

Our proposals for the future of cultural services in Lambeth have been developed after we considered several options. The options we have considered are set out below.

<b>What's been considered</b>	<b>Our view</b>	<b>Is this part of our consultation?</b>
<b>Lets get active</b>		
1. Maintain the existing leisure contract until 2020.	The current leisure contract began in 2007. Since then, the council has adopted new approaches to improving health and wellbeing and is facing new and unprecedented financial challenges.	No
2. The council could withdraw all funding and dispose of its land and property where leisure facilities currently are.	Lambeth council has invested in developing leisure centres which are popular with residents, important to long term health and bring in revenue.	No
3. Renegotiate contract for all leisure centres in 2017.	This would give us the opportunity to review services, future demand and value for money.	Yes
4. Adopt a new physical activity and sports strategy for the borough to promote and encourage good health.	We need a new approach to help encourage more people to be physically active, to improve their health and wellbeing.	Yes
5. Adopt a new strategy for indoor and outdoor sports facilities to attract new investment from the public, social, and private sectors.	This gives us the opportunity to review what's available and whether this requires to be improved or expanded to meet future needs, including the proposed refurbishment of Brixton Recreation Centre	Yes
<b>What's been considered</b>	<b>Our view</b>	<b>Is this up for consultation?</b>
<b>Safe and interesting spaces</b>		
1. Maintain the current level of council revenue in the library service.	The council is facing budget cuts of up to 50%. To do this would require additional reductions over and above what is planned in other council services, including those for vulnerable children and adults for example. However, to generate savings, we are looking at a more flexible mixed market of not for profit library providers and using council assets to generate additional income.	No

2. Reduce library service to Streatham, Clapham and Brixton Libraries and seek alternative use for remaining library buildings.	This proposal may not meet the Council's statutory obligations for the provision of library service.	No
3. The council will meet its statutory obligation to provide a comprehensive and efficient library service through Streatham, Clapham, Brixton, West Norwood and Tate South Library town centre libraries.	These libraries account for almost three quarters (72%) of books issued and 84% of all visits to Lambeth Libraries. We believe this approach will meet the council's statutory requirements to provide a library service. <b>Note:</b> Around 5% of books are issued to homes through the community library service.	Yes
4. Open a new town centre library service by 2020 in the north of the borough to meet anticipated population growth. Tate South Lambeth library to hold the north town centre library role until 2020.	This means the council would meet its statutory obligations in the future. However, if this proposal is agreed it may require revision of opening hours across all town centre libraries from 2016.	Yes
5. Look at developing new community-led library service models in Carnegie, Durning and Upper Norwood Joint (UNJL) library building, which sits outside of the council's statutory provision for libraries.	Carnegie and Durning account for 15% of books issued and 9.5% of all visits to Lambeth Libraries. Carnegie and Durning library buildings are also grade 2 listed buildings. This is option could also include better and innovative use of buildings to increase income, digital facilities and use of volunteers. Buildings could be used more imaginatively for broader community activities. <b>Note:</b> UNJL has historically been managed independently of Lambeth and accurate user data is not available.	Yes
6. Decommission library services and dispose of land and buildings at Minet and Waterloo libraries.	Waterloo and Minet Libraries account for 8% of books issued and 6.5% of overall visits to Lambeth Libraries. Neither Waterloo nor Minet are listed buildings. The borough archives are located in Minet library with limited access. Waterloo is a prefabricated site that does not offer long term library service provision. Money raised from the sale could be used to set up an endowment fund for Lambeth's community libraries.	Yes
7. Increase the number of safe and interesting spaces where residents can go on line, learn and enjoy reading.	The council will work with partners to use other spaces (community buildings) more imaginatively so people can get on the internet for study and pleasure. This is building on our existing Community Hubs policy.	No

What's been considered	Our view	Is this up for consultation?
<b>The great outdoors</b>		
1. Maintain the current level of council revenue in the parks service.	The council is facing budget cuts of up to 50% so to do this would require additional reductions over and above what is planned in other council services, including those for vulnerable children and adults for example.	No
2. Reduce the number of parks, common land and open spaces the council maintains.	We think free access to open spaces are invaluable to the health and wellbeing of people and an important asset to the borough's economy.	No
3. Maintain the current number of parks, common land and open spaces owned by the council but a different approach to the way they're managed.	We should rethink how open spaces are maintained, managed and resourced, including an increased role for communities, such as SCCOOP at Streatham Common.. In smaller parks and open spaces, the council will explore options that include community food growing projects, etc.	Yes
4. Increase sources of income in larger parks and common land	A new events strategy will bring in more income to parks, common land and open spaces. The council has already agreed in partnership with local communities a £20m capital investment programme in parks, common land and open spaces that includes improvements to sports facilities and buildings.	Yes
5. Increase local management arrangements, as piloted with the cooperative parks programme.	Develop with the Lambeth Parks Forum, a strong community model (currently called level 2) where 'Friends of' can effectively support their local parks with the help of the council. Ensure every Park or Green space in Lambeth has an active and engaged 'Friend of' group, or is supported by a neighbouring group. This builds on our existing cooperative parks policy..	No
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<b>Be inspired</b>		
1. Develop a strategic approach with partners to facilitate the growth of the theatre, performing arts and music.in the borough.	The theatre and the performing arts sector is an incredibly important contributor to the local economy and health and wellbeing of local residents. The borough has significant cultural assets in the borough, especially although not exclusively, on the Southbank.	Yes

<b>Option considered</b>		<b>Our view</b>
<b>The bigger picture</b>		
1. We considered the option of developing and not developing a strategic approach with partners to facilitate the growth of the cinema and film industries in the borough.	With the Ritzy, Clapham Picturehouse, Streatham Oden, The Imax, The British Film Institute, The Whirlwind Cinema and the Cinema Museum based in the borough the growth of cinema offers Lambeth a unique opportunity to promote tourism and job growth. We have included a proposal to promote the growth of film and cinema in the borough.	Yes
<b>Option considered</b>		<b>Our view</b>
<b>Showing off</b>		
1. We considered the option of to developing and not to developing a strategic approach with partners to facilitate the growth of Archives, Heritage, Galleries, Museums and facilities for the Visual Arts	Local Archives, Heritage, Galleries, Museums and the Visual Arts facilities play an incredibly important contributor to the tourist economy. We have included a proposal to develop and promote the growth of archives, heritage, galleries, museums in the borough.	Yes