan Deliverable)	<b>Anti- Social Behaviour.</b> Autumn Nights was the partnership response to ASB over the Halloween and Bonfire Night period. Despite co-ordinated operations between WCC (PPL, the Met, London Fire Brigade, Children's Services and CityWest Homes there were significant disturbances from 50-100 youths congregating around the Lisson Green Estate and Church Street.
	Impacts and consequences	The disturbances resulted in a number of injuries to police officers, damage to police and civilian vehicles, disruption to the local community and 25 arson attacks on City West Homes bin chambers.
Community Safety - Anti-Social Behaviour	Mitigation and progress	<ul> <li>Multi-agency work to identify and tackle individuals has resulted in a number of case conferences leading to criminal charges, housing enforcement notices (Seeking Possession Orders), Children's Service interventions and Joint Agency Home visits, designed to reduce risk of a repetition in 2017, and reassure the community that those who behave badly will be subject to sanction</li> <li>There are ongoing risks relating to Rough Sleeping and begging in relation ASB which are being actively managed through innovative partnership work as outlined below: <ul> <li>A partnership operation between the City Council, Metropolitan police, Home Office Immigration Enforcement Service (HOIE) and other key stakeholders in 2016 to tackle key issues affecting Westminster.</li> <li>Many of these are longstanding issues where previous operations and tactics have proven to be unsuccessful in delivering a long term reduction. However, as a result of the innovative tactics and enhanced partnership work, Operation Unite has been a measured success in protecting vulnerable people, reducing anti-social behaviour, criminal offences and improving the look and feel of Westminster. A full report is due in February but key highlights to date include</li> <li>Through joint work between police, local authorities and HOIE there has been a 50% reduction in the number of foreign nationals sleeping rough on Westminster Streets</li> <li>A joint focus on aggressive begging in the City has resulted in an increase of 18% in arrests for begging.</li> <li>A reduction of 23% in crime reports for theft person combined with a 130% increase in arrests for this offence over the summer.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

### Featured Analysis - Gang Activity in Westminster

Source: Community Safety, follow-up query to issues raised at the November 2016 Audit and Performance Committee

#### 1. What is our latest intelligence around gang activity?

Since the inception of the Integrated Gangs Unit (IGU) in 2012 to the end of March 2016, levels of serious youth violence as measured by numbers of victims were continuing to fall steadily year on year. The first 6 months of this year (April – Sept 2016) saw a change to this pattern – an increase in youth victims, but in areas that are traditionally not impacted by group violence: Hyde Park and Knightsbridge & Belgravia. Some of this 49% increase in youth victims – a total of 121 victims between April and September 2016 – can be attributed to significant one off events, such as the violent disorder's that erupted at the annual Hyde Park Water fight in late July and the Notting Hill Carnival, where 16 people were stabbed between RBKC and Westminster. Both incidents largely involved non Westminster residents. Despite the increase in recent months the long term trend shows that the number of victims of serious youth violence has reduced by 37% over the past 5 years.

Tensions in the North West of the borough are high; particularly involving young people who associate with groups in Mozart (Queens Park) and LGM (Church Street). There are intra group tensions in LGM and Mozart are currently in conflict with Ladbroke Grove and South Kilburn and we are seeing an increase in violent incidents related to this. Wards in the North West Locality currently account for less than 13% of the reported SYV in Westminster, however have a larger share in knife crime injury for victims under 24 (33%).

The IGU are aware a group of a younger people (12-15 years old) connected with the areas of Lisson Grove, Westbourne, Harrow Road and Mozart for the past year, involved in anti-social behaviour and lower level non-violent offending. The group have given themselves names over the past year such as CP Squad, 'O block' and Stain and there appears to be fluidity between these groups although the activities do differ. They have been linked to a spate of robberies against members of the public, thefts from black cabs and more recently recognised to be arming themselves with knives. Although none have been arrested for violent offences there is recognition in the escalation of the crimes being committed. The young people come from a variety of schools and boroughs. IGU have held two sets of professionals meeting with Westminster's Neighbourhood Problem Solvers, Youth Offending Team, Social services and the MPS dedicated ward officers to ensure there is both a support and enforcement plan in place for each individual.

#### 2. What are the current interventions in place?

Both support and enforcement interventions with young people involved in group violence are led by Westminster's Integrated Gangs Unit (IGU); a multi-agency co-located unit that consists of a wide range of agencies dedicated to respond to the evolving nature of the problem. These include Gang Outreach Workers from various backgrounds, a Child & Adolescent Mental Health (CAMHs) specialist, an ex-offender (St Giles Trust), Senior Probation Officer, Girls & Gangs worker, an Analyst, Employment Coach, Police officers and council enforcement officers.

The work is structured around assertive intervention with individuals known to be in or at risk of being involved. The IGU coordinates interventions between partners through structured daily and weekly briefings, and monthly meetings with Tri-borough / cross-borough colleagues. The six weekly Gang Multi-Agency Partnership (GMAP) meeting considers interventions for the most concerning individuals and those most at risk of gang linked sexual exploitation.

Through cross-agency, cross-age range and cross-borough information sharing and intelligence gathering the IGU is able to continually review the shifting dynamics of alliances and conflicts with groups and individuals involved in violence. This enables strong engagement, informed interventions and ensures that the safeguarding of young people and communities affected are consistently and collaboratively successful.

#### 3. What the IGU does

While much of Westminster's response to tackling youth violence is common to other gang affected boroughs in London and elsewhere, there are a number of aspects that are less common and few boroughs have the breadth of resources available. One critical difference is that the operational response is coordinated not from within community safety, but from children & family services. This enables the team to take more of a preventative, safeguarding approach to interventions and links to the MASH improve information sharing.

In the last 4 years the IGU has worked with over 240 young males, nearly 40 young females being (or at risk of being) sexually exploited, and the number of victims of serious youth violence in Westminster has reduced by 37%. Through close working with corporate analysts, building in quantitative and qualitative evaluation throughout, we have been able to prove to a statistically significant degree that receiving an intervention(s) from the IGU leads to a reduction in rate and seriousness of offending (49% of the cohort) and in particular violent offending (50% of the cohort). The IGU was specified in the recent Ofsted report (March 2016) where Westminster's Children's Services achieved 'Outstanding'.

### Featured Analysis – Public Attitude Survey (PAS) & User Satisfaction Survey (USS)

Source: Public Attitude Survey (PAS) and User Satisfaction Survey (USS)

#### Context - Community Safety Confidence in the Police - Police Public Voice Surveys

- Confidence in London-wide policing has increased by 1 percentage point to 71%.
- The public tell us they are not receiving enough (or the right) information from the police fewer than half of respondents feel well informed about what the police are doing locally (42%).
- There is an increasing concern amongst London residents around the possibility of terrorism in London. 60% of respondents are worried about a terrorist attack in London.
- Overall victim satisfaction with the service has fallen by 1 percentage point to 79% at the rolling 12 month level. The more timely quarterly and monthly results also show downward trends. This is likely to result in the rolling 12 month figure continuing to fall in the coming quarters.
- The biggest single influence on satisfaction is reassurance. In order to deliver reassurance it is critical that the MPS identifies and, where present, caters for the vulnerability of its victims. The least satisfied victims as measured via the USS are those where vulnerability is identified but the MPS do not deal with this.

Inequality - across both public attitude survey (PAS) and user satisfaction survey (USS) there is typically a 5-10 percentage point gap between certain demographic groupings having lower perceptions of policing:

- BAME victims of crime in London report lower satisfaction with the service they receive from the police, compared to White victims. This 'satisfaction gap', currently at 4.5 percentage points, has remained consistent for many years.
- Young BAME Londoners have lower levels of confidence in the police than any other group (with those who state they think the police in their area doing a good job currently at 63%, compared to 74% for young White Londoners).
- This confidence gap decreases as age rises: white Londoners who are aged 65+ hold only slightly higher levels of confidence than their BAME counterparts (69% and 67% respectively).
- Whilst for BAME Londoners confidence increases with age (ranging from 63% for those aged 16-24 to 67% for those aged 65+), for white Londoners confidence decreases (74% for those aged 16-24, 69% for those aged 65+).
- PAS and USS data also shows that UK-born BAME respondents hold significantly less favourable views towards the police than non-UK born BAME respondents.

# 2.4 Growth , Planning and Housing

**Successes** - significant achievements at the end of the third quarter of 2016/17 are noted below:

Economy and Growth	Description (Business Plan Deliverable)	<ul> <li>Westminster Enterprise Week 2016 ran from 14 to 20 November 2016 as an official partner of Global Entrepreneurship Week. WCC Business &amp; Enterprise Team worked with businesses and entrepreneurs to bring together activities and experiences including Master classes, Pitch Me sessions, tours of creative industry workspaces and assemblies addressed by business speakers within local schools.</li> <li>Greater reach was achieved in 2016 with participation extending beyond those in formal education.</li> <li>More was achieved by way of in-kind support from businesses and entrepreneurs, more successful than in its inaugural year whilst being delivered with half the budget (49%).</li> </ul>
	Outputs delivered	<ul> <li>Demonstration of the excellent enterprise support and opportunities available to young people.</li> <li>Greater reach was achieved in 2016 with participation extending beyond those in formal education.</li> <li>More was achieved by way of in-kind support from businesses and entrepreneurs, more successful than in its inaugural year whilst being delivered with half the budget (49%).</li> <li>The event secured the support of 97 Enterprise Volunteers to engage 2,879 young people and deliver 3,188 enterprise learning hours</li> </ul>
	Outcome achieved	The number of young people engaged was nearly three times the target whilst the number of enterprise learning hours achieved was just over double the target

Affordable Housing	Description (Business Plan Priority)	<ul> <li>New Affordable Housing</li> <li>Dolphin are currently letting the final units at their new build scheme located at Cleland House in Thorney Street SW1</li> <li>Dolphin Square have also completed works to their new build intermediate housing scheme at Lanhill Road W9. This scheme is the second of three housing developments in Westminster linked to the Westminster Home Ownership Accelerator (WHOA).</li> <li>WHOA enables eligible households to build up equity in home ownership while renting for 3 years before then moving on into home ownership with the benefit of an enhanced deposit.</li> <li>Westminster Community Homes has recently taken handover new build social housing units at Page Street and Regency Street SW1</li> </ul>
	Outputs delivered	<ul> <li>Cleland House – 37 social housing units and 30 intermediate rented units to which the City Council has 100% nomination rights.</li> <li>Lanark Road – 12 units linked to WHOA</li> <li>Page St and Regency St – 10 new build units for families decanted from Ebury Bridge.</li> </ul>
	Outcome achieved	<ul> <li>Delivery of new social housing to help relieve homelessness pressures</li> <li>Delivery of housing that enables a pathway to home ownership</li> </ul>

Property and Estates	Description (Transformation Project)	Dudley House  Demolition of the complete site has completed and works have commenced. A press release and launch involving the Leader of the Council will take place in February. Target completion for the Marylebone Boys School is September 2018 with the intermediate rent accommodation completing in December 2018.
	Outputs delivered (intended)	The new scheme aims to provide 197 affordable homes, a new school and a community facility
	Outcome achieved	Previous site demolished and building works started.

