

Subject: Action Taken Under Delegated Authority

Report to: Housing Committee

Report of: Executive Director of Secretariat

Date: 9 February 2021

This report will be considered in public

1. Summary

- 1.1 This report sets out recent actions taken by the Chair of the Housing Committee under delegated authority.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 **That the Committee notes the actions taken by the Chair under delegated authority, following consultation with party Group Lead Members, namely to agree:**
- (a) **The Committee's response to the technical shared ownership consultation, as attached at Appendix 1; and**
 - (b) **The Committee's *5 Steps to Build on 'Everyone In' in London* report, as attached at Appendix 2.**
- 2.2 **That the Committee ratifies the signing, by the Chair on behalf of the Committee, of the letter sent on 8 January 2021 from the All-Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) on Leasehold and Commonhold Reform to The Rt Hon Robert Jenrick MP, following informal consultation with party Group Lead Members, as attached at Appendix 3.**
- 2.3 **That the Committee notes its work programme as agreed under delegated authority by the Chair of the GLA Oversight Committee on 3 December 2020.**

3. Background

- 3.1 Under Standing Orders and the Assembly's Scheme of Delegation, certain decisions by Members can be taken under delegated authority. This report details those actions.

Technical Shared Ownership Consultation Response

- 3.2 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.

COVID-19, Rough Sleeping and Homelessness

- 3.3 At its meeting on 10 November 2020, the Committee held a meeting on COVID-19, Rough Sleeping and Homelessness in London and resolved:

That authority be delegated to the Chair, in consultation with party Group Lead Members, to agree any output from the discussion.

APPG Letter on Fire Safety Remediation Costs

- 3.4 On 4 January 2021, the APPG on Leasehold and Commonhold Reform invited the Committee to sign their letter to The Rt Hon Robert Jenrick MP supporting leaseholders living in high-rise private residential buildings who may be facing substantial retrospective remedial safety-work bills.

4. Issues for Consideration

- 4.1 Following consultation with the lead Members of the party Groups on the Committee, the Chair agreed a response to the technical shared ownership consultation, as attached at **Appendix 1**.
- 4.2 Following consultation with the lead Members of the party Groups on the Committee, the Chair agreed the *5 Steps to Build on 'Everyone In' in London* report, attached as **Appendix 2**.
- 4.3 The Committee is asked to note the actions taken by the Chair under delegated authority.
- 4.4 Following informal consultation with party Group Lead Members, the Chair agreed to be a signatory to the letter from the APPG on Leasehold and Commonhold Reform sent to the Secretary of State. The letter is attached as **Appendix 3**.
- 4.5 The Committee is asked to ratify the signing of the APPG letter.
- 4.6 On the 3 December 2020, the Chair of the GLA Oversight Committee approved the proposed London Assembly timetable and work programme for January – March 2021. The Committee is asked to note its work programme as outlined under this delegated authority.

5. Legal Implications

- 5.1 The Committee has the power to do what is recommended in the report.

6. Financial Implications

6.1 There are no direct financial implications to the Greater London Authority arising from this report.

List of appendices to this report:

Appendix 1 – Response to the Mayor of London’s Consultation on Intermediate Housing, 9 October 2020

Appendix 2 – *5 Steps to Build on ‘Everyone In’ in London* report, January 2021

Appendix 3 – APPG Letter, 8 January 2021

Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

List of Background Papers:

Member Delegated Authority Form 1256 (Shared Ownership Consultation Response)

Member Delegated Authority Form 1244 (Rough Sleeping Report)

Member Delegated Authority Form 1251 (Proposed London Assembly Timetable and Work Programme January – March 2021)

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