

# MINUTES

**Meeting: Economy Committee**  
**Date: Tuesday 20 November 2018**  
**Time: 10.00 am**  
**Place: Chamber, City Hall, The Queen's Walk, London, SE1 2AA**

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**Present:**

Susan Hall AM (Chairman)  
Andrew Dismore AM (Deputy Chair)  
Jennette Arnold OBE AM  
Shaun Bailey AM  
Caroline Russell AM

**1 Apologies for Absence and Chairman's Announcements (Item 1)**

1.1 Apologies for absence were received from Fiona Twycross 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 Minutes (Item 3)**

#### **3.1 Resolved:**

**That the minutes of the meeting held on 30 October 2018 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 actions arising from previous meetings of the Committee be noted.**

### **5 Self-Employed Londoners - Managing Finances Under Universal Credit (Item 5)**

5.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat as background to putting questions on self-employed Londoners – managing finances under universal credit, to the following invited guests:

- Neil Couling CBE, Universal Credit Director General, Department for Work and Pensions;
- Kayley Hignell, Head of Policy, Citizens Advice;
- Andy Chamberlain, Deputy Director of Policy, Association of Independent Professionals and the Self-Employed;
- Faisal Rahman OBE, Managing Director, Fair Finance;
- Zoe Charlesworth, Policy and Product Manager, Policy in Practice; and
- Ben Fell, Senior Analyst, Policy in Practice.

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

#### **5.3 Resolved:**

- (a) That the Committee note the report and the subsequent discussion; and**
- (b) That authority be delegated to the Chairman, in consultation with party Group Lead Members, to agree an output from the meeting.**

## **6 Economy Committee Work Programme (Item 6)**

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

6.2 **Resolved:**

**(a) That the Committee note the work programme and priorities for 2018/19, as set out at paragraphs 4.2 to 4.5 of the report; and**

**(b) That authority be delegated to the Chairman, in consultation with party Group Lead Members to agree any site visits, informal meetings or engagement activities before the Committee's next formal meeting.**

## **7 Date of Next Meeting (Item 7)**

7.1 The date of the next meeting of the Committee was confirmed as Thursday, 17 January 2019 at 2.00pm in the Chamber, City Hall.

## **8 Any Other Business the Chairman Considers Urgent (Item 8)**

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

## **9 Close of Meeting**

9.1 The meeting ended at 12.16pm.

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Chairman

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Date

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