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24 April 2023 Page 45	Digital Inclusion [Item 6]	RPSC 19/23: That the Service ensures that Citizens Online shares the findings from its online survey once complete and the Cabinet Member for Finance & Resources brings their final report with recommendations to a meeting of the Resources and Performance Select Committee.	Member/ Officer David Lewis, Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources Sarah Bogunovic, Assistant Director - Registration, Coroner's Services & Customer Strategy Jo Blount, Portfolio Lead, Digital, Data, Technology & Culture	3 October 2023	check Feb 2024	RPSC 19/23: Initial survey findings were circulated on 5 June 2023. Final report is due to come to Committee on 18 July 2024.

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22 June 2023 Page 46	Equality, Diversity and Inclusion [Item 6]	RPSC 35/23: The ED&I Lead shares the quarterly reporting on the 2023-24 Action Plan with the Select Committee. These reports should include specific responsibilities and timescales.		29 April 2023	 RPSC 35/23: The quarterly reports will be shared on the schedule below: Quarter 1 (April-June): emailed to Members on 21.09.23. Quarter 2 (July- September) 2023-24: emailed to members on 23.11.2023. Quarter 3 (October-December): emailed to members on 12.02.2024. Quarter 4 (January- March 2024): emailed to members 07.05.2024. NB from Quarter 2, reporting for workforce elements of the action plan will be extracted from the People Strategy progress report as we have streamlined our reporting process.

Annex B

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12 March 2024 Page 47	Removal of payroll service from MATs and Academies (Item 5)	servi of an	C 1/24 Customers of the payroll ce continue to be promptly notifie y problems occurring and the utions.	d	6 May Shared with Committe e on 7/5/24	 12 March- sent to relevant Officers/Cabinet Members We are supportive of this suggestion and as such action is being taken to improve the overall communication for both schools and corporate with regards to Payroll and the HR Operations Service as a whole. This is seen as a key work stream which will improve the effectiveness of the service and is vital to allow us to continue delivering improvements. The following steps have been taken and/or are in process to improve communication: A. Surrey Educational Service Conference (Wednesday 8th May) – The Head of HR Operations (Tom Holmwood) will be presenting at this event and colleagues from the

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Page 48		 Payroll Team will be attending the market place event which is being held over lunch and will be on hand to talk to schools and education services. B. HR Operations Comms Plan (Wednesday 22nd May) - Meeting booked with Internal Comms Colleagues to construct a formal communications plan for the service which will include a work stream dedicated to Schools. The output of which
		outward going comms as well as reviewing static information available via the Schools Portal and SES Hub.

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			C. MyHR Helpdesk – We have
			appointed a new MyHR
			Helpdesk Manager (Luke
			Luthi-Morrison) who has been
			tasked with reviewing our
			ticket managing system
			(Achiever) that customers use
Ра			to raise issues and queries.
Page			Achiever is a legacy system,
49			and we are currently working
			with colleagues from IT and
			the Contact Centre to review
			other available software that
			would support improved
			management of issues and
			queries.
			D. Backlog of Tickets – We
			have allocated a Service
			Manager from HR Operations
			to oversee these on a daily
			basis as well as to report on
			and manage the volume of
			tickets being received and

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			actioned by the teams. The
			result of this intervention has
			seen tickets reduce from over
			1500 two months ago, to 300
			this month. Although there is
			still work to be done, we
-			predict that these numbers will
ac			continue to decline as we
Page 50			continue to manage this more
50			effectively, improving both
			speed and efficiency of issue
			resolution coupled with enhanced communication.
			enhanced communication.
			E. Schools Clinics – We have
			secured resources to be able
			to provide Schools Clinics for
			the next 12 months via a
			dedicated lead (Service
			Improvement Manager – Kirsty
			Wilson). The remit for this role
			is two-fold and
			includes delivering the
			schools clinics and improving

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					service delivery whilst being accountable for the Schools Comms Plan Work Stream.
Page 51					We continue to work closely with the Surrey Education Services Team and Internal Comms Colleagues on all of the above and will continue to do so to ensure that our communication continues to improve and evolve.
12 March 2024	Removal of payroll service from MATs and Academies (Item 5)	RPSC 2/24 Stakeholders affected by a Cabinet decision should, where appropriate, be consulted and consultation feedback supplied to Cabinet Members, before the decision is made.		6 May Shared with Committe e on 7/5/24	12 March- sent to relevant Officers/Cabinet Members. We are supportive of this recommendation and will continue to work closely with members seeking their feedback and council as and when required.

