

Full Commission Meeting

Meeting: 10th March 2022 14:00 – 17:00 | Online

Attendance

LSDC	Secretariat and GLA
Present: Ashok Sinha – Chair (AS) Syed Ahmed (SA) David Elliott (DE) Paul Toyne (PT) Malini Mehra (MM) Nick Mabey (NM) Richard Templer (RT) Dimitri Zenghelis (DZ) Leonie Cooper (LC) Charlie Wood (CW) Maria Adebowale-Schwarte (MAS) Apologies: Rowena Champion	 Nusrat Yousuf (NY) Jon Emmett (JE) Emma Carroll Pete Daw (GLA Head of Climate Change) External guests

1. Introduction and welcome

NOTED

- Welcome and introduction from the Chair.
- There was a reminder to all Commissioners to sign and return re-appointment letters to the secretariat by 18th March.
- The June LSDC meeting will aim to be in-person.

ACTIONS

Action owner	Action	Sec lead
All	Sign and return re-appointment letters and updated	EC
commissioners	declarations of interest by Friday 18 th March	

2. 2030 Net Zero Carbon Modelling

NOTED

• Pete Daw (GLA Head of Climate Change) presented to the Commission on the Mayor's preferred pathway for achieving net-zero by 2030, which is cited

- as 'Accelerated Green'. This is based on the feasibility, likely behaviour change, powers and funding needed to delivery on the commitment.
- PD stated that the Mayor was re-elected on a committed to deliver a net-zero London by 2030, as opposed to the previous target of 2050.
- Achieving net zero must be collaborative, involving a range of stakeholders including the LSDC, NGOs, business and communities.
- The Mayor's 'Accelerated Green' pathway estimates that:
 - During peak activity, the pathway could support up to 61,000 jobs
 - London must instal 2.2m heat pumps by 2030
 - Action is needed on retrofit, reskilling to support green jobs, creative thinking around green finance, a ban on replacement gas boilers (by 2026) and the end of combustion car sales (by 2030)
 - o London also needs more powers to unlock private sector investment.
- The net zero work must also deliver a Just Transition for London. This aligns with the LSDCs' work programme.

ACTIONS

Action owner	Action	Sec lead
Nick Mabey	Explore opportunities to highlight this work through LSDC work programmes and at London Climate Action Week.	EC

3. Budget update

NOTED

- Discussion of the LSDC draft budget allocation for 2022/23.
- There is potential to explore external sources of funding, should work programmes have specific funding requirements.
- All LSDC sub-groups agreed to refine programme plans and budgets to deliver their respective workstreams over the financial year ahead.

ACTIONS

Action owner	Action	Sec lead
Sub-group chairs	Develop work programmes and detailed budget for the 2022/23 financial year, and present these to the next full commission meeting on 22/06/2022.	EC/JE

4. Just Transition

NOTED

- The LSDC's recent London Just Transition Conference was successful and attended by over 80 people from across a diverse range of sectors.
- A case study of the Scottish Just Transition Commission (SJTC) was presented. The SJTC's remit addressed a fairer, greener future for all – a wider scope than the traditional JT focus on safeguarding livelihoods. It made recommendations to the Scottish Government on how to deliver an orderly

transition to net zero, equipping people with the skills and education they need to benefit from the transition, empowering communities and strengthening local economies, delivering shared benefits linked to ability to pay. The LSDC could learn from this holistic approach.

- The foundations to a 'just' transition are not only economic, but also political, cultural, social, and behavioural. Protecting jobs is key. Net zero delivery must be equitable.
- The LSDC should draw on lessons from outside and inside London.
- There is a need to raise the profile and political salience of this issue.

AGREED

- The LSDC agreed to develop a work programme on the Just Transition. Its purpose will be to establish a set of principles for what a just transition should look like for London, and make recommendations how political leaders can implement them.
- A Just Transition sub-group will be set up to lead this work, chaired by MM. All commissioners are invited to join AS and NM indicated interest.
- The work will build on lessons from leading practice such as the Scottish JT Commission; the findings of the LSDC's conference; and further research including stakeholder interviews and literature reviews.
- The LSDC will collaborate with suitable partner organisations (e.g. the London Recovery Board), and add value to work underway by other organisations, avoiding duplication. External experts will also be invited to input, such as Prof Jim Skea (Chair of the SJTC).

