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Streets and Walkways Sub (Planning and Transportation) Committee

Date: MONDAY, 10 MARCH 2014

Time: 1.45pm

Venue: COMMITTEE ROOMS, 2ND FLOOR, WEST WING, GUILDHALL

Members: Jeremy Simons (Chairman) Marianne Fredericks (Deputy Chairman) Randall Anderson Dennis Cotgrove Alderman Alison Gowman, Police Committee (Ex-Officio Member) Brian Harris, Finance Committee (Ex-Officio Member) Michael Hudson Oliver Lodge Sylvia Moys Barbara Newman, Open Spaces and City Gardens (Ex-Officio Member) Deputy John Owen-Ward Deputy Michael Welbank, MBE

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Lunch will be served in Guildhall Club at 1pm

John Barradell Town Clerk and Chief Executive

AGENDA

Part 1 - Public Agenda

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS UNDER THE CODE OF CONDUCT IN RESPECT OF ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

3. MINUTES

To agree the public minutes and summary of the meeting held on 13 January 2014.

For Decision (Pages 1 - 6)

4. REPORTS OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT :-

- a) Outcome Report Cheapside Area Strategy Improvements (Pages 7 34)
- b) Eastern City Cluster Public Art (Year 3 & 4) Gateway 6 update report (Pages 35 66)
- c) Queen Street Pilot Project Gateway 7 (Outcome Report) (Pages 67 82)
- d) Globe View Walkway Consultation Report (Pages 83 96)
- 5. **DECISIONS TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY OR URGENCY POWERS** Report of the Town Clerk.

For Information (Pages 97 - 98)

6. PRINCE CONSORT STATUE RESTORATION - HOLBORN CIRCUS HIGHWAY WORKS

The Sub Committee will view be shown a YouTube video about the Prince Consort Statue Restoration.

For Information

a) City of London (Various Powers) Act 2013 London Local Authorities and Transport for London (No.2) Act 2013 (To Follow)

Report of the Remembrancer.

7. QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE SUB COMMITTEE

- 8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT
- 9. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

MOTION – That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act as follows:-

Part 2 - Non-public Agenda

10. ENVIRONMENTAL ENHANCEMENT PROJECTS CONSOLIDATED OUTCOME REPORT - GATEWAY 7

Report of the Director of the Built Environment.

For Decision (Pages 99 - 172)

- 11. NON-PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE SUB COMMITTEE
- 12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT AND WHICH THE SUB COMMITTEE AGREES SHOULD BE CONSIDERED WHILST THE PUBLIC ARE EXCLUDED

Agenda Item 3

STREETS AND WALKWAYS SUB (PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION) COMMITTEE

Monday, 13 January 2014

Minutes of the meeting of the Streets and Walkways Sub (Planning and Transportation) Committee held at Guildhall on Monday, 13 January 2014 at 1.45pm

Present

Members:

Jeremy Simons (Chairman) Marianne Fredericks (Deputy Chairman) Randall Anderson Dennis Cotgrove Brian Harris (Ex-Officio Member) Michael Hudson Oliver Lodge Sylvia Moys Barbara Newman (Ex-Officio Member) Deputy John Owen-Ward Deputy Michael Welbank Alderman Nick Anstee Deputy John Tomlinson

In Attendance:

Alderman Nick Anstee Deputy John Tomlinson Angela Starling

Officers:

Julie Mayer	-	Town Clerk's
Victor Callister	-	Department of the Built Environment
Steve Presland	-	Department of the Built Environment
Iain Simmons	-	Department of the Built Environment
Ian Hughes	-	Department of the Built Environment
Patrick Hegarty	-	Department of the Built Environment
Norma Collicott	-	City of London Police
Alan Rickwood	-	City of London Police

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Alderman Alison Gowman

2. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS UNDER THE CODE OF CONDUCT IN RESPECT OF ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

Randall Anderson and Barbara Newman declared a general interest in respect of item 4(f) as they are both residents of the Barbican Estate.

3. MINUTES

RESOLVED – that, the minutes of the meeting held on 18 November 2013 be approved.

Matters arising

Cycling in the City - Officers advised that the Mayor's public consultation was underway. The consultation was due to finish on 14th February and a report would be taken to the Planning and Transportation and Policy and Resources Committees at the end of February.

BT Openreach – Officers advised that they had been in contact with BT and invited them onto the Considerate Contractors scheme.

4. REPORTS OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT :-

4.1 Gateway 4 Detailed Options Appraisal – 8-10 Moorgate Area Improvements

The Sub Committee considered a report of the Director of the Built Environment in respect of the detailed options appraisal for 8 - 10 Moorgate area. The project sought to raise the carriageway to footway level and introduce seating to create new public space in Tokenhouse Yard and Telegraph Street.

In response to questions, officers advised that signage would be considered at Gateway 5 but it would be kept to a minimum. However, enforceable traffic orders would be made very clear to the public.

RESOLVED – that:

- 1. Option 1, as set out in the report, be adopted; i.e. the pedestrianisation of the eastern part of the street and a timed closure to vehicles for the remainder of the street.
- 2. The project progress to the next Gateway.

4.2 **Gateway 3 - Outline Options Appraisal -- Beech Street**

The Sub Committee considered a report of the Director of the Built Environment, which sought to enhance the user experience of Beech Street. Members noted that since Beech Street had now been classified as a covered road, more options would be available.

In response to questions, officers advised that the next report (Gateway 4) would consider issues such as access, the central reservation, escalators and lifts. The report would also form part of the consultation on the Barbican Area Strategy and be reported to the next cycle of the Residents' Consultation Committee and the Barbican Residential Committee. Finally, a ward member for Cripplegate, who was in attendance, advised members that a new consultation protocol was being prepared between Barbican residents and the City.

RESOLVED, that:

- 1. All three options, as set out in the report be progressed to the next Gateway, subject to a full public consultation.
- 2. An additional £19,000 be allocated to progress the project to the next Gateway, as set out in the table at Appendix 5 to the report.

4.3 **Outcome Report - Paul's Walk Western End**

The Sub Committee considered a report of the Director of the Built Environment, which sought to close the Paul's Walk Western End project. The Director of the Built Environment and the Chairman commended Clarisse Tavin for her excellent work on this project, which had included extensive negotiations with Network Rail.

However, members were concerned about the behaviour of cyclists in this area and asked if there were any plans for calming measures. The Police representative advised that cyclists were stopped and ticketed, being encouraged to attend awareness raising courses. The Chairman asked if means to reduce cycling on the Riverside Walk be reported to the next meeting.

RESOLVED, that:

- 1. The project be closed.
- 2. The additional staff costs of £2,503 be met from the works and fees underspend on the project.

4.4 Gateway 3 - Outline Options Appraisal Bank By-Pass Walking Routes

The Sub Committee considered a report of the Director of the Built Environment in respect of proposed improvements to north-south lanes in the Bank area that act as 'by-pass' walking routes, avoiding the congested Bank junction.

RESOLVED, that:

- 1. Option 1, as set out in the report, be adopted.
- 2. The various sub options related to traffic management be further developed through a detailed traffic analysis, ahead of the next Gateway, to ensure that the requirements of each Lane are taken into account.

4.5 **Progress Report – Holborn Circus Area Enhancement**

The Sub Committee received a progress report of the Director of the Built Environment in respect of the above project. Members noted that the statue of Prince Albert at Holborn Circus was being cleaned and restored and ten places would be available for members to visit the statue, at a foundry in Poplar, on 30th January 2014. Officers would contact members after the meeting and advise of the arrangements. The statue would be unveiled in early May 2014 and members agreed that the Lord Mayor should be invited to unveil it and that invitations should also be extended to the Mayors for London and Camden. Members commended officers for this project and particularly the quality of their regular bulletins.

4.6 **Barbican Seating - Consultation Report**

The Committee considered a progress report of the Director of the Built Environment in respect of the above project. In response to questions about Listed Building compliance, officers agreed to check that replacements would be like-for-like. In respect of possible damage to vents, should seating be removed, members noted that the replacement would be immediate. Finally, members noted that the seating for the upper level of the Ben Jonson Highwalk was in abeyance, pending completion of the waterproofing project.

Members noted that all projects have a 'lessons learnt' phase at the end; as part of the Gateway 7 report.

RESOLVED – **that,** the seating and planters be removed from St Giles Terrace and Ben Jonson Highwalk and relocated to elsewhere in the City, for use by the City community, and seating similar to that present on site be put back before the delivery of the City's improvement project.

4.7 **Special Events on the Public Highway for 2014**

The Committee considered a joint report of the Director of the Built Environment and the Director of Public relations, outlining the major events planned for 2014.

During the debate and discussion the following items were raised/noted:

- The Children's Parade was always held on a Friday to ensure maximum attendance
- Members were concerned at the large number of events and it was generally agreed that the number should reduce in future years. It was suggested that events finishing early evening in the summer months might start later.
- All sporting events in the City should be non-profit making, with all proceeds to charities.
- Members generally favoured subtle lighting to the bridges, as used during the Olympics. Officers advised that City bye-laws prohibited commercial exploitation of the bridges.

In concluding, the Chairman noted that the same number of events as held last year was being proposed.

Members further noted that a report setting out Event Guidelines providing a framework to consider both new and existing events would come to the Sub Committee in April 2014.

RESOLVED, that :

- 1. The major events taking place in the City, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report, be agreed.
- 2. Progress and planning to date in relation to the Tour de France and Prudential Ride London cycling events be noted.
- 3. A short-term road closure, on the same basis as 2013, be agreed to allow the Children's Parade event to take place on Friday 27 June 2014.

4. A further report be presented to members in Spring 2014 reviewing the Events Guidelines, including special event lighting for the City's River Bridges and the introduction of an application fee for special events, from April 2014.