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12 March 2024	Removal of payroll service from MATs and Academies (Item 5)	RPSC 3/24 Cabinet decisions directly affecting stakeholders should be share with them all (a) at the earliest opportunity and (b) at the same time as each other.		6 May Shared with Committe e on 7/5/24	12 March- sent to relevant Officers/Cabinet Members. We are agreement with thi recommendation and will s as required moving forward	support
P P March 2024	Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Update (Item 6)	RPSC 4/24 The recommendations of the LGA peer challenge and those of the three workplace reviews are incorporated into the 2024/25 Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Action Plan.		6 May Shared with Committe e on 7/5/24	12 March- sent to relevant Officers/Cabinet Members The recommendations are into the 2024/25 Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Act Plan which will be shared Committee along with the of progress against the 202 Action Plan in due course.	tion with the review 023/24

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12 Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Update (Item 6) RPSC 5/24 The Council's EDI and People & Change teams work with voluntary organisations representing people with lived experience of disability to help them prepare people with all forms of disabilities for employment, and report back to the Select Committee within 12 months the numbers engaged in work-ready training and outcomes.	Action Completed6 May12 March- sent to relevant Officers/Cabinet Members.Shared with Committe e on 7/5/24There is activity across multiple teams and directorates which focuses on employment for disabled people. Multiple organisations, including voluntary organisations and education settings, are delivering projects and services that are designed to prepare people with all forms of disabilities for employment. Employability is a priority within both the All-Age Autism Strategy 2021 to 2026) and the Adult Social Care Strategy for people with Physical Disability and Sensory Impairment (PDSI) 2022 to 2027. It is unclear at the moment what the impact of this collective activity is and what the gaps in provision are.

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			key activity laid out in the delivery plan for the ASC PDSI strategy. This discovery work is being undertaken by the Coalition of Disabled People.
Page 54			Of course, Surrey County Council is a large local employer with a broad range of roles, professional disciplines and employment opportunities. We are striving to be a more inclusive employer and we provide workplace adjustments that are responsive to the requirements of staff when they join the organisation, or as they acquire a long-term condition and/or impairment during their employment. We offer supported internships and work experience, and, of course, disabled staff are represented in different roles and teams across the organisation.

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Page 55		Colleagues are being asked to monitor and report to various committees and boards on their activity relating to employment for disabled people in a siloed way. Rather than starting an additional piece of work, for which the ED&I Team and People and Change do not have the resources to ensure any activity is sustainable, it is recommended that we bring people together representing different teams from SCC, voluntary sector organisations and educational colleagues with those who have lived experience of disability. The purpose of this will be to understand what it is currently on offer, the gaps (drawing on the work of the Coalition) and to plan together, ensuring that the offer is well- thought through, relevant,

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B B B Dece Simber 2023	Draft Budget 2024/25 and MTFS to 2028/29 [Item 5]	RPSC 29/23: Land and Property to share the outcomes of the condition surveys for assets with Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete once they have been completed over the next five months.	Simon Crowther Director- Land & Property	Spring 2024	May 2024	 Biweekly dashboard sent over. In response, please find attached the latest summary report on RAAC which we provide on a two-weekly basis. Going forward the L&P RAAC Reporting will be solely focused on the status of the Corporate Estate. Since the 19th February, the RAAC Schools Programme, including all inspections and reinspections (where necessary), has been fully completed. Shawfield Primary School was the only school with RAAC discovered within its structure and will have

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						all RAAC fully removed (fully
						funded by DfE) once tendering for
						the works has been completed.
Page 5						LP RAAC CLT Fortnightly Update 20
5 <u>7</u> 12	Removal of payroll	RPSC 1/24: The Director for Corporate				Shared with Committee on
March	service from MATs and	Finance & Commercial to share the				12/04/2024
2024	Academies	2022 Accent report on payroll customer				
	(Item 5)	satisfaction.				Completed and shared with
						committee on 12/3/24
12 March 2024	Removal of payroll service from MATs and Academies	RPSC 2/24: Accent surveyed 105 education settings; Director for Corporate Finance & Commercial to				Shared with Committee on 12/04/2024
	(Item 5)	provide what proportion of SCC's				Response:
		academy customers participated in the				We have no further information on
		survey.				the work of Accent or the
						proportion of academies which
						participated in the survey. Those
						who commissioned the work have

