

Mayor's Report to the Assembly

Background Document – List of decisions published between 2 October 2020 and 5 November 2020.

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Ref	Decision	Date Signed	Approved by/ Mayoral Advisor	Financial Implications (summarised where long)
MD2529*	<p>Woodland creation grant allocation</p> <p>Approved:</p> <p>Expenditure of £748,000 in financial years 2019-20 and 2020-21 from the £1.5m woodland creation programme (approved under MD 2141 and MD 2285) on a grant to Enfield Council for the Enfield Chase Restoration project.</p>	28/10/19	Sadiq Khan/ Shirley Rodrigues	<p>Mayoral approval is being sought for the allocation of £748,000 grant funding to Enfield Council for the Enfield Chase Restoration project. £225,000 will be used as both compensation and incentive payments to tenant farmers who currently occupy the land whilst the remaining £523,000 will be used for accessibility improvements and community engagement.</p> <p>The total cost of this specific project is £1.7m in which the GLA will fund 43% and the remaining 57% will be funded from external entities.</p>
MD2593*	<p>GLA Marketing Budget 2020-21</p> <p>The Mayor:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approved expenditure of up to £1,000,000 in 2020-21 on services and tools required to deliver effective marketing communications, digital communications and engagement campaigns for the GLA; 2. Delegated the decision on the allocation of funding campaigns to the Assistant Director, External Relations 	20/03/20	Sadiq Khan/ Leah Kreitzman	<p>The expenditure will be funded from the 2020-21 budget allocation. The budget is held within the External Affairs Unit (Strategy and Communications Directorate), who will be responsible for the delivery of the GLA marketing campaigns and the associated expenditure during the 2020-21 financial-year.</p>

	<p>in consultation with the Mayoral Director, External & International Affairs without the need for further individual Decision Forms; and</p> <p>3. Approved the GLA's seeking, receipt and expenditure of additional sponsorship from suitable corporate partners for the activities of the GLA Marketing, Creative and Digital teams, in accordance with the Contracts and Funding Code and sponsorship policy, bringing both direct and indirect financial contributions and in-kind support to support their activities.</p>			<p>It should be noted, while it is intended that any sponsorship income secured for specific campaigns will be utilised in supplementing GLA resources. Officers will look to make efficiencies to reduce the GLA contribution to campaign costs (wherever possible).</p>
MD2626*	<p>East London Line Growth Capacity – Housing Infrastructure Fund</p> <p>Approved:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Entry by the GLA into a Grant Determination Agreement (GDA) with the Ministry of Housing Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) and Transport for London (TfL) in respect of the East London Line Growth Capacity Programme to receive up to £80.84m of Housing Infrastructure Fund (HIF) grant from MHCLG and forthwith pay it over to TfL, to commit to fund any cost overruns for TfL's Surrey Canal Road Station project, and to agree other rights and obligations as described in this Decision form; 2. A GLA commitment to allocate an amount equivalent to any fare surplus generated by the HIF-funded East London Line infrastructure for housing or infrastructure that enables housing in London on an annual basis until 31 March 2078, capped (in aggregate) at the value of the HIF funding paid by MHCLG to the GLA under the GDA; 3. A delegation to the Executive Director of Housing and Land to approve and enter the final contractual documentation; and 	16/07/20	Sadiq Khan/ Tom Copley	<p>By entering the GDA to access the £80.84 million of HIF grant the GLA is committing to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • accepting a capped risk of £8.53 million (plus interest) for the repayment of grant drawn for Preliminary Costs; • accepting the risk of cost overruns on the Surrey Canal Road Station; and • allocating an amount equivalent to any fare surplus generated by the East London Line for housing (or infrastructure that enables housing) in London, on an annual basis until 31 March 2078, capped (in aggregate) at the value of the HIF funding paid by MHCLG to the GLA. <p>More commentary on these risks is included with part 2 of this decision.</p>

