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Meeting: Housing Committee

Date: Tuesday 19 January 2016

Time: 10.00 am

Place: Committee Room 5, City Hall, The

Queen's Walk, London, SE1 2AA

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Present:

Tom Copley AM (Chair)
Darren Johnson AM (Deputy Chair)
Andrew Boff AM
Nicky Gavron AM
Fiona Twycross AM

- 1 Apologies for Absence and Chair's Announcements (Item 1)
- 1.1 Apologies for absence were received from Steve O'Connell AM and Stephen Knight AM.
- 2 Declarations of Interests (Item 2)
- 2.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat.
- 2.2 The Chair, Tom Copley AM, and the Deputy Chair, Darren Johnson AM, declared their attendance at the London Government dinner on 14 January 2016, noting that their attendance had not yet been recorded on the Authority's register of gifts and hospitality.
- 2.3 Resolved:
 - (a) That the declaration of the Chair, Tom Copley AM, and the Deputy Chair, Darren Johnson AM, of their attendance at the London Government dinner on 14 January 2016 be noted.

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(b) 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 Minutes (Item 3)

3.1 **Resolved:**

That the minutes of the meeting held on 19 November 2016 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 completed and outstanding actions arising from previous meetings of the Committee be noted.

5 Action Taken under Delegated Authority (Item 5)

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

5.2 **Resolved:**

That the recent action taken by the Chair under delegated authority, in consultation with party Group Lead Members, be noted, namely to agree:

- The scope for the Committee's discussion concerning creative and new mechanisms for developing affordable homes for rent in London; and
- A letter to the Minister of State for Housing and Planning concerning the Housing and Planning Bill's proposals in relation to the allocation of land for Gypsies and Travellers.

6 New Thinking on Building Affordable Homes for Rent in London (Item 6)

- 6.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat as background to putting questions on new thinking on building affordable homes for rent in London to the following invited quests:
 - Shamez Alibhai, Partner, Cheyne Capital;
 - Jonathan Gooding, Chief Executive Officer, Dolphin Living;
 - Paul Hardisty, Chief Executive, QSH;
 - Gareth Crawford, Head of Development (South), Home Group;
 - Simon Tanner, Y:Cube Development, YMCA London South West;
 - Barbara Brownlee, Director of Housing and Regeneration, City of Westminster; and
 - Denise Brown, Chair, William Street Quarter Tenant's and Resident's Association.
- 6.2 A transcript of the discussion is attached at **Appendix 1**.
- 6.3 **Resolved:**

That the report and discussion be noted.

7 Site Visit: Affordable Homes in Barking (Item 7)

- 7.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat.
- 7.2 **Resolved:**

That the record of the Committee's recent site visit to Barking be noted.

- 8 The Mayor's Affordable Housing Commitments (Item 8)
- 8.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat.
- 8.2 **Resolved:**

That the report and monitoring information, as attached at Appendix 1 to the report, be noted.

9 Shared Ownership: First Steps on the Ladder? (Item 9)

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

9.2 **Resolved:**

That the letter from the Mayor in response to the Committee's report on Shared Ownership in London, as attached at Appendix 1 to the report, be noted.

10 Housing Committee Work Programme (Item 10)

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

10.2 **Resolved:**

- (a) That the amended work programme for the remainder of the 2015/16 Assembly year, as set out at paragraphs 4.2 and 4.3 of the report, be agreed.
- (b) That the Mayor's interim response to the Committee's letter regarding Purpose Built Student Accommodation in London, as attached at Appendix 1 to the report, be noted.
- (c) That authority be delegated to the Chair, in consultation with party Group Lead Members, to agree the Committee's report on the effect of rent stabilisation measures on London's housing market.

11 Date of Next Meeting (Item 11)

11.1 The next meeting of the Committee was scheduled for Tuesday, 23 February 2016 at 10.00 am in Committee Room 5, City Hall.

12 Any Other Business the Chair Considers Urgent (Item 12)

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

13 Close of Meeting

13.1 The meeting ended at 12.28 pm.

Chair	Date
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