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Minutes of the LAWP meeting on 30 November 2018 at the Greater London Authority

Present

Jonathan Gibb	Chairman – GLA		
Richard Read	Secretary		
Julia Thomson (JT)	GLA	Phil Aust (PA)	Day Group
David Payne (DP)	MPA	Mark Wrigley (MW)	The Crown Estate
Peter Unthank (PU)	Ingrebourne Valley Aggregates		
Tony Cook (TC)	SEEAWP		

1 Welcome & Apologies

It was agreed that Jonathan Gibb should be the Chair of the LAWP

The Chair welcomed everyone and apologies were received from Emma Clay (Havering), Tom Campbell (Hillingdon); Catherine McCrory (Greenwich), Joe Collinson (Bexley), Janet Laban (City of London), Angela Watts (Brett Group), Helen Hudson (Cemex), James Trimmer (PLA) and Susan Marsh (EEAWP)

2 Minutes and Matters Arising from 6 July meeting

Minutes: Agreed with the correction requested by PU that Cockeyed Farm should be 'Cockhide Farm'

Matters Arising not dealt with under other agenda items:

3 Secretary apologised for not circulating the London Aggerates Monitoring (AM) 2017 report as agreed in the Minutes.

4 The London Local Aggregate Assessment had been finalised with agreed changes and uploaded to the website

5 Hillingdon LP Part 2 – the Secretary had hoped that Hillingdon be represented at the meeting so the LAWP could be updated, particularly with regard to the proposed minor modifications that would change the ‘safeguarded’ mineral sites to allocations. It was noted that the Borough’s web site indicated that the Inspector’s report had not been received.

3 London Aggregates Monitoring (AM) 2017

3.1 The Secretary reported that the AM report (LAWP 18/03) had been updated with comments made by members since the last meeting and more information on recycled aggregates had been included.

3.2 There was some discussion on detailed points and it was thought the Leicestershire crushed rock supply situation system – see Leicestershire LAA item below – should be referenced. It was agreed that further comments as ‘track changes’ should be sent to the Secretary.

Action 1 *All members to send comments (in a ‘track change’ form), to the Secretary by 10 December 2018 and JT subsequently arrange the upload of the final report to the LAWP website and EiP Library (this is subject to approval by the EiP Panel)*

Action 2 *Secretary to submit the AM report to MHCLG*

4 The New London Plan (NLP) Examination in Public (EiP)

4.1 The EiP process was outlined by JT and it was noted that the LAWP Statement on Aggregates, Matter M70, had to be submitted by 1 March with the hearing session scheduled for 1 May. The Chair advised that because of a conflict of interest between their respective positions in the GLA and their LAWP role the GLA could be party to any views the LAWP offered to the EiP. Accordingly, the Statement would have to be submitted by the Secretary on behalf of the LAWP.

4.2 The Secretary introduced LAWP 18/05 and 18/05A. It was pointed out that 18/05 recommended changes to the NLP policy SI10 are consolidated with the GLA’s proposed minor modifications .

4.3 The draft Statement, 18/05A, was discussed and a number of changes were proposed. It was agreed that these be submitted to the Secretary as ‘track changes’ by the end of the year so a revised Statement could be circulated and agreed by email. The issue of the Statement word limit (2,000 words) was also noted. JT offered

to obtain some clarification about the limit from the EiP Secretary.

- 4.4 The Secretary requested views about the supporting text for SI10 in relation to LAAs. It was generally agreed that a London wide LAA is more appropriate for the circumstances in the Capital than individual LAAs for the boroughs. It was concluded that the Secretary should draft a letter, in consultation with members, about the PPG requirement that all the London mineral planning authorities need to prepare annually a LAA and request the LAWP for its views. The letter would also canvas views about jointly funding a London LAA.

Action 3 *All members to send comments (in a 'track change' form), to the Secretary by the end of the year*

Action 4 *JT to obtain clarification from the EiP Secretary on the Statement length limit and advise the Secretary by the end of the year*

Action 5 *The Secretary to circulate a further draft Statement for comment and subsequently submit an agreed Statement to the EiP Panel by 1 March 2019*

Action 6 *The Secretary to circulate to members a draft letter to the boroughs about LAA preparation for comment.*

5 NPPF/PPG

- 5.1 There was discussion on the implications for LAWP on the revised PPG requirement for aggregate working parties to be signatories to statements of common ground (SoCG) for mineral plans. It was agreed this guidance applied to the borough local plans that included mineral policies. It was noted that the LAWP may have to address such SoCGs between meetings by email correspondence. It was also agreed that the boroughs may be unaware of this obligation and the Secretary should add this matter to the letter to the boroughs on LAA preparation.

Action 7 *The Secretary to include in the letter concerning Action 6 the matter of mineral policy SoCGs.*

6 Leicestershire LAA 2018

- 6.1 It was agreed the Secretary would write to the East Midland Aggregate Working Party (EMAWP) as recommended in LAWP 18/06. The depletions of reserves at rail served quarries and the recent increase in sales is a concern.

Action 8 *The Secretary to write to EMAWP about the LAWP's concerns about the Leicestershire LAA*

7 Future of Aggregates Working Parties

- 7.1 The Secretary reported the MHCLG intention to contact the AWPS about rolling forward the current contract by one year and to engage interested parties in a review of the administration of MASS. It appeared to the LAWP that the four-yearly national (England and Wales) collation of AM 2018 surveys would not take place.
- 7.2 DP reported that the MPA would shortly be meeting MHCLG about a number of aggregates matters and the future of AWP's

8 AoB

- 8.1 The Secretary reported that the AM 2018 survey – notwithstanding the absence of a national collation - will take place early in the new year. The survey will endeavour to collect data on road planings. The LAWP Secretariat will also directly engage with the companies that attend the LAWP about collecting recycled and secondary aggregate data

9 Date of Next Meeting

- 7.1 Dates, times and venues of meetings in July and November to be confirmed by JT

Action 9 Meeting dates for 2019:

17 July 14.00 -15.30 in CR2

28 November 14.00 - 15.30 in CR1

Actions

- 1 All members to send comments (in a 'track change' form), to the Secretary by 7 December 2018 and JT subsequently arrange the upload of the final London Aggregates Monitoring report to the LAWP website and the EiP Library (this is subject to approval by the EiP Panel).**
- 2 Secretary to submit the AM report to MHCLG**
- 3 All members (except GLA) to send comments on the London Plan EIP statement (in a 'track change' form), to the Secretary by the end of the year**
- 4 JT to obtain clarification from the EiP Secretary on the Statement length limit and advise the Secretary by the end of the year**
- 5 The Secretary to circulate a further draft Statement for the London Plan EIP for comment and subsequently submit an agreed Statement to the EiP Panel by 1**

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- 7 *The Secretary to include in the letter concerning Action 6 the matter of mineral policy SoCGs.***
- 8 *The Secretary to write to EMAWP about the LAWP's concerns about the Leicestershire LAA***
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