	<p>4. Entry by the GLA into a Memorandum of Understanding with TfL to agree that the GLA will cover TfL's liability to repay Housing Infrastructure Fund grant to MHCLG in respect of preliminary costs in certain circumstances (up to a cap of £8.53m plus interest in accordance with the GDA) and setting out how the GLA and TfL will work together with regard to their respective rights and obligations under the GDA.</p>			
<p>MD2620</p>	<p>Life off the Streets – 2020-21 extension of rough sleeping services</p> <p>Approved:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Expenditure of £8.275m comprising: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. £0.063m to extend the Rapid Response Outreach team; b. £0.172m for the expansion of CHAIN (and vary the GLA's contract with St Mungo's for this service); c. £0.15m to expand Tenancy Sustainment Teams (and vary the GLA's contracts with St Mungo's and Thames Reach for this service); d. £0.04m grant funding of Groundswell Homeless Health Peer Advocacy (HHPA); e. £7.85m exercising the contractual option to extend for one year the GLA's core rough sleeping services which includes: No Second Night Out (NSNO), Routes Home, Clearing House, Tenancy Sustainment Teams (TSTs), London Street Rescue (LSR) and CHAIN; and 2. An exemption from the requirements of the GLA's Contracts and Funding Code in relation to the proposed variations of existing contracts with St Mungo's and Thames Reach, where relevant, to deliver expanded services as set out in (b) and (c) above. 	<p>07/10/20</p>	<p>Sadiq Khan/ Tom Copley</p>	<p>This decision requests an approval for the expenditure of £8.275m as summarised in paragraph 1.5 and detailed in section 2 above.</p> <p>This expenditure will be funded from the 2020-21 rough sleeping budget of £14.01m.</p>

MD2691	European Social Fund commitment of additional funding to London Borough of Ealing Approved: The commitment and award of an additional £6,205,000 European Social Fund (ESF) to the London Borough of Ealing to support additional activity for newly unemployed individuals under ESF Priority Axis 1 “Inclusive Labour Markets”.	07/10/20	Sadiq Khan/ Jules Pipe	Approval is being sought for the award and commitment of £6,205,000 ESF funding to the London Borough of Ealing to support unemployed individuals in West London into employment. The requested funds are in addition to their existing Work and Health Programme which is required to be further enhanced following the impact of Covid-19. It should be noted that the GLA is the designated Body for the management and administration of the ESF funding on behalf of DWP therefore this request will not impact GLA funds. The European Programmes Management Unit (EPMU) will continue to be responsible for managing the programme on behalf of the GLA.
MD2693	Adult Education Budget 2019-20 Audit and Reconciliations Approach Approved: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A change to the AEB audit approach (MD2544), allowing the first round of AEB Grant audits to be delivered as in-year 2020/21 audits; and 2. The proposed approach to financial reconciliations for errors identified during AEB Procured 2019/20 audits, to limit the value of funds recovered to those above the provider’s operational delivery costs for the Academic Year. 	07/10/20	Sadiq Khan/ Jules Pipe	There are no direct financial implications to the GLA arising from both proposals. Any additional costs arising from the delay in the first round of AEB Grant audits, will be contained within the AEB budget delegated to the GLA by the Department for Education. Any clawback recovered against the AEB Procured providers will revert to the AEB budget.
MD2694	Skills for Londoners Framework consultation report – 2021/22 Approved:	07/10/20	Sadiq Khan/ Jules Pipe	There are no direct financial implications arising from the publication of the report.

	The publication of the Skills for Londoners Framework consultation report (attached as Appendix A).			
MD2699	<p>Open Doors London</p> <p>Approved:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The payment by the Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime of a revenue grant of £160,000 to the Authority pursuant to section 121 of the Greater London Authority Act 1999, and the receipt of that grant by the Authority; and 2. GLA expenditure of up to £160,000 in 2020/21 through grant funding to Sported Foundation, for the Open Doors London programme. 	22/10/20	Sadiq Khan/ Debbie Weekes- Bernard	The income and expenditure will be contained and managed by the 2020/21 Sport Unites programme held within the Team London & Community Sport Unit.
MD2692	<p>Getting Building Fund allocation for London</p> <p>The Mayor:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. approves the receipt of £22.1 million grant income from the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government; 2. approves the expenditure of £22.1 million towards the delivery of the capital investment proposals set out in section 2 and Appendix A of this report; and 3. delegates authority to the following staff members acting jointly or separately to approve expenditure within the £22.1 million budget the subject of decision 2 above: (a) the Executive Director Good Growth; (b) the Head of Regeneration; (c) the Assistant Director, Culture and Creative Industries Unit; and (d) the Assistant Director for Transport, Infrastructure and Connectivity. 	29/10/20	Sadiq Khan/ Jules Pipe	<p>The Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government has awarded the GLA a capital grant of £22.1m from its Getting Building Fund to help stimulate London's economic activities following the COVID-19 pandemic. Therefore, this decision seeks approval for the receipt and expenditure of this grant.</p> <p>The Authority has identified existing capital and shovel-ready projects which the grant will be spent on.</p>
MD2703	<p>European Social Fund - London Call 3</p> <p>Approved:</p>	29/10/20	Sadiq Khan/ Jules Pipe	Approval is being sought for the commitment and award of ESF up to a total of £10 million. All expenditure will