	Description (Deliverable)	Successful External Funding Applications
	(Schreidsle)	<ul> <li>Westminster has been successful in a number of external funding applications.</li> <li>Westminster's successful Rough Sleeping Grant application to the DCLG won additional resources of £613,600 to redesign a hostel into an assessment centre to focus on enhanced UK reconnections for people who find themselves on the streets of Westminster but are</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>We also made a successful bid to the DCLG through the Prevention         Trailblazer fund where we secured £942,000 to work with Westminster         residents at risk of homelessness who seek the help of the Housing             Options Service. The award will fully fund our Early Intervention Project.     </li> </ul>
Vulnerable People		<ul> <li>Close partnership working has also led to successful bids via the GLA and North London Housing Partnership. The GLA bid will enable the commissioning of a Social Impact Bond service to better work with the most entrenched rough sleepers.</li> </ul>
Vulnera		• The Service has also been successful with the previously reported European Regional Development Fund bid to deliver a tailored Connection Voucher Scheme to support 1,000 SMEs and start-up businesses to get connected to Super and Ultrafast Broadband. Add to this a successful funding bid for Enterprise Space (WEP) and various employment support, this amounts to a further £5m+ of funding.
	Outputs delivered (intended)	<ul> <li>Enhanced UK reconnections for rough sleepers.</li> <li>Better identification of the "triggers" which can lead to homelessness and to respond to them quickly, by working proactively and intensively with households at risk, before a crisis occurs.</li> <li>Better work with the most entrenched rough sleepers (c140).</li> <li>Better Broadband business support and broadband connectivity.</li> </ul>
	Outcome achieved	<ul> <li>Will reduce homelessness, numbers and time spent on the streets and reduce the use of temporary accommodation.</li> <li>Better and more attractive environment for established and start-up businesses.</li> </ul>

# **Challenges** - facing the service and city council in the third quarter of 2016/17 are outlined below:

	Description (Financial Pressures)	<b>Capital Projects</b> The scale of projects managed by the major projects team and the sensitive nature of some projects provides a degree of uncertainty around timings of deliverables.
Major Projects	Impacts and consequences	Slippage could detrimentally affect the revenue cost of borrowing.
Major F	Mitigation and progress	A review of our resources and Governance arrangements has been undertaken to ensure we have the right skills and capacity to deliver our projects. We are expecting consultants to be appointed in Feb with new guidance and procedures being delivered by Apr 2017. We are working closely with Finance to facilitate accurate forecasting of draw down against capital and more regular reporting.

6	Description (Operational and Reputational Challenge)	Homeless Policies There is a risk of adverse publicity and of challenge to the new suite of homelessness policies which were introduced in January 2017.
Housing	Impacts and consequences	Reputational risk and use of resources in responding to enquiries and challenges.
	Mitigation and progress	A pro-active media campaign has accompanied the launch.

Housing & Planning	Description (Transformation Project)	The <b>Housing White Paper</b> is expected early in 2017. Although the content is not known it is expected to tackle planning, housing supply, tenure mix and investment. Communities' secretary Sajid Javid said the paper will set out "radical" plans to boost housing supply so is likely to present both opportunities and challenges to the Council.
	Impacts and consequences	Not yet known
	Mitigation and progress	Not yet needed

Development Planning	Description (Operational and Reputational Challenge)	<b>Planning Performance</b> DCLG has written to the Council due to its performance in determining applications for non-major developments being below target in the period to September 2016.
	Impacts and consequences	Being designated as underperforming would have a reputational impact and there could also be a financial impact through loss of fees as applicants for non-major developments would be able to apply direct to the Planning Inspectorate (PINS) instead of WCC.
	Mitigation and progress	A response has been sent to DCLG to outline the exceptional circumstances relating to the Planning Digital Transformation programme which affected planning performance for a temporary period, thereby affecting the average figures for the relevant assessment period. Teams are now to focus on meeting target dates for specific application types being assessed by DCLG in order to ensure performance figures meet the required thresholds moving forward and this will be closely monitored

# 2.5 Corporate Services

**Successes** - significant achievements at the end of the third quarter of 2016/17 are noted below:

Information Services	Description (Business Plan deliverable)	Complete implementation of new shared IT service structure: Implementation of Target Operating Model Phase 2.
	Outputs delivered	The Bi-borough shared IT service was established on 3 October 2016 and is operating with a new leadership team. Strategy, change portfolio and service management processes are all now being strengthened through a transitional roadmap.
	Outcome achieved	Measurable improvements have been recorded in IT service performance, project assurance (e.g. City Hall and Office365) as well as compliance. A three year IT strategy is being drafted to deliver ambitious business plan savings targets and support digital transformation programmes.

Procurement	Description (Business Plan Deliverable)	The <b>Public Services (Social Value) Act 2012</b> requires certain public authorities at the pre-procurement phase of procuring services to consider how what is being procured might improve the economic, social and environmental well-being of an area and how the authority might secure that improvement in the procurement process. There is also a requirement that authorities consider whether to consult on these matters.
	Outputs delivered	In this period, significant contracts were awarded to Matrix SCM for Temporary Agency Resources and ISG for Pre-construction services for the City Hall refurbishment. Social Value elements are included where possible, in all contracts.
	Outcome achieved	Worthy of particular note are the commitments made by ISG in the contract for City Hall refurbishment, which include providing employment opportunities to Westminster residents, commitments to spend with Westminster businesses, including SMEs, SEs and VCSOs and donations of time and money to local charities and organisations. Outcomes will need to be monitored.

People Services	Description (City for All)	City for all Year 2 pledge: "The council will achieve level two of the London Healthy Workplace Charter by March 2017."  The London Healthy Workplace Charter, backed by the Mayor of London, provides clear and easy steps for employers to make their workplaces healthier and happier.
	Outputs delivered	We have also successfully achieved Commitment Level under the London Healthy Workplace Charter. The Charter along with the Tri-borough wellbeing strategy for 2015 – 2018 supports Westminster's vision on promoting a healthier workplace, supporting managers and empowering staff to take responsibility for their health and wellbeing. We are now working towards second level achievement level, along with LBHF and RBKC.
	Outcome achieved	Working towards a healthier and happier workplace.

# **Challenges** - facing the service and city council in the third quarter of 2016/17 are outlined below:

Information Services	Description (Business Plan Deliverable)	WCC continues to be at risk from failure of remaining legacy datacentre services. The risk of malicious virus/hacking from external sources remains high, in line with the external threat profile.
	Impacts and consequences	Unavailability of critical IT services and data may result in significant loss of productivity and reputation.
	Mitigation and progress	<ul> <li>Legacy WCC datacentre services continue to be decommissioned through Office365 and Shared Infrastructure Platform projects ahead of the City Hall decant from March - June 2017. The new decant locations are being equipped with network services and enhanced Agile working capabilities including Wi-Fi.</li> <li>WCC continues to mitigate against external security threats with best practise technology controls and renewed IT security policies (e.g. Netconsent policies recently published to all WCC staff).</li> </ul>

Procurement Services	Description (Business Plan Deliverable)	Further development of Responsible Procurement and training of Category Managers and Contract Managers to build Social Value in to their specifications.
	Impacts and consequences	29% of contracts awarded include Responsible Procurement benefits against the annual target of 60%.
	Mitigation and progress	Training provided to key officers to support understanding and application of Responsible Procurement in order to build Social Value into their specifications and to drive improved Outcomes.

ole Services	Description (Performance Indicator)	Availability of People Metrics.
	Impacts and consequences	Depth of available reporting impacts on policy development and workforce planning.
People	Mitigation and progress	During 2017, People Services will be working with the Evaluation and Performance team to develop workforce dashboards highlighting areas where data is not robust.

# 2.6 City Treasurer's

**Successes** - significant achievements at the end of the third quarter of 2016/17 are noted below:

	Description (Business Plan Deliverable)	In 2016 the Council's statement of accounts was delivered in a record nine days after year end, one day quicker than 2015, the fastest Local Authority and better than 94% of the FTSE 100. The department has since been mobilising itself to continue to deliver against its objectives, supporting the delivery of the Council's City for All Plan. Speedy completion of the accounts drives the need for high quality records and decision making throughout the year thus improving everything we do. This focus on quality stretches throughout the year.
Council's Statement of Accounts	Outputs delivered	<ul> <li>The early closure of accounts continues to brings with it the following benefits:</li> <li>Team resource is freed up to focus on the budget and medium term planning much earlier than would otherwise be the case, particularly important in the current very challenging financial circumstances.</li> <li>Team can turn its attention to in year issues and planned improvement earlier rather than later in the financial year</li> <li>Improved project management skills. The closure of accounts is a significant project involving third parties, officers around the Council and the auditors.</li> <li>Staff experience, motivation and career development is enhanced.</li> <li>National recognition as one of the leading local government Finance teams in the UK.</li> <li>The early programme builds in capacity to address emerging issues in a timely manner should they arise.</li> </ul>
	Outcome achieved	<ul> <li>Timely submission and publication of the accounts is very important to demonstrate:</li> <li>The Council's commitment to public accountability and to maintain its reputation as an efficient and high-performing local authority.</li> <li>It sets a standard of quality, aspiration and timeliness which is then applied to other financial work.</li> <li>Council compliance with statutory requirements, budget management and excellent financial practice.</li> </ul>

2017/18 Budget savings	Description (Transformation Project)	The net savings proposals put forward amount to £35.150m. This is an increase of £1.000m due to a shortfall against estimates for the New Homes Bonus funding of £1.000m. The next stage in the process is the finalisation and presentation of the budget to Scrutiny.
	Outputs delivered	The budget target for net savings has been achieved with a marginal excess of £150,000.
	Outcome achieved	In delivering robust proposals to address the anticipated budget reductions and cost pressures for 2017/18, the department has taken a lead role in supporting the sustainability of services and providing a platform on which the authority's City for All plan can be delivered.

	Description (Transformation Project)	As we move into the final quarter of the year, the activities identified within the business plan also move towards completion. The department is on track to deliver all its anticipated outcomes in pursuit of the City for All ambitions.
2016/17 Business Plan delivery	Outputs delivered	<ul> <li>Some of the significant achievements in Quarter 3 in the delivery of the department's Business Plan are listed below:</li> <li>Active staff engagement programme resulted in the exceptionally positive feedback in the staff survey</li> <li>Development of a comprehensive service plan to support high performance levels and better manage 'pinch points' during the year</li> <li>Support the delivery of the capital programme in pursuit of City for All objectives</li> <li>Support budget holders to manage their budgets in a commercially aware manner</li> <li>Completion of the fieldwork stage of the CIPFA FM model self-assessment tool</li> </ul>
	Outcome achieved	This enables the department to set a strong example of high quality services, setting our aspirations high and investing in staff to achieve even greater outcomes.

# Challenges - facing the service and city council in the third quarter of 2016/17 are outlined below:

The Council has a significant capital programme across both the General

Φ	(Financial Risk)	Fund and the Housing Revenue Account (HRA). The proposed budget is fully funded, but dependent on the schemes being delivered on time and within budget.
Capital Programme	Impacts and consequences	There is a risk of unexpected variances to the capital programme in terms of timescales or financial values. Overspends or reductions in funding are possible without strong financial management. Conversely projects slipping in delivery dates can cause adverse financial impacts plus the opportunity cost of not investing in other schemes during the overrun period.
	Mitigation and progress	Any increase or reduction income will need to be managed by the service areas and either contained within the project or funded from elsewhere within the relevant service. A robust overview of the capital programme will be maintained, ensuring sufficient scrutiny of assumptions where necessary.
Reduction in funding	Description	Reductions in government funding will restrict revenue spending and impact on the sustainability of services.
	Impacts and consequences	A review of the funding allocation formulas used by Central Government could mean that Westminster City Council's share of funding is proportionately reduced in favour of other Local Authorities. There could be gains and losses which will alter the business rates top up / tariff adjustment for individual authorities and Westminster could be a 'loser' in these reallocations.
	Mitigation and progress	The department is collaborating with strategic leaders to understand the potential challenges and identify savings where possible.

	Description	Draft Revaluation data (rateable values of all business properties reassessed) for Westminster has been released and shows Westminster business premises see a 25% rise from £4.1bn to £5.2bn.
	Impacts and consequences	The effect of this increase will see local businesses ultimately paying £417m a year more than they currently do (ignoring annual inflation increases).
ation		After application of the new transitional arrangements, Westminster businesses will see their business rates bills rise by £292m in 2017/18 and a further £99m in 2018/19
2017 Revaluation		Westminster is a payer of business rates as well as the Billing Authority. We estimate that the cost across Council services will ultimately be in the region of £3m. This increase was anticipated and been built into our Medium Term Planning assumptions.
	Mitigation and progress	The Council responded to a consultation that ended on the 26 <sup>th</sup> of October 2016, over a proposed Transitional Relief scheme – in which we argued the speed at which transitional arrangements ended were much quicker than in previous schemes and that we would prefer a long period for transition to be operative. A minor easing of the speed at which transition for large businesses was subsequently announced but in no way went close to previous schemes.