5. DECISIONS TAKEN UNDER URGENCY OR DELEGATED AUTHORITY

Members noted the following decisions, which had been taken under urgency provision since the last meeting:

- Aldgate Highway changes
- John Carpenter Street (Gateway 3/4/5) the Chairman asked if the full report could be circulated to members

6. QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE SUB COMMITTEE

In response to a question about skateboarding, the Police advised that they frequently moved on skateboarders causing a public nuisance but there were limited judicial remedies. Members were particularly concerned about public safety, anti-social behaviour and damage to street furniture. The Chairman asked whether this behaviour was covered by City Bye-Laws and asked for a report to the next meeting.

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT

The Assistant Director (Department of the Built Environment) was heard in respect of the Ludgate Hill Crossing Trial. Members noted that the City had been very successful in obtaining £6Million for next year from TFL. However, they had not made any budget allocation for the Fleet Street Corridor scheme. As a result, the City did not have TfL funding for the proposed crossing trial in Ludgate Hill. The next opportunity for TfL funding would be in the summer of this year, when there might be some TfL bus funding available. The Sub Committee were therefore asked whether they would like to revert to the S.106 funding route for this change.

Subsequent to the meeting, the Assistant Director confirmed that the cost estimates provided for the removal of the trial, should it be unsuccessful.

RESOLVED – that, the Section 106 funding be used.

The meeting ended at 3.40

Chairman

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Committee(s):	1	Date(s):
Streets & Walkways Sub-Committee (For Decision Projects Sub-Committee (For Decision)	-	10/03/2014 02/04/2014
Subject: Outcome Report - Cheapside Area Strategy Improvements	Public	
Report of: The Director of the Built Environment	For Deci	sion
Summary		
Dashboard Project status - Green; Total original estimated cost - £6.48M Total actual spend - £4.61M Overall project risk – Green (completed)		
Brief description of project		
In November and December 2008, Members approve Strategy. The Cheapside Area Improvements form the Strategy. In May 2009 the Court of Common Council a that looked to make substantial improvements to the t public realm whilst maintaining the needs of all road u	e backbon approved a ransport e	e of this Area a major project
The improvements were delivered over four stages, we streets of Cheapside and Poultry in their entirety. It als redesign of the Cheapside/New Change junction and Street and the Sunken Garden pocket space at the Cl junction. The project later expanded to include the Gree Grand/Aldersgate Street junction (as Stage 4a) but the outcome report as it is subject to an on-going trial of it	so included improvemo neapside/N esham Stro s is not ind	d a complete ents to Bread New Change eet/St Martin's Le cluded in this
The project has been funded through a combination o (£2.56M), On Street Parking Reserve (OSPR) (£1.20M) (£0.85M).		
Members had agreed that the OSPR provide up to £2 towards Cheapside Stage 4a) of underwriting funding now possible to release the remaining £1.54M from the	towards th	nis project. It is
The project has been very successful both in terms of the delivery of it. All outcomes have either been achie particular the streets are now better and safer for road visitors. It is now a vibrant destination, meeting current meet future growth.	ved or exc l users, oc	ceeded; in cupiers and
The project management approach enabled the project managed effectively ensuring it is on programme, bud		

Persistence in value engineering and the use of innovative techniques such as radar technology to identify utility depths enabled, amongst other things, the project to be delivered below budget.

The value of partnership working with the term contractor and their awareness and experience of the City, their flexibility and ability to accommodate changes and requirements cannot be understated and is a major factor contributing to the success of the project.

The success of the project has been nationally recognised by winning the prestigious "The Chartered Institution of Highways & Transportation" Streets award in 2013.

Recommendations

I recommend that Members:-

- Note the contents of this report;
- Agree to close Stage 1 to 4 of the project; and
- Agree that the balance of £0.47M from the Section 106 funds be released back to the pooled funding for Transport improvements at or in the vicinity of Bank station.

<u>Overview</u>

1. Evidence of Need	The transport infrastructure and quality of the public realm along Cheapside and Poultry were poor. The unnecessarily wide carriageway meant motor vehicles dominated the street making it less safe, and the environment did not properly reflect the status of Cheapside as a major retail and office destination.
	In addition there was a need to support a number of major re- developments in the area and the resulting significant increase in pedestrian footfall whilst ensuring the needs of all street users were accommodated.
2. Project Scope and Exclusions	The Cheapside project was split into four stages to enable better project management and for a funding strategy to be put in place to deliver the improvements. The project included the entire length of Cheapside and Poultry and encompassed the Cheapside/New Change junction as well as the Sunken Garden pocket space and streets surrounding One New Change. A plan of the project by stage is provided in Appendix 1 and a general arrangement plan is provided in Appendix 2.
	The project was then extended to include the Gresham Street/St Martin's Le Grand/Aldersgate Street junction. This work stream, to facilitate two-way traffic, is being treated separately and is subject to further assessment. It is therefore not included in this outcome report.
3. Link to Strategic	The improvements fully accord with the City's strategic aims

	Aims	including:					
		• To provide modern, efficient and high quality local services and policing within the Square Mile for workers, residents and visitors with a view to delivering sustainable outcomes.					
		The improvement measures are in line with the relevant policies at the time of evaluation and design. Notably The City together Strategy: The Heart of a World Class City 2008-2014 and the Unitary Development Plan policies.					
4.	Within which category does the project fit	7A – Asset Enhancement/Improvement					
5.	What is the priority of the project?	Advisable.					
6.	Resources Expended	A total of £4,607,721 has been expended in delivery of the Cheapside scheme.					
		The table below provides an overall summary of the expenditure.					
		Table 1. Resources expended					
		Description Resources Expended					
		Stage 1 £942,563					
		Stage 2 £2,020,262					
		Stage 3	£1,127,129				
		Stage 4	£517,767				
		Total	£4,607,721				

Outturn Assessment

7. Assessment of project against Success Criteria	The project has These are summ			
Success Criteria	Objective	Outcome		
	Reduce motor vehicles dominance and traffic speeds	average of 14 metres to an average of 8 metres. The Cheapside/New Change junction has also been completely redesigned. All of this has reduced the		
		been recorded for both Cheapside and Poultry. This shows that speeds have reduced. In Cheapside the		

	reduction in Poultry is from 24mph to 21mph. These are the 85 th percentile speeds, which is the speed at
	which 85% of drivers are driving at or below. Average speeds for Cheapside were 20.5mph in 2006 and 16.8mp in 2013, a reduction of 3.7mph. (The average speed is a "spot mean speed" typically obtained between two points of greatest potential for free-flowing traffic conditions).Traffic and pedestrian surveys have also been carried out before (in 2006) and after (in 2013) implementation. The surveys covered 12 hours between the hours of 7am to 7pm, and have shown some very encouraging and interesting data.
	Total traffic flows have overall increased. However, motor vehicles using Cheapside and Poultry have reduced between 2006 and 2013 from 7,723 to 7,277 in Cheapside, and 6,378 to 6,267 in Poultry. This is in spite of a significant increase of over 430 buses per day (arisen from the replacement of the Bendy buses to conventional buses). Medium size lorries have also had an increase of 113 vehicles in Poultry but remain at similar levels along Cheapside.
	In 2006, there were 871 cyclists per day compared to 2124 in 2013. This represents an increase of 2.5 times and making up to 23 % of the total vehicle composition. With this user group added into the total traffic flow, total volumes have increased from 8594 to 9401 in Cheapside.
	During the am peak, cyclist make up 45% of the vehicle composition, nearly 3 times more than the next user group which are taxis at 17%.
	During the pm peak, taxi's make up the highest user group at 34%, but is closely followed by cyclist's at 31%. This is almost double the next user group which are cars at 16%.
	Trends in motor vehicle flows in the City have been reducing over the last decade or so. Cycling has however been growing. The traffic flows in Cheapside and Poultry are therefore more likely to be part of this overall trend rather than as a result of the changes made.
	Pedestrian numbers in both Cheapside and Poultry have increased by 50% (from 24,487 to 36,728 per day) and 38% (from 26,783 to 37,000 per day) respectively.
Road safety	Analysis of injury collision data has shown that the

project has improved road safety.

The following tables provide a comparison of the collision data before and after implementation.

Table 2. Average annual collisions per yearresulting in injury.

	Av. no. of collisions per annum	No. of serious collisions per annum
Before	9	1.33
After	7.25	0.92
% reduction	19%	31%

It can be seen from the above table that the average annual collision has reduced from 9 to 7.25 per annum, representing a 19% reduction. Collisions resulting in serious injuries have also reduced by about a third.

Table 3. Average No. of injuries per year by usergroup

	Motor Vehicle	Motor Cyclists	Cyclist	Peds	Total injuries
Before	1.67	2.67	3	2.33	9.67
	(17%)	(28%)	(31%)	(24%)	(100%)
After	4.76	0.4	0	3.4	8.57
	(55%)	(5%)	(0%)	(40%)	(100%)

Table 3 shows a comparison of the injuries sustained amongst the different user groups. It can be seen that the project has been very effective at reducing injuries to pedal cyclists (none recorded since completion) and to motor cyclists.

Injuries to pedestrians have increased by about one or 45%. Most of these occurred as a result of their error, for example they failed to look or judge properly. Another factor for this increase is likely to be attributed to the fact that more pedestrians are now using Cheapside than before. (45% increase in pedestrian numbers).

Injuries to motor vehicle drivers or to their occupants have had a significant increase, by almost 3 fold.

