

Mayor's Report to the Assembly, 17th December 2008

Background Document – List of Decisions recorded between 30th October to 3rd December 2008.

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| Ref | Decision | Date | Approved by | Policy Director/ Mayoral Adviser | Financial Implications | Comments |
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| MD 74 | <p>Approved:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The continuation of the London Child Poverty Commission (LCPC), jointly sponsored with London Councils to March 2010 in order to help London meet the national child poverty reductions targets. 2. The London child Poverty Commission budget allocation for the 2008/09 financial-year and the continuation of the joint secretariat from GLA and London Councils. 3. The appointment of Kate Green OBE, to the office of Chair of the Commission for the period April 2008 to March 2009 on the terms and conditions set out within this approval form, and the appointment of additional commissioners broadening the policy area based covered by the | 17/11/08 | Boris Johnson | Richard Barnes | The 2008/09 costs for the LCPC work programme is estimated at £20,910 and will be funded from the 2008/09 Poverty Programme budget (£20,000) and the Social Inclusion Programme budget (£1,000). | |

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| | <p>commission.</p> <p>4. The GLA's commitments to the joint HM Treasury, Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) and the Department for Children Schools and Families London Child Poverty Pledge.</p> | | | | | |
| MD 134 | <p>Agreed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The work programme of the London Climate Change Partnership for the remainder of 2008/09. 2. To accept £50,000 of funding from Defra for use in the work of the London Climate Change Partnership for 2008/09. 3. To release £3,000 from the GLA's 2007/08 Environment programme to the London Climate Change Partnership under s30 of the Greater London Authority Act 1999 4. To increase the budget for the London Climate Change Partnership accordingly | 3/12/08 | Boris Johnson | Isabel Dedring | <p>The full budget for LCCP 2008/09 is £127,000 broken down as follows</p> <p>Income in advance £47,000 (2007/08) DEFRA Funding £50,000 GLA Contribution £30,000 Total £127,000</p> <p>The GLA contribution is to be met from the 2008/09 Environment Programme budget.</p> | |
| MD 169 | <p>Agreed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the content of the draft London Housing Strategy is approved for publication. 2. That Housing in London 2008 is approved for publication. | 02/11/08 | Boris Johnson | Richard Blakeway | <p>There are no direct costs associated with agreeing the contents of these reports.</p> | |

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| | 3. That authority is given to the Executive Director of Policy & Partnerships to approve minor editorial changes that do not fundamentally affect the substance of the strategy. | | | | | |
| MD 165 | <p>Agreed:</p> <p>Expenditure of £110,000 on the sixth London Schools and the Black Child conference, to be held at the Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre on 7 February 2009 (tbc).</p> <p>To waive the GLA's Contracts Code of Practice to enable the conference to be held at the Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre, Westminster, SW1</p> | 3/12/08 | Boris Johnson | Richard Barnes | The full budget is £110,000 to be funded £60,000 from the 2008/09 Stakeholders Programme budget and £50,000 via sponsorship. | |
| MD 168 | <p>Agreed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The proposed programme of works and budget for the London Hydrogen Partnership (LHP) for 2008/09. 2. Allocation of £30,000 from the 2008/09 Energy Team's budget to the LHP Budget to support the funding of the LHP to support the work on sustainable energy | 3/12/08 | Boris Johnson | Isabel Dedring | <p>The full cost is expected to be £250,000.</p> <p>This is to be funded £162,000 from external income broken down as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - LDA £79,000 - TfL £1,000 - Air Products £12,000 - Other Income £70,000 <p>The GLA will contribute £88,000 to be funded from</p> | |

