

GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY

By email

Our Ref: **MGLA220317-6578**

21 April 2017

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request for information about the decision regarding a community-led housing (CLH) hub, which the GLA received on 22 March 2017. Your request has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You requested:

I have been unable to locate anywhere on the Proceedings of the Assembly any reference to this decision. I would be grateful if you could supply me with the following information;

- The written record of the decision.*
- Information about what the next stages will be in setting up of this unit and what part of the administration will it be part of?*
- What will be the Terms of Reference of the Hub and how will it be staffed?*
- How will the public and persons active in the relevant sectors be informed of the setting up of the Hub and what information will be made available to the general public?*
- How will the work of the Hub be scrutinised?*
- How does the GLA intend to liaise with the London Boroughs?*

The project is in the very early stages so we do not hold information in relation to all your questions at this point. However there are some requests for specific information that we can answer now:

Written record

The written record of the decision is on our website under 4.16 and 4.17 on this page: <https://www.london.gov.uk/moderngov/mgAi.aspx?ID=24230> . In the process of locating this information we realised that there is an error on this page. The vote was 23 for and 0 against - not 2 against, as recorded here. The two abstained but we do not record abstentions. The Secretariat will be amending this page shortly.

Terms of reference

We do not have formal terms of reference. However, these bullet points are the working outline of what the hub will seek to do.

- A first point of contact via an online and physical presence for anyone interested in getting involved in community-led housing in London, including signposting and information sharing.

- Capacity building for communities: Information sharing, peer-to-peer learning, site visits, knowledge building and sharing, technical skills training, facilitating CLH group formation and growth.
- Technical support for projects, e.g. surgeries, workshops, access to technical experts.
- Partnership brokering with funders, land owners, technical service providers, mortgage lenders and others providing further capacity building.

Scrutiny

Assembly Members may pick it up as an item for the Housing Committee or ask a question to the Mayor as part of Mayor's Question Time.

If you have any further questions relating to this matter, please contact me, quoting the reference at the top of this letter.

Yours sincerely

Ruth Phillips

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<https://www.london.gov.uk/about-us/governance-and-spending/sharing-our-information/freedom-information>