# 2.7 Policy, Performance and Communications

**Successes** - significant achievements at the end of the third quarter of 2016/17 are noted below:

Policy	Description (Performance Indicator)	A <b>Joint Health &amp; Wellbeing Strategy has been adopted</b> following development by the council, Central and West London Clinical Commissioning Groups, Healthwatch and the voluntary and community sector.
Health Pc	Outputs delivered	The Strategy has been delivered, and an implementation plan and performance framework is now being developed.
	Outcome achieved	The strategy sets out how we will deliver services to help people in Westminster live a healthy life.

	Description (Business Plan Deliverable)	A ground-breaking <b>evaluation of Westminster's Integrated Gangs Unit</b> was completed with PPC's Evaluation and Performance team in November.
Anti-social behaviour	Outputs delivered	Our statistical analysis of police data proved that the volume and severity of crime committed by the cohort had significantly decreased during and after working with the IGU. To ascertain how and why the IGU approach works so well, we carried out interviews with a sample of gang members. This was a risky approach but led to rich qualitative data about the most effective ways to take the IGU forward. The clients were overwhelmingly positive about how the IGU had helped them to change their behaviour.
	Outcome achieved	The data will be used to bid for more funding from MOPAC.

haviour	Description (Business Plan Deliverable)	A successful campaign to raise the profile of <b>the dangers of the drug Spice</b> . The campaign featured on BBC News, ITV News, The Sun and the Evening Standard between October and December and was coupled with lobbying of the Home Affairs Select Committee
Anti-social behaviour	Outputs delivered	PPC successfully highlighted the impact of Spice on vulnerable people in Westminster, resulting in the re-classification of Spice to Class B in January
Anti	Outcome achieved	The re-classification will give the police more powers to protect vulnerable people from Spice – (see also pages 39, 44, 48 in appendix 2 regarding spice)

	Description (Business Plan Deliverable)	The City Council is committed to helping <b>rough sleepers</b> and those at the risk of <b>homelessness</b>
Funding	Outputs delivered	The Policy & Strategy team, in partnership with GPH, helped to secure a total of £1.5m of funding towards projects to support homelessness and rough sleeping from the Department of Communities and Local Government.
	Outcome achieved	The funding will support the delivery of the Rough Sleeping Strategy 2017-20 and homelessness

revision	Description (Performance Indicator)	A <b>City Plan Task Force</b> is being established to take forward a comprehensive review of the City Plan to provide a single, up-to-date statement of the Council's planning policies.
Plan	Outputs delivered	Recruitment is underway to enhance the Policy and Strategy Team with experienced policy planners. A programme for revision is being prepared for approval by members.
City	Outcome achieved	The new City Plan will provide a planning policy framework that will provide a sound basis for delivery of the Council's strategic objectives through the planning system.

# **Challenges** - facing the service and city council in the third quarter of 2016/17 are outlined below:

	Description (City for All Pledge)	<b>Autumn Statement</b> : The last Autumn Statement announced the devolution of the Work and Health Programme and the Adult Education Budget to London.
Economy	Impacts and consequences	Devolution on a London and sub-London scale is positive but poses risks on delivery. London Boroughs will need to work and plan together to ensure London continues to thrive and create economic prosperity for its residents.
	Mitigation and progress	The Policy and Strategy team are following developments

	Description (Performance Indicator)	A commitment to develop 'a comprehensive <b>Industrial Strategy</b> ' was made by the Prime Minister in the wake of the UK's vote to leave the European Union.
Economy	Impacts and consequences	The pledge was made to illustrate a rebalancing of the economy away from London and the South East, indicating a significant shift in priority for any strategy.
, a	Mitigation and progress	The scope and depth of the vision is soon to be articulated and officers have been working with colleagues from regional organisations, including Central London Forward and London Councils, to ensure the interests of Westminster, especially the West End, are not ignored.

# 3. Appendix 1 (of 2) - Performance Indicator Tables by Directorate

The tables below provide an assessment of the Key Service Performance Indicators for each directorate. Detail has been provided for all indicators failing to meet targets. Please note figures reported are for April to December 2016, unless otherwise indicated.

Target Assessment (RAG Rating)	Description
Green	Performance is on track to meet target levels by deadline.
Amber	Risk of being off track
Red	Performance is off track, and the target level is unlikely to be met by deadline.
Target achieved	Target level achieved or exceeded

Direction of Travel	Description
Improving	Performance is improving on last year's position.
Stable	Performance is the same as last year's position.
Deteriorating	Performance has deteriorated from last year's position.
Context	For contextual information, no direction of travel

#### 3.1 Adult Services

Performance Indicator	2015/16 Performance	2016/17 Target	Quarter 3 position*	RAG Rating	Direction of Travel
	Last year's position	Targets	Apr 16 – Dec 16	Red, Amber, Green	Perf vs. last year

### Performance Indicators flagged for attention:

ADULT SOCIAL CARE						
Proportion of adults with a learning disability known to Adult Social Care in paid employment  7.4%  7.5%  5.5% (22/398)  Amber  Stable					Stable	
Reason for underperformance and mitigation: Some people with learning disabilities known to the team who have been in employment and were previously counted cannot now be included in the indicator as they have not received ASC funded support in the year. To meet the target (7.5%) about ten more people will need to have been in paid work by the year-end (about two people per month from Q2 - 32 people in total). The current rate (5.5%) is broadly similar to the London and England averages.						
Total number of new permanent admissions to nursing care of people	53	53	42	Amber		

Reason for underperformance and mitigation: There have been more new admissions to nursing care compared to at this point last year (although the residential and nursing figure together is similar to last year). This reflects a shift in the type of care needed as people spend longer periods at home, requiring nursing care at a point when needs are more complex. Target is 'at risk' although combined residential and nursing target is likely to be met reflecting the change in supply to meet presenting need.

### Performance Indicators on track to achieve targets:

ADULT SOCIAL CARE					
Percentage of carers receiving an assessment or review	87%	90%	55.8%	Green	Improving

**Reason for underperformance and mitigation:** Carers assessments are slightly behind target for November 2016 (56% against Nov target of 60%). However, performance is much improved on November 2015 (39.5%). Many assessments carried out in the previous year were carried out in the latter part of the year, hence too soon to carry out another review. Performance is greatly ahead of performance this time last year (40%). The percentage will rise fastest in final 3 months. Timescales will be in line for Q4 (reviews carried out in Jan-Mar 17.

Performance Indicator	2015/16 Performance	2016/17 Target	Quarter 3 position*	RAG Rating	Direction of Travel
	Last year's position	Targets	Apr 16 – Dec 16	Red, Amber, Green	Perf vs. last year

# Performance Indicators on track to achieve targets

ADULT SOCIAL CARE					
Proportion of adults in contact with Mental Health services in paid employment	6.6%	6.6%	7.2%	Green	Improving
Percentage of people completing re- ablement who require a long-term service	28%	28%	<b>27.9%</b> (153/549)	Green	Stable
Total number of new permanent admissions to residential care of people aged 65 years and over	46	46	23	Green	Stable
Adults receiving a personal budget to meet their support needs	92%	90%	<b>91.5%</b> (1,466/1,603)	Green	Stable
Delayed transfers of care, acute days attributed to social care (cumulative)	1,002	924 (308 Apr – Jul 2016)	<b>601</b> (to end Oct 2016)	Green	Improving

#### PUBLIC HEALTH

**Service Commentary:** Public Health performance indicators all have a lag reporting time of between 2 months to a year. However all indicators have been reported as being on track and to achieving their targets. The most up to date figures have been provided within the table.

Percentage of children who received a 2-2.5 year review	53.1% (in Qtr1 2015/16)	69%	86%	Green	Improving
Number of residents reached through community champion activities	13,228 (global figure for all activity)	13,228	<b>9,782</b> (to end Sept 2016)	Green	Improving
Number of NHS health checks taken up by eligible population	7,784	8,330	<b>1,722</b> (to end Sept 2016)	Green	Stable

Service Commentary: Quarter 2 data reported. Quarter 3 data will be available mid-January. We have increased the target to 20% of the eligible population. We are on track to meet this.

Stop Smoking Services – number of 4 week quits	1,467 (full year)	1,078 (Apr 2016 – Dec 2017)	619 (year to date to end Sept 2016)	Green	Improving
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**Service Commentary:** Quarter 2 data reported. Quarter 3 data will be available mid–February. Westminster is performing well and is in a much better position than they were this time last year. They are on track to meet the end of year target. The proportion of quitters coming from the most deprived areas (2 quintiles of highest deprivation) has improved.

### 3.2 Children's Services

Performance Indicator	2015/16 Performance	2016/17 Target	Quarter 3 position	RAG Rating	Direction of Travel	
	Last year's position	Targets	Apr 16 – Dec 16	Red, Amber, Green	Perf vs. last year	Ī

## Performance Indicators flagged for attention:

Number of foster carers recruited by Cornerstone by September 2016.	17	25	6	Red	Stable	
Cornerstone by September 2016.						

**Service Commentary:** Since October (project commencement), Cornerstone have generated a total of 59 leads through their targeted events. Currently 20 carers are undertaking the assessment process or who have been/about to be taken to panel. If all of these result in approval these numbers would compare favourably with performance in previous years which was 11 newly recruited foster carers in 14/15 and in 15/16. Due to the timescales for assessment the full benefits of the project will most reliable be reported in April 2017.

The Cornerstone programme did not lead to the expected number of new potential foster carers identified entering the assessment process. However, when combined with business as usual activity (partly informed by Cornerstone's programme of customer service training, revised marketing and improved performance monitoring); the number of recruited foster carers is projected to be slightly higher than average compared with previous years. Future approaches to the recruitment and retention of foster carers will be informed by a wider Placements Strategy which is currently under development.

### Performance Indicators on track to achieve targets:

	arice fridicators				
% of care leavers aged 19,20, 21 who are in education, training or employment	63% (104/166)	75%	73%	Green	Stable
Child protection cases per 10,000 child population	21.9 per 10,000	Maintain below national rates	23.8 per 10,000	Context	Stable
Service Commentary: Child protection pl	an rates continue to be	below both Engla	and (42.8) and Londo	on (40.6) rates.	
Looked After Children rate per 10,000 child population	40.1 per 10,000	Maintain below national rates	43.7 per 10,000	Context	Stable
Service Commentary: Rates continue to	pe stable and below bo	th England (60) an	d London (52) rates		
Number of 16 to 18 year olds not in education and training (NEET)	1.9% (64/3,698)	2% (66)	1.8% (66/3,683)	Green	Stable
<b>Service Commentary:</b> Department for Ed authorities will no longer be required to trabout young people up to the end of the	ack young people of a	cademic age 18. L	ocal authorities will	only be required to in	
% of care episodes starting that relate to young people aged 14-17 years who are Westminster Citizens (non as a result of LASPO Act 2012 or UASC status).	20	23	<b>12%</b> (10/83)	Green	Stable
% of early help cases who are young carers	New Indicator	ТВС	<b>100%</b> (20/20)	Green	N/A
<b>Service Commentary:</b> This measure show received an intervention.	s the percentage of yo	ung carers identifi	ed as young carers a	at the point of assessn	nent who then
% of re-referrals to early help/social care within 12 months of the previous referral	9.4% (154/1,641)	15%	<b>10.6%</b> (127/1,197)	Green	Stable
Percentage of children in care aged under 16, who have been continuously in care for at least 2.5 years, who have lived in the same placement for at least 2 years.	75% (52/69)	80%	78%	Green	Stable
Percentage of children in care with three or more placement moves	11% (18/166)	Less than 10%	1%	Green	Stable

Performance Indicator	2015/16 Performance	2016/17 Target	Quarter 3 position	RAG Rating	Direction of Travel	
	Last year's position	Targets	Apr 16 – Dec 16	Red, Amber, Green	Perf vs. last year	

# Performance Indicators on track to achieve targets:

% of 2 year olds meeting the criteria taking up a targeted 2 year old place	68% (425/626)	70%	56%	Amber	Stable
Service Commentary: There are now 400 now complete. A comprehensive marketing conjunction with children's centres. This awill all have an impact on the take up rate	ng campaign is now full ctivity has resulted in a	y embedded with	targeted outreach b	eing delivered throug	h Family Lives in
% of primary pupils achieving Level 4+ in Reading, Writing and Mathematics at KS2	New Indicator	Above the national rates	58%	N/A	N/A
% Westminster's pupils who achieved Attainment 8 and Progress 8	New Indicator	Attainment 8: 5.5 Progress 8: 0.4	Attainment 8: 54.2 Progress 8: 0.32	N/A	N/A
30 Primary School places by September 2016 (Christchurch CE Primary School)	New indicator	30	30	Achieved	N/A
% of Phase 2 troubled families turned around	New Indicator	17% (385 families)	79%	Green	N/A

## 3.3 City Management and Communities

exceed target.

