

Minutes

Night Time Commission

Monday 26 February 2018, 9.30am – 12.30pm

The Chamber, City Hall, SE1 2AA

Attendees: Hannah Barry (HB), Laura Citron (LC), Paul Davies (PD), Jan Hart (JH), Cllr Angela Harvey (AH), Les Isaac OBE (LI), David Lutton (DL), Alan Miller (AM), Ros Morgan (RM), Rommel Moseley (RMos), Lucy Musgrave (LM), Jo Negrini (JN), Kate Nicholls (KN), Cllr Darren Rodwell (DR), Peter Selwyn-Smith on behalf of Alan Clamp (PSS), Hannah Wadey (HW), Alex Williams (AW).

GLA attendees: Justine Simons OBE, GUEST CHAIR (JS), Shonagh Manson (SM), Paul Broadhurst (PB), Mark Inger (MI).

Apologies: Nihal Arthanayake, Maria Balshaw CBE, Alan Clamp, Carly Wilford, Shakira Martin, Indhu Rubasingham, Jamal Edwards MBE

Welcome and introductions

JS welcomed Commission members and thanked them for their commitment to the ongoing work of the Commission. She thanked Philip Kolvin, the Commission's former chair, for his work in appointing the Commission and leading it through its first phase, for setting up the Night Time Borough Champions network and co-authoring the Mayor's Vision for London as a 24-Hour City.

JS gave a reassurance that the independence of the Commission is fully supported by the Mayor, and that the GLA is very happy to support the profiling of the Commission's work. JS confirmed that the GLA had new staff in place to support the Commission. In addition to staff in the Culture and Creative Industries Unit, other departments across the GLA are actively supporting the work of the Commission.

JS thanked the Commission's Steering Group for providing leadership in the interim period until a new Chair is appointed. The Steering Group had held meetings with Assistant Director Shonagh Manson and with Deputy Mayor Justine Simons prior to this meeting. The Steering Group invited JS to Chair today's meeting as a one off.

KN reported back on behalf of the Steering Group on conversations that had been taking place with the GLA following the former Chair's departure. KN confirmed that the Steering Group had full confidence in the Mayor's support for the Commission and its independence.

Update on Chair

JS explained the process of appointing a new Chair. She confirmed that she had spoken with the Mayor and that his preference was for someone from within the Commission to step

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forward to take over and complete delivery of the Commission's existing work programme. She also confirmed that a Vice Chair appointment would be made.

The Commission were also informed that the GLA is able to appoint a freelance writer to work with the Chair in producing the Commission's report, if required. JS hoped that, with the assistance of the Research and Data Group, the Steering Group, the Vice Chair, GLA staff and a freelance writer (if required), the Chair would be very well supported.

JS confirmed that the Mayor was happy for the work of the Commission to continue beyond October, to the end of the year if needed.

AH sought clarification on the use of the term 'Night Time Economy' from JS. JS confirmed that she is keen to be guided by the Commission on their preferred articulation of their work, for example the description of the Commission's remit as covering activity in London from 6pm to 6am.

PD said that he had not seen a detailed timeline and would find it helpful to see one. He also suggested that opportunities for publicity / press activity could be included in the timeline. JS agreed to provide this.

Minutes of last meeting

Minutes were approved. A number of issues and questions were raised:

External speakers being invited to give evidence. **Action** – JN agreed to suggest speakers from outer London.

LM asked how many evidence sessions could be fitted in, and also asked if the Commission could hear from Amy Lamé, the Night Czar. **Action** – Invite Night Czar to give evidence.

KN asked if a tech session could be held in outer London. LC suggested that the Commission needed to be clear what they were asking for from the tech sector.

RMos suggested that the consultation responses would help in deciding who should give evidence. **Action** – Steering Group will work with the GLA to develop a schedule of evidence sessions.

AM said that the Commission also needed to have a good overview on housing issues in London.

LM asked how the Commission could feed into, and understand, the other work going on at City Hall. JS confirmed she would be happy to engage with other Deputy Mayors on behalf of the Commission.

Action – MI to share GLA strategies and timelines that are currently out for consultation.

PD and AM asked how policy would be developed from the data and research.

DR said that London's many night time economies are all very different. A one-size fits all approach would not work. Local input and decision making would be vital.

LM said the former Chair's vision for the final report was not written down and that it would be useful to request this from him. KN asked if notes and brainstorming from previous meetings could be made available. **Action** – MI to make available notes from previous meetings.

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RM asked if members can be kept up to date on what is happening in the data and research group.

JN asked for an updated briefing on the Commission's aims for the remainder of its workplan.

JN requested the Commission meet with all London Council Leaders, via London Councils, to ensure that the boroughs are engaged with its work. **Action** - Contact John O'Brien to arrange this.

Next steps agreed:

- Supply a robust critical path / roadmap
- Develop a programme of evidence sessions (Steering Group to work with GLA on this)
- Terms of Appointment for Chair of the Commission to be distributed to members following the meeting.
- JS to extend an invitation to the Night Czar to attend a future meeting of the Commission.
- Arrange for Commission to address London Councils.
- Distribute notes and brainstorms from previous meetings.

Travel at Night (presentation by Alex Williams, Transport for London)

AW gave a presentation on travel at night.

JN asked what TfL's priorities were on night bus coverage. **Action** – AW to supply map on night bus density.

DR asked if outer London was now going to be prioritised with regards night transport, and asked if the DLR would be getting a night service.

LM asked if there was any info on other modes of transport such as cycling.

AH asked about accidents involving Deliveroo drivers.

Action – AW to find out if Crossrail/Elizabeth Line will have a 24-Hour service.

DR asked about policy implications for a rise in number of Private Hire Vehicles (PHV).

KN said that mapping was needed to show where night time workers are living.

Action – AW to get more data on the different modes of transport used at night.

Update on research by GLA Teams

MI gave update on consultation. Confirmed that consultation closed on the 20th Feb and that there were around 100 submissions, and these would now be collated and distributed to the Commission members in due course. **Action** - PB confirmed that the focus group presentation would be distributed to Commission members.

CR presents his update on economic research.

AM asked how robust the available data was. AM also asked what assumptions the GLA researchers were making about police data and what it can usefully tell us about the night time

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economy. The Commission may need to challenge assumptions, for example how crime reports come to be tagged as alcohol related, or as relating to the night time economy. They will also need to work with the GLA to understand what police data is available, what it can tell us about the night time economy, and how the police use this data, for example in working with licensees and local authorities.

PSS asked if there was any data on people having 2nd and 3rd jobs, particularly in the security sector, and info on disposable income.

AH asked how non-economic activity was measured.

CR asked if TfL could provide more info on population flow / footfall through stations.

CR confirmed that GLA Economics were continuing to work on international comparisons, and would also look at 2nd and 3rd jobs, and disposable income.

CR made clear that where the classification of Night Time Economy was mentioned, he and his team were happy to be guided by the Commission on definition and terms of usage.

Action – AW to see if TfL can supply more information on population flow / footfall through stations.

6-6 Brand Activity

AM gave update on this and confirmed that three people had been approached to potentially work on the branding.

LC expressed concern that 6 to 6 may be problematic for tourism audiences from southern Europe because 6pm is too early for them to consider it to be night.

AOB

JS reminded members about completing their declarations of interest forms.

Next Meeting – MI to send round future dates in due course.

Meeting ends at 12:30pm