

Subject: GLA Annual Equalities Report – Assembly Contribution

Report to: GLA Oversight Committee

Report of: Executive Director of Secretariat

Date: 30 June 2015

This report will be considered in public

1. Summary

- 1.1 This report requests the Committee to consider the Assembly contribution to the Greater London Authority's (GLA) Annual Equalities Report 2014/15.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 **That the Committee agrees the Assembly's contribution to the GLA's Annual Equalities Report 2014/15 in advance of its consideration of the full report at its meeting in October 2015.**

3. Background

- 3.1 The GLA has a statutory responsibility to produce an annual report that sets out the arrangements that have been put in place during the year to promote equality of opportunity and assesses how effective those arrangements have been.
- 3.2 The GLA Act 1999 (as amended) stipulates that this duty applies to the functions of the Authority that are exercisable by the Mayor acting on behalf of the Authority. However, as in previous years, for the 2014/15 annual equalities report, the Assembly has been asked to contribute to the report in order for it to provide a full picture of the activities of the Authority.

4. Issues for Consideration

- 4.1 A draft contribution from the Assembly to the annual equalities report is attached to this report at **Appendix 1**. The draft sets out examples of the work the Assembly undertook during 2014/15 to promote equality of opportunity and to investigate issues of importance to Londoners as they relate to equality of opportunity.

5. Legal Implications

- 5.1 Section 33(2) of the GLA Act 1999 requires that the Authority produce an annual report including information about the work undertaken during the year to promote equality of opportunity and an assessment of the effectiveness of that work.
- 5.2 The duty under section 33(2) applies to the functions of the Authority exercisable by the Mayor acting on behalf of the Authority (s.33(3)).

6. Financial Implications

- 6.1 There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

List of appendices to this report:

Appendix 1 – Annual Equalities Report 2014/5 –Assembly Contribution

Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985
List of Background Papers: None
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