Review of the Council's Consultation Arrangements - Draft Review Report Agreement

Committee name	Finance and Corporate Services Select Committee
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Papers with report	Draft Review report
Ward	NA

HEADLINES

Background

This report contains the draft report for the Committee's review into the Council's Consultation Arrangements for Members' agreement.

Summary

The Committee embarked on its single meeting review on 11 January 2024 where it considered aspects of the consultation process and the key data and consultation response analyses. The Committee was able to question and solicit evidence from the Community Engagement Manager.

The Terms of Reference for the review were agreed as follows:

- 1. To investigate the Council's Consultation Arrangements as requested by motion in (initial discussion at Select Committee in October).
- 2. To review how the voice of our diverse communities are heard working together towards geographical parity.
- 3. To make any necessary recommendations to Cabinet based on the Committee's findings.

As the witness testimony is now complete, recommendations have been formulated for the Committee's consideration.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee consider the draft review report and agree its submission to Cabinet.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

NIL.

Implications on related Council policies

Select Committees are integral to how the Council shapes policy, making recommendations to the decision-making Cabinet.

How this report benefits Hillingdon residents

The review will seek to ensure that the Council's consultation arrangements engage satisfactorily with residents prior to making decisions.

Financial Implications

None at this stage.

Legal Implications

None at this stage.