

MINUTES

Meeting: Planning and Regeneration Committee
Date: Wednesday 20 July 2022
Time: 2.00 pm
Place: Chamber, City Hall,
Kamal Chunchie Way, London, E16 1ZE

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Present:

Sakina Sheikh AM (Chair)

Emma Best AM (Deputy Chairman)

Elly Baker AM

Siân Berry AM

Andrew Boff AM

1 Apologies for Absence and Chair's Announcements (Item 1)

1.1 No apologies for absence were received.

2 Declarations of Interests (Item 2)

2.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Assembly Secretariat.

2.2 **Resolved:**

That the list of offices held by Assembly Members, as set out in the table at Agenda Item 2, be noted as disclosable pecuniary interests.

3 Membership of Committee (Item 3)

3.1 Resolved:

That the membership and chairing arrangements for the Planning and Regeneration Committee, as agreed by the London Assembly at its Annual Meeting on 9 May 2022, be noted as follows:

**Sakina Sheikh AM (Chair)
Emma Best AM (Deputy Chairman)
Elly Baker AM
Siân Berry AM
Andrew Boff AM**

4 Terms of Reference (Item 4)

4.1 Resolved:

That the Committee's terms of reference, as agreed by the London Assembly at its Annual Meeting on 9 May 2022, be noted as follows:

To examine and report on matters relating to spatial development, planning and regeneration in London and to lead on scrutiny of the Mayor's Spatial Development Strategy ('The London Plan').

**Lead responsibility for scrutiny of:
Old Oak and Park Royal Development Corporation (OPDC)
London Legacy Development Corporation (LLDC)**

5 Standing Delegations (Item 5)

5.1 Resolved:

That the following standing delegations of authority to the Chair of the Committee, as agreed by the London Assembly at its Annual Meeting on 9 May 2022, be noted:

- (a) At its Annual Meeting on 1 May 2013, the Assembly agreed to delegate a general authority to Chairs of all ordinary committees and sub-committees to respond on the relevant committee or sub-committee's behalf, following consultation with the lead Members of the party Groups on the committee or sub-committee, where it is consulted on issues by organisations and there is insufficient time to consider the consultation at a committee meeting.**
- (b) At the Plenary Meeting on 6 June 2019, the assembly agreed to delegate authority to Chairs of ordinary committees, sub-committees and working groups to agree, in consultation with the relevant party Group Lead Members and Deputy Chairs:**
 - (i) The detailed terms of reference for any investigation to be undertaken by the relevant committee, sub-committee or working group within its work programme as agreed by the GLA Oversight Committee, and any related project plans and arrangements for related site visits or informal meetings; and**
 - (ii) The topic and scope for any additional projects to be added to its work programme, where it is not practicable to secure prior approval from the GLA Oversight Committee and subject also to subsequent ratification by the GLA Oversight Committee.**

6 Minutes (Item 6)

6.1 Resolved:

That the minutes of the meetings of the Committee held on 27 January and 8 February 2022 be signed by the Chair as correct records.

7 Summary List of Actions (Item 7)

7.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Assembly Secretariat.

7.2 Resolved:

That the completed and outstanding actions arising from previous meetings of the Committee be noted.

8 Action Taken Under Delegated Authority (Item 8)

8.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Assembly Secretariat.

8.2 **Resolved:**

That the recent actions taken by the former Chair under delegated authority, following consultation with party Group Lead Members, be noted, namely to agree:

- (a) The letter to the Mayor on Opportunity Areas and Housing Zones, as attached at Appendix 1 of the report; and**
- (b) The *Open Planning? Community engagement and transparency when the Mayor calls in planning applications* report, as attached at Appendix 2 of the report.**

9 London Plan Guidance - Housing Design Standards and Small Site Design Codes (Item 9)

9.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Assembly Secretariat as background to putting questions on London Plan Guidance (LPG) to the following guests:

Housing Design Standards LPG – Panel 1

- Andrea Carey, Volunteer Coordinator, Deptford Neighbourhood Action and Just Space;
- Alan Smithies, Senior Strategic Planner, Greater London Authority (GLA);
- David Stronge, Design Director, Peabody Housing Association;
- Christopher Woodward, Director, Garden Museum;
- Tara Gbolade, Director, Gbolade Design Studio and Mayor’s Design Advocate; and
- Elliot Kemp, Policy Team Leader – Design, Heritage and Environment, GLA.

Small Site Design Codes LPG – Panel 2

- Alan Smithies, Senior Strategic Planner, GLA;
- Elliot Kemp, Policy Team Leader – Design, Heritage and Environment, GLA;
- David Ogunmuyiwa, Founder, ArchitectureDoingPlace and Mayor’s Design Advocate;
- Professor Matthew Carmona, Bartlett School of Planning, University College London and Chair of the Place Alliance;
- Emma Talbot, Director of Planning, London Borough of Lewisham;
- Lev Kerimol, Community Led Housing London; and
- Ilinca Diaconescu, Policy and Campaigns Coordinator, London Gypsies and Travellers.

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- 9.2 Transcripts of the discussions are attached at **Appendices 1 and 2**.
- 9.3 The Senior Strategic Planner, GLA began each session with a short presentation, attached at **Appendix 3**.
- 9.4 The meeting was adjourned at 3.19pm at the end of the first session on Housing Design Standards LPG and resumed at 3.31pm to start the second session on the Small Site Design Codes LPG.
- 9.5 During the course of the discussion, the Policy Team Leader, Design, Heritage & Environment, GLA, agreed to share more information regarding the size, make-up and diversity of the GLA Planning Team's consultation database.
- 9.6 During the course of the discussion, the Director, Garden Museum, agreed to provide the Committee with more evidence regarding sunlight and the impacts of lack of light and the minimum access to it.
- 9.7 **Resolved:**
- (a) That the report and discussion be noted.**
 - (b) That authority be delegated to the Chair, following consultation with party Group Lead Members, to agree any output arising from the discussion.**

10 Planning and Regeneration Committee Work Programme (Item 10)

- 10.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Assembly Secretariat.
- 10.2 **Resolved:**
- (a) That the work programme, and the recent activity undertaken, namely the Gypsy and Traveller site visit and discussion with community members, be noted.**
 - (b) That authority be delegated to the Chair, following consultation with party Group Lead Members, to agree any output arising from the site visit.**

11 Date of Next Meeting (Item 11)

- 11.1 The next meeting of the Committee was scheduled for 7 September 2022 at 2.00 pm in the Chamber, City Hall.

12 Any Other Business the Chair Considers Urgent (Item 12)

- 12.1 There were no items of business that the Chair considered to be urgent.

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13 Close of Meeting

13.1 The meeting ended at 4.51pm.

Chair

Date

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