ACTIONS

Action owner	Action	Sec lead
EC	Circulate a call to commissions asking if they would like to be part of a JT sub-group	EC
EC	Arrange sub-group pre-planning meeting with Malini Mehra. Scheduled for 29/04/22	EC
EC/JE	Sub-group to be established and a kick-off meeting to be held in May (31/05/2022), which will agree ToR and a high-level work programme	EC/JE
MM	Invite Jim Skea and Nick Robins to the subgroup meeting	JE

5. Plans for London Climate Action Week (LCAW)

NOTED

- LCAW will take place 25th June 3rd of July, comprising virtual and in-person events.
- Key themes for 2022 are adaption and resilience (linked to COP 26), delivery, London as a net-zero city. LCAW will support inclusion of African voices.
- Several major events have been arranged including 'Reset Connect' at the Excel Centre.
- LSDC commissioners were invited to attend the first LCAW stakeholder event on 31st of March.

 A follow-up meeting will explore options for an LSDC-hosted event during LCAW.

ACTIONS

Action owner	Action	Sec lead
NM All	Commissioners to contact NM to confirm if they would like to attend the first LCAW stakeholder meeting, taking place on the 31st of March	EC/JE
LSDC secretariat	Set up a meeting to explore an LSDC event during LCAW	EC

6. Workstream updates

Social Value:

- Commissioners acknowledged the LSDC's significant progress on Social Value, which has raised the profile of the issue and taken an inclusive approach to its research.
- The LSDC's report on social value in the built environment has now been finalised, following input from the three Deputy Mayors for Planning & Regeneration, Communities & Social Justice, and Environment & Energy, as well as GLA officers from planning, regeneration and communities.
- A Social Value Playbook has also been developed, to be published alongside the LSDC's recommendations report. This provides practical case studies of where social value has been embedded at all stages of the regeneration process, drawing upon examples from across the UK.
- Plans for a launch event are underway, date TBC.
- The SV sub-group chairs have been invited to take part in the National Social Value Conference taking place in April 2022.
- The SV subgroup has engaged with the GLA Planning Team to develop social value indicators to be included in Annual Monitoring Report of the London Plan.

Action owner	Action	Sec lead
EC	Reconvene the SC sub-group and relevant stakeholders to explore how to catalyse pan-London action on the recommendations within the report	EC

Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

- The LSDC's SDGs sub-group has agreed to wind down because the recommendations of its SDGs Report are being adopted in the GLA.
- The SDGs are embedded in the Recovery Programme development via the 'Cross-Cutting Principles'; cross-sector partnership working is being delivered via the Anchors Network; and sustainability monitoring aligned to the SDGs is being delivered by GLA's 'Wellbeing Index' with input from LSDC secretariat.
- The LSDC will maintain a watching brief on the GLA's Wellbeing Index reporting to ensure it remains aligned with the SDGs. The secretariat will

report back once this is up and running to establish if there is a need for the LSDC to continue any further work on this.

ACTIONS

Action owner	Action	Sec lead
JE	Draft text on the achievements of the SDGs work programme, communicate this to stakeholders and so formally close the work programme.	JE

Green Finance NOTED

- Following the LSDC's work on Green Finance, the Mayor made a manifesto commitment to deliver a London Finance Facility and has convened a highlevel committee led by his Chief of Staff to drive this forward. A dedicated team has been resourced to deliver this work.
- It has therefore been decided to wind down the LSDC Green Finance subgroup, as its objectives have been achieved.
- However, the GLA and secretariat will continue to update members of the former sub-group on progress, to keep them informed and ensure Commissioners' expertise is fed into ongoing GLA thinking where appropriate.
- The sub-group met on the 4th of March with GLA Climate Change officers to receive an update on the GLA's green finance work, including the Mayor's Green Finance Facility and Green Bond.

Action owner Action		Sec lead
	le April 2022 meeting with commissioners	EC
	le April 2022 meeting with commissioners A Climate Team	;

Women in Cleantech (WiCT)

- The WICT programme has been delayed by the departure of sub-group's external chair and some members. It has not been possible to replace them so far, and LSDC commissioners were invited to chair the sub-group.
- The secretariat will continue to engage with the sub-group and try to progress the work programme.

Action owner	Action	Sec lead
EC	Invite Commissioners and external candidates to chair the WICT sub-group	EC
EC	Work with the WiCT sub-group to scope a delivery programme linked to the actions within the report	EC

7. AOB

N/A

Next meeting: 23rd June 2022