		Most of these, including a drunken driver, have occurred at the Cheapside/new Change junction. The assessment has identified that a factor in the increase could be related to the sequencing of the southbound traffic signals. As TfL are responsible for traffic lights in London, officers are in discussions with them to have the sequencing altered.
		During the early stages of completion, a significant number of comments were received on the poor design of the carriageway widths and how this has made cycling along Cheapside more dangerous. As a result of this, further assessments were carried out. The findings showed that cycling along Cheapside was actually better as drivers offered cyclists more room whilst overtaking than at another similar location.
		Pedestrian countdown timers have also be added to the Cheapside/New Change junction. This has helped pedestrians, by letting them know how long they have left to cross the road after the green man light has gone out. This has appeared to have improved pedestrian safety and traffic capacity.
a e k t	Create an attractive environment by improving the street scene	High quality design and materials such as York stone and Granite have been used throughout. Other improvements contributing to create an attractive environment includes, 19 large specimen trees planted (out of 23 originally proposed), lighting improvements (street lights as well as uplighters), renewal of the sunken garden, architectural seating, way-finding signage and the removal of street clutter.
i	Create an inclusive and vibrant area	The needs of all street users have been accommodated. The spaces created now offer opportunities for functions, events, gatherings and socialising.
1	Improve pedestrian convenience	Cheapside and Poultry have been totally remodelled to provide a much more pedestrian friendly environment. Carriageway widths have been substantially reduced, regular street crossings, including courtesy crossings and wider crossing points, have been provided. Footways are much wider and street clutter removed to improve pedestrian flow and reduce over-crowding. Seating, greenery, pedestrian countdown timers and better lighting have also contributed towards a positive pedestrian environment.

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	Improve cycling facilities	The design accommodates future cycling growth by creating an environment that is safer to cycle on and for cycles to make better use of the carriageway. Traffic speeds have reduced. The number of cycle parking racks has doubled. Inset loading bays (off the running lane) have been incorporated to reduce conflicts. Junctions have mandatory lead in lanes and prohibited movements (where possible) have been removed to facilitate cycle permeability.
	Improve accessibility	The narrowed carriageway, widened and de-cluttered footways, the redesigned Cheapside/New Change junction and courtesy crossings make it easier for pedestrians, including those with mobility impairments, to navigate this area.
		The sunken garden has been improved and includes a ramp for easy disabled access.
		Traffic signals include measures which also assist pedestrians with visual and hearing difficulties.
		Along Cheapside, there are a number of loading and taxi bays that have been incorporated into the footway. The design enables pedestrians to utilise that space if it is not occupied by vehicles. This is particularly useful during high pedestrian periods such as during lunch time. These bays have been design and implemented using granite setts. It has been found that this material provides a "neutral" ground between pedestrians and motor vehicles i.e. the bays are readily used by pedestrians when vacant.
		Some comments have been received regarding the design of the taxi bay by One New Change. As the design is incorporated into the footway, it avoids a kerb up-stand. This has meant that when an access ramp is deployed (for wheelchair users to access or egress from a taxi), the gradient is either very steep or that a separate ramp extension needs to be attached. This is therefore not ideal so an alternative taxi bay with a full kerb up-stand is being investigated in New Change.
	Facilitate retail opportunities	The improvements create an attractive and vibrant destination and have facilitated retail businesses to hold events and functions.
	Provide places to rest	The sunken garden has been rejuvenated to provide a secluded place to rest. A stone bench, located west of Foster Lane has also been incorporated, providing further places to rest.

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Encourage vehicles to service buildings off- street	The design has provided only limited locations for on- street servicing and these are located off the running lanes. The carriageway width has also been selected to discourage on-street servicing. Bread Street has been widened to improve access to off street servicing areas.			
	Loading surveys carried out before the project showed a total of 389 vehicles servicing on street between 7am to 7pm. This compares with 201 vehicles post implementation. No adverse impact has been reported as a result of this.			
Facilitate street functions.	Wide footway areas as well as new public spaces provide opportunities for street functions. Since completion, a number of street functions have or are to be held in Cheapside including shopping, sporting and traditional events. Some notable events include a Christmas shopping day, Cheapside Street Fayre and the Lord Mayor's Show.			
Chartered Institu 2013. "The judge successfully add was seen to be a streetscape withi unfussy approac judges were part adopted through standards of wor street projects su	the success of the project, it won the prestigious 'The tion of Highways & Transportations' Streets Award in es considered this to be an outstanding scheme which ressed the balance between movement and place. It a key component of a strategy to raise the standard of n a wide area. This was emphasised by adopting an h as well as by the use of high quality materials. The icularly impressed with the partnership approach out the delivery of the scheme and also by the very high kmanship" This project competed against other national ach as Poynton Town Centre, Church Street Square in Oxford Street East. A summary of the award is provided			
Responding to complaints is also an important aspect for the su the project. The project included a lot of public facing information including interfaces with a dedicated contactor on site, commun- and managing local issues. Nonetheless, there were still a hand complaints, mainly regarding noise disturbances and lengthy per diversions. All the complaints were quickly resolved by amendir and how the works were undertaken or providing occupiers with information.				

8. Programme	The key delivery milestones as set out initially are shown in table 4, and are compared against the actual delivery periods.						
	Table 4. Deliver	y Progr	amme				
	Key Miles	tones	Delivery Period		Actual Delivery Period		
	-	Design/Evaluation Report Approval		May 2009		iy 2009	
	Completio Stage		July 2010		Octo	ber 2010	
	Completio Stage		Septeml	ber 2010	Decer	mber 2010	
	Completio Stage		Spring	g 2011	Ju	ly 2011	
		Completion of Stage 4		Initially Uncommitted (Early 2012)		May 2012 (with outstanding elements deferred to post Olympics)	
	This shows that specified in the c				_		frame as
9. Budget	Table 5 provides against the desig			tual cost c	of each	stage and co	mpares it
	Table 5. Stage o	costs					
	Description		sign imate	Actu	al	Variance	
	Stage 1	£1.0	3M	£0.94M		£(0.09)M	
	Stage 2	£3.0	6M	£2.02M		£(1.04)M	
	Stage 3	£1.4	0M	£1.13M		£(0.27)M	
	Stage 4	Stage 4 £0.9		£0.52M		£(0.47)M	
	Total	£6.4	8M £4.61M			£(1.87)M	
	It can be seen that a substantial und majority of this under spend has co (£1.20M) and civil engineering work ("value engineering", and un-used con-					used utility d	iversions
	In order to prog Members to ur mechanism is sh	nderwrite	e the fu	nding. Tł			

	Table 6. Fund	Table 6. Funding mechanism			
	Stage	S106 contribution	On Street Parking Reserve	TfL	Total
	Stage 1	£0.94M	-	-	£0.94M
	Stage 2	£1.1M	£0.53M	£0.39M	£2.02M
	Stage 3	-	£0.67M	£0.46M	£1.13M
	Stage 4	£0.52M	-	-	£0.52M
	Total	£2.56M	£1.20M	£0.85M	£4.61M
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10.Risk	Implementation approved eac	In order to reduce risk the project was split into four stage Implementation of each of these stages was not permitted until Membe approved each design report. This enabled the funding package to b assessed, adjusted and approved at regular intervals.			
		 accelerated disruption to local 	-	-	communication li
	development successful de	and the widen livery of this ret	ing of Bre ail destinat	ad Street. ion that the	e One New Char It was vital for street works arou with the develope
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	should be noted that the utility scans enabled the design to be amended to avoid a lot of costly utility diversions.
11.Communications	Significant communications were undertaken and spanned a couple of years. There were significant internal (various departments and Members) and external stakeholders including City occupiers and users, the Cheapside Initiative, emergency services, bus operators, Transport for London, other organisations and groups.
	The communication commenced with a public consultation exercise for an area strategy in 2008. Formal Traffic Order consultation and notices followed in 2009, 2010 and 2011, and in the lead up to the works, a communication strategy was adopted to manage the various communication strands which included on-street information, media releases, face to face engagements and other printed materials.
	This level of communication ensured that the project proceeded successfully.
12.Benefits achieved to date	The benefits achieved to date are summarised in Section 7. However, a summary of the benefits achieved to date are provided below.
	The project has made significant improvements to the transport and public realm. The streets are now better and safer for road users, occupiers and visitors. It is meeting current needs and is well placed to meet future growth.
	Appendix 4 provides some before and after images as well as a photomontage of the vision.
13. Strategy for continued achievement of benefits	Cheapside has been designed with the future in mind. The growth in pedestrian footfall with the arrival of Crossrail and the future growth of retail and office space in the City was given due consideration during design.
	Cheapside is well placed to accommodate this growth.
14.Outstanding actions	Monitoring of collisions, in particular at the Cheapside/New Change junction will continue. This may result in amendments to improve safety.

Review of Team Performance

15.Governance arrangements	A structured project governance arrangement was in place and followed closely the Prince II project management methodology; consisting of:-	
	A Managing Officer with overall project responsibility	
	A Project Director/Sponsor. Sponsor of the project, provides vision and purpose	
	A Project Manager, responsible for day to day delivery of	

	project, securing permissions and approvals.		
	A Design & delivery Team consisting of designers and contractors		
	A Project Team . Consisting of the above plus Environmental Enhancement representative.		
	A Project Board. Consisting of senior cross departmental representatives, Managing Officer, Project Director and Manager.		
	Project documentations, also closely following the Prince II methodology and included, a project plan, a project initiation Document, a risk register and issues logs.		
	The project had a unique financial governance arrangement where the Project Manager was authorised to approve budget adjustments up to £5,000. This provided a more efficient process and allowed for quicker amendments to budgets to be applied.		
16. Key strengths	The key strengths demonstrated in delivery of this project:		
	Communication		
	Partnership approach with the Term Contractor		
	Lead by a senior officer		
	Project team		
	Flexibility in working arrangements		
	Clear objectives and vision		
17. Areas for	Estimates for utility diversions.		
improvement	The use of concrete condition radar scans – the use of this technique should be reviewed to ensure that the information obtained is reliable and of sufficient quality to enable accurate estimates to be derived.		
18. Special recognition	Special recognition should go to the Project Team and the Term Contractor, in particular their Contract Manager and Site Manager. In addition, the Environmental Enhancement Team for their prior work on the Area Strategy and consultation.		

