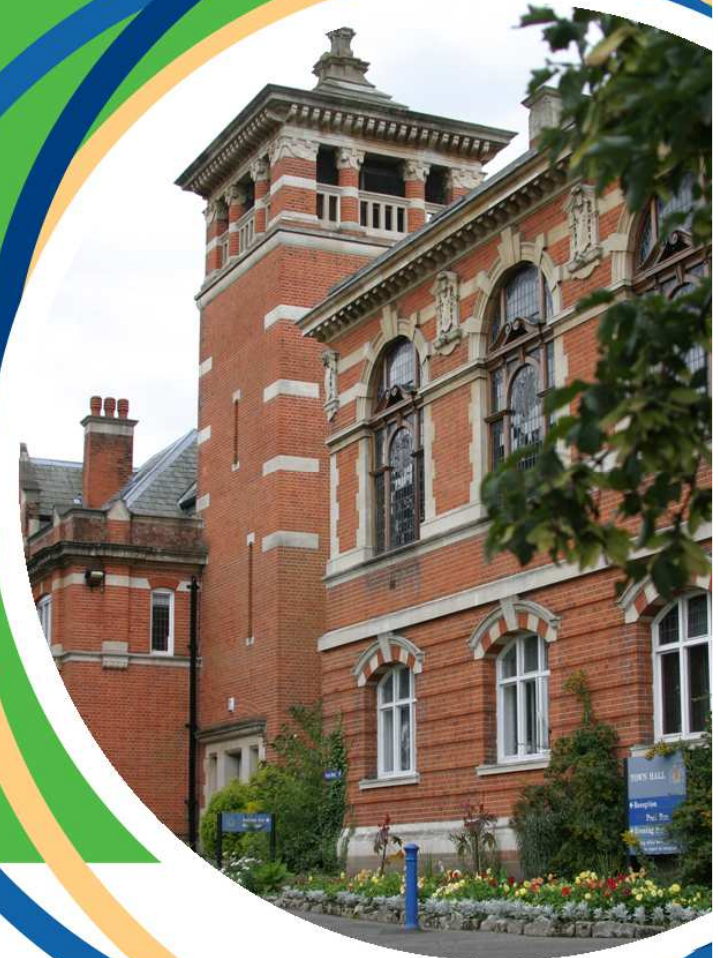


Covid-19 Recovery

Recovery Scrutiny Panel,
January 2021

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Background

Workstreams

- Community connections, including supporting vulnerable residents
- Supporting local businesses and the local economy to recover
- Council services and project recovery
- Finances and income to fund future services; and
- New Ways of Working and models of service delivery

Timescales

- Transition: Supporting gradual transition out of lockdown for residents and ensuring vital services are provided safely (to July 2020)
- Strategic Recovery: Returning the wider range of Council services to a more normal footing (to December 2020); and
- Transformation: changing how we deliver services in the light of the pandemic experience (2021 onwards)

Progress



Review of 2nd lockdown recovery activity

Lockdown impact	Recovery activity as of 2 nd December
Harlequin Theatre closed	Harlequin opened for Tier 2 compliant activities
Leisure Centres closed	Centres opened for Tier 2 compliant activities
Community Centre non essential elements closed	Centres opened for Tier 2 compliant activities
Food / pharmacy support for vulnerable people reinstated	Ongoing support available for the most vulnerable residents including over the Christmas and New Year period
Welfare calls extended; visit where needed	
Welfare referrals and funding for those in food poverty	
Tennis courts, multi-use games areas, skate parks and outdoor gyms closed	Reopened
Trade waste customers allowed to put accounts on hold	Charging to recommence as businesses reopen
Gentle approach to residential parking enforcement except for inconsiderate parking	Revert back to normal enforcement
Business grant, test and trace payments and council tax support payments	Payments ongoing as required.

Note that activities not listed below continued to be delivered during lockdown

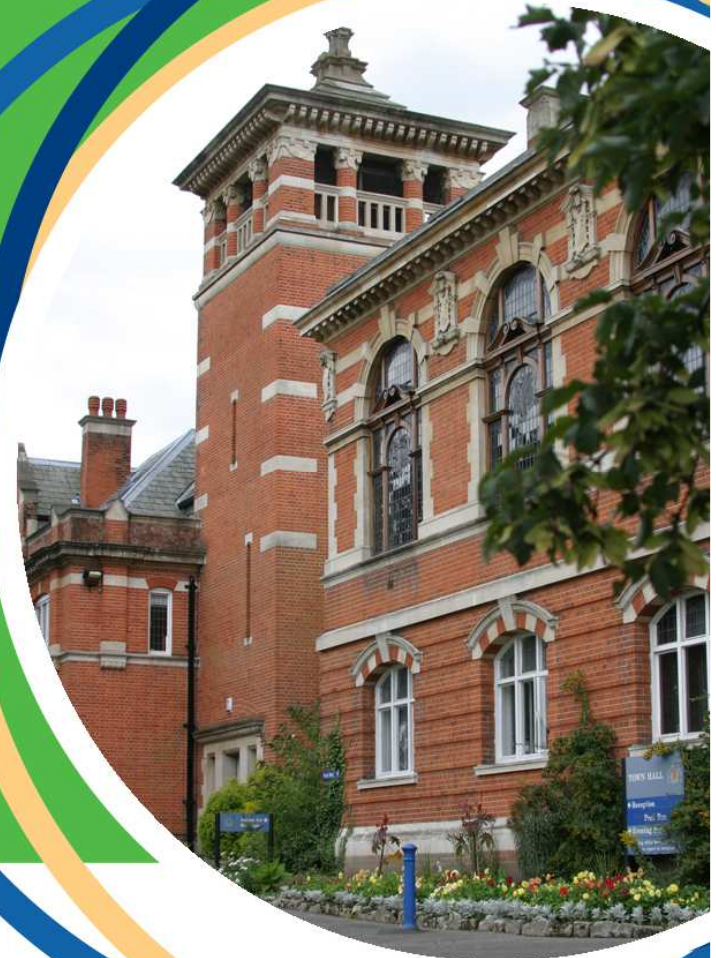
Summary of 3rd lockdown response

- Not substantially different to Tier 4 controls or second lockdown response
- Closure of facilities in line with government requirements
- Need for all Council activities to be carried out in a Covid safe way, with appropriate health & safety measures
- Welfare referrals and support as required
- Administration of additional funding / grant regimes
- Business continuity arrangements (staff shielding / staff sickness)
- Staff welfare considerations

Next steps and recommendations

See written report

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Next Steps and recommendations

Next steps

- 'Working with Covid' has become business as usual for Council services
- Recovery workstreams and Recovery Steering Group have been wound up. Any remaining decisions developed, discussed and agreed through the usual briefing and decision mechanisms
- New Ways of Working group to be refocused as a strategic change / transformation programme
- ***Note that the above does not impact on the Council's Emergency Planning structures and responsibilities***

Recommendations

- Note progress of Recovery workstreams and proposals for future recovery and transformation activity, and make any observations
- Agree that future oversight on this activity takes place via the usual mechanisms and recommend to O&S that the Panel be wound up