

Sustainable Communities Overview and Scrutiny Panel							
		Officer	Date added	Status (BRAG)	Comment	Cabinet Approval	Implementation Timeline
IdVerde's contract for greenspaces	The Panel would like to undertake site visits to a sample of green spaces in Merton, with details of the reporting pro forma used by Client Officers when inspecting	JB	01/09/2020	Green	The Service would like to offer site visits to Colliers Wood Recreation Ground, Morden Park & Wimbledon Park during the week commencing the 14th February (half-term). Transport will be provided from the Civic Centre.	09/11/2021	14/2/2022
	The Panel recommended that the Council's Tree Strategy is reviewed and updated to include how new trees are established and how all trees are maintained	JB	01/09/2020	Green	The tree strategy is currently being undertaken. The strategy will be delivered in two parts with the first phase concentrating on Council-owned assets, maintenance regimes and risk management. The second phase will take into context private tree assets, planning considerations and the wider urban forest. The first phase is to be delivered by May 2022.	09/11/2021	May-22
	The Panel recommends that the Council create an overarching Green Spaces strategy in line with the Council's climate commitment and with a focus on community wellbeing.	JB	01/09/2020	Amber	This is under consideration. There are a number of Council strategies that touch upon parks and open spaces particularly Local Development Framework documents. Detailed date chased on 10/02/22 by Chair	09/11/2021	TBC 2022/23
	To display signage in parks informing residents on how to report issues and express their views	JB	01/09/2020	Green	The Service is aware of this requirement and will proceed with improved signage after the implementation of the new web based reporting system.	09/11/2021	Jan-Mar 2022
	Both Idverde's Annual Report and the IMGSF Annual Report to be presented when signed off	JB	01/09/2020	Green	The internal review and approval of the Annual Review has been completed and is now available to be presented to the Committee.	09/11/2021	TBC
	The Panel requested quarterly written updates from Officers providing information and feedback on how the recommendations are being met and evidence that the service is improving.	JB	01/09/2020	Green	The service will be able to provide an update to the next Committee meeting as directed.	09/11/2021	
	HGV's	An information hub to support residents in dealing with complaints about problems with HGVs is created and added to the Merton website and advertised appropriately	JM	19/01/2021	Amber	HGVs reported to Scrutiny Jan 2021. Further info to be added online with links to London Councils Lorry Control Scheme. https://www.merton.gov.uk/streets-parking-transport/traffic-management/weight-limits-roads-and-highways	22/03/2021
School Streets	Comms Team to encourage resident feedback and explore expanding the scheme with the support of the schools.	JM	19/01/2021	Green	On track - Consultations closed - Decisions being made Q3-4 2021/22	22/03/2021	31/03/22
Design Review Panel	Future Merton committed to bringing the DRP review back to scrutiny post consultation.	JM	23/03/2021	Green	On track - review on Scrutiny agenda Feb 2022	N/A	22/02/22
Tenants Champion	Write a formal report for the Panel meeting in February 2022.		28/02/2022	Green		N/A	
	Investigate Richmond Council's long running Tenants Champion, along with the Cabinet Member and Chair of the Panel, to see what has made the role successful and whether there is any learning to take on board.		28/02/2022	Green		N/A	

Green	On track
Amber	Requires monitoring
Red	Not on track
Black	Not yet started
Completed actions	4
Open actions	14

Waste	Look at the feasibility of offering discounted access to our paid for waste services, to those residents on council tax support, in order to incentivize take up of these services and further increase the rate of recycling. This should include garden waste collection.	JB	06/12/2021	Green	In Progress - final recommendation and feasibility study including the financial impact are scheduled to be presented back to Scrutiny in June 2022. A project team will be established and progress will be monitored with the Lead Cabinet Member through the service's monthly Strategic Board meetings	12/06/2021	Jun-22
Waste	As a Council we lobby the government to accept central responsibility for producing effective policy and legislation to deter and deal with fly tipping.	JB	06/12/2021	Green	To commence Q1 2022 - work to be undertaken along side our neighbouring boroughs in partnership with SLWP	12/06/2021	Ongoing
Waste	Over a six month time frame, proactively write to all those blocks of flats with communal recycling, with details on how to recycle correctly and avoid waste contamination	JB	06/12/2021	Green	On Going - all ways on communication approach has been adopted. Waste services have recently completed working on the new collection service with Moat Housing and communicated to all properties on the Pollards Hill estate. working with Clarion we have attended a resident drop in day for residents at the Watermeads estate and will look at implementing all lessons learned before extending this approach and communication style to the wider Clarion estates.	12/06/2021	Jun-22