<u>Lessons Learnt</u>

19.Key lessons and how they will be	The lessons learnt are provided in Appendix 5. However The key lessons learnt are summarised below:
used and applied	 The project has been very successful both in terms of the outcomes achieved and the delivery of it. All outcomes have either been achieved or exceeded; in particular the

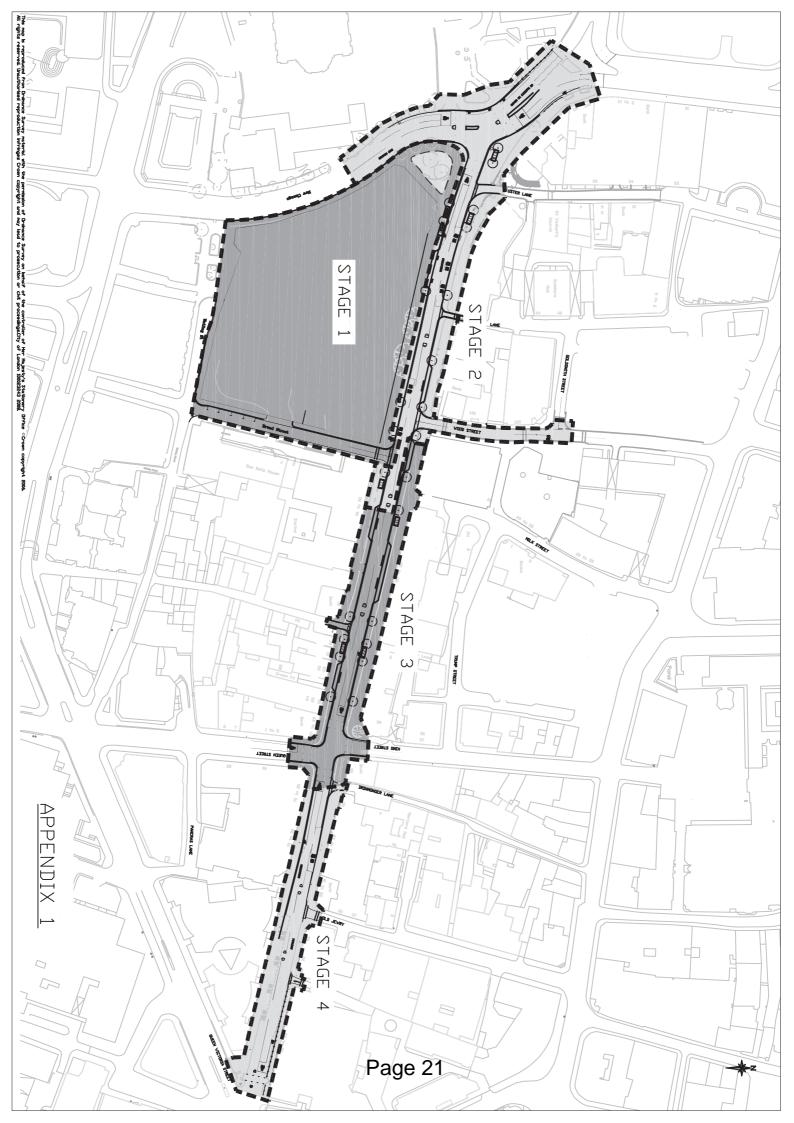
 streets are now better and safer for road users, occupiers and visitors. It is now a vibrant destination, meeting current needs and is well placed to meet future growth. The project management approach enabled the project to be controlled and managed effectively ensuring it is on programme, budget and to scope. Having a clear vision and achievable objectives from the outset avoids project deviation, facilitates understanding and joined up working within the project team and wider across the organisation.
 Persistence in value engineering and the use of innovative and untested techniques such as radar scans of utility service depths has enabled, amongst other things, the project to be delivered below budget.
• The value of partnership working with the term contractor and their awareness and experience of the City, their flexibility and ability to accommodate changes and requirements cannot be understated and is a major factor contributing to the success of the project.
 The success of the project has been nationally recognised by winning the prestigious "The Chartered Institution of Highways & Transportation" Streets award 2013.
These lessons are being applied to other projects, in particular larger and corporate projects such as at Holborn Circus, Aldgate and Bank. The design concept and techniques used will also be particularly helpful where similar elements are being considered.

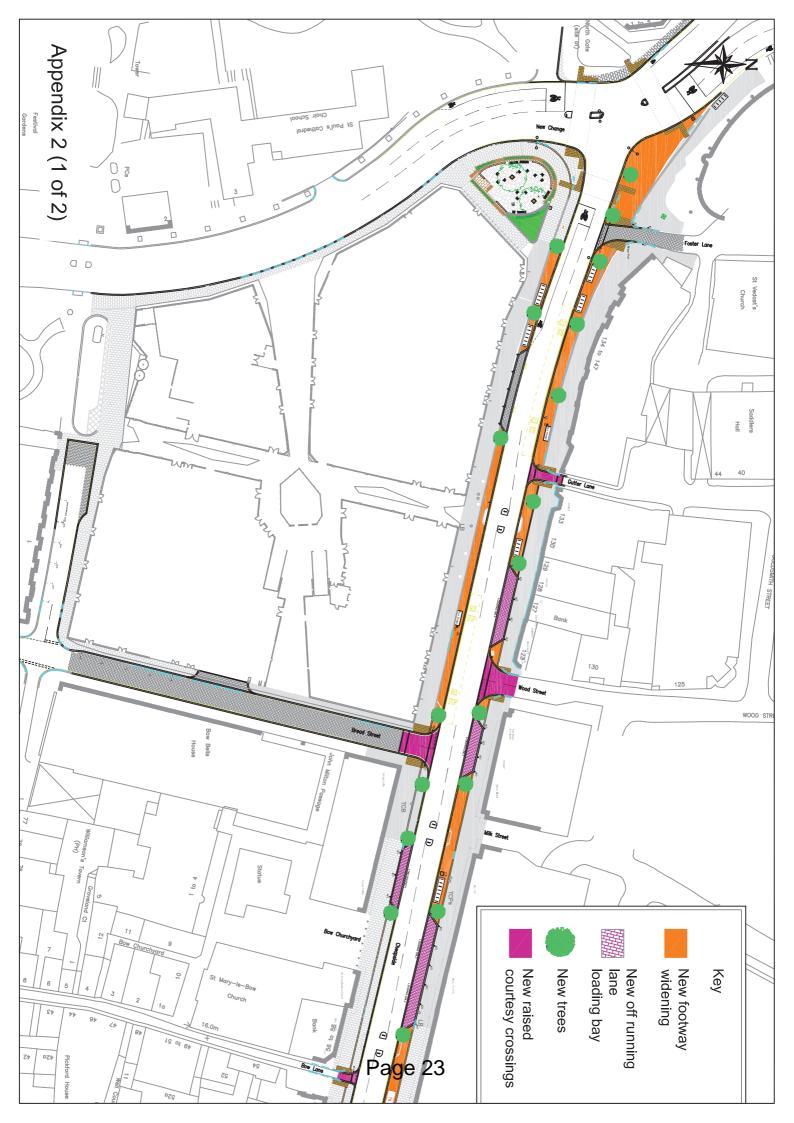
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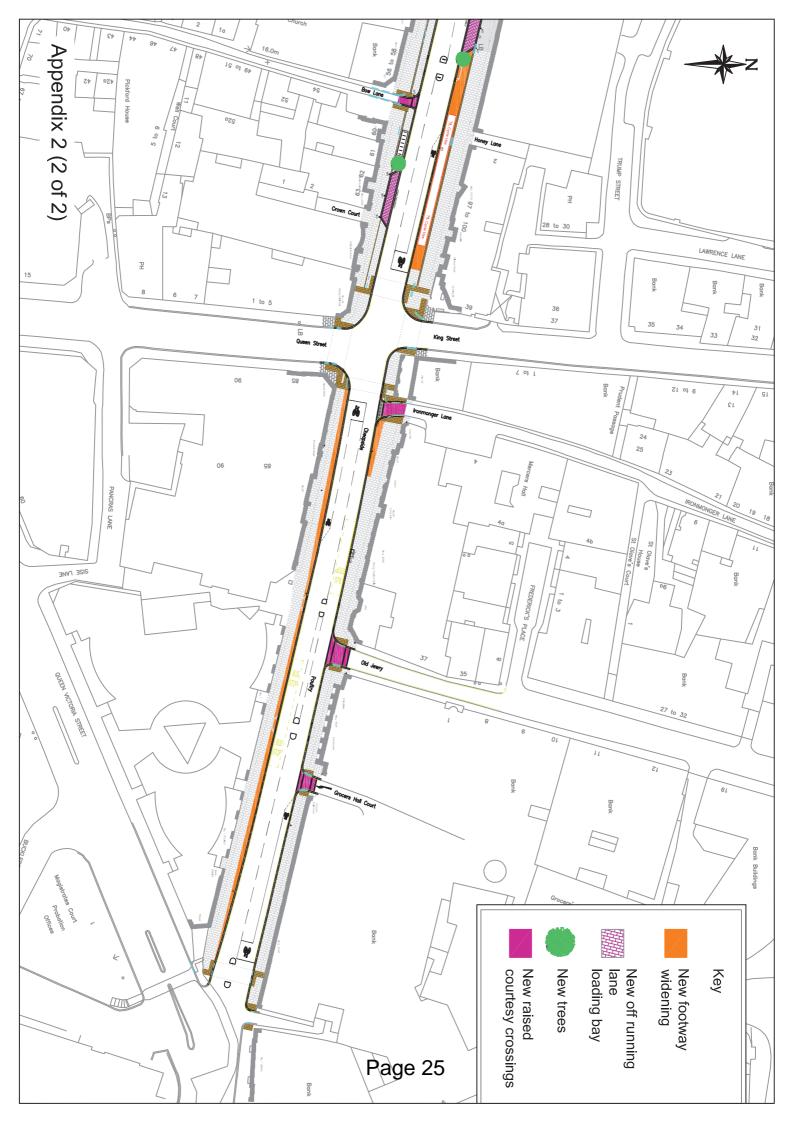
Appendix 1	Cheapside Stage Plan
Appendix 2	General Arrangement
Appendix 3	CIHT Award Summary
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CIHT/ Enterprise Mouchel Streets Award

Judging Criteria

This award recognises outstanding street designs. Completed schemes, or larger schemes with completed phases are eligible.

