



Full Commission Meeting

Meeting: 14th December 2023 14:00 – 17:00 |
Sustainable Ventures, London

Attendees:

Commissioners

Ashok Sinha (Chair)
David Elliott
Jo Blackman
Richard Templer
Paul Toyne
Maria Adebawale-Schwarte
Dimitri Zenghelis
Charlotte Wood
Syed Ahmed

Secretariat

Nusrat Yousuf
Jon Emmett
Megan Dalgarno

Apologies:

Leonie Cooper
Nick Mabey
Malini Mehra

1. London Climate Resilience Review

- The London Resilience Review team presented their report's interim findings and planned next steps.
- The interim report will be published in w/c 15th January and will contain high-level recommendations
- A longer report with more detailed analysis of the evidence is due to be published post-election after the Mayoral election
- Key priority areas within the report: Drought, heat, rising sea levels, surface level flooding, wildfires
- Key recommendations align with the LSDC's Just Transition report, including:
 - Ensuring climate action is people-centric
 - Climate change adaptation must be embedded across all decision-making organisations

Action:

- LSDC agreed to provide supportive quote and tweets when interim report is published

2. London Councils climate programme update

- A presentation was given on London Councils' climate change work programme.
- How can LSDC/LC work together:
 - Work on areas where we already have workstreams to overlap effectively
 - Retrofit links within the Just Transition work
 - Incorporating adaptation measures in retrofits
 - Take JT retrofit work to keen boroughs and work with a small group to implement and trial the recommendations

Action:

- GLA secretariat, Ashok, Jo and Syed to meet to discuss collaboration with London Councils regarding the Just Transition retrofit work

3. Mayor's environment programme update

- An update was given by the GLA Assistant Director for Environment and Energy on the GLA's environment work programme.
- Potential areas for LSDC involvement:
 - Carbon offsetting principles and London plan – ensuring the offsetting is beneficial to London
 - Large retrofit project
 - Zero-carbon transport
 - Financing for adaptation and mitigation measures
- What could the LSDC do with their convening role:
 - Deputy Mayors are good at engaging stakeholders on relevant issues so good to agree alignment on LSDC priorities
 - Explore how to make London investment-ready

Actions:

- LSDC to discuss opportunities for future work areas, informed by GLA suggestions – carbon offsetting, retrofits, zero-carbon transport, financing adaptation and green infrastructure. Involve relevant GLA and external stakeholders as needed.
- GLA Secretariat to arrange meeting with Grantham Institute CO2 removal team and GLA Assistant Director for Environment.

4. Work programme update: Social Value

- The LSDC's report will make recommendations for how social value can be included in the London Plan.
- The next draft is due to go to Deputy Mayors for final comments.
- The final report is due to published end of January.
- Potential for future monitoring work and opportunities for communicating the report to stakeholders

Actions:

- Megan to share final report with Commissioners when published
- Commissioners to think about opportunities for pushing the Social Value report, dependent on Mayoral outcomes and conversations with the London Plan team

5. Communications update

Action:

- Commissioners are asked to contact the Secretariat with any comms opportunity or ideas to be added into the comms plan until November 2024