Perform	nance Indicator	2015/16 Performance	2016/17 Target	Quarter 3 position	RAG Rating	Direction of Travel	
		Last year's position	Targets	Apr 16 – Dec 16	Red, Amber, Green	Perf vs. last year	Ī

### Performance Indicators flagged for attention:

PUBLIC PROTECTION AND LICENSING							
% of licensed applications issued within agreed timescales	21%	70%	53.4%	Amber	Improving		
<b>Service Commentary:</b> This has reduced si and is expected to improve in Q4.	<b>Service Commentary:</b> This has reduced since Q2 due to staffing resource issues and the seasonal increase in applications. This is a seasonal dip and is expected to improve in Q4.						
Number of new sports apprentices engaged 11 10 3 Amber Stable							
Service Commentary: An apprentice within the S&L team was recruited and then was able to get a full time job. Other apprentices are being							

**Service Commentary:** An apprentice within the S&L team was recruited and then was able to get a full time job. Other apprentices are being recruited by the contractor through a partnership with the London Apprenticeship Company. The team are establishing a new Workforce Development Group to take this work forward along with key partners and council colleagues. The first workforce planning group takes place in February 2017 and the contractor is confident that they will have the target number of apprentices in by the end of the year.

PARKING SERVICES						
% increase in charge points of the electric vehicle network	10%	10%	0%	Amber	Stable	
Service Commentary: There were 60 charging points at the start of the year; the target is an additional 6 by the end of the year. The service is						
confident that these will be in place. Funding	ng has been identified th	rough Bluepoint	t London. New sites	to be delivered by Apr	ril 2017. On track to	

## Performance Indicators on track or improving:

HIGHWAYS					
% planned maintenance and public realm improvement schemes on agreed programme delivered	All schemes delivered where possible.	100%	70%	Green	Stable
WASTE AND PARKS					
% growth in household waste % household waste recycled % commercial waste recycled % waste sent to landfill	N/A 19% 14% 2%	2% 20% 16% 2%	2% 20% 16% 2%	Green	Stable
% of on-line reports for waste, recycling and street cleansing related issues.	24%	50%	50%	Green	Stable
Number of Green Flag awards	23	23	23	Green	Stable
PUBLIC PROTECTION AND LICENSING					
% of licensed applications processed within 2 days of receipt	76%	80%	84%	Green	Stable
% of premises that do not require a revisit following an inspection	696	75%	75%	Green	Stable
PARKING SERVICES					
Maintain levels of overall customer satisfaction with the Parking Service	87.8%	88%	89%	Green	Stable
% of vehicles that park in compliance with parking rules	98.8%	99%	98%	Green	Stable
SPORTS AND LEISURE					
Number of visits to the Council's sports and leisure facilities	3,823,440	3,600,000	<b>2,574,524</b> (April-Nov 2016)	Green	Stable
Number of volunteers engaged in the sports and leisure programmes	174	150	561	Green	Improving

## 3.4 Growth, Planning and Housing

Performance Indicator	2015/16	2016/17	Quarter 3	RAG Rating	Direction
Terrormance Indicator	Performance	Target	position	To to racing	of Travel
	Last year's position	Targets	Apr 16 – Dec 16	Red, Amber Green	Perf vs. last year

## Performance Indicators flagged for attention:

HOUSING SERVICES					
Rough sleeper numbers (those whom Westminster has a duty to assist) to be reduced and maintained below 90.	86	Less than 90	116* (Nov 2016 count)	Red	Deteriorating

**Service Commentary:** \*In addition to the 116 rough sleepers reported, 53 people were seen whose nationality was unknown. The police have no powers to force someone to provide their details unless they are committing a crime. However, based on our knowledge of the street population during this time, we believe that the majority of these are UK nationals. The increase in this group was mainly due to the availability of 'spice' alongside the holiday season which sees an increase in tourists and begging opportunities. Additionally, there tends to be an increase in faith based groups who offer food, tents, sleeping bags and clothing on the streets which attracts people from across London and the wider country.

PROPERTY AND ESTATES					
Percentage of void properties in the Councils investment portfolio	3.3%	Less than 4.0%	<b>4.57%</b> (16/350)	Amber	Deteriorating
<b>Service Commentary:</b> As at the start of 201 are under offer and if as expected these lett			, ,		f the void properties

**Service Commentary:** At the start of 2017 there were 68 outstanding cases based on a current total of 546 commercial leases within the Portfolio. This means the percentage of outstanding cases is 12% against a target of 11%. Based on the stage negotiations have reached in a large number of cases, including the issuing of rent review memos to formally document agreed settlements, GVA is forecasting that there will be no more than 54 cases outstanding by the end of January 2017; within target.

ECONOMY					
No. of additional external apprenticeships offered by the private sector through Council support by the end of March 2017	New Indicator	100	18 Apprentices 15 Trainees (end of Sept 2016)	Amber	N/A

#### **Service Commentary:**

- Agreed a co-funded shared Apprenticeship Development Officer post between Economy and Children's Services.
- Working with BIDs, Cross River Partnership, Westminster Adult Education Service and Westminster Kingsway College to develop a
  programme of employer focused events to highlight the benefit of Apprenticeships and help employers prepare for the levy. We are
  currently working in partnership with The Northbank BID and Westminster Kingsway College to deliver a business breakfast during
  National Apprenticeship Week in March to help businesses in the BID area understand the opportunities and implications of the
  Apprenticeship Levy and support them to identify how Apprenticeships can play a key role in their companies' future.
- Collaborated with Westminster City College to run a Careers & Apprenticeship Fair as part of Westminster Enterprise Week
- Continue to work with Responsible Procurement and Policy colleagues to embed Apprenticeships & Traineeships into the Social Value criteria for contracts.
- Continue to work with People Services colleagues to influence and shape the Council's own internal Apprenticeship Programme. The introduction of the Apprenticeship Levy has provided an opportunity for the council to re-think how it approaches its own Apprenticeship programme. A way forward has been identified that will build the quality of the council's Apprenticeship offer linked to our Talent Strategy and workforce development/planning requirements, develop our own in-house capability as an employer provider of Apprenticeships through working with the Westminster Adult Education Service and building synergy and alignment with the Westminster Employment Service.

Performance Indicator	2015/16	2016/17	Quarter 3	RAG Rating	Direction
	Performance	Target	position	•	of Travel
	Last year's position	Targets	Apr 16 – Dec 16	Red. Amber Green	Perf vs. last vear

# Performance Indicators on track or improving:

HOUSING SERVICES					
No families is in bed and breakfast for more than 6 weeks	0	0	0	Green	Stable
Acquisition programme to achieve 50 in borough & 100 out of borough units	88	50/100	40/87	Green	Improving
No. households in Temporary Accommodation	2,423	N/A	2,482	No target	Increasing
Rough sleeper numbers (those whom Westminster does not have a duty to assist).	214	Monitoring Indicator	91	No target	Reducing
No. homeless applications	954	Monitoring Indicator	645	No target	Reducing
No. homeless acceptances	511	Monitoring Indicator	380	No target	Stable
Council tenant satisfaction with services provided by landlord	89%	86%	83%*	Green	Reducing
<b>Service Commentary:</b> *Proxy measure (monthly repairs satisfactio considered on track albeit slightly below 20	•	mes in 3 to 4 perc	entage points below	annual satisfaction s	urvey result. So
Deliver Affordable Homes programme of 479 homes April 2015 to Mar 2017	213	479 (Cumulative over 2 years)	<b>528 Projected</b> (2016-18)	Green	Improving

DEVELOPMENT PLANNING					
% of 'Major' planning applications determined within 13 weeks i.e. Larger scale development.	72% (23 of 32)	50%	<b>71%</b> (12/17)	Green	Stable
Percentage of 'Minor' planning applications determined within 8 weeks	63% (1,789 of 2,841)	70%	<b>70%</b> (1,711/2,444)	Green	Improving
Percentage of other applications determined within 8 weeks	68% (2,801 of 4,120)	70%	<b>74%</b> (2,512/3,395)	Green	Improving
Percentage of planning appeals determined in favour of Westminster City Council.	76% (159)	60%	<b>64%</b> (173/271)	Green	Deteriorating
Total number of reports of unauthorised development	2,575	N/A	1,709	No target	Decreasing
Building Control's share of the market (no. building regs. apps as a % of total no. initial applications + building regs. applications)	19.5%	N/A	<b>19%</b> (435 to WCC of 2,239 Total)	No target	Deteriorating
Total number of planning applications received and determined by the City Council to date for the year.	11,885 Received 9,947determined	N/A	9,170 received 8,344 determined	No target	Increasing

PROPERTY AND ESTATES					
Increase the contracted income generated from the Council's investment portfolio by % of opening base income	£23.80m	3% per annum	£24.49m (2.9%)	Green	Improving

Performance Indicator	2015/16 Performance	2016/17 Target	Quarter 3 position	RAG Rating	Direction of Travel
	Last year's position	Targets	Apr 16 – Dec 16	Red. Amber Green	Perf vs. last vear

ECONOMY					
No. of Long Term unemployed residents supported into job-starts and sustained employment of 13 weeks or 26 weeks	190	227	361*	Achieved	Improving
Service Commentary: *361 job starts for the long-term unemploye	ed. Total number of su	ıstained jobs will b	pe reported in Qtr 4	1.	
No of businesses engaged in the 1st year of the CFA Business Engagement Programme	New Indicator	75	76	Achieved	Improving
No. of young people engaged through Westminster Enterprise Week 2016.	963	1,000	2879	Achieved	Improving
No. of enquiries received by the Business Unit in its first year of operation.	N/A	300	221	Green	Improving
Amount of sq.ft. of Enterprise Space catalysed in 2016-17	110,000 (since 2009)	60,000 (by March 2018)	28,400	Green	Improving

# 3.5 Corporate Services

Performance Indicator	2015/16	2016/17	Quarter 3	RAG Rating	Direction
renormance indicator	Performance	Target	position	NAG Rating	of Travel
	Last year's position	Targets	Apr 16 – Dec 16	Red, Amber, Green	Perf vs. last year

