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Title: London TravelWatch Director Recruitment

Executive Summary

The London TravelWatch Business Plan for 2020/21 sets out details for a new partnership with Transport Focus, with the introduction of new senior management arrangements including the establishment of a new London TravelWatch Director role.

The Chair of the London Assembly agreed to delegate authority to the Deputy Chair of the Transport Committee [MDA 1132] to sit on the recruitment panel for this position.

Following an open and competitive process, the panel unanimously agreed to appoint Emma Gibson to this role.

Decision

That the Deputy Chair of the Transport Committee endorses the appointment of Emma Gibson as London TravelWatch director, on behalf of the Transport Committee.

Assembly Member

I confirm that I do not have any disclosable pecuniary interests in the proposed decision and take the decision in compliance with the Code of Conduct for elected Members of the Authority.

The above request has my approval.

Signature

Date

16/12/19

Printed Name

Caroline Pidgeon MBE AM, Deputy Chair of the Transport Committee

Decision by an Assembly Member under Delegated Authority

Note:

- 1. The Lead Officer should prepare this form for signature by relevant Members of the Assembly to record any instance where the Member proposes to take action under a specific delegated authority. The purpose of the form is to record the advice received from officers, and the decision made.
- The 'background' section (below) should be used to include an indication as to whether the information contained in / referred to in this Form should be considered as exempt under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FoIA), or the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR). If so, the specimen Annexe (attached below) should be used. If this form does deal with exempt information, you must submit both parts of this form for approval together.

Background and proposed next steps:

The London TravelWatch Business Plan for 2020/21 sets out details for a new partnership with Transport Focus, with the introduction of new senior management arrangements including the establishment of a new London TravelWatch Director role.

Following consultation with the Deputy Chairman, party Group Lead Members and the Chair of the Transport Committee, the Chair of the London Assembly agreed to delegate authority to the Deputy Chair of the Transport Committee to sit on the recruitment panel for this position [MDA 1132].

The recruitment panel comprised of Caroline Pidgeon MBE AM – Deputy Chair, London Assembly Transport Committee; Arthur Leathley – Chair of the London TravelWatch Board; Karen McArthur – Member, London TravelWatch Board; Anthony Smith – Chief Executive, Transport Focus. Ed Williams – Executive Director of the Assembly Secretariat and Louise Casserley-Gore, HR Advisor, Transport Focus were both in attendance as observers.

32 complete applications were received for this position, and 6 candidates were invited to interview. Following an open and competitive process, the panel unanimously agreed to appoint Emma Gibson to this role.

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N/A

Print Name

This decision will be reported back to the Transport Committee meeting on 17 December 2019.

Confirmation that appropriate delegated authority exists for this decision		
Signed by Committee Services	Date 6 Dec 2019	
Print Name: Laura Pelling	Tel: 5526	
Financial implications		
NOT REQUIRED		
Signed by Finance N/A	Date	

Tel:

Legal implications

The Deputy Chair of the Transport Committee has the power to make the decision set out in this report.

Signed by Legal

Date

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Print Name

Emma Strain, Monitoring Officer

Tel:

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Additional information should be provided supported by background papers. These could include for example the business case, a project report or the results of

Supporting detail/List of Consultees: N/A

Public Access to Information

Information in this form (Part 1) is subject to the FoIA, or the EIR and will be made available on the GLA Website within one working day of approval.

If immediate publication risks compromising the implementation of the decision (for example, to complete a procurement process), it can be deferred until a specific date. Deferral periods should be kept to the shortest length strictly necessary. Note: this form (Part 1) will either be published within one working day after it has been approved or on the defer date.

Part 1 - Deferral

Is the publication of Part 1 of this approval to be deferred? No

Until what date: (a date is required if deferring)

Part 2 - Sensitive information

Only the facts or advice that would be exempt from disclosure under FoIA or EIR should be included in the separate Part 2 form, together with the legal rationale for non-publication.

Is there a part 2 form - No

Lead Officer/Author

Signed

Date 10 Dec 2019

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Laura Pelling

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Job Title

Countersigned by

Director

Date 10.12.19

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Ed Williams

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