The judges were looking for evidence of

- Demonstration of fulfilling a clearly articulated vision
- Encouragement of environmentally sustainable travel choices
- Well executed planning and implementation (consultation and collaboration)
- Achieving a good balance between movement and place functions
- · Excellence in accessibility and inclusiveness
- Quality, functionality and maintainability of design
- Good connectivity to the surrounding community
- Evidence that scheme objectives are being achieved



Cheapside City of London

The City of London Cheapside scheme has delivered substantial transport infrastructure and public realm improvements. This street is now far better equipped to accommodate the increase in pedestrian traffic while offering a safer, more vibrant retail destination.

Located between Bank and St Paul's the environment in Cheapside was generally poor. An overly generous carriageway meant vehicular traffic dominated the street. Improvements to the transport infrastructure and public realm were required to improve safety, function and quality of the environment.

To address these issues the footways have been significantly widened and de-cluttered, with raised courtesy crossings now located at all streets adjoining Cheapside and pedestrian refuges provided at key desire lines. The changes have significantly reduced speeds and improved safety at Cheapside.

A junction near St Paul's has been completely redesigned and a large cycle hire site and cycle racks have been incorporated into it, complementing improvements to cycle safety such as positioning loading bays off running lanes. Trees have been introduced along Cheapside and the lighting substantially

improved. A rejuvenated sunken garden and seating provide places for rest. These improvements have not impeded the operation of Cheapside. Off

street loading bays and improvements at Bread Street fully accommodate the needs of retail and the operation of the street.

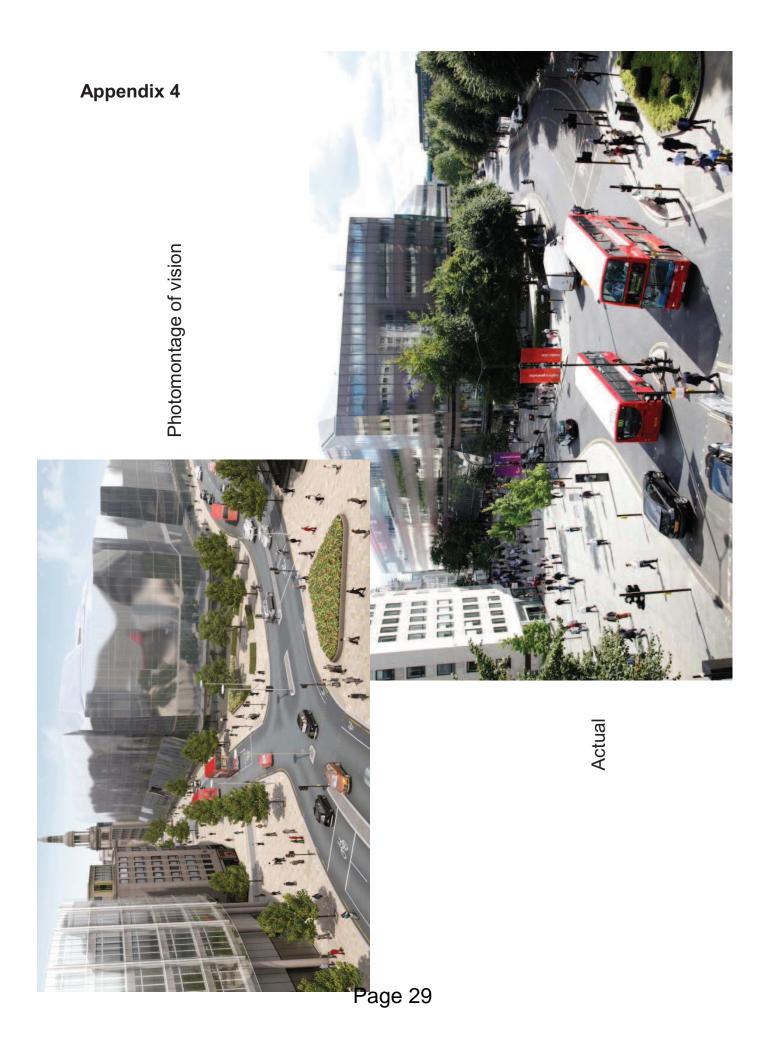
Strong communication – which included close liaison with local traders and working partnerships – ensured construction time and disruption to local occupiers were minimised and access was maintained to all businesses throughout the build.

The Cheapside scheme was delivered on time and to budget. The design exhibits the very best in urban design simplicity and has delivered bold changes while carefully balancing the needs of all street users. Cheapside is now well placed to meet the current and future demands that will be placed upon it.

"The judges considered this to be an outstanding scheme which successfully addressed the balance between movement and place. It was seen to be a key component of a strategy to raise the standard of streetscape within a wide area. This was emphasised by adopting an unfussy approach as well as by the use of high quality materials.

The judges were particularly impressed with the partnership approach adopted throughout the delivery of the scheme and also by the very high standards of workmanship."

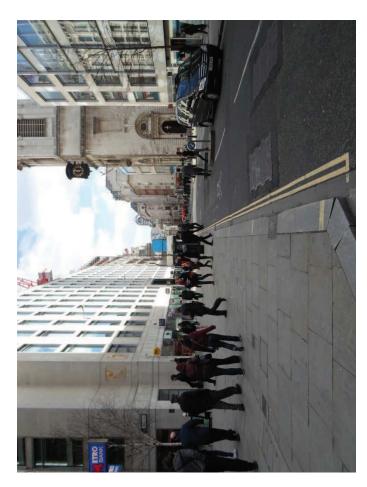
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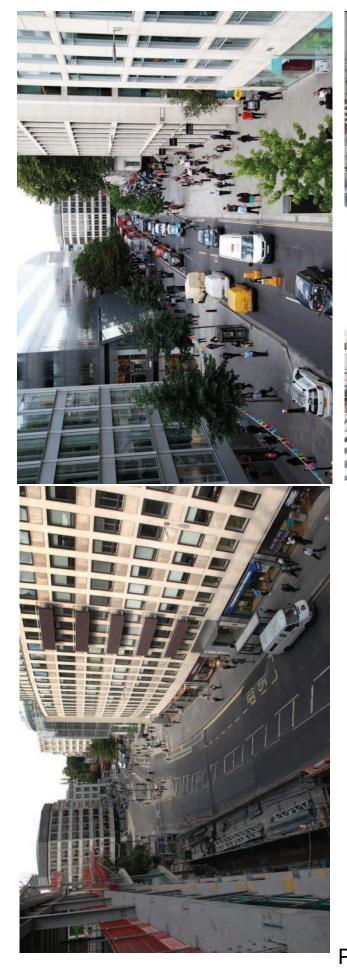


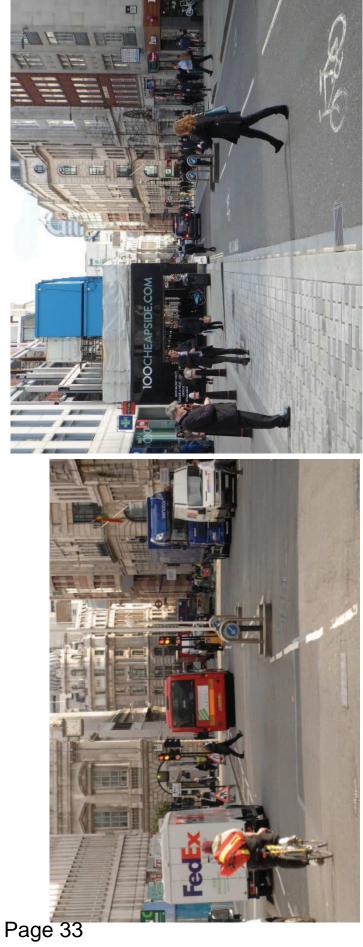




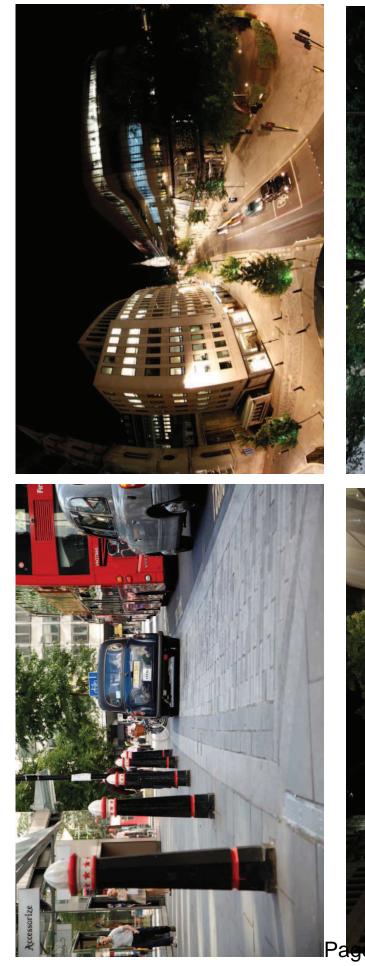
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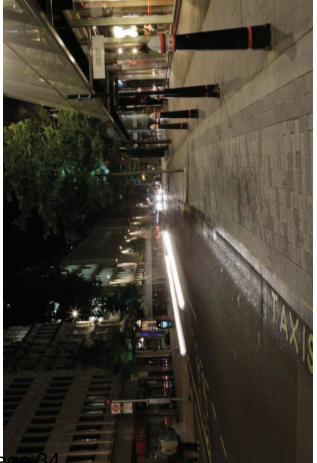




Before & After photos







After photos

Agenda Item 4b

Committee(s):	Date(s):
Culture, Heritage & Libraries Committee (For Decision)	03/03/2014
Streets & Walkways Sub-Committee (For Decision)	10/03/2014
Projects Sub Committee (For Decision)	urgency
Subject: Eastern City Cluster - Public Art (Year 3 & 4) – Gateway 6 update report	Public
Report of: Director of the Built Environment	For Decision

<u>Summary</u>

The purpose of this report is to update Members on Year 3 of the *Sculpture in the City* project delivered in 2013; and approvals of funding for Years 4 and 5 which will be implemented in 2014 and 2015 respectively.

