

Subject: Budget and Performance Committee Work Programme 2010/11

Report to: Budget and Performance Committee

Report of: Executive Director of Secretariat

Date: 24 November 2010

This report will be considered in public

1. Summary

- 1.1 This report provides information on the Budget and Performance Committee's work programme for 2010/11.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 **That the Committee agrees the proposed work programme for the remainder of 2010/11.**
- 2.2 **That the Committee delegates authority to the Chairman, in consultation with the Budget Group Leads, to agree and submit the Committee's response to the initial GLA budget proposals.**

3. Background

- 3.1 At its meeting on 4 March 2010, the Budget and Performance Committee agreed a proposal for areas of work during 2010/11 and a draft programme of meetings.¹ A number of variations to the work programme have since been agreed by the Committee.

4. Issues for Consideration

- 4.1 The attached Budget and Performance Committee 2010/11 work programme (**Appendix 1**) is based on the proposals agreed by the Committee on 2 November but incorporating the following variation.²
- 4.2 It is proposed that the Committee meeting scheduled for 10am on Thursday 6 January 2011 should be rescheduled to 11am on Tuesday 11 January 2011. The meeting is with the Mayor of London on his draft 2011/12 GLA Group budget and the proposal for a new date is to accommodate a change

¹ <http://legacy.london.gov.uk/assembly/budgmtgs/2010/mar04/item09.pdf>

² <http://www.london.gov.uk/moderngov/mgConvert2PDF.aspx?ID=1126>

in the Mayor's availability.

- 4.3 The report also contains details of the Committee's recent scrutiny reports that are to be followed up. This is attached as **Appendix 2**.
- 4.4 This report also seeks a delegated authority to the Chairman in respect of the Committee's response to the initial GLA budget proposals. This is sought because the timetable of meetings would not otherwise allow the Committee to agree the response formally until January 2011.

5. Legal Implications

- 5.1 The Committee has the power to do what is recommended in this report.

6. Financial Implications

- 6.1 There are no direct financial implications of this report.

List of appendices to this report:

Appendix 1 - Rolling Work Programme

Appendix 2 - Details of the Committee's recent scrutiny reports to be followed up

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| Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 |
| List of Background Papers: None |
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Budget and Performance Committee – Rolling Work Programme

| Date | Event and main items |
|------------------------|--|
| 16 September | Budget and Performance Committee meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Front line policing – MPS, HMIC and other experts |
| 14 October | Budget and Performance Committee meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Front line policing – invited guests |
| 2 November | Budget and Performance Committee meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GLA Base Budget – heads of finance functions at the functional bodies • Quarter 1 monitoring information • Formal agreement of the Committee’s report on the implications for the LDA of the transfer of Olympic Park land and legacy responsibility to the OPLC |
| 24 November | Budget and Performance Committee meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2011/12 component budget proposals for the core GLA – the Mayor’s Chief of Staff and the Chief Executive of the GLA • City Hall efficiency savings – OfD, shared services etc • Request for delegated authority to approve the Committee’s response to the initial core GLA budget proposals for 2011/12 |
| 7 December | Budget and Performance Committee meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Front line policing – including the MPS and the MPA • Formal agreement of the Committee’s Pre-Budget report |
| 15 December | Release of Mayor’s consultation draft budget 2011/12, including the draft Capital Spending Plan |
| 5 January 2011 | Budget and Performance Committee meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consultation budget 2011/12 – Commissioners/Chief Executives |
| 11 January 2011 | Budget and Performance Committee meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consultation budget 2011/12 – Mayor of London • Request for delegated authority to approve the Committee’s response to the Mayor’s consultation draft budget 2011/12 |
| Mid-January | Release of draft consolidated budget 2011/12 |
| 26 January | Assembly MQT considers draft consolidated budget 2011/12 and the Budget and Performance Committee’s response to the Mayor’s consultation draft budget |
| 9 February | Budget Monitoring Sub-Committee meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quarter 2 monitoring information – TfL and LDA representatives (provisional) |
| Mid-February | Release of final draft consolidated budget 2010/11 (must be before end of February) |
| February | Assembly Plenary approves or approves with amendment the GLA consolidated budget 2011/12 (must be before end of February) |
| 3 March | Budget and Performance Committee meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Olympic legacy costs – OPLC (provisional) • Consideration of GLA Group services for low income Londoners scoping paper |
| 29 March 2011 | Budget Monitoring Sub-Committee meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quarter 3 monitoring information – police and fire representatives (provisional) |

Appendix 2: Details of the Committee's recent scrutiny reports to be followed up

| Report title and date | Follow up work |
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| <i>The Finance of the Olympic Legacy: Part 1 Olympic Park transfer and continuing liabilities, October 2010</i> | A response to the findings in this reported has been requested from the Mayor by the beginning of February 2011, in time for his discussion with Assembly Members as part of the GLA Group budget approval process. |
| <i>Balancing Act: the Mayor's 2011 fares decision, August 2010</i> | A response to one of this report's recommendations has been received from the Transport Commissioner. An addendum to the original response, addressing the other recommendations made to TfL, is expected. |
| <i>Response to the Mayor's draft Capital Spending Plan 2010/11, February 2010</i> | The Mayor's agreed in his response to this report with the recommendation that the functional bodies should report material changes in plans for capital spending to the Committee on a regular basis. This was to be done through the Budget Monitoring Sub-Committee and the Mayor indicated that he was working to ensure that the quarterly monitoring information presented to the Sub-Committee was more up-to-date. Officers are looking into ways of making the information reported to the Sub-Committee more timely and it is hoped that a proposal can be brought to the Committee before the next Sub-Committee meeting in February 2011. |