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| | <p>in London.</p> <p>3. Acceptance of income in the sum of £74,000 from ten LHP Executive Board members to the GLA to support the work of the LHP.</p> <p>4. The expenditure of the total budget for the LHP in line with the partnership's work programme.</p> | | | | the 2008/09 Environment budget. | |
| MD 171 | <p>Agreed:</p> <p>1. The proposed programme of work and budget for the London Energy Partnership (LEP) for 2008/09.</p> <p>2. The receipt of £50,000 from Warmzones to support the work of the LEP on sustainable energy in London in 2008/09 and 2009/10.</p> <p>3. The allocation of £30,000 from the Energy Team 2008/09 budget to the LEP 2008/09 budget to support the work of the LEP on sustainable energy in London.</p> | 03/12/08 | Boris Johnson | Isabel Dedring | <p>The full cost is expected to be £225,210.</p> <p>This is to be funded £195,210 from external income broken down as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Income In Adv. £161,660 - British Gas £10,000 - CSEP/BRE £1,050 - Argent £10,000 - Warm Zones £12,500 <p>The GLA will contribute £30,000 to be funded from the 2008/09 Environment Programme budget.</p> | |

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| MD 173 | Following a review and subject to the joint agreement of the London Assembly, agreed that the Authority's Expenses & Benefits Framework be amended in order to pay, from the date of approval onwards, the revised allowances for Independent Members of the Authority's Standards Committee (namely, £1,176 per annum to the Chair of the Committee and £558 per annum to other Independent Members in addition to expenses and training costs), in line with the payments made by the MPA and LFEPA to their Independent Standards Members. | 02/11/08 | Boris Johnson | Ian Clement | All costs are to be contained within existing budget provisions. | |
| MD 176 | <p>Agreed</p> <p>1. Commencement of a pan-EU (OJEU) compliant tender exercise to procure specialist consultancy services for a period of for the next three and a half years to assist the Planning Decisions Unit (PDU) and Environment Team to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ensure strategic new development is compliant with London Plan climate change policies, and • make the fullest contribution to wider objectives such as the carbon dioxide savings (CO₂) reduction and centralized energy targets for | 3/12/08 | Boris Johnson | Isabel Dedring | The estimated total cost of this contract is £297,500 at circa £85,000 per annum. For 2008/09 costs will be contained within the Environment programme budget. | |

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| | <p>London by 2025.</p> <p>2. Delegation of power to the Executive Director of Policy & Partnerships to approve any award of contract to the organization submitting the most economically advantageous submission.</p> | | | | | |
| MD 178 | <p>Agreed the launch of the Mayor's Priority Parks Programme, which will include the process for voting for parks under the main programme and the process for selecting one park for the 'Premier' award.</p> <p>The preliminary development and negotiation of entering into funding agreements with London Boroughs for the delivery of parks improvements under this programme, which will be subject to further approval.</p> | 22/11/08 | Boris Johnson | Isabel Dedring | <p>The Priority Parks Programme is expected to cost up to £6m and it is proposed that it is part funded by the GLA, LDA & TFL, spanning 4 financial years from 2008/09 to 2011/12.</p> <p>The phasing of expenditure and funding arrangements have not yet been finalised and will be subject to further approval.</p> | |
| MD 179 | <p>Consented to the LDA making a transfer of £500,000 to TfL as the agencies contribution to the creation of Braham Street Park by TfL.</p> | 31/10/08 | Boris Johnson | Simon Milton | <p>There are no direct financial implications to the GLA.</p> | |
| MD 180 | <p>Consented to the LDA making a transfer of £85,000 to TfL in 2008/09 for design consultancy services to Docklands Light Railway Limited.</p> | 14/11/08 | Boris Johnson | Simon Milton | <p>There are no direct financial implications to the GLA.</p> | |

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| MD 185 | Agreed the draft Terms of Reference for the Homes and Communities Agency London Board, subject to an acceptable outcome on the scheme of delegation to the London Board. | 23/11/08 | Boris Johnson | Richard Blakeway | There are no direct financial implications to the GLA. | |
| MD 186 | Approved the public consultation draft of the London Development Agency's Corporate Investment Strategy 2009-13, subject to any final minor drafting amendments to be agreed between GLA officers and the LDA. | 31/10/08 | Boris Johnson | Anthony Browne | There are no direct financial implications to the GLA. | |
| MD 187 | Agreed the revised Authorised Limits for Transport for London and the London Development Agency for the use from 1 April 2008. | 02/11/08 | Boris Johnson | Simon Milton | Tfl now requires an Authorised Limit of £3,280 million in 2008/09 and £4,380 million in 2009/10. LDA now requires an Authorised Limit of £438.9 million in 2008/09, £466.3 million in 2009/10 and £541.0 million in 2010/11. | |
| MD 189 | Confirmed: 1. Decision to establish with effect from 7 October 2008 the following post under S67 (1) (b) Greater London Authority Act 1999 (as amended) ("the GLA Act 1999") • Mayoral Director, Environment 2. Decision to establish with effect | 14/11/08 | Boris Johnson | Simon Milton | The costs associated of the posts will be met from the Mayor's Office salary budget. | |

