

# MINUTES

**Meeting: Environment Committee**  
**Date: Thursday 2 July 2015**  
**Time: 10.00 am**  
**Place: Chamber, City Hall, The Queen's Walk, London, SE1 2AA**

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**Present:**

Darren Johnson AM (Chair)  
Murad Qureshi AM (Deputy Chair)  
Jennette Arnold OBE AM  
James Cleverly AM MP  
Steve O'Connell AM

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

- 1.1 Apologies for absence were received from Nicky Gavron AM and Stephen Knight AM.
- 1.2 During the course of the meeting the Chair welcomed to the public gallery pupils from Dorothy Barley Junior Academy, Dagenham.

## **2 Declarations of Interests (Item 2)**

- 2.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of 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 Minutes (Item 3)**

#### **3.1 Resolved:**

**That the minutes of the meeting held on 4 June 2015 be signed by the Chair as a correct record.**

### **4 Summary List of Actions (Item 4)**

4.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat.

#### **4.2 Resolved:**

**That the outstanding actions arising from a previous meeting of the Committee be noted.**

4.3 In accordance with Standing Order 2.2D, the Chair decided to take the next four items in a different order than that set out on the agenda.

### **5 Date of Next Meeting (Item 7)**

5.1 The date of the next meeting of the Committee was scheduled for Thursday, 3 September 2015 at 10.00 am in Committee Room 5, City Hall.

### **6 Any Other Business the Chair Considers Urgent (Item 8)**

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

### **7 Solar Energy from London's Homes (Item 5)**

7.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat as background to putting questions on solar energy from London's homes to the following invited guests:

- James Hardy, Principal Policy and Programme Officer (Energy), Greater London Authority (GLA);
- Kore Mason, RE:NEW Programme Manager, GLA;
- Leonie Greene, Head of Public Affairs, Solar Trade Association;
- Afsheen Rashid, Chief Operating Officer, Repowering London;
- Brian Horne, Knowledge Manager, Energy Saving Trust;

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- Seb Berry, Head of Public Affairs, Solarcentury; and
- Judith Page, Director of Property Services, Ascham Homes.

7.2 A transcript of the discussion is attached at **Appendix 1**.

7.3 At 10.20am the Chair adjourned the meeting for one minute to allow a technical problem with the Chamber's microphones to be resolved.

7.4 **Resolved:**

**That the report and discussion be noted.**

## **8 Environment Committee Work Programme (Item 6)**

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

8.2 Before taking a decision on the first recommendation at Agenda Item 6, the Deputy Chair advocated, in light of the publication of the final report of the Airports Commission, that the work programme be amended to allow the Committee to review the Commission's recommendations as they relate to the environmental impact of aircraft noise and air quality at Heathrow Airport.

8.3 The Chair thanked the Deputy Chair for his contribution and proposed that Members of the Committee and officers hold an informal discussion about using one of the Committee's unassigned meeting slots later in the Assembly year to discuss the Commission's recommendations.

8.4 **Resolved:**

**(a) That, subject to the proposed amendments set out at paragraphs 8.2 and 8.3 above, the work programme for the remainder of the 2015/16 Assembly year, be noted.**

**(b) That authority be delegated to the Chair, in consultation with party Group Lead Members, to agree the scope and terms of reference for the Committee's investigation into the environmental pressures from London's growth.**

## 9 Close of Meeting

9.1 The meeting ended at 12.23 pm.

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Chair

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Date

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