	<p>The award of an estimated £5m European Social Fund (ESF), and up to a maximum of £10m ESF, depending on the volume and quality of the project applications received. The projects, which will complete delivery by 31 December 2020, will address digital inclusion issues which are preventing ESF project participants in London from fully engaging with project support.</p>			<p>be incurred by 31 December 2020 and claimed within financial year 2020-21.</p> <p>It should be noted that the GLA is the designated Body for the management and administration of the ESF funding on behalf of DWP, therefore this decision will not impact GLA funds. Should changes in the sterling/euro exchange rate result in fluctuations in individual claims, and in turn the overall total level of funding required, EPMU officers should ensure variations are authorised in line with the financial delegation limits.</p>
<p>MD2705</p>	<p>Relocation of City Hall to the Royal Docks</p> <p>The Mayor (including in his capacity as the occupant of MOPAC):</p> <p>I. Agrees, in principle, to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the relocation of City Hall to The Crystal in accordance with Option 2 (as set out below); and • the exercise of the break clause in the GLA’s lease of City Hall before 25 December 2020. <p>II. Delegates (as relevant to their respective organisations) to (i) the GLA’s Chief Officer and (ii) MOPAC’s Chief Executive, authority to take all steps either considers necessary or expedient for the purposes of the relocation of City Hall to The Crystal, together with additional accommodation at Union Street, and any other associated contingency accommodation and supplementary arrangements arising, including (without limitation):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to the GLA’s Chief Officer to exercise the break clause in the GLA’s lease of City Hall (including deciding the 	<p>02/11/20</p>	<p>Sadiq Khan/ David Bellamy</p>	<p>If the Mayor’s decision is to leave City Hall and relocate to the Crystal under Option 2, this decision seeks approval for expenditure up to £17.5m for the City Hall relocation programme from Tower Bridge to the Royal Docks and Union Street. Dilapidation costs will be accounted for separately as the GLA has been accruing a provision under the obligations under the current lease contract terms.</p> <p>The one-off relocation costs will be funded from GLA reserves and the Transformation Programme budget in 2020-21 and 2021-22 pending savings being delivered. More details will be described in the GLA: Mayor Budget for 2021-22.</p>

	<p>date on which to serve the break clause notice) on or before 25 December 2020;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to the GLA’s Chief Officer to agree the details of the Assembly’s accommodation at Union Street if that is to be pursued, subject to funding for any additional costs being agreed as this is not included in the scope of the proposed project budget; • to approve the appointment of professional consultants, contractors or other service providers and enter into any relevant contracts pursuant to this decision; • to allocate and direct all expenditure within the approved budget for the GLA and MOPAC’s relocation; • to the GLA’s Chief Officer to approve the terms of a lease agreement between the GLA and GLA Land and Property Limited for use of The Crystal and surrounding land, and to sign the lease on behalf of the GLA and any other leases and licences required to enable occupation of The Crystal by the GLA and/or MOPAC; • to the GLA’s Chief Officer to approve the terms of licence or other arrangements for the occupation of the additional accommodation required at Union Street and for any other space required temporarily to meet contingency arrangements; and • to the GLA’s Chief Officer to approve the terms of any planning and highway related agreements required to apply for and implement the planning permission related to The Crystal and to sign such agreements on behalf of the GLA. <p>III. Approves GLA expenditure of up to £17.5m for the relocation programme from City Hall to The Crystal and Union Street, comprising a £14m project budget and a</p>			
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	contingent sum of £3.5m (25% of project budget, in accordance with standard practices) to meet any unforeseen costs arising throughout the life of the project. This sum to include the reasonable costs of MOPAC's relocation.			
DD2493	<p>Community Improvement Districts: Research Support</p> <p>Approved:</p> <p>Expenditure of £20,000 revenue from the Good Growth Fund, approved with delegated authority from the Mayor (see MD2163 and subsequently DD2225), by way of grant to the Centre for London to support research into new models of town centre governance.</p>	07/10/20	Philip Graham	This will be funded by the 2020-21 Good Growth revenue budget held within the Regeneration and Economic Development Unit.
DD2492	<p>Insecure Immigration Status</p> <p>Approved:</p> <p>Expenditure of up to £689,000 to support work on insecure immigration status across the European Londoner, Insecure Status and Rough Sleeping programmes as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. £298,000 to commission a pan-London training programme in order to secure children's residency and citizenship rights, and to grant fund local authorities to identify and support non-UK national children in their care; 2. £264,000 to deliver a grant funding programme and make the first tranche of grant payments to increase immigration advice capacity for Londoners sleeping rough; 3. £115,000 to contribute towards a new small grants programme to increase awareness of the EU Settlement Scheme through outreach, supported by commissioning video production and printing costs to improve the reach of information; and 	12/10/20	Sarah Mulley	<p>This expenditure of £689,000 will be funded by the CSP Social Integration budget as approved via MD2680.</p> <p>The Migrant Rough Sleepers programme budget of £264,000 will be transferred to the Rough Sleeping team within the Housing & Land Directorate.</p>

