

**Epsom & Ewell Borough Council – Decisions taken by the Strategy and Resources Committee on Tuesday, 16 March 2021**

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Decisions will come into force, and may be implemented, on the expiry of 5 working days from the date of this notice unless called in by the Audit, Crime & Disorder and Scrutiny Committee.

NOTE: The following represents a summary of the decisions taken by the Committee. It is not intended to represent the formal record of the meeting (for which reference should be made to the minutes) but to facilitate the call-in process.

<b>Agenda Item No</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Decision</b>
1.	Question Time	No questions had been submitted or were asked by members of the public.
2.	Declarations of Interest	<p>The following declaration was made in relation to Items of business to be discussed at the meeting:</p> <p>Local Government Reorganisation &amp; Collaboration in Surrey</p> <p>Councillor Hannah Dalton, Other Interest: In the interests of openness and transparency, Councillor Hannah Dalton declared that she is the founder of the Residents Single Surrey Unitary campaign.</p>
3.	Local Government Reorganisation & Collaboration in Surrey	<p>Following consideration, it was resolved that the Committee:</p> <p><b>(1) Agreed to note the Final Report’s (Appendix 1) comments on the future structure of Local Government in Surrey;</b></p> <p><b>(2) Authorised the Chief Executive to progress further collaboration opportunities in the following service areas: waste, building control, IT infrastructure, housing, revenues and benefits, procurement, economic development and leisure services;</b></p>

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		<p><b>(3) Authorised the Chief Executive to explore opportunities for collaboration on other service areas and with other local authority partners outside the priority areas and partners identified in the Final Report.</b></p>
4.	Epsom & Ewell Draft Covid 19 Recovery Plan	<p>Following consideration, it was resolved that the Committee:</p> <p><b>(1) Approved the draft Covid19 Recovery Plan to enable recovery work to commence and our partners to be consulted.</b></p> <p><b>(2) Agreed the priorities/ambitions for the reconfiguration of the Council’s operating model.</b></p>
5.	Submission to The Local Government Boundary Commission For England On Council Size	<p>Following consideration, it was resolved that the Committee:</p> <p><b>(1) Agreed the draft proposal to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England on Council size, as set out in Appendix 1;</b></p> <p><b>(2) Agreed to delegate to the Chief Legal Officer in consultation with the Chairman of Strategy and Resources and the Chair of the Electoral Review Task &amp; Finish Group and changes to the draft Council Size Submission as may be necessary;</b></p> <p><b>(3) Agreed to refer to Council, the approval of the Council’s submission on Council Size to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England on Council size.</b></p>

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6.	Minutes of Previous Meeting	The Minutes and the Restricted Minutes of the previous Meeting of the Committee held on 28 January were agreed as a true record and the Committee authorised the Chairman to sign them.