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Meeting: Planning Committee
Date: Thursday 16 July 2015
Time: 2.00 pm
Place: Committee Room 5, City Hall, The Queen's Walk, London, SE1 2AA

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Present:

Nicky Gavron AM (Chair)
Steve O'Connell AM (Deputy Chair)
Andrew Boff AM
Tom Copley AM
Navin Shah AM

1 Apologies for Absence and Chair's Announcements (Item 1)

1.1 There were no apologies for absence.

2 Declarations of Interests (Item 2)

2.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat.

2.2 Resolved:

That the list of offices held by Assembly Members, as set out on the table at Item 2 on the agenda, be noted as disclosable pecuniary interests.

3 Minutes (Item 3)

3.1 Resolved:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 16 June 2015 be signed by the Chair as a correct record.

4 Summary List of Actions (Item 4)

4.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat.

4.2 Resolved:

That the outstanding action arising from a previous meeting of the Committee, as set out in the report, be noted.

4.3 In accordance with Standing Order 2.2D, the Chair took the remaining items of business in a different order than that set out on the agenda.

5 Minor Alterations to the London Plan - Consultation Response (Item 6)

5.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat.

5.2 Resolved:

That the response to the Mayor's consultation on Minor Alterations to the London Plan be noted.

6 Proposal for a Rapporteur Review: a Potential Land Value Tax for London (Item 7)

6.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat.

6.2 Members sought clarification about the status and subject matter of the proposed rapporteurship. The Committee noted that a formal proposal to appoint Tom Copley AM as rapporteur would be considered by the Committee and GLA Oversight Committee in September 2015, and that the potential land value tax had been recommended by the London Finance Commission.

6.3 It was noted that the London Finance Commission recommendations also included changes to Compulsory Purchase Orders, but it was agreed not to expand the scope of the proposed rapporteurship beyond a potential land value tax.

6.4 **Resolved:**

That the report be noted and that officers work up a proposal for a rapporteurship to investigate the potential of a Land Value Tax for London, for which a detailed scoping paper for formal approval would be considered at the Committee's next meeting.

7 Planning Committee Work Programme 2015/16 (Item 8)

7.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat.

7.2 **Resolved:**

- (a) That the report which sets out the priorities and identified future topics for developing the Committee's work programme be noted;**
- (b) That the priorities when opportunities for revising the work programme arise in the coming year, set out in paragraph 3.4 of the report, be noted; and**
- (c) That authority be delegated to the Chair, in consultation with the Deputy Chairman, to agree the scope and terms of reference for an investigation into estate regeneration, to form the main agenda item for the next Committee meeting on 17 September 2015.**

8 Date of Next Meeting (Item 9)

8.1 The next meeting was scheduled for Thursday 17 September 2015 at 10.00am in the Chamber, City Hall.

9 Any Other Business the Chair Considers Urgent (Item 10)

9.1 There was no other business.

10 Housing Supplementary Planning Guidance Consultation (Item 5)

10.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat as background to putting questions on the Housing Supplementary Planning Guidance consultation to the following invited guests:

- Jennifer Peters, Senior Strategic Planner, London Plan Team, Greater London Authority (GLA);

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- Alan Benson, Senior Manager - Strategy, Housing and Land, GLA;
- Alisdair Chant, Berkeley Partnership Homes, Westminster Property Association;
- Oliver Wainwright, architecture and design critic, *The Guardian*;
- Pat Hayes, Executive Director Regeneration and Housing, London Borough of Ealing;
- Professor Patrick McAllister, Professor in Real Estate, University College London; and
- Stephen Hill, Director, C20 Future Planners.

10.2 A transcript of the discussion is attached at **Appendix 1**.

10.3 **Resolved:**

(a) That the report and discussion be noted; and

(b) That authority be delegated to the Chair, in consultation with the Deputy Chairman, to agree the Committee's final response to the consultation on the Minor Alterations to the London Plan by 22 June 2015; and the Draft Interim Housing SPG by 7 August 2015.

11 Close of Meeting

11.1 The meeting ended at 4.15pm.

Chair

Date

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