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						now left the Council as this work was conducted 2 years ago.
12 March P2024 Page 58	Removal of payroll service from MATs and Academies (Item 5)	RPSC 3/24: The Head of Business Services to provide how many payroll queries the Council is receiving per month since Unit4 went live and how this compares with the same period last year.				Shared with Committee on 12/04/2024 Response: X Payroll enquiries.xlsx
12 March 2024	Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Update (Item 6)	RPSC 4/24: The Head of Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion to share a list of achievements of the EDI team in the 2023/24 financial year.			May 2024 7 May 2024	Shared with Committee on 12/04/2024 Response: As agreed, the achievement of SCC will be shared in the form of the annual review of the 2023-24 EDI action plan in May 2024. Action Plan shared with members
12 March 2024	Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Update (Item 6)	RPSC 5/24: The Head of Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion to provide a list detailing what organisations SCC is				Shared with Committee on 12/04/2024.

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		funding to help people with disabilities be work-ready.				Response: Surrey County Council funds the following organisations:
Page 59						 Surrey Choices – Commissioned to provide IPS employment support for people with disabilities across the County.
						 Get Set – Commissioned to provide IPS employment support for people with long term health conditions and disabilities in every district and borough as well as in 5 key neighbourhoods. They are also providing employer support to work with the business sector in Surrey
						to be more able to recruit and retain diverse talent.

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Page 60						 Richmond Fellowship – commissioned to provide IPS employment support for people with health conditions and disabilities referred through primary care. Naturally Talented Me – commissioned to provide a talent-based recruitment platform to enable people with disabilities or other reasons for a non- traditional CV to be matched with employers.
						 My Green Future – providing green-sector skills development course for under-represented young people including

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						those with disabilities, mental ill health and from BAME backgrounds.
Page 61						• Retrofit Skills – providing support for adults from under-represented populations to train and access employment in the green sector. We are yet to finalise the procurement of an organisation to deliver this.
						• East Surrey College – we previously grant funded them to provide support to young carers, though this programme ceased in 2022.
						All of the above programmes are funded by external grants. In

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						addition, we have applied for further grant funding including:
Page 62						• Workwell - this would provide £6m in funding from DWP to work with primary care to support people off work with a fitnote in order to support their successful return to employment. We expect to hear the outcome of this in April 2024.
						 Volunteering for Health – this would provide £370k to support volunteering as a route into work. Whilst not solely focused on people with long term conditions or disabilities, this does include specific activities to

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Page 63						 increase engagement from these populations. Universal Support – this is a DWP programme that will be rolled out across England from October 2024. This will require local authorities to deliver an employment support programme for people with long term conditions and disabilities. We are still awaiting on the exact requirements or funding for this from the DWP, and I wonder if a member session on this in due course may be helpful given this topic seems to be of particular concern to the committee.

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12 March 2024 Page 64	Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Update (Item 6)	RPSC 6/24: In summer 2024, EDI Team to share the longer-term visions within the EDI Strategy.			Late Summer 2024	Shared with Committee on 12/04/2024 Response: This is a longer-term action and will be available following a period of co- design with partners in late summer. We will share this as soon as it is ready.
12 March 2024	Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Update (Item 6)	RPSC 7/24: EDI Team to provide a figure for how much money was spent on EDI in the 2023/24 financial year and a breakdown of how it was spent.				Shared with Committee on 12/04/2024 Response: The figures below capture the forecast revenue spend on ED&I for 2023/24. The actual spend might differ slightly due to end of year figures not being available yet.

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Page 65			Member/ Officer		Check	The figures are revenue expenditure only and excludes capital expenditure which would be monitored as part of the Capital Investment Programme. It captures the spend on work solely focused on EDI outcomes, not broader spend across the council that contributes to tackling inequality. The forecast spend is £453,076 on staffing, and £446,249 on non-staffing costs. The tables below show the breakdown of spend.
						 Figures/tables were shared with Committee
12	Equality, Diversity and	RPSC 8/24: The Assistant Director for				Shared with Committee on
March 2024	Inclusion Update (Item 6)	Facilities Management to check the signage in the lifts at Woodhatch to				12/04/2024

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Page 66		ensure all accessibility signage links together.				Response: Since the Select Committee meeting Macro have been instructed to review the signage and general operations of the lifts within Woodhatch reporting back on accessible improvements that can be implemented. In line with existing governance. ensuring coordination across our accessible projects, recommendations from the report will be considered by both the Accessibility Forum and Major Office Client Board prior to implementation.