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| | <p>from 22 September 2008 the following post under S67 (1) (a) of the GLA Act 1999.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Political Advisor <p>3. Decision to establish with effect from 22 September 2008 the following post under s67 (1) (b) GLA Act 1999</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mayoral Director, Housing <p>4. Decision to appoint Isobel Deding to the Mayoral Director, Environment post, Richard Blakeway to the Mayoral Director, Housing post, and Alex Crowley to the political advisor post.</p> <p>Agreed:</p> <p>5. To notify the Assembly of the establishment of these posts under S67 (1) (a) and (b) of the GLA Act 1999 in accordance with S67(5) of the GLA Act 1999</p> | | | | | |
| MD 190 | <p>Agreed that the Mayor recommends to the Minister for Housing the distribution of £438,000,000 from London's share of national housing resources as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The distribution of £144,817,000 | 23/11/08 | Boris Johnson | Richard Blakeway | There are no direct financial implications to the GLA. | |

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| | <p>to London boroughs in 2009/10 and £145,015,000 in 2010/11 to ensure that their homes meet the Decent Homes standard.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The allocation of £28,012,000 in 2009/10 and £21,758,000 in 2010/11 to develop innovative approaches to improving the environmental performance of London's existing and new homes or to increasing the pace of development of new homes. • The provision of £59,171,000 in 2009/10 and £39,227,000 in 2010/11 to improve the condition and/or use of existing homes. | | | | | |
| MD 192 | Agreed the extension of Dr Mark Patton's tenure as a Governor of the Museum of London for a further year commencing on 21 st November 2008 (current term expires 20 th November 2008). | 14/11/08 | Boris Johnson | Simon Milton | There are no direct financial implications to the GLA. | |
| MD 193 | Agreed waiver of the Contracts Code to appoint CDPSoft Ltd to amend the London Housing Capacity Study System (LHCSS) IT system with a maximum value of up to £70,000. | 14/11/08 | Boris Johnson | Simon Milton | The estimated cost of this contract and project will be up to £70,000 and be met from the 2008/09 London Plan Programme budget. | |

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| MD 195 | <p>Agreed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. The grant of £80,000 funding as a contribution to the London Chinatown Chinese Association's (LCCA) production costs for the annual Chinese New Year (CNY) festival in central London, taking place on Sunday 1st February 2009. 2. The use of Trafalgar Square, at no cost to the LCCA, for the purpose of staging its Chinese New Year event on 1st February 2009. 3. The release of up to £15K for marketing and other activities of the GLA in relation to 2009 China in London campaign, including Shanghai Week exhibition. | 17/11/08 | Boris Johnson | Simon Milton | <p><u>Chinese New Year Festival</u> The total production cost of the event is estimated at £200,000 with the bulk of the funds raised by the LCCA, from sponsorship or as in-kind support. The GLA's contribution is £85,000 containable from within the 2008/09 Events For London budget.</p> <p><u>China In London</u> The GLA's contribution is £15,000 containable within the 2008/09 Events For London budget.</p> <p>Out of a total GLA contribution of £100,000, £40,000 is to be met from core GLA budget and £60,000 from direct LDA funding.</p> | |
| MD 198 | <p>Agreed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Subject to consultation response from London Councils, appoint to the London Pensions Fund Authority from 1st January 2009 and until 31 December 2012 Niaz Alam, Michael Deakin, Icki Iqbal, Bill Roots, Anthony Mayer, Sarah Smart and Angela Pober. | 14/11/08 | Boris Johnson | Ian Clement | There are no direct financial implications to the GLA. | |

