Minutes of London Aggregates Working Party

13 July 2022

Online Meeting via Microsoft Teams

Chair: Jorn Peters, GLA

Secretariat: Kirsten Williamson, Capita

Attendee	Organisation
Jorn Peters	GLA
Kirsten Williamson	Capita
Linda Beard	LB Havering
Jill Warren	LB Havering
Tom Campbell	LB Hillingdon
Vineeta Sharma	DLUHC
David Payne	Mineral Products Association
Mark Wrigley	The Crown Estate
Mike Pendock	Tarmac
Peter Huxtable	British Aggregates
Phil Aust	Day Group
Tony Cook	SEEAWP
Peter Smeaton	Breedon Group
Simon Treacy	Brett Aggregates
Jo Baker	Aggregate Industries
Victoria Manning	London Waste Planning Network
Phil Essex	AABC
John Luckhurst	LB Bexley
Duncan Mckane	LB Hounslow

1. Introductions and apologies

1.1 Apologies were recorded in advance of the meeting from Elliot Kemp (GLA), James Timmer (PLA) and Victoria Harris (Ingrebourne Valley). JP introduced KW as the new Secretary.

2. DLUHC update

2.1 JP and KW fed back from the National Coordination Group meeting. The NCG will now meet every six months. DLUHC are seeking thoughts from AWPs around an update to the national guidelines.

ACTION 1: JP and KW to meet with CD at DLUHC following the LAWP meeting to discuss London issues.

3. Local Aggregate Assessments

- 3.1 KW spoke to the note circulated in advance of the meeting, setting out options for tackling the need to prepare an LAA. The discussion points raised were:
 - Which authorities should look to prepare an LAA and issues
 - The usefulness of the LAA in a London context, given the information contained within the AM report
 - Who would be best placed to lead on the preparation of an updated LAA
- 3.2 The LAWP agreed that a London wide LAA was the simplest approach, as it would be overly onerous on all London Boroughs, or the London Boroughs with an apportionment through the London Plan, to prepare individual documents at this stage. The group agreed that the LAWP would prepare an update to the 2018 document and consider an updated template for future years.
- 3.3 The group discussed the difficulty in collating robust data at a London scale, and that this was interlinked with the preparation of the AM report, safeguarding and mapping.

ACTION 2: KW to prepare an update to the LAA 2018 this year and work on template with a small working group for future years.

4. Safeguarding Guidance and mapping

- 4.1 TC briefed the LAWP on work done to disseminate the LAWP Safeguarding Guidance. TC attended meetings of all four ALBPO groups, and the guidance is available on the website. DP raised the issue with the status of guidance which has not been formally adopted by planning authorities.
- 4.2 JP led a discussion around mapping of sites, as there is an opportunity to join with other mapping work at the GLA. There was agreement that a London level map would be useful but concern about which sites would be included and how they would be represented. There are particular issues around sites that deal with recycled aggregates. The point was made that mapping of waste and mineral sites within London could help with the implementation of the London Plan, as well as providing a resource for London Borough planning authorities.
- 4.3 VM attended the meeting to represent the London Waste Planning Group. The LPWG are working on a waste planning map for London and are interested in a link to LAWP mapping work.

4.4 The LAWP agreed that the issue of mapping minerals and waste sites would be useful but requires further consideration. VM will continue to attend LAWP meetings and KW will attend LWPG meetings in the future to ensure links between the groups

ACTION 3: JP will continue to discuss with mapping colleagues at GLA.

ACTION 4: KW and VM will attend group meetings on an ongoing basis

ACTION 5: JP and KW will convene a mapping sub-group with relevant LAWP members and VM to consider the issue further

5. Annual Monitoring Reports

- 5.1 KW stated that the 2020 report was delayed further and would be circulated as soon as practicable. Surveys for the 2021 report should have been circulated and the Secretary will start preparing the AM 2021 Report in late September.
- 5.2 The group discussed issues around survey returns, robust evidence and the timetable.

ACTION 6: KW to circulate updated AM 2020 report.

ACTION 7: ALL to ensure surveys are sent out on time and chase returns as required.

6. Industry update

- 6.1 DP gave an update on the regional picture in London. MPA are talking to government on the 2042 end date for planning permissions which they estimate affects 75% of reserves.
- 6.2 The MPA RTPI conference and the BAA conferences were well attended.

7. Minutes of the previous meeting

7.1 There were no comments on the previous minutes.

8. AOB

8.1 Nothing was raised under AOB.