## Performance Indicators flagged for attention:

Offer 'supported employment' places (for people with learning disabilities and health)*	New Indicator	30	1	Red	New Indicator
<b>Service Commentary</b> : In Q3, 1 placemen specialist Workplace Co-ordinator from the				Services are continuin	g to work with the
Total 12 month rolling cost of agency contractors (£m)	£14.25m	£12.0m	£15.46m (rolling spend Nov 2015-16)	Red	Improving
Service Commentary: Progress against the £15.46m is the rolling year spend from Nonigh. However TAC numbers continue to departments to assess the future use of Tamillion will be met by Q4. Current costs in	ovember 2015 to November monitored regularly a ACs so numbers continue	ber 2016. Despit and are provided e to decline durir	te a reduction in the to EMT on a quarteing Q4. It is unlikely the	number of TACs at Qarly basis. People Servionat the target spend of	3, spend remains ces will support
Number of new apprenticeships (internal and external)	103	110	52	Red	Stable
Service Commentary: The contract for the apprenticeship reforms and the introducting ts apprenticeship programme, working in recruited is below target as a result of the frameworks and withdrawal of others and People Services are actively working with sexisting contract and further opportunities	on of the apprenticeship partnership with the We se changes. The changes the availability of trainin services to identify appre	levy in April 201 estminster Adult to the funding of g providers, have enticeship oppor	T, the Council is dev Education Service (W of apprenticeship, int e all had implications tunities which can be	eloping a new busine: /AES). The number of roduction of new app s on the current appre	ss delivery model f new apprentices renticeship entice market.
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PROCUREMENT								
Percentage of contracts awarded that include the benefits of Responsible Procurement	New Indicator	60%	<b>29%</b> (8/28)	Red	N/A			
INFORMATION SERVICES								

90%

85%

**Amber** 

Improving

89%

Freedom of information compliance

Performance Indicator	2015/16 Performance	2016/17 Target	Quarter 3 position	RAG Rating	Direction of Travel
	Last year's position	Targets	Apr 16 – Dec 16	Red, Amber, Green	Perf vs. last year

# Performance Indicators on track or improving:

INFORMATION SERVICES								
End user satisfaction with IT service (as measured in helpdesk survey)	91% (6.4 out of 7 rating in Jan and Feb 16)	79% (5.5 out of 7 rating in Jan and Feb 16)	93% (6.54 out of 7 rating)	Green	Improving			
Extent of IT enabled collaboration (as measured in # WCC Yammer feeds per month)	New Indicator	500 per calendar month	<b>1,085</b> (end of Sept 2016)	Green	N/A			
IT Service resilience (as measured in Priority 1 incidents per month)	New Indicator	2	2	Green	Improving			

PROCUREMENT					
In-year savings made for procurement with a contract start date in the measurement period.	£1.283m	£1.3m	£3.3m	Green	Achieved
Total savings made for procurement with a contract start date in the measurement period over the life of the contract.	£5.15m	£5.2m	£9.4m	Green	Achieved
Number of Waivers of the Procurement Code	New Indicator	100	37	Green	Stable

PEOPLE SERVICES	PEOPLE SERVICES								
Reduce staff turnover	unable to obtain figures since March 2015	12.%	10.2%	Green	Context				
Number of internal apprenticeships	46	50	52	Green	Stable				
% women in top 5% highest paid jobs (permanent staff)	Baseline to be confirmed	Target to be set in 2017/2018	38%	N/A	Context				
% BAME individuals in 5% highest paid jobs (permanent staff)	Baseline to be confirmed	Target to be set in 2017/2018	9%	N/A	Context				
Reduce average number of sickness days per FTE*	unable to obtain figures since March 2015	5.75 days	3.3 days	N/A	Context				

# 3.6 City Treasurer's

Performance Indicator	2015/16 Performance	2016/17 Target	Quarter 3 position	RAG Rating	Direction of Travel
	Last year's position	Targets	Apr 16 – Dec 16	Red, Amber Green	Perf vs. last year

# Performance Indicators on track or improving:

Variance between budget and full year forecast	Underspend of less than £1m	Underspend of less than £1m	£14.7m	Green	Improving
Total savings achieved, on track to be achieved or equivalents identified for 2016/17	100%	100%	100%	Green	Stable
Total trade debtors (aged >12 months gross)	<£5m	<£5m	£3.52m	Green	Improving
Projected general fund reserves to date	£36.4m	£36.4m	£41.58m	Green	Improving
Projected percentage of Council Tax collected	96.30% (84.7% YTD)	96.50%	85.3%	Green	Improving
Projected percentage of business rates collected	98.40% (86.7% YTD)	98.40%	86.4%	Green	Stable
Rate of return on investment	New	0.61%	<b>0.64%</b> (Year to date)	Green	N/A
% of capital projects >£10m with approved business case	New	100%	100%	Green	N/A
% of payments made via Purchase Order	New	70%	88%	Green	N/A

## 3.7 Policy, Performance and Communications

Performance Indicator	2015/16 Performance	2016/17 Target	Quarter 3 position	RAG Rating	Direction of Travel
	Last year's position	Targets	Apr 16 – Dec 16	Red, Amber Green	Perf vs. last year

## Performance Indicators flagged for attention:

CUSTOMER SERVICE					
Total customer calls answered in 60 seconds by the council (contract agreement)	95.5%	95%	91.95%	Amber	Deteriorating

## Performance Indicators on track or improving:

CUSTOMER SERVICE							
Total customer calls answered in 20 seconds by the Council	87.5%	80%	84.57%	Green	Deteriorating		
Less than 4% of calls abandoned	New indicator	ТВС	1.74%	Green	N/A		

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT							
Number of attendance Open Forum/City for All face-to-face meetings	New indicator	ТВС	169 (no meetings since Q2 report)	N/A	N/A		
Number of people registered on the Open Forum website	New indicator	ТВС	213	N/A	N/A		

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE					
Young Westminster website number of page views	New Indicator - Launched April '16	4,000 page views within first 3 months	53,038 unique page views	ТВС	N/A

## Performance Indicators where data for Quarter 3 is unavailable:

## CITY SURVEY RESULTS

**Service commentary:** Field work for the next City Survey began in September 2016. Full results are expected later in 2017.



# 4. Appendix 2 - Service commentary on Q3 progress by Directorate

Full service commentary on progress against the 2015/17 Business Plans by Service Directorate can be found in the pages below. This is the unedited narrative provided by each Service Directorate and covers the significant achievements and identifies the top emerging and current challenges for each Directorate at the end of the third quarter of 2016/17.

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## 4.1 ADULT SERVICES

## Service commentary on progress at the end of the third quarter of 2016/17:

#### Adult Social Care - Other notable successes

- Supporting People to Stay at Home (a) The number of new placements for older people into care homes is lower than in 15/16, due to the focus on supporting people at home where possible and appropriate. This is primarily due to a drop in residential placements the proportion of placements to nursing care are higher compared to residential care, highlighting that people are delaying admission until needs become too complex to be supported at home.
- Supporting People to be Independent (b) With regards to personalising care, over 9 out of 10 clients in the community have a personal budget, and the proportion of these clients who receive this in the form of a direct payment has increased significantly over the year. An 18 month action plan to develop the personalisation and Direct Payments offer, paying particular attention to mental health, is now being delivered with the aim of establishing a best in class offer by April 2017. In the last period the re-launch of an improved pre-paid credit card service to support easy access to and management of Direct Payments was delivered.
- Development of the Front Door and Demand Management programme is progressing well with an options appraisal planned for May 2017 following a detailed value for money assessment of all commissioned health, well-being and preventative services. The programme is focused on bringing together funding streams and assets across ASC, public health, CCG and through corporate working and digital development.
- The ASC Department has been successful in two major bids to support workforce development. Funding of £498k to be shared across North West London to establish a Social Work Teaching Partnership across Children's and Adults for the next two years has been awarded by the Department of Health and the Department of Further Education. The Department has also led a successful bid to become a 'fast follower' pilot to establish Nursing Associates a new assistant level nursing role. £270k has been awarded to develop 20 local employees working as health care assistants, reablement carers and home carers to become nursing associates. This pilot is aligned to wider ambitions for hybrid care and nursing service delivery and to develop career pathways for front line carers.

### Public Health - Other notable successes

- JSNA Highlights Reports (Online JSNA) The JSNA borough Highlight Reports are being refreshed in an interactive online format, incorporating direct links to the latest available data and other publicly available tools. They are aligned with the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategies and will provide an overview of the health and wellbeing needs of local residents. The new online format is currently being developed for all three Boroughs with a soft launch at the Health and Wellbeing Boards in January/February 2017.
- Young Adults JSNA This deep dive JSNA describes the health and wellbeing needs of young adults. The focus is on the needs of 18-25 year olds, but where appropriate has also looked at 16-17 year olds preparing for transition from children's services to adults services. The JSNA identifies how young adults use health and care services, and looks in detail at care leavers, eating disorders, substance misuse and sexual health which were identified as being key areas to establish an evidence base to improve commissioning. The draft report is complete and will be presented to the Health and Wellbeing Boards in January/February 2017 for final sign-off and publication. Some of the key recommendations of the JSNA include piloting an integrated primary model, reviewing the eating disorder pathway, and coproduction of service redesign with young people.

- Westminster Long Term Population Health Outcome Prediction (LT-POP) model The LT-POP modelling project takes a "Proof of concept" approach to test how a health economics approach can improve the planning, delivery and targeting of public health prevention programmes, projects and services, to achieve the greatest health, social and economic return on investment. It is our ambition that this work will lead the approach to public health economics in a Local Authority setting.
- **School Health** The contract for the school health service has been awarded to a new provider Central and North West London NHS Foundation Trust (CNWL). Public Health and Children's Services are working closely on the mobilisation of the service with the current and new providers to ensure safe transfer and continuity of service for schools, children and families. The new service will commence on 1st April 2017.
- Tackling Childhood Obesity Together (TCOT) Public Health are strengthening the whole council engagement model to accelerate progress. This year so far 13 additional businesses have been signed up to the healthy catering commitment. The food growing and gardening project is engaging further schools and estates in order to set up new plots. Westminster is participating in the London Great Weight Debate to raise resident's awareness about childhood obesity. 18 primary schools have signed up to participate in the MEND in Schools programme from September 2016. One year on, the family healthy weight services provided by My Time¹ active are making great progress in engaging the population and are highly rated by residents.
- Substance Misuse Two new substance misuse treatment services launched on the 1st April 2016. The first 6 month period provided a learning opportunity as well as identifying key next steps to ensure the vision and values of our services are realised. The system is beginning to embed its Asset Based Community Development initiatives with interactive asset maps being developed, promotional videos and innovation funds to support community focused initiatives. Additionally, we have been working with colleagues in housing and homeless outreach teams to address emerging needs around Spice as well as rolling out information in a variety of community venues in response to Alcohol Awareness Week. The Drug and Alcohol Wellbeing Service has been inspected by the care quality commission (CQC) at the end of August and the report was published in November and the feedback was overall positive although substance misuse services are not given a specific rating. Action plans have been developed to ensure the treatment system has the required reach and delivers outcomes which support sustainable treatment outcomes as part of a wider community.
- **Sexual Health** The contracts for two new community sexual health services were awarded in December 2016. A contraception and STI screening service and a prevention and psychosocial support service. The implementation plan will commence in quarter 4 ready for the go live date of the 1st April 2017. A variety of engagement events are planned with our current service users and stakeholders to support this transitional period. GUM procurement is being progressed with a revised timescale.
- Community Engagement The 4th annual community champion conference held in November was a major success. The conference demonstrated the high level of impact of the programme and the benefits to individuals and communities

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Mytime provide lifestyle parent and child obesity prevention services to assist children aged 0-4 maintain a healthy BMI. This will comprise of delivery in community settings prioritizing children and youth centres, of a range of programmes on healthy eating, physical activity, behavior management and formation of healthy habits for families with children aged 0 to 4, emphasizing the importance of developing good nutrition and physical activity early habits for life

Please note that for the following KPI's the latest figures are for Q2.