The Sculpture in the City project, now entering its fourth consecutive year has been developed as part of a long-term vision to enhance the public realm, and forms part of the Eastern City Cluster and Fenchurch & Monument Area Enhancement Strategies. It is aligned with objectives in the City's Cultural Strategy 2012/17, its Visitor Strategy 2013/17 and its community strategy, The City Together.

The project is funded primarily through financial and in-kind support from external partners and an additional contribution from the City of London. Last year, three new funding partners, Brookfield, Willis and WR Berkley, came on board to join existing partners Hiscox, British Land, Aviva, Aon, and IVG-Europe, along with two project patrons, Searcy's and MTEC (art installation company). With 8 funding partners involved, Year 3 saw the greatest number of artworks (11 pieces in total) installed so far, reaching new geographical areas and connecting the project with local transport hubs. Feedback from Members, project partners, local stakeholders, schools and volunteers has been positive, and the project has now become a key part of the City's extended cultural output.

Preparations for Year 4 are currently underway, and it is proposed to install more artworks (14-16 pieces) and deliver even more school workshops & community events than in Year 3. A short list of artworks has been selected by the Advisory Board and presented to the City Arts Initiative; a copy is attached in Appendix C.

The total budget required to deliver Year 4 is estimated at £310,000. For this Year, officers are looking to secure £220k in total of external funding from project partners. The City has already allocated £50k for the implementation of this year's project and it is now proposed to increase the contribution by £40k (funded by the interest accrued on the Pinnacle Section 106 Agreement), to give an overall total contribution of £90k. This would equate to 29% of the total budget required, with 71% secured from external partners (*please refer to funding table attached in Appendix B*). The increased funds will enable the City to maintain its leading role as project coordinator, managing the delivery team more efficiently by outsourcing project management services, steering the marketing campaign and delivering a better targeted communication strategy. This will enable the scheme to keep growing in a sustainable manner, maintaining and improving the quality of previous years. This will also allow delivering additional school workshops and community events in line with the City's Cultural strategy, which seeks to place cultural education at the heart of our offer while enlivening the on-street environment (also an objective of the City's Visitor Strategy 2013/17).

The project Advisory Board, comprising senior representatives from the project partner companies and three City of London Members, continues to serve as a successful mechanism for establishing project goals, selecting of artwork and promoting partnerships with local stakeholders. Last year, the Board approved the appointment of Lacuna PR Ltd as project Co-Director alongside the Assistant Director, for Environmental Enhancement. Lacuna PR Ltd has worked on the project as an external consultant since 2010, year when the project was first implemented. In order to deliver the project more efficiently, this report recommends the appointment of Lacuna PR Ltd as a consultant for this year's project.

For future years, the intention is to continue running the project as a rolling programme (Year 5 and beyond) An update report submitted in June 2012 suggested that funding from the City will be reduced for Year 5 (2014 - 2015), with the majority of the funding being provided by external sources. However, given the strong support for the project, the opportunity exists to maintain the City's role as project leader and to continue managing the delivery of the scheme. To this end, this report also seeks to request funding of £90k from the interest accrued on the Pinnacle Section 106 agreement, for the implementation of Year 5 (2014-2015). This contribution from the City, combined with enhanced levels of external funding, will therefore enable the project to increase in scale and impact. This will also enable officers to plan for growth and develop more effective relationships with leading galleries, as well as making easier for businesses to become involved.

Recommendations

It is recommended that Members:

- i) Note the contents of this update report and agree the shortlist of artworks considered for Year 4, attached in *Appendix* C.
- ii) Approve the additional contribution of £40k (total City contribution £90k) for the implementation of this Year's project, funded from the interest accrued on the \$106 obligation connected to the Pinnacle development.
- iii) Approve an increase of £4,000 on the budget of Year 3, to cover additional staff costs incurred in the delivery of last year's project.
- iv) Approve the appointment of Lacuna PR Ltd as a consultant for Year 4 at a cost of £50,000 to be funded from the overall project budget.
- v) Approve a contribution of £90k from the interest accrued on the \$106 obligation connected to the Pinnacle development, for the implementation of the project in Year 5 (2014-2015).
- vi) Delegated authority be given to the Director of Transportation and Public Realm and Head of Finance to adjust the project budget between staff costs, fees and works providing the overall budget is not exceeded.

<u>Overview</u>

Brief description of project	The east of the City is home to the City's programme of temporary artwor The project provides a location for the display of artworks by global recognised artists sourced through leading galleries, including Lisso Gallery, Roche Court, Sadie Coles HQ, Pace Gallery and White Cube "Sculpture in the City" forms part of the environmental enhancement works of the Eastern City Cluster Area Enhancement Strategy (2007, to b updated in 2014) and the Fenchurch & Monument Area Enhancement Strategy (adopted in 2013).		
	Delivered through a successful and positive partnership between local businesses and the City, the project provides a focus for school and community events which promote the City's cultural offer helping to deliver the objectives of the Cultural Strategy and the City Together Strategy.		
	The first installation of sculptures by world-renowned artists took place in July 2011. In June 2012, the second year of project was implemented with 8 sculptures installed, as well as school workshops and community events.		
	The third year of the project, delivered in June 2013, delivered 11 artworks and 24 school workshops. The project has been widely commended by Members, business partners, the public and the art world. The innovative nature of the partnership has been recognised and has enabled for the project to grow in scope and relevance within London's art scene.		
	For Year Four (2014), officers are seeking to install artworks (14-16 pieces) of a similar quality to those displayed in previous years, and provide additional school workshops and community events (28-30 in total).		
	This report contains the shortlist of artworks for 2014 (refer to Appendix C), agreed by the Advisory Board (2 nd December 2013) and presented to the City Arts Initiative in December 2013.		
Success Criteria	• Help to deliver the City's Cultural Strategy, Visitor Strategy and the City Together Strategy; particularly theme no.4, "is vibrant and culturally rich".		
	• Deliver 28 - 30 school workshops in partnership with local businesses supporting the City's Cultural Strategy 2012/17.		
	Continue to develop new and strengthen existing partnerships with key local businesses in the area.		
	• Enhance the City's reputation as a centre of excellence for the display of high profile public art.		
	• Enhance the streets and public spaces in line with Corporate Objectives as per the City's Cultural Strategy and Visitor Strategy.		
	 The project's success has been recognized and is supported by Members, City officers and local stakeholders. 		

Link to Strategic Aims	 The project was included in last year's Open-House London weekend, and free tours were organized. The event proved to be successful attracting lots of interest (50-60 people attended the tours). Additional tours have been organized as a request from project partner companies, and have also been offered to City of London staff. The project was featured in the London TimeOut Magazine as one of the top outdoor events in London. The project was featured in more than 20 arts, cultural and business focused magazines in the UK. Positive feedback from project partners indicates that the project is highly supported by local stakeholders, office workers and visitors. As part of the school workshops, children from neighbouring boroughs where able to explore the City and visit buildings that otherwise wouldn't have been possible due to security measures. This promotes the Square Mile, not only as a financial centre, but as a cultural quarter for visitors of enjoy. Corporate Plan 2013-2017, Aim 1: To support and promote The City as the world leader in international finance and business services. The City Together Strategy: Theme 4: "is vibrant and culturally rich" To support and promote the City as a cultural asset and to encourage greater vibrancy and diversity in cultural and leisure activities. Core Strategy-Policy CS 11: Visitors, Arts and Culture The City's Visitor Strategy 2012/17, aligning to two of its five supporting themes – Working in Partnership and Education and Learning The City's Visitor Strategy 2013/17, SA1 (strategic aim 1) – "to develop a compelling offer for all our visitors, celebrating the City's unique heritage and cultural output, especially through the delivery of art-on-strateet inilicatives"
Within which category does the project fit	 Substantially reimbursable; Funded through different sources: Section 106 contributions from the Pinnacle development. Interest accrued from the Section 106 agreement from the Pinnacle development Financial contributions from external partners In kind contributions from external partners and project patrons.
Resources Expended To Date	Total expenditure on Year 3 to date is £218,512.91 Contributions from the Pinnacle \$106 agreement (capital budget) and funding from external partner contributions (revenue budget).
Tolerances	The number of artworks installed and the extent of the marketing and PR campaign depends on external funding received.

Progress

Reporting	April 2013 – February 2014		
Period			
Summary of progress since last report	Year 3 (2012-2013) The third year of the project, delivered in June 2013, was regarded as very successful and featured 11 sculptures by globally established artists including:		
	 Robert Indiana (US) – 2 artworks Dinos & Jake Chapman (UK) – 1 artwork Richard Wentworth (UK) – 1 site specific piece Shirazeh Houshiary (UK-Iran) - 1 artwork Jim Lambie (UK) - 1 artwork Anthony Gormley (UK) - 1 artwork Keith Coventry(UK) - 2 artworks Ryan Gander (UK) - 1 artwork Petroc Sesti (UK)- 1 artwork; exhibited for the first time in a public space 		
	In 2013, aided in part by bringing on board three new project partners (Willis, Brookfield and WR Berkley), the project included the largest quantity of pieces and most ambitious installations so far. The project achieved greater public impact by installing artwork in new areas, and extending the zone towards Liverpool Street Station and Lime Street.		
	In addition to the art installations, 24 on-site school workshops were organised by Open-City London, offering interactive activities to 180 children from 6 schools within the City and adjacent boroughs. Also, a community event was organised as part of the London Open-House weekend (October 2013), during which free tours were offered to visitors, which generated a lot of interest (50-60 attendees).		
	An ambitious selection of artwork, in terms of individual requirements, logistics, and overall quantity, meant that this year the installations were technically challenging and required considerably more resources (officer time and fees). The scope of work also increased, due to the need for specialist input from external consultants, and the associated coordination and volume of communication generated. For example, two groups of sculptures were imported from Switzerland requiring HMRC import licences, whilst another piece was designed, engineered and built specifically for the project. As a result of this considerable increase in workload, additional staff time was required in order to deliver the project on time. The overspent on staff costs of Year 3, reflect the additional time and resources required to implement the scheme last year.		
	Building upon the success of previous years, a panel discussion was organised in October 2013 as part of the International Frieze Art Fair. The debate involved high profile panel members and was sponsored by one of the project patrons (Searcy's, top floor 30 St Mary Axe). The chosen venue was not as suitable as that for Year 2 because the acoustics did not create an engaging atmosphere for discussion. However, the event was generally well received by the public.		