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| | <p>2. Propose to the London Assembly, under section 60A of, and Schedule 4A to, the GLA Act 1999, appointment of Anthony Mayer as Chairman and Michael Deakin as Deputy Chairman.</p> <p>3. Maintain the current members' terms and conditions for the new appointments.</p> | | | | | |
| MD 199 | Noted the Treasury Management half-year performance report to 30 September 2008. | 14/11/08 | Boris Johnson | Simon Milton | The Authority's net investments at 30 Sept 08 was £66.35m. | |
| MD 201 | Agreed to consult the Assembly and MPA on the revised authorised borrowing limits for the MPA for use from 1 st April 2008. | 17/11/08 | Boris Johnson | Simon Milton | There are no direct financial implications to the GLA. | |
| MD 202 | Agreed the revised authorised borrowing limits for the MPA for use from 1 st April 2008. | 28/11/08 | Boris Johnson | Simon Milton | There are no direct financial implications to the GLA. | |
| MD 203 | Approved the LDA's Annual Report and Final Accounts 2007-08 | 28/11/08 | Boris Johnson | Anthony Browne | There are no direct financial implications to the GLA. | |
| MD 204 | <p>Approved:</p> <p>1. Hosting the launch of the Mayor's Framework for Equal Life Chances for All on Wednesday 26 November 2008</p> <p>2. The following documents</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consultation draft of the Mayor's Framework for Equal Life Chances for All • Consultation draft of the Mayor's | 28/11/08 | Boris Johnson | Richard Barnes | The cost of this launch is £3,200 and can be contained within the 2008/09 Equalities Programme budget. | |

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| | <p>vision for Equal Life Chances for All</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consultation draft of the GLA's Equal Life Chances for All policy statement • Consultation draft of performance indicators for measuring the success of delivery of the vision | | | | | |
| MD 205 | <p>Agreed to create, publish and distribute the Arts and Culture Direction of Travel document and to delegate authority to the Director of Arts and Culture Policy to enter into contracts and agreements with suppliers should the document be produced externally.</p> | 23/11/08 | Boris Johnson | Simon Milton | <p>The expected cost of £1,050 can be met from the 2008/09 Culture Strategy budget.</p> | |
| MD 206 | <p>Agreed:</p> <p>To nominate Roger Evans Assembly member to the EU Committee of the Regions as an alternative member for London.</p> <p>To rescind the nomination made in MD175</p> | 23/11/08 | Boris Johnson | Simon Milton | <p>There are no direct financial implications to the GLA.</p> | |
| MD 207 | <p>Approved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirmation of support for a London New Year's Eve celebration on 31st December 2008 to include a fireworks display at the London Eye and related activities. • To agree a budget of £1,649,128 from 2008/09 to cover the cost of | 18/11/08 | Boris Johnson | Dan Ritterband | <p>The estimated gross cost of the New Years Eve event 2008 is £1,750,000.</p> <p>Secured external funding is in place of £1,714,000 (sponsorship secured from Lifes Good):</p> <p>- LDA £1,414,000</p> | |

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| | <p>producing of the New Year's Eve 2008 event by Jack Morton Worldwide.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To agree further expenditure of £50,000 for event communications (print, distribution and website development and event evaluation) by the GLA. • To agree further expenditure of £50,000 for feasibility work on ticketing the event from 2009. • To note that the GLA's Sponsorship Team in liaison with the Events for London will investigate the feasibility of securing sponsorship income for the event and if sponsorship is secured to delegate to the Sponsorship Director authority to approve and sign the sponsorship agreement. | | | | <p>- Visit London £200,000 - Sponsorship £100,000</p> <p>The GLA contribution for the rest of the funding is for £36,000 is to be met from the 2008/09 Project Development Fund budget.</p> | |
| MD 208 | <p>Approved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christmas Carol service at Southwark Cathedral on Wednesday 10 December 2008 • To waive the GLA's Contracts Code of Practice to enable the event to be held at Southwark Cathedral | 19/11/08 | Boris Johnson | Richard Barnes | <p>The cost of £12,000 can be contained within the 2008/09 London Stakeholders Programme budget.</p> | |