- **Health Visiting (Qu2)** The percentage of children that have had their 2-2.5 year review has increased by 16% since Q1. The service is showing significant improvements, and is set to further increase the numbers of children from Q2. The commissioning for the of 0-5 Child Health Service (Health Visiting and Family Nurse Partnership FNP) is underway under the remit of the Collaborative Commissioning Programme and through a newly established Collaborative Commissioning Project Board, overseen by a Project Oversight Board. This will enable whole system planning in the context of the transformation programmes for children services, in particular in Westminster with the Family Hubs.
- **Smoking** Q2 figures have only recently been released. We expect Q3 in mid Jan. The smoking figures for Q2 are better than they were this time last year and are on track to meet the end of year target. The Stoptober campaign 2016 was the most successful ever through contacting smokers and previous service users by telephone in the evenings, as many more people signed up for stopping smoking in October than in previous years using other campaigning means. The Smoking prevalence rate in adults decreased from 18% in 2014 to 15% in 2015. Kick-It offered stop smoking support to a total of 667 individuals for quarter 2. The number of 4 week quitters was 305, and the quit rate was 48%. This quit rate is in line with the national quit rate of 50%.
- Community Champions The number of residents reached is higher than Q1, and is on track for Q3. The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Community Champions Conference was a huge success, and attended by over 180 participants. The purpose of the event was to celebrate achievements, share learning and explore new ideas. It included presentations from Community and Maternity Champions; a Question Time Panel of senior decision makers; roundtable discussions on aspects of the Five Ways to Wellbeing; an award ceremony recognising the achievements of Champions; and a marketplace of resources.

#### Adult Social Care - Other Risks

- Workforce risks. 2015 Peer Review highlighted recruitment and retention risks across London for social care staff. The pace and scale of change in the sector and locally also heightens the risk environment. Mitigation: a workforce board has been established to develop our workforce management plan and a workforce management strategy has been put into place which focused on the development of our appraisal and reward system, strengthening internal communications and staff involvement in change and supporting integrated working.
- There has been an increased number of delayed transfers of care attributed to adult social care in the winter period and this is being closely monitored on a weekly basis. The majority of delays have been from Imperial Healthcare NHS Trust and relate to lack of availability of dementia nursing placements. This is a London-wide issue due to the lack of market availability. The brokerage function is continuing to work with local and national providers to secure appropriate placements and move people out of hospital as quickly as possible. The authority has officially joined the West London Alliance for collaborative sourcing of placements which should improve the responsiveness of providers and contribute towards reducing delays.

#### Other Risks - Public Health

Childhood Obesity The proportion of children aged 4-5 and 10-11 years defined as overweight or obese
according to the national childhood measurement remains relatively stable locally. We are looking to hold
and reverse the trend. Given the complexity of the causal factors this remains a significant challenge. Our
work on the tackling childhood obesity together programme is fundamental to addressing childhood
obesity.

## 4.2 CHILDREN'S SERVICES

## Service commentary on progress at the end of the third quarter of 2016/17:

#### Children's Services - Other notable successes

• We now have 400 2 year old places, which is an increase from previous report of 298. All the planned capital works are now complete. A comprehensive marketing campaign is now fully embedded with targeted outreach being delivered through Family Lives in conjunction with children's centres. This activity has resulted in an increased number of applications being received and it is hopeful that this will all have an impact on the take up rate

#### Children's Services - Other notable risks

- Since October (project commencement), Cornerstone have generated a total of 59 leads through their targeted events. Currently 20 carers are undertaking the assessment process or who have been/about to be taken to panel. If all of these result in approval these numbers would compare favourably with performance in previous years which was 11 newly recruited foster carers in 14/15 and in 15/16. Due to the timescales for assessment the full benefits of the project will most reliable be reported in April 2017.
- The Cornerstone programme did not lead to the expected number of new potential foster carers identified entering the assessment process. However, when combined with business as usual activity (partly informed by Cornerstone's programme of customer service training, revised marketing and improved performance monitoring), the number of recruited foster carers is projected to be slightly higher than average compared with previous years. Future approaches to the recruitment and retention of foster carers will be informed by a wider Placements Strategy which is currently under development.

## 4.3 CITY MANAGEMENT AND COMMUNITIES

## Service commentary on progress at the end of the third quarter of 2016/17:

#### Notable successes

#### Soho

- A community meeting was held in Soho in response to concerns raised by residents of an increase in drug usage and dealing. The meeting was attended by representatives from Public Protection and Licensing, the MPS, local councillors, landlords, landowners and public health representatives. As a result, the Police have committed to specific days of action to target and tackle drug dealing.
- The Council is supporting the MPS with regular ward sweeps, to ensure that any environmental issues are identified and resolved quickly. There are also on-going discussions with landowners in Soho to design out identified hotspot areas. We have also arranged an ASB walk in surgery in the first week in January to allow residents to raise their concerns.

#### **Westminster Cathedral Piazza**

There have been concerns raised by residents and members regarding the increase in rough sleeping and ASB in the locality. A neighbourhood meeting was held at the Passage on 6<sup>th</sup> December to discuss the concerns and agree a joint approach to tackling the issues identified. As a result of this meeting the following steps were agreed to reduce the activity in this area.

- An agreement by the Passage to disqualify anyone who is found bedding down in this area from access to its services.
- A program of patrols by City Inspectors in the area, and use of community protection warning notices to individuals behaving in an anti-social manner in this location.
- Implementation of a section 35 dispersal power under the Crime and Policing Act, 2014 for when the police feel that this power is necessary.
- Agreement for additional cleansing of the Piazza on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays and ad hoc cleaning where necessary, to ensure the area is clean.
- The passage has already delivered a Spice awareness week to highlight the dangers of taking psychoactive substances, and will continue to raise this with their clients.
- The council is working with landowners to redesign some of the areas around the Piazza to reduce the levels of anti-social behaviour, such as increased lighting.

#### Other notable successes

#### **New Year's Eve**

- The City Inspector service provided a significant presence during the New Year's Eve celebrations working in conjunction with the Police. The event went well and ticketholders arrived from 17:30 and were allowed in from 19:00 on the north of the river (an hour earlier than advertised). Inspectors focusseded on tackling illegal street trading at the event with of 6 unlicensed forecourt interventions and 10 seizures. The City Inspectors also dealt with ticket touts, prosecuting three individuals. City inspectors assisted the contractor in the cleansing operation by acting as a liaison between Veolia, Event organiser and the Police. This ensured a smooth re opening of the roads and the safety of road users during the cleansing operation.
- There was also an incident at the Rah Rah Rooms, Piccadilly were three individuals were stabbed and as a result the police have called for an expedited review of their licence.

#### **Begging & Street-based ASB**

- In the run-up to xmas, Residential Services arranged a series of operations targeting begging and street-based ASB in hot spot areas across the City. These were joint deployments with the Police and City Inspectors. Victoria BID security has also been joining teams on operations which fall within their footprint. These were intelligence-led and enforcement-focussed deployments utilising Community Protection Notice (CPN) and highways (tents) legislation with a view to making arrests for those found breaching. Approximately 30 rough sleepers were engaged with. There have been 8 contacts resulting in social care and signposting interventions and several environmental interventions to remove mess and detritus.
- A new protocol agreed with the Police, whereby those breaching CPNs would be subject to targeted
  arrests, proved successful during a deployment in Marylebone. During an operation on the 8<sup>th</sup> December,
  one prolific individual continued to beg despite being subject to a CPN. The offender was consequently
  arrested for breach of CPN and the individual was detained and deported back to Romania.
- The team is also linking closely in with hostels and day centres (The Passage and The Connection at St. Martin's) should any of their clients be found to be engaged in crime or ASB within the vicinity of those premises. This is to ensure that social care is balanced with enforcement and care plans can be adjusted accordingly. Services may also be withdrawn for those repeatedly engaging in crime or ASB.

#### **Review of Operation Unite**

A partnership operation between the City Council, Metropolitan police, Home Office Immigration Enforcement Service (HOIE) and other key stakeholders in 2016 to tackle key issues affecting Westminster.

Many of these are longstanding issues where previous operations and tactics have proven to be unsuccessful in delivering a long term reduction. However, as a result of the innovative tactics and enhanced partnership work, Operation Unite has been a measured success in protecting vulnerable people, reducing anti-social behaviour, criminal offences and improving the look and feel of Westminster. A full report is due in February but key highlights to date include

- Through joint work between police ,local authorities and HOIE there has been a 50% reduction in the number of foreign nationals sleeping rough on Westminster Streets
- A joint focus on aggressive begging in the City has resulted in an increase of 18% in arrests for begging.
- A reduction of 23% in crime reports for theft person combined with a 130% increase in arrests for this offence over the summer

#### **Licensing Charter**

- Significant progress has been made with the Leicester Square pilot area following discussions with the
  Heart of London Business Alliance and Members (HOLBA). Officers continue to work up ideas with HOLBA
  and the Metropolitan Police with a view to presenting a draft proposal to a session with a full range of
  licensed premises early in the New Year. The feedback from this will then be used to finalise the draft
  proposition before it is scheduled to be published and implementation commences from March 2017.
- On the 30th of November the Licensing Committee agreed to endorse proposals for the Council and partners to explore innovations in approach and policy such as the following:
  - Draw in and coordinate support from voluntary schemes such as Drinkaware Crew and Street Pastors.
  - Provision of training to licensing premises on how to deal with certain potential dangerous or damaging situations e.g. major security incidents, identifying and managing vulnerability through intoxication, drugs or other factors.
  - Reform the approach to identifying problem premises and tasking by using a wider range of factors than purely crime data.
  - An enhanced compliance support offer which enables premises to proactively address issues in partnership with authorities and avoids the need for expensive enforcement action.
  - Work with the industry to trial new approaches to promoting the responsible night time economy which will inform future policy development.
  - A balanced approach to enforcement and remedial action which takes into account how a premises dealt with a situation such as a highly intoxicated and vulnerable individual as evidence of good practice.

- Flexibility and exemptions for compliant premises in the event of any future implementation of the Late Night Levy.
- Support for place marketing relating to the responsible offer of the West End based on the positive actions taken by supportive premises.

### **Tent Encampments**

- The number of tents and structures has increased recently within the central area of Westminster. The tent dwellers have been engaged with by rough sleeping outreach and hotspot teams and the identity of the dwellers established. However, engagement is difficult due to the personal safety of the hotspot team and the unwillingness of the rough sleeper to leave the tent to discuss alternative accommodation within WCC. Having had meetings with partners it has been decided to use a partnership approach to the problem and to use enforcement legislation that assists in the removal and disposal of the tent/structure and associated waste.
- Currently, on the advice of TriBorough Legal, WCC uses section 143 Highways Act 1980 that gives the
  Local Authority the power to serve notice on the person to remove the tent/structure and allows a 30 day
  period for this to take place. If not removed within the 30 day period WCC has the power to remove. On
  the day of removal a partnership team including outreach hotspot team, WCC City Inspectors, MPS and
  Veolia attend the location and the tent, with associated waste, is removed. There have been 42 tents or
  encampments issued with a section 143 if the highways act over the last year.

#### **Pedicabs**

- West End and City Operations service met with the GLA and TfL to discuss the proposals around the likely licensing of pedicabs in London. The GLA has confirmed the Mayor is in favour of regulating this activity. They have already drafted clauses for what would be included in high level legislation, which would give the GLA the power to regulate the industry. The initial timescales for this suggests that, dependant on the levels of opposition, that this could gain royal assent by the summer 2017.
- The Mayor has suggested that the scheme will look to focus activity in cycle appropriate areas, such as
  cycle routes and the Cycle superhighway. This will however be subject to consultation and debate. We
  are working closely with the Mayor's office to implement a scheme that will work for Westminster and
  the challenges the West End presents.

#### **Parking**

### • Back Office Operational Changes and Efficiencies

A programme of Service Enhancements to permit-related admin and the online Parking Portal went live in November, enabling a better customer experience for those residents applying for or renewing their resident permit. Also, the governance process to allow WCC officers in Dingwall to carry out the statutory decision-making functions for formal representations and appeals on behalf of the London Borough of Waltham Forest on the basis of an inter-authority agreement progressed to the point of a formal Cabinet Member decision by the end of Q3. Go-live for this workstream is expected in early Q4.