Unfortunately, in November 2013, one of the sculptures, "Love" by Robert Indiana, which was installed at the corner of Bishopsgate and Wormwood street, was 'tagged' with spray paint. As a result of this, the owner of the sculpture requested that it be removed and repaired by specialists. The project's insurance policy will cover all restoration costs (approximate value £30k).

Officers found that early liaison with the City's access and highways teams was vital to ensure that appropriate requirements, such as plinth dimensions and positioning, were taken into account in the selection of locations on-street in future years.

Year 4 (2014-2015)

Preparations for Year 4, to be delivered in summer 2014, are underway, and partnerships with the City's external partners have been strengthened. Officers have initiated consultation on the shortlist of artwork with different departments within the City, including the City Arts Initiative, the Access Team, Highways and Planning, in order to take account of their views regarding the artwork considered in this year's project. Early liaison with City planning officers is being actioned as a priority; close working relationships with colleagues is key to the successful delivery of the scheme.

In terms of funding, overall, projected external financial contributions from partner's amounts to a total of £220k. In addition, the following in kind contributions have been confirmed for Year 4:

- Artwork valued at £5 million as loan from art galleries, equivalent to £350,000 of in-kind contribution (rental value).
- A 25% discount for the artwork installation and de-installation costs.
- Insurance costs covered by the project partners, equivalent to an estimated value of £15-20k.

For Year 4, the project Advisory Board members agreed in December 2013 the following points:

- To continue to promote the project to local businesses, with a view to bringing two additional partners on board.
- To select artwork that it's robust and easy to maintain, clean and repair in order to avoid the removal of artwork as a result of damage and potentially undertaking restoration costs. In addition, the artwork selected should be suitable for display in the public realm.
- To focus on maintaining the high quality and critical mass of artworks, despite the increase in project size.
- To work with a range of galleries, and to feature both established and emerging artists.
- To appoint an external consultant, Lacuna PR Ltd, as the Co-director of the project to manage the relationships with the external partners and ensure a successful communication strategy. Lacuna PR Ltd has been involved in the City's public art project since its inception in 2010 and forms an essential part of the team to continue to deliver the project. Lacuna PR Ltd will be appointed on a stage payment performance Page 40

 contract, with payment related to obtaining a set number of artworks and partners. This contract is incentivised in allowing a 10% commission against all cash contributions made by partners, thereby ensuring high levels of client management and fundraising performance. To continue connecting the project to local attractions, for example 		
Leadenhall Market and public transport hubs (Liverpool Street station).		
• To maintain and improve the social benefits of the project through the provision of additional school workshops. <i>Open-City</i> (external consultant), will continue to deliver the events; 8 schools will be participating this year (2 more than in the previous year) and 24 - 30 on-site school workshops will be delivered.		
 To hold another public art debate as part of the Frieze International Art Fair in October 2014. The venue and the speakers should be adequately selected. 		
• To continue bi-monthly meetings with the Communications Sub-Group (comprising members from the project partner organisations), aiming to deliver a broader and more successful communications strategy and PR campaign.		
Year 5 (2014-2015) The public art project will continue to be delivered as an annual rolling programme, renewed every summer and this report also seeks to request funding for Year 5 of the project. The City's public art initiative is gaining growing support from art galleries, Members and local stakeholders year upon year. The timely approval of funding for Year 5 (2015) will allow the delivery team to strengthen relationships with both existing and new project partners and a broader range of art galleries.		
 The key dates for Year 4 (2014) are as follows: March – Final selection of artwork April – Submit planning applications for artworks May – De- installation of artworks Year 3 June – Installation of artwork Year 4 June – Launch event, "Sculpture in the City 2014" 		
It is proposed to plan the delivery of the project over two years on a rolling basis, and engage businesses and galleries over a programme for Years 4 and 5. This would enable better financial planning, facilitate Corporate Social Responsibility input from partners, enable businesses to make decisions in good time before the end of the financial year, and allow the galleries to contribute more fully as they plan their exhibitions two years in advance. This would also provide flexibility to allocate funding over the 2 year period and to plan for changing artworks on a 6 or 12 monthly basis, depending on what may work best for the project, galleries, partners and the City.		

Budget	In Year 4 it is expected the cost of delivering the project will increase by approximately 20% due to:
	1. Planned project growth, scale and scope.
	2. Greater project delivery costs as a result of installing more artworks (14-16 pieces in total).
	3. Increase in costs to organize and deliver additional school workshops and community events (28-30 in total).
	 Increase in costs to deliver a better targeted promotional campaign and communications strategy.
	5. The City is actively seeking more external partners and it is planned that this increase in Year 4 will be covered by securing new external business partners and an additional contribution from the City.
	Funding sources are as follows (please refer to Table 02):
	• Projected income from external partners amounts to a total of £220k.This is inclusive of the expected contribution from two new partners, resulting in a total of 10 project partners for this Year's project. Confirmed financial contributions in Year 4 are from:
	 Hiscox Aviva IVG-Europe Aon Brookfield Willis WR Berkeley
	• City's contribution will increase to an overall figure of £90k, funded from environmental enhancement contributions and the interest accrued on the Pinnacle Section 106 agreement.
	This increase will enable the City to better manage the project, given its increased scale and profile, and maintain a leading role as project coordinator. The implementation of Year 3 (2013) of the project proved to be considerably more challenging, and it required significantly more resources (fees and staff costs) when compared to previous years. As a result it is proposed that costs to de-install Year 3 artwork are to be covered by the additional funds requested to implement this year's project. (<i>Please refer to Appendix B for full breakdown of costs</i>)
	 In previous years, City officers have undertaken all project management responsibilities for the delivery of the project, including: Planning and organising the installation and de-installation of the artworks. Liaising with galleries and resolving technical requirements for the installation and de-installation of sculptures. Preparing and submitting planning applications for the artworks. Liaising with project partners and local stakeholders to enable the delivery of the project.
	Organizing the on-going maintenance and cleaning of the sculptures. Page 42

- Overseeing on-site installation and de-installation works.
- General project management tasks and on-going administration of the project.

The additional funding requested in this report will enable officers to optimize the delivery of the scheme by outsourcing the project management tasks listed above. An external consultant will be appointed to undertake this work, which will be supervised by a CoL officer.

Taking account of the increased external contributions from the project partners, this means that the City will fund 29% of the total capital value of the project; with external partners providing 71% of the project value (please refer to Table 01).

Annual project	External contributions (£)	Percentage of total project cost External contributions (%)	City contributions (£)	Percentage of total project cost City contributions (%)	TOTAL PROJECT VALUE
Year 1 (2010-2011)	£24,500	28%	£63,269	72%	£87,759
Year 2 (2011-2012)	£79,500	52.5%	£72,000	47.5%	£151,500
Year 3 (2012-2013)	£170,000	76%	£54,000	24%	£224,000
Year 4 (2013-2014)	£220,000	71%	£90,000	29%	£310,000
Year 5 (2014-2015) (projected income)	£220,000	71%	£90,000	29%	£310,000

 Table 01. Financial contributions; Years 1 - 5

Table 02. Projected funding sources (Year 4)

Funding source	Purpose	amount (£)
City of London Contribution (\$106 agreement - Pinnacle development)	Project delivery	£50,000.00
External contributions (projected income from current project partners)	Project delivery	£170,000.00
Additional external contributions (anticipated)	Project delivery	£50,000.00
Additional funding requested (interest accrued, \$106 agreement - Pinnacle development)	Delivery costs and consultant fees	£40,000.00
Total projected funding sources)		£310,000.00 *
* Please refer to Appendix B for full breakdown of costs.		

