Epsom & Ewell Borough Council – Decisions taken by the Community and Wellbeing Committee on Wednesday, 19 November 2025

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

Agenda Item No	Торіс	Decision
1.	Questions and Statements from the Public	No questions or statements from members of the public were received.
2.	Declarations of Interest	Homelessness Expenditure & Action Plan update: Councillor Bernie Muir, Other Interest: In the interest of openness and transparency, Councillor Bernie Muir declared that she was a Governor of the Surrey and Borders Partnership Board.
3.	Minutes of the Previous Meeting	The Committee confirmed as a true record the minutes and the restricted minutes of the special meeting of the Committee held on 17 June 2025 for the Leisure Centre Contract, the minutes and the restricted minutes of the special meeting of the Committee held on 17 June 2025 for Relate Funding, and the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 08 July 2025, and authorised the Chair to sign them.
4.	Museum Policies	Following consideration, the Committee unanimously resolved to: (1) Approve the key policy documents for the Museum Service, as set out in the appendices to the report:

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		 Care and Conservation Policy Documentation Policy Access Policy Collections Development Policy Forward Plan 2025–2029
5.	Homelessness Expenditure & Action Plan update	 Following consideration, the Committee unanimously resolved to: (1) Note the priority actions points which have been taken to manage homelessness over the past 6 months. (2) Note the use of Homelessness Prevention Grant (HPG) and homelessness grant reserves to cover the anticipated increase in expenditure, for 2025/26, to enable the Council to meet its duties under the Housing Act 1996 and Homelessness Reduction Act 2017. (3) Agree that a further update regarding nightly paid accommodation (NPA) expenditure be provided at the Community & Wellbeing Committee in March 2026.

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6.	Temporary Accommodation Rent Arrears Policy and Procedure	Following consideration, the Committee unanimously resolved to: (1) Approve and adopt the Council's new Rent Arrears Policy and Procedure for Temporary Accommodation, as set out in Appendix 1 to the report.
7.	2026/27 Budget Targets	 Following consideration, the Committee unanimously resolved to: (1) Note the implications of the budget targets presented to Strategy & Resources Committee on 15 July 2025. (2) Note that owing to the Council's projected budget deficit, any additional new revenue growth items (i.e. service enhancements resulting in increased net expenditure) supported by Policy Committees will need to be fully funded from existing budgets.