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| MD 210 | <p>Agreed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To appoint Leo Boland to the permanent Chief Executive and Greater London Returning Officer position, recognising this is a joint appointment with the Assembly, and subject to approval by the Assembly 2. To increase the Chief Executive's salary to £205,000 per annum. | 25/11/08 | Boris Johnson | Simon Milton | The increase in the Chief Executives salary will be contained within the 2008/09 GLA salary budget and built into budget provision for future years. | |
| MD 212 | <p>Agreed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The allocation of £65,000 to develop, review, produce and promote the Mayor's statutory and non-statutory equality strategies for London. 2. To reorganise programme funding, moving resources from a number of project codes to increase resources in 'Development and Implementation of Equality Schemes' budget code to meet the teams objectives and statutory equality requirements. | 14/11/08 | Boris Johnson | Richard Barnes | The cost of £65,000 can be contained within the Equalities Programme budget. | |
| MD 214 | <p>Approved:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. An event on Trafalgar Square to celebrate the Jewish festival of Chanukah | 3/12/08 | Boris Johnson | Dan Ritterband | The estimated cost of £45,000 will be met from LDA income as part of annual agreement for cultural events. | |

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| | <p>2. To erect a large community designed Menorah onto Trafalgar Square for the duration of Chanukah in 2008</p> <p>3. For the GLA to take temporary custody of the Menorah and directly procure remedial work to allow for safe transport, installation, removal and post event storage.</p> <p>4. For the procurement and entry into an agreement for the event management services for an unveiling and lighting event at an agreed date within the period of Chanukah on Trafalgar Square.</p> | | | | | |
| MD 218 | <p>Approved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposed draft alterations to the London Plan and Supplementary Planning Guidance in respect of Crossrail. • Taking forward of these alterations for consultation with the London Assembly & functional bodies. • The consultation letters. | 28/11/08 | Boris Johnson | Simon Milton | There are no direct financial implications to the GLA. | |
| DD 64 | Agreed the commencement of a competitive procurement exercise in order to select consultants to undertake an Integrated Impact Assessment of the Statutory Climate Change Mitigation and | 11/11/08 | Shirley Rodrigues | Simon Milton | <p>The estimated cost of this project is £25,000 and will span two financial years as follow:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2008/09 - £20,000 | |

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| | Energy Strategy, which is currently being developed and award a contract to the consultant submitting the most appropriate quotation to the GLA. | | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2009/10 - £5,000 <p>Costs of £20,000 to be incurred in 2008/09 will be met from the 2008/09 Environment Programme budget and the £5,000 for 2009/10 will be subject to the current Budget and Corporate Planning Process.</p> | |
| DD 71 | Approved the award of contract to develop and write the London Violence Against Women Strategy to the Child and Women Abuse Studies Unit of the London Metropolitan University. | 29/10/08 | Martin Clarke | Simon Milton | The cost of the contract (£39,000) will be met from the 2008/09 Community Safety Programme budget. | |
| DD 76 | <p>Agreed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To undertake a procurement process in line with the Authority's contracts code, for a consultant to provide Insurance and Broking consultancy services for 3-years commencing from 1 January 2009 to 31 December 2011, with an option to extend for a further two-years, which is estimated to cost no more than £40,000 over the maximum five-year period of the contract. 2. The award of the contract to the consultant who provides the most economically advantageous quote. | 11/11/08 | Martin Clarke | Simon Milton | The estimated cost of this contract is £40,000 and equates to approximately £8,000 per annum and will be contained within the consultancy budget in Financial Services. | |

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| DD 78 | <p>Approved:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Essential mechanical and electrical works to Trafalgar Square through the existing term contract with Mitie Engineering Ltd to a value of £29,085, funded from the Squares Reserve in 2008/09. 2. Expenditure of £12,210, funded from the Squares Works Reserve in 2008/09, for stone treatment to the north terrace paviors and balustrades of Trafalgar Square through the GLA's term contractor for cleansing, Veolia Environmental Services Ltd. | 7/11/08 | Martin Clarke | Simon Milton | The cost of the works totals £41,295 and will be funded from a draw-down on the Squares Works Reserve. | |
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