

Subject: Housing Committee Work Programme

Report to: Housing Committee

Report of: Executive Director of Secretariat

Date: 27 February 2018

This report will be considered in public

1. Summary

- 1.1 This report sets out a proposed work programme for the Housing Committee for the remainder of the 2017/18 Assembly year.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 **That the Committee notes the progress on its work programme, as set out in the report.**
- 2.2 **That the Committee notes the schedule of its provisional meetings for 2018/19, which is subject to agreement at the Annual Meeting of the London Assembly on 10 May 2018.**
- 2.3 **That the Committee delegates authority to the Chair, in consultation with the Deputy Chair, to agree the topic, terms of reference and scope for the Committee's first provisional meeting of the 2018/19 Assembly year on 24 May 2018.**

3. Background

- 3.1 The Assembly agreed meeting slots for the Housing Committee for the 2017/18 Assembly Year, which the Committee may choose to use for formal meetings, site visits, informal meetings or other engagement activities. Members receive a report at each Committee meeting on the progress of the projects agreed as the basis for the work programme. Additional projects will be included in the work programme from time to time reflecting the need for the Committee to respond to tasks such as consultations or other events as necessary.

Criteria for topic selection

- 3.2 The criteria for selecting topics are some, or all, of the following:
- (a) Addresses a strategic challenge relating to housing in London, with a particular emphasis on:
 - Developing and maintaining sustainable communities; and
 - Reducing inequalities and offering opportunities to all Londoners;
 - (b) Relates to the responsibilities and priorities of the Mayor and Greater London Authority (GLA) Group;
 - (c) Provides an opportunity for the committee to influence policy; and
 - (d) Provides an opportunity for the committee to add value by bringing significant new evidence or new perspectives to the debate.
- 3.3 The Committee has agreed to use the remaining meeting of this Assembly year for an update on overcrowding in London's housing stock.

Meeting Date	Proposed topic(s)
15 March 2018	Overcrowding in London

4. Issues for Consideration

Provisional meeting dates in 2018/19

- 4.1 The GLA Oversight Committee has agreed the following provisional meeting slots for the Housing Committee in 2018/19. The meeting slots are subject to agreement at the Annual Meeting of the London Assembly on 10 May 2018.

Meeting Date	Proposed topic(s)
Thursday 24 May 2018 at 2:30pm	To be confirmed
Tuesday 5 June 2018 at 10.00am	To be confirmed
Tuesday 3 July 2018 at 10.00am	To be confirmed
Tuesday 4 September 2018 at 10.00am	To be confirmed
Thursday 4 October 2018 at 2.00pm	To be confirmed
Wednesday 28 November 2018 at 10.00am	To be confirmed
Tuesday 4 December 2018 at 10.00am	To be confirmed
Tuesday 22 January 2019 at 10.00am	To be confirmed
Tuesday 26 February 2019 at 10.00am	To be confirmed
Tuesday 2 April 2019 at 10.00am	To be confirmed

- 4.2 The Committee has not yet discussed initial priorities for its work programme for 2018/19. Therefore, it is recommended that the Committee delegate authority to the Chair, in consultation with the Deputy Chair, to agree topic, terms of reference and scope for the Committee's first provisional meeting of the 2018/19 Assembly year on 24 May 2018.
- 4.3 Set out below are the topics that the Committee has scrutinised since 2012. Members may wish to revisit topics to ascertain the progress since the Committee's original scrutiny investigations.

Topics scrutinised during 2016-2018:

- Affordable housing delivery;
- Building small;
- Community-led housing;
- Draft Housing Strategy 2017;
- Draft London Plan 2017;
- Draft Affordable Housing and Viability Supplementary Planning Guidance and Affordable Housing Programme Funding Guidance 2016-21;
- Hidden homelessness;
- Property guardians;
- Rough sleeping;
- Supported housing; and
- Transport for London land.

Topics scrutinised during 2012-2016:

- Affordability of home ownership;
- Affordable rent model;
- Diversifying the housebuilding industry;
- Extension of the Right to Buy to housing associations;
- Gypsy & Traveller site provision;
- Housing estate renewal;
- Impact of investor buyers on new build homes;
- New delivery models for affordable rented homes;
- Overcrowding;
- Rent stabilisation models;
- Rough sleeping and single homelessness; and
- Student accommodation.

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 financial implications to the Greater London Authority arising from this report.

List of appendices to this report: None

Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985
List of Background Papers: None
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