DECISION-MAKER:		CABINET					
SUBJECT:		COMBATING LONELINESS IN SOUTHAMPTON – EXECUTIVE RESPONSE					
DATE OF DECISION:		20 JUNE 2017					
REPORT OF:		CABINET MEMBER FOR HEALTH AND SUSTAINABLE LIVING					
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STATEMENT OF CONFIDENTIALITY

None

BRIEF SUMMARY

From September 2016 to March 2017 the Scrutiny Panel undertook and inquiry looking at the issue of Loneliness in Southampton. The final report of the Scrutiny Panel presented was presented to Cabinet in 26th March 2017. This report presents Cabinet's response to the recommendations contained within the Inquiry Panel report.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

(i) To receive and approve the proposed responses to the recommendations of the Scrutiny Inquiry Panel, attached as Appendix 1.

REASONS FOR REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS

The overview and scrutiny rules in part 4 of the Council's Constitution requires the Executive to consider all inquiry reports that have been endorsed by the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee (OSMC), and to submit a formal response to the recommendations within them.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

2. None

DETAIL (Including consultation carried out)

3.	On 11th August 2017, the OSMC agreed the indicative terms of reference for an inquiry to review progress being made in Southampton to combat loneliness and to understand what is being done to reduce loneliness elsewhere, and what initiatives could work well in the City to help people make connections and improve their wellbeing. The set objectives of the Inquiry were:						
	 To review progress being made in Southampton to combat loneliness. 						
	☐ To understand what is being done to reduce loneliness elsewhere.						
	 To identify what initiatives could work well in the City to help people make connections and improve their wellbeing. 						
4.	The Scrutiny Inquiry Panel undertook the inquiry over 6 evidence gathering meetings and received information from a wide variety of organisations. The final report was approved by the OSMC on 16 th March 2017 and is attached as Appendix 2.						
5.	The recommendations contained within the final report are summarised as Appendix 1, with proposed actions set out against each recommendation.						
RESOU	RCE IMPLICATIONS						
<u>Capital</u>	Revenue						
6.	The majority of the recommendations are based within existing work programmes. As such they are not considered likely to initially present any additional financial commitments. In practice future resource implications will be dependent upon whether, and how, each of the individual recommendations within the Inquiry report are progressed. In many cases progress will be dependent on identifying and securing appropriate grant funding, approval would be sought as required by financial procedure rules before any commitments are made.						
Propert	y/Other						
7.	None						
LEGAL IMPLICATIONS							
<u>Statuto</u>	ry power to undertake proposals in the report:						
8.	Section 1 of the Localism Act 2011						
Other L	egal Implications:						
9.	None.						
_	FRAMEWORK IMPLICATIONS						
10.	The outcome of the scrutiny review will contribute to the following priority within the draft Southampton City Council Strategy 2016-2020: People in Southampton live safe, healthy, independent lives						

KEY DI	KEY DECISION? Yes							
WARD	S/COMMUNITIES AF	FECTED:	All					
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	SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION							
Append	Appendices							
1.	Combating Loneliness in Southampton Scrutiny Inquiry – Summary of Recommendations and proposed responses							
2.	Combating Loneliness in Southampton – Final Report							
Documents In Members' Rooms								
1.	None							
Equalit	Equality Impact Assessment							
I	Do the implications/subject of the report require an Equality and Safety Impact Assessments (ESIA) to be carried out.							
Privacy Impact Assessment								
Do the implications/subject of the report require a Privacy Impact					No			
Assess	Assessment (PIA) to be carried out.							
Other E	Other Background Documents							
Equality Impact Assessment and Other Background documents available for inspection at:								
Title of Background Paper(s)		Informati 12A allov	Relevant Paragraph of the Access to Information Procedure Rules / Sched 12A allowing document to be Exempt/Confidential (if applicable)					
1.	None							