

REVIEW D: THE VOLUNTARY SECTOR'S RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC IN HILLINGDON

Committee name	Corporate Services, Commerce and Communities Policy Overview Committee
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Papers with report	Appendix A – Scoping Report Appendix B – Minutes from previous meetings

HEADLINES

For the Committee's information and to aid in the formulation of future recommendations arising from the review, attached as appendices are the review's original scoping report (Appendix A) and a timeline with the relevant minutes from the Committee's meetings (Appendix B). Members are asked to explore any early findings or ideas for possible future recommendations to form the basis of the Committee's report into the Voluntary Sector's response to the Covid-19 pandemic in Hillingdon.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Corporate Services, Commerce and Communities Policy Overview Committee:

- 1) Note the Committee's review into the Voluntary Sector's response to the Covid-19 pandemic and explore findings and ideas for future recommendations arising from the review.**

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Timeline of the review and minutes

For the Committee's information and to aid in the formulation of recommendations arising from the review, attached as appendices are the review's original scoping report (Appendix A) and the relevant minutes from the Committee's meetings (Appendix B).

Terms of Reference

The following Terms of Reference were noted for this review, subject to any changes agreed by the Committee:

- 1. To consider how the voluntary and community sector (VCS) in Hillingdon was able to respond to needs of residents during the Covid-19 lockdown period.*
- 2. To hear how the pandemic impacted on the VCS sector and its ability to deliver services, raise funds, and recruit volunteers.*
- 3. To review how the Hillingdon Community Hub worked with the VCS to meet emergency needs.*

4. *To make any recommendations that would increase resilience of VCS to respond to any future lockdown or restrictions.*

How this report benefits Hillingdon residents

Policy Overview Committees directly engage residents in shaping policy and recommendations from the Committees seek to improve the way the Council provides services to residents.

Financial Implications

None at this stage.

Legal Implications

None at this stage.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

NIL.