Background Document – List of decisions between 5 November 2015 and 2 December 2015

The Part 1 of <u>Mayoral Decisions</u> (from 6 April 2009), <u>Executive Director Decisions</u> (from 1 November 2010), <u>Assistant Director Decisions</u> (from 18 April 2013) and the non-confidential facts and advice supporting those decisions, are published on the GLA website within one working day of approval, unless deferred.

* = previously deferred publication.

s30 = approved under Section 30, 34 of the GLA Act 1999 (as amended)

Ref	Decision	Date Signed	Approved by/ Mayoral Advisor	Financial Implications
MD1577	Approved: 1. Changes to the Statutory Officers' protocol as set out in the appendix to this decision form (noting it is a joint decision with the Assembly and that the Assembly approved the changes at the Assembly Plenary meeting on 4 November 2015).	18/11/15	Boris Johnson/ Sir Edward Lister	There are no financial implications associated with this decision.
MD1572	The Executive Director Approved: 1. Expenditure of up to £500,000 in respect of technical and legal support to object to and contest the compulsory purchase order in relation to the London City Airport.	06/11/15	Jeff Jacobs	Approval is being sought for expenditure of up to £500,000 from the corporate contingency budget for TfL CPO team support and legal costs as follows; • £350,000 to appoint a legal team to object to and contest the CPO expand and present the Mayor's case at the CPO Inquiry • £150,000 for TfL CPO team support to manage the CPO process.

MD1567 s30	 Approved: Expenditure of up to £178,000 for the delivery of Big Dance 2016 from the 2016-17 Culture budget. The seeking of external funding in the form of grant and / or sponsorship income and the associated expenditure up to the value of £150,000 in order to enhance the delivery of the Big Dance Programme in 2016-17. 	18/11/15	Boris Johnson/ Munira Mirza	As part of the 2015-16 budget process, a budget provision of £68,000 was allocated for expenditure upon the Big Dance Programme in 2015-16 and an indicative allocation of £178,000 for 2016-17, subject to the Authority's budget process for 2016-17. In addition to the GLA contribution to the programme, officers are currently seeking funding from third parties to supplement the programme, currently estimated at £150,000.
MD1566 s30	 Approved: 1. The transfers to and from reserves as set out in paragraph 6.2 of the annex to the decision form. 2. The write off of debts totalling £247,413 as set out in paragraph 6.9 of the annex to the decision form. 	24/09/15	Boris Johnson/ Sir Edward Lister	Financial issues are considered within the annex to this report.
MD1562	 Approved: The revisions to TfL fares to be implemented from 2 January 2016 as set in the decision form. The Direction to TfL issued pursuant to the power in section 155 (1)(c) of the Greater London Authority Act 1999 to implement these fares on 2 January 2016. 	09/11/15	Boris Johnson/ Isabel Dedring	There are no direct financial implications for the GLA from these proposals and TfL will manage the income from fares. The Mayor's aggregate level of funding to TfL, principally from business rates, is potentially affected by the level of fares set.