	4. £12,000 to update guidance for young Londoners with insecure immigration status and increase understanding of these issues.			
DD2501	Civil Society Roots 2 Approved: Expenditure of £200,000 for Civil Society Roots 2, comprising of £50,000 for the delivery of an incubator programme and up to £150,000 for collaboration development grants.	26/10/20	Sarah Mulley	This expenditure of £200,000 will be funded by the CSP Community Engagement budget as approved via MD2680.
DD2498	Costs in the legal challenge to the Riverside Energy Park Generating Stations Order 2020 Approved: Expenditure of: 1. £25,000 to the Secretary of State; 2. £30,000 to Cory Environmental Limited; and 3. £5,925 to cover outstanding GLA legal costs (taking the total authorised expenditure on legal costs to £45,925)	02/11/20	Philip Graham	The total costs of the challenge, including GLA's legal costs of £40,000 approved under ADD2457, is £100,925. This is being funded from the Environment Waste budget (£90,000) which now incorporates the CORY Incinerator Development programme and available funds from the Energy Efficiency budget (£11,000).
ADD2428*	Transport for London Revenue Grant to OPDC Approved: The transfer of £30,000 from TfL to OPDC by way of a revenue grant under section 121 of the GLA Act.	24/02/20	Patrick Dubeck	The cost of the feasibility study is estimated at £150,000 based on schemes of similar scope and will be part funded from the £30,000 revenue grant from TfL. The remaining fund required of £120,000 will be from OPDC's 2020-21 revenue budget. The expenditure for the project is subject to approval under OPDC's decision making framework.
ADD2467	Land Registry - National Polygon Service Approved: 1. Expenditure of up to £40,000 on the 2020/2021 and 2021/22 National Polygon Service from the Land Registry; and	19/10/20	Jeremy Skinner	The costs will be funded from the Intelligence Unit's City Data & GIS budget for 2020-21 and 2021-22. It should be noted that 2021-22 budget would be subject to 2021-22 budget setting process.

	<p>2. A related exemption from the requirement of section 9 of the GLA Contracts and Funding Code to allow the GLA to enter into contract with the Land Registry without a competitive procurement exercise.</p>			
ADD2469	<p>Subscription to Molior London</p> <p>Approved:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The expenditure of up to £24,000: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • purchase 30 licences for at least one year (and up to three years) subscription to services provided by 'Molior London'; and 2. Procurement of licences via a single source route: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the exemption from the standard procurement route has been accepted on the basis that there is complete absence of competition and the need for continuation of service to facilitate on-going work of the GLA Viability Team, the GLA Planning Data Team and the GLA Housing & Land Team. 	02/11/20	Lucinda Turner	<p>The approved expenditure of £24,000 will cover up to 3 years depending on the benefits and effectiveness of the system.</p> <p>The cost will be funded 50/50 by the Development Management Viability budget and the Housing and Land management and consultancy budget. Necessary arrangements will be agreed by the relevant finance contacts and appropriate accounting treatment will be applied at year-end reporting.</p>
ADD2472	<p>Research into Covid-19 and financial hardship</p> <p>Approved:</p> <p>Expenditure of £30,000 for a third party to prepare, for the GLA, an analysis measuring the financial impact of recent welfare reform on London households, and for the promotion and dissemination of the findings.</p>	02/11/20	Tom Rahilly	<p>This expenditure of £30,000 will be funded by the 2020/21 CSP Equality & Fairness budget as approved via MD2680.</p>
ADD2473	<p>NFL Flag Football pilot</p> <p>Approved:</p> <p>Expenditure of £50,000 in the form of grant funding (£35,000 in 2020/21 and £15,000 in 2021/22) under the Sport Unites element of the Young Londoners Fund (approved under MD2265), comprising:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Up to £30,000 to fund the NFL Flag Football and mentoring programme 	02/11/20	Alice Wilcock	<p>This expenditure of £50,000 will be funded by the YLF Sports Unites budget as per the profile stated above.</p> <p>The NFL is also contributing £50,000 towards these pilot programmes.</p>

