

# GREATER **LONDON** AUTHORITY

## REQUEST FOR ASSISTANT DIRECTOR DECISION – ADD2359

**Title: Procurement Advice – GLA and London Legacy Development Corporation**

### **Executive Summary:**

The GLA is working with London Legacy Development Corporation (LLDC) to explore options for procuring development partners for elements of the latter's Stratford Waterfront and Pudding Mill Lane sites.

Approval is sought to expend £15,000 on external legal advice to assess the feasibility of these options.

### **Decision:**

That the Assistant Director of Housing approves expenditure of £15,000 to obtain the legal advice noted above.

### **AUTHORISING ASSISTANT DIRECTOR/HEAD OF UNIT**

I have reviewed the request and am satisfied it is correct and consistent with the Mayor's plans and priorities.

It has my approval.

**Name:** Rickardo Hyatt

**Position:** Assistant Director of Housing

**Signature:**



**Date:**

13 August 2019

## **PART I - NON-CONFIDENTIAL FACTS AND ADVICE**

### **Decision required – supporting report**

#### **1. Introduction and background**

- 1.1. LLDC is responsible for building on the success of the London 2012 Games and the creation of Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park to develop a dynamic new heart for east London, creating opportunities for local people and driving innovation and growth in London and the UK. LLDC has a portfolio of land assets within its control, which it is seeking to bring forward to support this objective.
- 1.2. Two key assets in its portfolio are Stratford Waterfront and Pudding Mill Lane. Stratford Waterfront forms part of the Cultural and Education District which will bring together world class education and cultural organisations, including University College London, University of the Arts London's London College of Fashion, Victoria and Albert Museum and Sadler's Wells. The project is expected to deliver 3,000 jobs, 1.5 million additional visitors to the Park and an estimated £2.8 billion of economic value to Stratford and the surrounding area. The site will also deliver approximately 600 homes.
- 1.3. Pudding Mill Lane will be a new residential led-neighbourhood and local centre focused around Pudding Mill Lane DLR Station. In light of proposals for the Cultural and Education District and the wider LLDC area, the opportunity has been taken to revisit the Pudding Mill masterplan to ensure that it appropriately responds to its changing context, as well as contributing towards meeting local housing need.
- 1.4. GLA is working with LLDC to explore options for procuring development partners for the residential elements of these two sites with a view to bringing them to the market later this year.

#### **2. Objectives and expected outcomes**

- 2.1. GLA requires external legal advice in reviewing the procurement options. Expenditure of £15,000 is requested to enable this. Herbert Smith Freehills will provide the legal advice to GLA.

#### **3. Equality comments**

- 3.1. This decision is not expected to have a negative impact on those with protected characteristics (age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, gender, religion or belief, sexual orientation).

#### **4. Financial comments**

- 4.1. This decision requests approval to spend £15,000 on external legal advice as detailed above. This expenditure will be funded from the Housing and Land Management and Consultancy budget.

#### **5. Planned delivery approach and next steps**

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Timeline</b>
Review of procurement options for the sites (in conjunction with LLDC)	July – September 2019
Approvals	September – November 2019

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**Part 1 - Deferral**

**Is the publication of Part 1 of this approval to be deferred? NO**

If YES, for what reason:

Until what date: (a date is required if deferring)

**Part 2 – Sensitive information**

Only the facts or advice that would be exempt from disclosure under FoIA should be included in the separate Part 2 form, together with the legal rationale for non-publication.

**Is there a part 2 form –NO**

**ORIGINATING OFFICER DECLARATION:**

Drafting officer to  
confirm the  
following (✓)

**Drafting officer:**

Lauren Noble has drafted this report in accordance with GLA procedures and confirms the following:

✓

**Corporate Investment Board**

This decision was agreed by the Corporate Investment Board on 12 August 2019.

**ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE:**

I confirm that financial and legal implications have been appropriately considered in the preparation of this report.

**Signature**



**Date**

13.08.19