MD1545 s30	1. DESIGNATED the areas identified within the London Boroughs of Waltham Forest, Brent (two Zones), Enfield, Redbridge, Havering, Tower Hamlets, Westminster, Sutton, Lambeth and Morden Town Centre as Housing Zones; 2. APPROVED the indicative allocation of £310.7 million being made available to fund the interventions specified in these zones for the purposes of unlocking or accelerating the delivery of housing within each designated Housing Zone in line with the proposed housing delivery outputs specified in this report, noting that such funding shall only be contractually committed subject to the outcome of legal and financial due diligence; 3. DELEGATED authority to the Executive Director of Housing and Land and the Executive Director of Resources, in consultation with the Deputy Mayor for Housing, Land and Property, to approve the interventions that are to be funded subject to satisfactory due diligence and to contractually commit funding of up to £310.7 million across the designated Housing Zones subject to the availability of remaining funding across the programme; and 4. AGREED that, where considered appropriate by the Executive Director of Housing and Land in consultation with the Deputy Mayor for Housing, Land and Property, the GLA shall provide non-financial assistance sought by the boroughs and will support the requests for non-financial assistance, where that assistance is sought from outside the GLA.	09/11/15	Boris Johnson/ Richard Blakeway	The Housing Zone programme is funded by £200m loan funding from DCLG known as "Financial Transaction" funding and £200m from the Mayor's Housing Covenant 2015-18 programme. The average funding amount per unit in Round 2 is £12,027 (£310.7m divided by 25,837 units) based on total funding and total units; notwithstanding that part of the funding is loan funding or returnable grant funding. Financial Transaction funding is to be issued as loan funding, with interest, to private bodies only and must be returned to DCLG. The designation of £561.8 million of Housing Zone funding (for all 20 zones) is not agreement to enter into funding agreements with partner organisations which will be subject to further approval under the appropriate delegations following financial and logal due
	diligence and to contractually commit funding of up to £310.7 million across the designated Housing Zones subject to the availability of remaining funding across the programme; and 4. AGREED that, where considered appropriate by the Executive Director of Housing and Land in consultation with the Deputy Mayor for Housing, Land and Property, the GLA shall provide non-financial assistance sought by the boroughs and will support the requests for non-financial assistance, where that assistance is sought from			interest, to private bodies only and must be returned to DCLG. The designation of £561.8 million of Housing Zone funding (for all 20 zones) is not agreement to enter into funding agreements with partner organisations which will be subject to further approval under
	outside the GLA. Part 2 of this report is confidential under the FOI Act			the appropriate delegations following financial and legal due diligence. All Financial Transaction loan funding will be conditional upon detailed due diligence and the provision of adequate security by loan applicants. Interest rates for these loans will be set based on this
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DD1440	Approved: 1. Receipt of value in kind support up to a maximum value of £146,000 from business partners supporting the Team London Skill-UP programme from 2015-16 through to 2016-17.	26/11/15	Jeff Jacobs	The value in-kind that the GLA will receive for support on the Skill-UP programme during the 2015-16 and 2016-17 financial years totals £146,000. In return for the Value In Kind, project partners and sponsors will receive marketing and publicity services from the GLA for which the monetary value is equivalent of the deliverables that it is receiving, thus resulting in VAT charges on both sides. Consequently, the GLA and all the project partners / sponsors should supply VAT only invoices to ensure VAT is correctly accounted for.
DD1436	Approved: 1. Up to £105,000 towards a project by the London Borough of Islington to reduce its level of council tax arrears of which £60,000 is estimated payable in respect of the 2015-16 financial year and £45,000 in 2016-17 on a pro rata basis. The costs would be charged to the Mayors Resilience Reserve initially – and recoverable through expected future collection fund surpluses declared by the borough in respect of council tax each The project will set a target to reduce the borough's council tax arrears by £1.5m by 31 August 2016 of which an estimated £346,000 would accrue to the GLA – more than three times the cost of the contribution in year 1.	19/11/15	Martin Clarke	The estimated total cost of the arrears reduction project would be approximately £33,000 per month or £450,000 per annum with payments made quarterly in arrears. The GLA would contribute up to £26,250 per quarter or up to £105,000 over the project lifetime in proportion to its share of the council tax for 2015-16. The GLA has agreed a target with Islington to reduce arrears by at least £1.5 million by August 2016 (£346,000 of which would notionally accrue to the GLA through the sharing of future collection fund surpluses).

DD1433	Approved: 1. Additional expenditure of up to £10,000 from the London Obesity Programme budget (MD1151) to fund the services to enhance the functionality on the Healthy Schools London website.	26/11/15	Jeff Jacobs	The estimated cost of this project is up to £10,000 and will be funded from the Obesity Programme budget for 2015-16 held within the Health & Communities Unit. The expenditure takes cost to £75K.
DD1429	 Approved: Expenditure of £85,000 from the Energy for London (EfL) project budget for the extension of the GLA's existing contract with Ove Arup's DEPDU until 31st March 2016. A related exemption from the requirement of the GLA's Contracts and Funding Code to seek three or more quotations for or call off the services from a framework. 	05/11/15	Fiona Fletcher- Smith	The proposed contract extension with Arup's DEPDU until 31st March 2016 totals £85,000 and will be funded from the Energy for London project budget (approved via MD1503). The proposed contract extension of £85,000 will increase the total cost of the contract to £2,843,578.
DD1427	Approved: 1. Expenditure of up to £150,000 as a contribution towards a project by the London Borough of Tower Hamlets to increase business rates income locally. The one off contribution will initially be charged to the Mayor's Resilience Reserve— and reimbursed via an expected £500,000 annual ongoing uplift in business rates income for the GLA. The actual contribution will be proportional to the rateable value added to the borough's local non domestic rating list by the Valuation Office Agency arising directly from the project.	09/11/15	Martin Clarke	In 2015-16 the GLA is forecast to receive an estimated £76.5m from the London Borough of Tower Hamlets under the business rates retention scheme and a further £12 million through the Crossrail Business Rate Supplement. The GLA has been asked therefore to contribute towards 40% of the costs of a proposed rates maximisation project up to a maximum of £150,000 in line with its locally retained share. Its contribution is conditional on the omitted/undervalued hereditaments being amended on the rating list by the Valuation Office Agency. The sums paid would be recoverable in certain