	2) Up to £20,000, to fund a community organisation and programme of American Flag Football focusing on young women and girls. This includes upskilling the community organisation to deliver American Flag Football projects in the future.			
ADD2474	<p>New duty on the Greater London Authority to support victims and their children in domestic abuse safe accommodation</p> <p>Approved:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) receipt of £50,000 of funding from the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) to prepare for the proposed new duty on the Greater London Authority, set out in the Domestic Abuse Bill, to assess the need for and commission support to victims and their children in domestic abuse safe accommodation in London; and 2) expenditure of up to £50,000 across 2020/21 and 2021/22 to procure a contractor and other services to support the preparation for the new duty. 	02/11/20	Rickardo Hyatt	<p>This decision requests approval:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to receive £50,000 of revenue funding from MHCLG to prepare for the new duty on the Greater London Authority to assess the need for and commission support to victims and their children in domestic abuse safe accommodation in London; and • to expend up to £50,000 to procure a contractor and other services to support the preparation for the new duty. The indicative profile is £35,000 in 2020/21 and £15,000 in 2021/22.
DMFD55*	<p>New Cross Fire Station, Alterations to Facilitate Creation of Community Hub</p> <p>Authorised:</p> <p>The London Fire Commissioner to spend up to £411,000 to complete the works at New Cross Fire Station.</p>	03/03/20	Fiona Twycross	<p>The scheme is included within the approved minor works capital budget. The cost of the planned works is £357,000 and if this is funded from external borrowing and based on a useful life of 10 years, the annual revenue debt charges will be £47,000, being £36,000 for the repayment of borrowing and £11,000 in interest payments at a projected rate of 3%.</p> <p>There are no additional financial implications for the GLA.</p>
DMFD76*	<p>Gym Equipment Contract</p> <p>Authorised:</p>	29/07/20	Fiona Twycross	<p>The annual cost for this contract in years one to three is £84,000, based on fixed cost of £18,000 for planned maintenance</p>

	The London Fire Commissioner to approve the expenditure of up to £423,000 for the procurement of the maintenance and supply of gym equipment by Sportsafe Ltd.			and a budget of £66,000 for reactive maintenance. The reactive costs are estimated for repairs needed for the equipment and based on previous spend. Allowing for inflation of the fixed cost element in the final, optional, two years of the contract, the total cost of this contract over five years is up to £423,000. These costs can be met through existing property budgets. There are no additional financial implications for the GLA.
DMFD77*	Asbestos Consultancy Services Contract Authorised: The London Fire Commissioner to incur expenditure of up to £940,000 for the procurement of an asbestos consultancy services contract.	03/08/20	Fiona Twycross	There are no additional financial implications for the GLA.
DMFD88	Extension of Cleaning Provision across the London Fire Brigade Estate Authorised: The London Fire Commissioner to incur expenditure of up to £1,196,000 to increase the cleaning provision across the London Fire Brigade's (LFB) operational estate in response to COVID-19 for a further period of up to 26 weeks until 19 March 2021.	30/09/20	Fiona Twycross	The impact of this spend is included in the Quarter 1 Financial position report and is also being monitored through COVID-19 reporting. This spend contributes to the forecast overspend position for 2020/21, set out in the financial position report. If savings cannot be identified to meet this then it may result in a draw down on the General Reserve. The initial period of additional cleaning has been included in the COVID-19 costs. MD2671 approved funding of £1.761 million from the GLA to the London Fire Commissioner to support COVID-19 response costs. On the assumption these costs are to continue, a growth bid has been submitted for 2021/22 to fund this additional

				requirement and will be considered as part of the 2021/22 budget process.
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