HARROW COUNCIL

CABINET

19 JULY 2007

<u>Reference from Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 10 July 2007 –</u> <u>Cultural Services Review – Final Report</u>

1. The Committee received a report of the Director of People, Performance and Policy, which introduced the final report of the Scrutiny Review Group on Cultural Services.

2. The Chairman of the Scrutiny Review Group highlighted some of the key findings, and thanked Members of the Review Group and officers for their work and support. She stated that the Review Group had met with the Portfolio Holder for Community and Cultural Services to discuss the recommendations.

3. Following a discussion on the governance arrangements for contracts and Service Level Agreements (SLAs), the need to review some of them to identify best principles, and to incorporate this area of work into the Overview and Scrutiny Committee's work programme, it was

RESOLVED: That (1) the report and recommendations of the Scrutiny Review Group on Cultural Services be endorsed;

- (2) the report be referred to Cabinet for consideration;
- (3) Cabinet be requested to:
- (i) note that the report highlighted the need to strengthen governance structures in the Council's current SLAs, contracts and partnerships around cultural services, and
- (ii) implement a review of the wider principles that should inform the governance structures of all the Council's SLAs, contracts and partnerships.

(4) the Cultural Services Review be placed on the Overview and Scrutiny Committee's work programme in six months' time.

FOR CONSIDERATION

Background documents:

Draft Minutes of the meeting of the O&S Cttee held on 10 July 2007. Report of the Director of People, Performance and Policy considered by O&S Cttee on 10 July 2007

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