#### Parking Annual Report

Parking's Annual Report 2015/16 was published in December. The report, which is published as part of our commitments under the Traffic Management Act 2004, details the service's achievements over the financial year in delivering innovative and sustainable improvements; looks ahead to future developments and opportunities; and includes a whole raft of parking and enforcement related statistics and financial information, with comparative data from previous years.

#### • Payment Terminals

Following the replacement of traditional pay and display machines with Payment Terminals, the next phase of the programme to convert all 133 Payment Terminals to contactless payment has been completed Discussions are still on-going regarding Parking's Business Processing & Technology contract being included in its entirety in WCC's Integrated Customer Service procurement. Parking's full specification has now been drafted to support this activity should the current NSL contract not be extended beyond the initial term (31 October 2018).

#### Libraries and Culture

- Ten awards have been made to date from the Create Church Street fund that supports arts and cultural activity for residents of the Church Street ward.
- As part of the Made in Libraries programme, five projects have been delivered at different library sites to
  develop libraries as places to engage with arts and creativity. Projects include intergenerational music
  workshops at Westminster Music Library; Performance of Alice in the Wonderland and riddles workshop
  for children in Pimlico and Church Street Library; Improvisational classes for vulnerable adults at St Johns
  Wood Library; and two contemporary art exhibitions at Victoria Library. 128 Westminster participants
  took part in the projects

#### **Sports Leisure and Communities**

- **The Forest school** programme launched successfully at Paddington Recreation ground in Maida Vale and is proving extremely popular. The site specific team have many schools regularly engaged. The number of day sessions has already far exceeded the year end target of 2,500 with over 3,700 visits thus far.
- The new **Physical Education and School Sports** programme has been launched to Primary and Secondary schools. This is a 'buy-back' offer that includes access to the annual competition programme, teacher training, Leadership Academy for students and regular PESS Network meetings. Further discussion is taking place with specialist schools to tailor a more suitable offer for them, whilst opening access to the mainstream programme. (see also Childhood Obesity in Public Health section).
- Sports and Leisure Capital Programme Capital Investment including £9.2m contractor funded investment is progressing on time and on track, currently Jubilee, Little Venice have been completed. Projects Queen Mother, Marshall St have commenced. Porchester, Paddington Rec and Seymour are in design progressing for consultation.

#### Other Pressures

#### Protection from harm from gambling.

 We are working to introduce a revised gambling policy to reduce the harm posed by gambling in Westminster. Workshops with gambling industry have taken place and we in the process of reviewing the feedback as part of a wider consultation process. We are preparing to consult on the policy changes with the community. We have identified a gambling care provider and we will progress subject to cabinet approval.

#### **Extension of Mandatory HMO Licensing**

- The government has recently consulted upon its proposals to review & amend mandatory HMO licensing. Residential Services have examined the proposals alongside colleagues in policy and our Cabinet Member. A response has been sent to the government setting out Westminster's position on the proposals.
- The government will extend HMO licensing to include smaller HMOs, removing the current requirement for a HMO to consist of three storeys. While this will result in our ability to licence some larger maisonette flats in multiple occupation, it is anticipated that the extension of mandatory licensing will not have a significant impact in Westminster as our typical housing stock & HMOs are larger than the national average.
- The extension of mandatory licensing will bring about an increased income in licensing fees, though as outlined above, the increase is not expected to be substantial.

#### **Libraries and Culture**

• The system for enrolling all pupils on to the Library Management System has been developed, trailed and offered to all Westminster primary Schools as well as selected secondary schools. However, there has been no take up of the offer so far. Library Officers are pro-actively promoting this offer to schools. Timescale for improvement will extend into 2017/18 reporting year.

## 4.4 GROWTH, PLANNING AND HOUSING

## Service commentary on progress at the end of the third quarter of 2016/17:

#### Other notable successes

#### 'Spice' Success

Following successful lobbying and evidence gathering by WCC in partnership with Met Police officers on the effects of 'spice' on the street population, generations 1, 2 & 3 of these synthetic cannabinoids now fall under Class B of the Misuse of Drugs Act gives the Police powers of stop, search, seizure and arrest as per legislation on Class B drugs under Misuse of Drugs Act 1971. This will reduce the attractiveness of Westminster as a destination for vulnerable people from other London boroughs and beyond and it is anticipated, lead to a reduction in the numbers sleeping on the streets of Westminster.

#### **Digitalisation of Building Control**

Building Control is now working digitally and working to overcome teething issues. Transformation is expected to be fully completed by year end and the service is working on a business case with the aim of moving into a partnership with K&C and LB Camden.

#### **Operational Property Review**

The Property Investments and Estates team is working in partnership with the Council's policy team and engaging with services to deliver a hub based property model to ensure the Council's operational property provision meets the requirements of service transformation. Analysis which is underway will determine optimum hub locations to provide a fit for purpose operational estate while driving efficiencies and reducing the Council's operational footprint. This piece of work is expected to be completed by 31 March 2017. This will give us a programme of three delivery streams: -

- Asset management property rationalisation and opportunities to deliver £3.5 m of savings/new income over the next three years by reducing the portfolio and surrendering inappropriate lease arrangements.
- 2. Hubs Delivery Plan identify preferred locations, business efficiencies and financial benefits.
- 3. Review of Third and Voluntary Sector occupation of WCC property reviewing how WCC assets can best be utilised to support these sectors going forward.

#### **City Hall Decant and Refurbishment Update**

The decant and move to Portland House and 5 Strand will be carried out in phases between 11 March and 27 May.

Planning consent has been secured for the works at City Hall and an application has been submitted for Landlord's consent.

The Design & Build contractor has been appointed and is carrying out surveys and detailed design with the objective of submitting a guaranteed fixed price tender in March. If acceptable, construction will start on site in July once the building has been vacated with practical completion expected in December 2018.

Council staff will move back to City Hall in December 18/January 19. Agents have been appointed to sublet floor 1-10 when they become available.

#### **Beachcroft House Development**

Westminster City Council, working with City West Homes, is progressing with the redevelopment of Beachcroft House, located at 111 Shirland Road, Maida Vale. The proposed redevelopment works include:

- The demolition of Beachcroft House and Beachcroft Annex
- Construction of a new 84 bed care home for the elderly
- Construction of 31 general needs residential units for private sale
- Replacement of the Oak Tree House garages with new wider parking spaces

A number of consultation events have been held with local residents and feedback received has been incorporated into the design where possible.

The planning application for Beachcroft was submitted in November 2016 and is scheduled for determination by the end of February 2017. Works are underway to procure a design and build contractor via a 2-stage tender process with the first stage being tendered in February. Demolition works are estimated to commence in Q3 2017.

#### **Moberly Leisure Centre**

All substructure works are now completed and steel frame structures are now being constructed. The development will provide a brand new leisure centre of an approximate 9,300 sq m, a retail unit and 71 residential units. This is on track for practical completion by Summer 2018.

#### **Jubilee Leisure Centre**

The existing leisure centre is being kept open until the nearby new Moberly Leisure Centre is ready for public use (see above). Current progress on site includes the steel frame structure up to the fourth floor with surrounding brickwork in progress. Phase 1 of this development involves a residential development of 28 residential units, 12 of these affordable. This phase is on track for practical completion by Summer 2017. If viable, Phase 2 will create a community leisure centre together with 56 residential units.

#### **Tollgate Gardens**

Demolition of the residential blocks is complete. Work on internal and external refurbishment of Tollgate House commences January 2017. This will include upgrades to communal lighting and decoration and new balustrades on walkways. The recladding of Tollgate House achieved planning consent in December 2016 and can now proceed. New pedestrian access to Tollgate House is in place providing safe access for residents. Monthly on site surgeries for residents continue. The expected completion is March 2019.

#### **Housing Options Service Procurement process**

The new service specification development has now been completed and the OJEU notice has been published in line with the procurement timetable. The direction of travel behind the new contract will ensure:

- The creation of a more agile frontline advice service that enables greater mobile working, outreach advice, collaboration and integration with other related services such as Children and Adult services, promotion of and access to employment services, in addition to promoting self-serve and digital advice solutions.
- The procurement of the service in four 'lots' that will encourage competition by appealing to experienced
  providers that are currently delivering specialist services within this and related sectors and encourage
  providers to consider the formation of partnerships and consortium arrangements to deliver the
  requirements of the Council.
- The movement towards a partnering approach with providers that will enable the transformation of these services over time and ensure a more flexible service that can respond adequately to the changing demands and legislative framework in addition to the impacts that other broader Council initiatives such as the Integrated Customer Service, One Front Door and Digital Transformation initiatives will have on these services.
- The re-shaping of the service that forms a clearer distinction between the 'people' and 'property' aspects of the service and places greater emphasis on frontline advice, homeless prevention and self-serve solutions.

### Increasing housing options for unaccompanied minors

Agreement has been reached to increase the quota for care leavers and units identified within supported housing (Bruce House and Cardinal Hulme Centre) that are available to Children's Services to nominate unaccompanied minors. Up to 27 units will now be available for this cohort.

#### **Homeless Prevention Bill**

Funding of £48 million was announced by the Governments on 18 January 2017. We will work through the methodology to understand fully how the amount has been calculated – but it is a nationally aggregated figure over three years and assumes no funding in year 3 i.e. that early prevention might pay for itself.

The distribution formula for each authority is not yet known and government says it will work with the LGA and local authorities on this.

We have not yet modelled the financial impact of the Bill given that we have been expecting government amendments which would affect costs – however we will now be doing this and working with London Council's and the LGA.

#### **Allocations Quota for low income workers**

Proposals have been formally agreed for a quota of 10 council homes per annum to be allocated to low income workers. This supports the Council's objective in offering affordable housing to working families.

## 4.5 CORPORATE SERVICES

## Service commentary on progress at the end of the third quarter of 2016/17:

#### Other notable successes

#### **People Services**

A paper was presented to Cabinet during December regarding the Apprenticeship levy addressing the financial challenge as well as the opportunity to up skill current workforce and address skill gaps. Work plans are now underway to shape this work in conjunction with the economy team and tri- borough colleagues.

Identifying and developing talent is a key part of the People Strategy for 2017. Talent conversations are now underway across all Directorates with a view to map in the first instance our EMT and CLT potential for the future. Once these conversations have been completed People Services will be going to EMT in January to calibrate all nominations and launch the talent programmes more formally. The OD team are meeting EMT directors jointly with BPs who are attending SMTs to identify talent at other levels within their Directorates.

#### **Procurement Services**

The Design Services Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) was launched during this period. This development to capitalEsourcing streamlines procurement for us and our suppliers, significantly reducing the paperwork that needs to be completed, making Westminster a more attractive bid for improving the responses and allowing for more competition. The contract with ECD Architects for Ashbridge was awarded via the DPS.

We have now completed the Social Value pilots that have been running on a number of our procurements. The lessons learned have been incorporated into the new Responsible Procurement guidance documents that Category Managers and other officers involved in procuring goods and services across the council can use, to ensure that we maximise the Social Value outcomes from our contracts.

A significant improvement was made to procurement Workflow in capitalEsourcing. This enhancement has improved the Category Manager's experience when using capitalEsourcing, with key templates and guidance now available to the category managers as they use the tool. This has enabled the category managers to focus more of their time working directly with their stakeholders across the council.

#### Other Pressures

#### **People Services**

The proposed reform of IR35 legislation will result in the Council being liable for the assessment of whether an individual meets IR35 status and the risks associated with getting that decision wrong. If an individual could gain employment in the private sector there may be a risk we could lose their services or they may attempt to increase their rates.

The impact on individuals engaged through a Limited company are as follows:

- a. Possible reduction in pay of up to 20% for some individuals currently engaged through a limited company.
- b. Individual being treated as an employee without the benefits associated with that status
- c. Individual no longer having to administer a payroll as this will be done by the organisation engaging their service.

