

Subject: Correspondence Received in Relation to Summons

Report to: Economy Committee

Report of: Executive Director of Secretariat

Date: 3 April 2019

This report will be considered in public

1. Summary

- 1.1 This report attaches correspondence that Laura Citron, Chief Executive Officer, London & Partners (L&P) sent to the Chairman of the Committee in accordance with the summons notice issued to her on 30 October 2018 and authorised by the Economy Committee under Section 61(1)(b), 61(4)(b) of the Greater London Authority Act 1999 (as amended). The summons notice required Laura Citron to provide the Committee with a range of documents relating to the gross value added by L&P to London and the transparency of L&P's operations.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 **That the Committee notes the documents received from London & Partners in response to the Economy Committee summons, attached to the report as Appendices 1 to 16.**

3. Background

- 3.1 At its meeting on 30 October 2018, the Economy Committee resolved:
- (a) That the Committee, under the provisions of Section 61(1)(b), 61(4)(b) of the Greater London Authority Act 1999 (as amended), requires the Chief Executive Officer of London & Partners, Laura Citron, to provide the documents listed below, for which notice will be given in accordance with Section 62 of the Greater London Authority Act 1999 (as amended) in due course and with the documents to be provided no later than two weeks from the date of the notice requiring these documents:
- i. Any documents setting out how the claims set out in the London & Partners Annual Review 2016/17 to have added £340 million to London's economy and supported or created 10,112 jobs in the 2016/17 year were arrived at and all data and information used, including documents setting out: which companies/organisations London & Partners have assisted; how they have assisted them; the evidence for that assistance; and what those companies have then done to add GVA or create/support jobs; and

- ii. Documents setting out details of London & Partners staffing structure, including: the pay bands for staff, details of job titles and where posts sit within each Directorate, Division or Group; and
- iii. The agendas, papers and minutes of London & Partners Board meetings held in the past five years.

3.2 Laura Citron replied to the Chairman of the Committee on 13 November 2018. The documents provided in response to sections (i) and (ii) of the summons notice, as set out above, are now attached. These documents are summarised below:

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3.3 In accordance with Section 65 of the Greater London Authority Act 1999 (as amended) and Part VA of the Local Government, the Proper Officer, following the receipt of legal advice, has excluded from the published agenda those sections of the documents which set out information defined as exempt under paragraphs 2 and 3 of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended). Paragraph 2 of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) relates to information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual. Paragraph 3 of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) relates to information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

3.4 If the Committee wishes to discuss any of the redacted sections, it is recommended to consider whether to exclude the public and press from the meeting on the grounds that it would involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined at Paragraphs 2 and 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 and consider whether, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

4. Issues for Consideration

4.1 It is recommended the Committee formally notes the attached documents received from London & Partners in response to the summons notice issued to Laura Citron on 30 October 2018.

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 to the GLA arising from this report.

List of appendices to this report:

As listed in paragraph 3.2

Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985
List of Background Papers: Letter to Laura Citron, L&P, dated 30 October 2018
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