				cases if the revised/amended valuations were subsequently removed from or reversed on the rating list following a successful appeal. Tower Hamlets would recover any sums due from the contractor and repay 40% of this to the GLA. No repayment would apply where the amendment arose due to a change of circumstance in respect of the hereditament(s) affected following the original change to the rating list.
DD1422	Approved: 1. Up to £140,000 as a contribution towards a project by the Royal Borough of Greenwich to increase business rates income locally. The one off contribution would be charged to the Mayor's Resilience Reserve initially – and reimbursed via up to an expected £350,000 annual ongoing uplift in business rates income for the GLA. The actual contribution will be proportional to the rateable value added to the borough's local non domestic rating list by the Valuation Office Agency arising directly from the project.	19/11/15	Martin Clarke	In 2015-16 the GLA is forecast to receive an estimated £13.8m from the Royal Borough of Greenwich under the business rates retention scheme and a further £2.0 million through the Crossrail Business Rate Supplement. The GLA has been asked therefore to contribute towards 40% of the costs of a proposed rates maximisation project up to a maximum of £140,000 in line with its locally retained share. Its contribution is conditional on the omitted/undervalued hereditaments being amended on the rating list by the Valuation Office Agency. The cost to the GLA is zero if no uplift to the rating list arises from the project.

DD1419 s30	 Approved: Receipt from National Grid PLC and additional expenditure of up to £20,000 on specialist graphics, desktop publishing and printing costs for the Royal Docks Opportunity Area Planning Framework (OAPF) project. Expenditure of up to £15,000 as a contribution to the London Borough of Newham towards the cost of an Employment Land Review in the Opportunity Area. 	11/11/15	Fiona Fletcher- Smith	There is an agreement with National Grid Plc to provide £20,000 to the GLA to fund the production of the OAPF document. The remaining £15,000 will be funded from Planning 2015-16 OAPF budget approved under DD1359.
DD1391	 Approved: The award of up to £3m of Mayor's Regeneration capital funding to Transport for London to deliver an improved station at White Hart Lane. The award of up to £1m of Mayor's Regeneration capital funding to Transport for London to deliver public realm improvements in the wider area. The award of up to £800,000 of Mayor's Regeneration capital grant to LB Haringey to purchase land required to deliver the improved station and public realm. 	16/11/15	Fiona Fletcher- Smith	Approval is being sought to grant fund up to £4m to TfL to deliver an improved station at White Hart Lane and associated public realm around the station. As the capital grant will be made pursuant to s.120 of the GLA Act, there will be no funding agreement in respect of this approval. Approval is also sought to grant fund up to £800,000 to LB Haringey to purchase land required to deliver the improved station (to be governed by funding agreement). The capital cost of up to £4.8m will be funded from the Mayor's Regeneration Fund.
DD1290	Approved:	19/11/15	Martin Clarke	In 2015-16 the GLA is forecast to
s30	1. Up to £320,000 as a contribution in 2015-16 towards a project by the London Borough of Islington to maximise business rates income locally. The costs would be charged to the Mayors Resilience Reserve			receive an estimated £30.2m from the London Borough of Islington under the business rates retention scheme and a further £4.5 million

	initially – and reimbursed via an estimated ongoing uplift in NNDR income in respect of the GLA's 20 per cent share of up to £680,000 annually on 2015-16 prices.			through the Crossrail Business Rate Supplement. The GLA has been asked therefore to contribute towards 40% of the costs of the rates finder maximisation project in line with its locally retained share. Its contribution is conditional on the omitted/undervalued hereditaments being amended on the rating list. The sums paid would be recoverable if the revised assessments were subsequently removed or were subject to successful appeal on a pro rata basis but only in respect of any incremental uplifts reversed or reduced in respect of changes for 2015-16 and prior years only. Islington would recover any sums due from the contractor and repay 40% of this to the GLA.
ADD364	Approved: 1. A Deed of Variation to LDD1/ LDD3 (Remploy) and LDD2 (Leonard Cheshire Disability), extending the final date for the achievement of all Sustained outcomes from 31 August to 30 September 2015 subject to claims being made by 16 October 2015.	13/11/15	Amanda Coyle	This proposal does not require any changes to the expenditure of individual projects but to vary funding agreements to allow time for the maximum number of sustained outcomes / achievements as possible.
ADD361	Approved: 1. Expenditure of up to £26,120 on independent technical feasibility advice from Buro Happold Ltd. in 2015-16, the cost of which is to be fully recovered from the applicant.	17/11/15	Stewart Murray	The final cost of this work is expected to be £21,300. This expenditure will take place in 2015-16, funded from the Planning Decisions budget, with subsequent

	recovery of up to £26,120 from Convoys Properties Ltd. under the terms of the Section 106 Agreement and a separate Project Planning Performance Agreement.
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