

MINUTES

Meeting: Environment Committee
Date: Thursday 27 June 2019
Time: 10.00 am
Place: Committee Room 5, City Hall, The Queen's Walk, London, SE1 2AA

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Present:

Caroline Russell AM (Chair)
Léonie Cooper AM (Deputy Chair)
Tony Arbour AM
Shaun Bailey AM
David Kurten AM

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

1.1 Apologies for absence were received from Jennette Arnold OBE AM and Nicky Gavron AM.

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 in the table at Agenda Item 2, be noted as disclosable pecuniary interests.

3 Standing Delegation (Item 3)

3.1 Resolved:

That the following standing delegation to the Chair, as agreed by the London Assembly at its Plenary Meeting on 6 June 2019, be noted.

To delegate authority to Chairs of ordinary committees, sub-committees and working groups to agree, in consultation with the relevant party Group Lead Members and Deputy Chairs:

- (a) The detailed terms of reference for any investigation to be undertaken by the relevant committee, sub-committee or working group within its work programme as agreed by the GLA Oversight Committee, and any related project plans and arrangements for related site visits or informal meetings; and**
- (b) The topic and scope for any additional projects to be added to its work programme, where it is not practicable to secure prior approval from the GLA Oversight Committee and subject also to subsequent ratification by the GLA Oversight Committee.**

4 Minutes (Item 4)

4.1 Resolved:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 22 May 2019 be signed by the Chair as a correct record.

5 Summary List of Actions (Item 5)

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

5.2 Resolved:

That the outstanding actions arising from its previous meetings of the Committee be noted.

6 Tube Dust (Item 6)

6.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat as background to putting questions on Tube dust to the following invited guests:

- Peter McNaught, Director of Asset Operations, Transport for London (TfL);
- Rikard Moen, Head of Occupational Health, TfL;
- Professor Jenny Mindell, Department of Epidemiology and Public Health; and
- Cat Cray, National Union of Rail, Maritime and Transport (RMT) Stations Health and Safety Council Member.

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

6.3 During the course of the discussion, Members requested the following additional information:

- From the Director of Asset Operations, TfL, a list of the 42 dirtiest Tube stations;
- From the Head of Occupational Health, TfL:
 - a) The report and results commissioned by TfL with King's College and Imperial College which look at sickness of TfL employees;
 - b) Details of how frequently TfL measure and monitor Tube dust levels and their composition and concentration; and
- From the RMT Stations Health and Safety Council Member the details of the correspondence between RMT and TfL between 2003 to 2016 regarding health and safety concerns relating to air quality.

6.5 **Resolved:**

- (a) That the report and discussion be noted; and**
- (b) That authority be delegated to the Chair, in consultation with party Group Lead Members, to agree any output from the discussion.**

7 Environment Committee Work Programme (Item 7)

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

7.2 **Resolved:**

That the work programme for the 2019/20 Assembly year be noted.

8 Date of Next Meeting (Item 8)

- 8.1 The next meeting of the Committee was scheduled for Wednesday, 24 July 2019 at 10.00am in the Chamber, City Hall.

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

- 9.1 There were no items of business that the Chair considered to be urgent.

10 Close of Meeting (Item)

- 10.1 The meeting ended at 12.09pm.

Chair

Date

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