Actions we are taking are as follows:

- a. All roles will be assessed for IR35 status. WCC is currently procuring a new managed agency provider (Matrix) and this will be undertaken as part of the implementation process
- b. We will identify all those individuals contracted directly and move them to the new provider
- c. Status will be communicated to the provider who will inform the worker
- d. The worker will need to determine if they wish to continue with the assignment and managers should determine whether there are any critical roles where this could be a risk
- e. The status of any new roles will be determined when an order is placed and checked by a trained person in People Services

TAC costs remain high by the end of Quarter 4 despite People Services working with managers to target a reduction in usage.

As well as this the focus on preparing for the Apprenticeship levy from all organisations in our supply chain is affecting our ability to hire the numbers required in Quarter 4.

#### **ICT**

The risk of malicious virus/hacking from external sources remains high, in line with the external threat profile. WCC continues to mitigate with the latest technical controls and renewed IT security policies which were recently published to all WCC staff (NetConsent).

The risk of service failure due to aged infrastructure is reducing as legacy datacentre services are decommissioned ahead of the City Hall decant.

### **Legal Services**

Simplifying and standardising processes, especially the back office functions (business support, financial processes and reporting etc.) has been a key area where progress has been made. Having a common MSP has helped in negotiating a single method of practice across the three separate finance teams. However, the delayed implementation of No PO no Pay continues to create significant additional workload to our business support team which was unanticipated nor resourced for.

We are more confident that we are closer to finalising our new systems and processes to ensure our back office dovetails into the MSP processes.

As we become more reliant on electronic communication and file sharing we need to focus on ensuring that our information is secure and there are no data breaches. To deliver this, Legal Services have established a departmental data protection champion who will review compliance and reports quarterly to management. We will also provide on-going training to staff.

#### **Procurement Services**

29% of contracts awarded include Responsible Procurement benefits against the annual target of 60%.

### 4.6 CITY TREASURER'S

## Service commentary on progress at the end of the third quarter of 2016/17:

#### Notable Successes (Including high performing KPIs)

Progress to support the City for All plan is going well with key measurable metrics such as employment opportunities exceeding the years target figures. As part of **City for All provision of employment opportunities**, the department delivered the following activities in quarter 3:

- supported eight people to study professional qualifications
- provided four work experience/internship placements
- Delivered a targeted training program and development plan for staff.

The department **supported budget holders** to manage their budget and make them more commercially aware. Budget training courses were provided and 229 managers from across the organisation booked on to these courses.

The department has also been **active in national /local government lobbying**, working together with third parties on important issues that affect the authority such as the devolution of business rates.

**Budget savings** required to balance the 2017/18 budget have been identified, coupled with an in year **positive variance** of around £14.4m caused primarily due to higher than anticipated income from parking suspensions across the City.

Quarter 3 also saw the **highest performance** to date in compliance with the Purchase Order system. 88% of all payments were made via a Purchase Order during the latest reporting period. This represents exceptional work across the whole organisation to maximise efficiency through the use of the Agresso platform.

#### Other Pressures

The 2016/17 City Treasurers Business Plan identified a number of service challenges which are being mitigated or managed during the course of the year. The department's strategic risks are included on the organisations risk register however a series of tactical and operational challenges are addressed below.

Maximising the benefits and operation of the Managed Service – the performance of the Purchase Order KPI is at its highest level since implementation and continues to improve, as does the quality and timeliness of management information indicating that this challenge is continually reducing.

Dealing with funding reductions and cost pressures – the department has worked well with other directorates to identify savings sufficient enough to balance the 2017/18 budget challenge. The department is continuing to work with colleagues in order to ensure the proposals to manage the 2018/19 budget deficit are robust and well planned.

Generally the biggest risks facing the department are relating to funding levels or additional cost pressures (be that increases in expenditure or loss of income). The referendum outcome of the 23rd of June 2016 places an additional level of uncertainty on the authority and the department will continue to work with strategic leaders to understand and navigate the potential challenges this may present. Only one of the City Treasurer's KPI's is currently affected by this uncertainty, this being the rate of return on investment, which has showed a marginal decline since the decision by the Bank of England to lower interest base rates to 0.25%. This is continually under review and at present the year to date has earned a return of 0.64%. This is therefore presently above the target of 0.61%. The period 9 (December) return on investment however, was 0.54% evidencing the challenge in maintaining a higher rate of return going forward.

## 4.7 POLICY, PERFORMANCE AND COMMUNICATIONS

## Service commentary on progress at the end of the third quarter of 2016/17:

#### **City Wide**

- **Equality Objectives were agreed**, setting out six objectives that will directly support the delivery of a 'City for All' vision through eliminating discrimination, advancing equality of objective and fostering good relations between people.
- The first 13 payment demand notices for the **Community Infrastructure Levy** have been sent out, with a total of £285,000 being due and collected so far. A total of £16.5m worth of liability notices have been issued so far and a further £162,880 will become payable by March 2017.

#### **Events**

- Delivered a successful **Conservative Party Conference programme** to promote priority areas of work with the new government, as well as building relationships and networks with key stakeholders and partners. More than 200 delegates attended four fringe events covering the work of the West End Partnership, the Council's Greener City Action Plan, Planning and Housing and Community Cohesion. In total, we welcomed 500 attendees across our programme to hear from Westminster speakers, as well as a Secretary of State, Ministers and two Deputy Mayors of London.
- The team organised and event managed the **Westminster Carer Awards** on 31st October, attended by 120 unpaid carers. The contribution of unpaid carers to the community was recognised in an awards ceremony hosted by Cllr Rachael Robathan. Our event evaluation shows that 85% think their role as a carer is valued by the council as a result of the awards, 100% say it's important to them that their role is recognised by the council, 82% said they felt part of a wider community as a result of the awards and 80% said they found out about other services as a result of the event. Seventy one percent of guests were attending for the first time, showing we are reaching new people.
- We organised and event managed the **Westminster Tea Dance** on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November at Grosvenor House Hotel, attended by 1,000 residents aged 65 and over. Event evaluation shows that 100% of guests enjoyed the event; 98% agreed that it helped them to feel part of their community (compared to 88% in 2015); 97% said they met new people (compared to 86% last year). In terms of reaching our target audience, 62% of guests said they don't always see people as often as they like and 57% said they don't get out of the house as often as they would like. Anecdotal feedback includes: "Lovely to see many happy faces. I really applaud Westminster for arranging for this great event. An effective antidote to isolation and gloom".
- Delivered the brand new **Christmas in Leicester Square** event and co-ordinated Christmas light switch on events across the City, including Oxford Street and Regent Street.
- Facilitated the **European Premiere of Fantastic Beasts** the latest film in the Harry Potter Franchise in Leicester Square.

#### Heritage

- **Unveiling of a special war memorial** to commemorate council employees who fought and died during World War One. The design includes 82 shards which represent each of the Council officers who fought and died during the conflict.
- The **Greener City Action Plan Year 1** report was published at a very well attended stakeholder engagement event at the Lancaster London Hotel in October and sets out a range of successes across all directorates contributing to a better environment in Westminster.
- Westminster's 'Special Policy Areas' come into effect protecting the important areas of Saville Row, Mayfair, Harley Street, St James' and Portland Place remain home to the world leading industries that put them on the map.
- The first consultation on the **Draft Upper Vauxhall Bridge Road Development Opportunity**Framework has been completed

#### **Aspiration**

- The communications team worked with GPH to deliver a successful **Westminster Enterprise week**, which took place between 14<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> November. The communications team generated 387 page views, above the 300 target, and a 787,000 Twitter reach (up 130%) and above the 500,000 target. The 23 videos produced received over 820 views. More than 2,800 young people engaged in a Westminster Enterprise Week event, above the 1,000 target.
- **SpeakSense** our healthy relationships campaign won best Creative Comms at the UnAwards 2016 in December and was shortlisted for a Europe wide Digital Communication Award. Thus far the campaign has generated 2,600 website views, 3,930 views of the campaign videos and scored over 80% positively on a survey of young campaign advisors.
- Real Change our diverted giving campaign won a PRCA award in November for best value for money campaign. The campaign has also won a public service communications award and been shortlisted for an Unaward and LGC award.
- Families First e-newsletter 17.2% increase in subscribers over the last year.
- Youth offending DeepIt a film focused on knife crime, featured on an online platform for youth professionals TheTrap, won best short film at the Screen Nations Awards 2016. It has over 118,000 views and almost 4,000 likes.
- The consultation on a draft **Rough Sleeping Strategy** has been completed. The strategy is not statutory, but the demand on Westminster is significant and the strategy sets out our approach to reducing rough sleeping and how we will support those on the street away from the streets and provide help to turn their lives around.

#### **Internal**

- **Preparing for Decant campaign launch**: Phase three of the City Hall refurbishment communications plan, Preparing for Decant, was launched in November. Activity included a Loop from the Chief Executive, Yam Jam with Charlie, launch of a one-stop shop Wire hub page, manager cascade pack, staff focus stories e.g. PPC progress on the de-clutter and an animated video using the Westminster Way team. The Loop had a 62% readership rate and the video has had 125 views so far. Next steps include the rollout of a staff pack, personalised timetables and checklists for each team and final floor plans for the decant spaces.
- Staff Conference: The third annual all staff conference took place on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November. 1179 staff members attended (over 50% of all employees, TACs, apprentices). The majority of respondents (57%) thought that the conference was worthwhile, although this has decreased from last year (70%). 92% agreed that they received informative and timely communications.70% of staff enjoyed the use of video throughout the event, but opinion was divided on the ad breaks, with 47% of respondents viewing them positively and 38% expressing dislike. 70% of staff found the Chief Executive's and Deputy Leader's speeches useful.
- Routemap to Success: In October we launched the organisation's Routemap to Success, our
  transformation narrative for how we are going to meet the challenges coming up over the next five years
  and deliver a City for All. It outlines three strands of work; Westminster Future, Westminster Way and
  Getting the Basics Right.
- **Dashboards and self-serve solutions** are now being used in a number of teams across PPL including Trading Standards, Health & Safety, Residential, Pest Control, Street Licensing and Premises Licensing. These outputs empower officers to make faster and better business decisions including planning project work, respond to FOIs or monitoring officer performance. Further outputs for Community Safety, Environmental Sciences and the Food Team have are due for imminent release.
- We progressed the re-organisation of CPMU to establish the **new Corporate Strategy and Transformation Unit**. Staff consultation ended on 6 January and ring-fence 1 interviews and expected to be completed by 30 January. The new team is expected to be in place in shadow form by the first week of February with appointments made to any remaining vacancies by March.
- We launched the new Change Network and have delivered three staff engagement events targeted at
  up skilling the Change Advocates and tasking them with specific actions to support the delivery of the
  City Hall Programme.

### **Digital communications**

- **Report It** Stats for 2016 show a 240% increase in use of this tool, with 48.7% of contact for issues around waste and recycling, streets and transport, and planning coming in via these webforms compared with only 14.3% in 2015.
- **Instagram** Our Instagram account reached over 1,000 followers for the first time.
- Video content / YouTube We uploaded 29 new videos promoting the Carer Awards, Westminster Enterprise Week, Tea Dance, London Youth Games, West End Partnership and Bond Street Streetscape Improvements. Our YouTube account gained 2,952 views between 1 October and 31 December 2016.
- **Website views** Westminster.gov.uk has received 1 million visitors, 2.2 million unique page views and 2.9 million total page views between 1 October to 31 December 2016.

## 4.8 USEFUL LINKS

- Health and Well-Being Strategy -<a href="https://www.westminster.gov.uk/sites/www.westminster.gov.uk/files/uploads/joint-he.pdf">https://www.westminster.gov.uk/sites/www.westminster.gov.uk/files/uploads/joint-he.pdf</a>
- Data packs for NHS Central London (Westminster) CCG which show performance against other similar CCGs against a range of deliverables and conditions. <a href="https://www.england.nhs.uk/rightcare/intel/cfv/data-packs/london/#32">https://www.england.nhs.uk/rightcare/intel/cfv/data-packs/london/#32</a>
- Details of the successful £900,000 Homelessness trailblazer bid made by Westminster
   https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/homelessness-prevention-programme