Risk	 <u>Risk:</u> Funding from external partners not secured <u>Mitigating Action: Reduce.</u> Confirm financial contributions and overall budget ahead of confirming number of artworks to be installed.
	 <u>Risk:</u> Artwork not suitable for City locations <u>Mitigating Action: Reduce</u>. Involve art galleries, City officers at an early stage to ensure adequate sculptures are considered. Consult with the Highways team, planners and access advisor on potential sites for artworks as well as reviewing its suitability for public display.
	 <u>Risk:</u> Artwork not covered by insurance policy <u>Mitigating Action: Reduce</u>. Involve insurance providers at an early stage of the project to ensure that artwork is suitable for the proposed location and artwork materials are robust for an exterior display.
	 <u>Risk</u>: Planning approval not being granted for the artworks selected. <u>Mitigating Action: Reduce.</u> All artworks will be discussed with Planning Officers, ahead of submitting the planning applications. This liaison has already started for this year's installations.
	 <u>Risk</u>: Lack of partnership working with leading art galleries, leading to a lower quality of artworks offered. <u>Mitigating Action: Reduce</u>. Continue dialogue with galleries to ensure they remain aware of the benefits of exhibiting artworks in this area.
	 <u>Risk</u>: Maintenance and installation costs exceeding available budget. <u>Mitigating Action: Avoid.</u> Liaise with galleries to ensure all costs are planned for, and budgets take into account artwork-specific maintenance regimes.
Communic ations	Officers consult on a regular basis with the Advisory Board, project partners, and local stakeholders.
	Since its inception in 2010, the Advisory Board, chaired by Mr Michael Cassidy, has met on a regular basis and has proved to be a successful governance body for the project. The Board is responsible for making decisions and ensuring a consistent quality of artwork is maintained.
	In October 2013, the Advisory Board appointed the external consultant Lacuna PR Ltd, who has been involved in this project since its inception, as Co-Director of the Sculpture in the City project, along with the Assistant Director, Environmental Enhancement.
	The role of Lacuna PR Ltd is proposed to be expanded for Year 4. This will enable the communications and relationships with existing partners to be more closely managed as well as promoting the project more widely and bringing on board new partners. Experience has shown that it is important to maintain good working relationships with project partners and galleries. Lacuna PR Ltd has previous experience of event management in similar projects. The consultant will also manage and direct the marketing campaign, in collaboration with an external PR consultant (appointed by the City) and the City's Visitor development Team in Culture, Heritage and Libraries.
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	An external PR consultant will prepare and deliver a targeted marketing and PR campaign in line with the City's corporate objectives. The campaign will be monitored by the Communications Sub-Group, which is formed by representatives from the project partners and managed by Lacuna PR Ltd. The Communications Sub-Group will provide a steer to the press and marketing campaign and will help to develop a link between the Communications and PR departments from the various partners.		
Benefits achieveme	 consultation with the relevant CoL departments and local stakeholders. The streets and spaces have been enhanced with public art and art-related activities in line with Corporate Strategic and Cultural objectives 		
nt	(CoL Cultural Strategy, Visitor Strategy and Core Strategy objectives).		
	 Strong partnerships have been created with key private businesses and stakeholders in the area. 		
	 The reputation of the City of London as a cultural centre has been promoted. 		
	 Public art makes the City a more attractive place to be contributing to the reasons why businesses s would wish to remain or locate in the City 		
	 The economic, social & cultural benefits and impacts of the project have been highlighted in a report published by BOP Consulting in 2013. The study demonstrates that an arts and culture cluster contributes [to the bringing vibrancy and diversity to the City by shaping the identity of the area, and providing learning and active citizenship opportunities]. 		
Lessons	 Sculptures with a powder coated finish are not suitable for public display, since damage is not easy to repair. 		
	• The City needed to separately arrange insurance for some of the high value pieces of artwork. This was an additional cost to the project that was not known until a later stage. For Year 4, insurance costs will be confirmed at an earlier stage.		
	• Storage costs for the crates that the artwork was delivered in are an additional cost for Year 3 that was not anticipated. In Year 4, this cost will be taken into account.		
	• Transport costs for some of the artwork for Year 3 were much higher than anticipated due to the distance that they travelled. These costs will be fully explored and known in advance for Year 4.		
	• Close working relationship with Access and Highways team is necessary, in order to foresee the requirements for appropriate locations on street.		
	• To select artworks that will not encourage the public to climb on them so mitigating measures such as security barriers and railings are not required. Additional physical barriers detract from the quality of the installation and can create clutter in a public space.		
	• Early consultation with insurance providers will inform the selection of artwork.		
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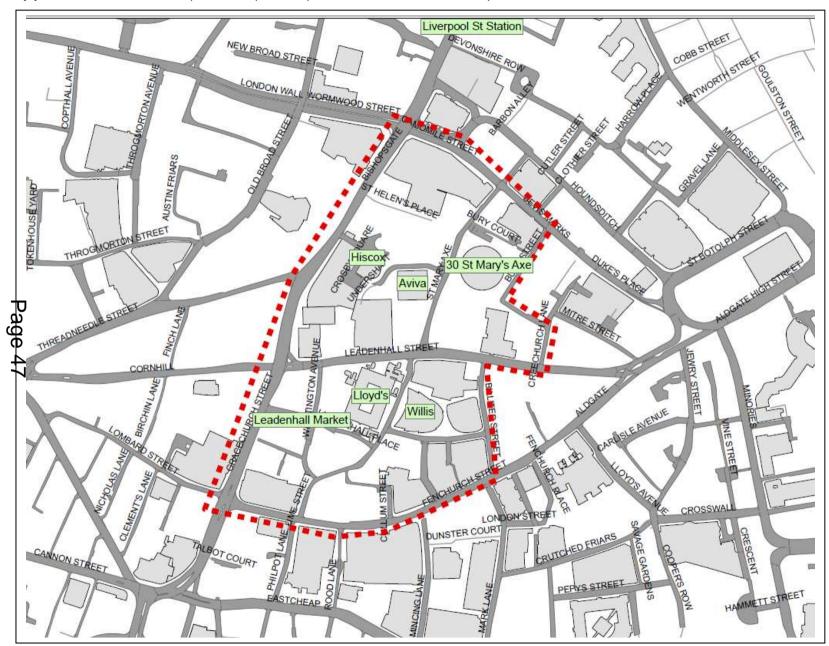
	• In November 2013, one of the sculptures, "Love" by Robert Indiana, which was installed at the corner of Bishopsgate and Wormwood Street, was 'tagged' with spray paint. As a result of this, the owner of the sculpture requested that it be removed and repaired by specialists. The project's insurance policy will cover all restoration costs (approximate value £30k).The lessons from this incident will be taken on board in Year 4 when considering new potential artwork and its vulnerability for public display.		
Recommen dations	i) Note the contents of this update report and agree the shortlist of artworks considered for Year 4, attached in Appendix C.		
	 Approve the additional contribution of £40k (total City contribution £90k) for the implementation of this Year's project, funded from the interest accrued on the \$106 obligation connected to the Pinnacle development. 		
	 iii) An increase of £4,000 on the budget of Year 3, to cover additional staff costs incurred in the delivery of last year's project. 		
	iv) Approve the appointment of Lacuna PR Ltd as a consultant for Year 4 at a cost of £50,000 to be funded from the overall project budget.		
	 v) Approve a contribution of £90k from the interest accrued on the \$106 obligation connected to the Pinnacle development, for the implementation of the project in Year 5 (2014-2015). 		
	 vi) Delegated authority be given to the Director of Transportation and Public Realm and Head of Finance to adjust the project budget between staff costs, fees and works providing the overall budget is not exceeded; 		
Next Progress Report	Autumn 2014		

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<u>Appendices</u>

Appendix A	Map of sculpture space, Year 4. Boundary Area.
Appendix B	Budget breakdown – Year 4 (2013 -2014)
Appendix C	Shortlist of artworks proposed for Year 4

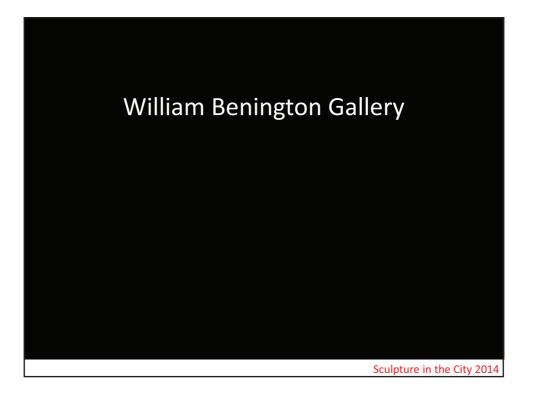


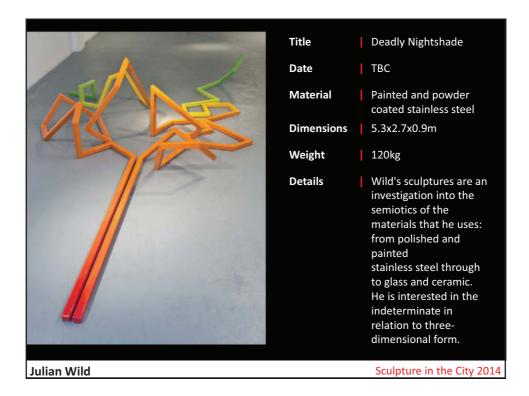
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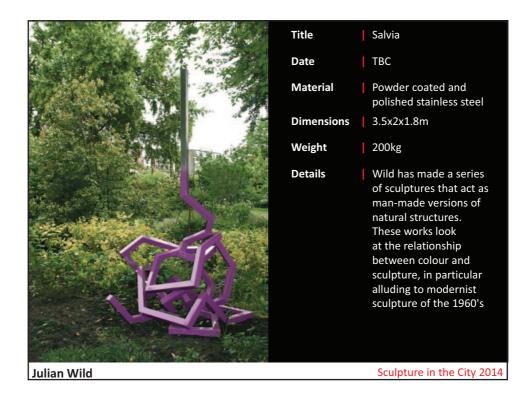
	YEAR 4 (2013-14) Projected costs (based on previous years)	
Fees	amount (£)	amount (£)
Lacuna PR Ltd – project consultant	£24,000.00	£50,000.00
Cleaning and maintenance of artwork installed (9-12 months)	£0.00	£10,000.00
Marketing and PR campaign	£15,950.00	£15,000.00
Website and photography	£12,500.00	£2,000.00
Open City – School workshops and community events	£64,200.00	£50,000.00
Insurance for the artwork	£0.00	£2,000.00
Storage of cases (9-12 months)	£0.00	£4,000.00
Incidentals	£0.00	£2,000.00
Col costs - fees (requested additional funds)	£0.00	£40,000.00
Works		amount (£)
De-installation of artwork	<u> </u>	£41,756.00
onstallation of artwork	£93,318.00	£85,244.00
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Staff Costs		amount (£)
🗢 ol internal staff costs (allocated funds)	£8,000.00	£8,000.00
Total <i>projected</i> costs - Year 4	£217,968.00	£310,000.00
Sub - total projected income - External contributions	£153,346.00	£220,000.00
Sub - total projected income – City of London contribution	£50,000.00	£90,000.00

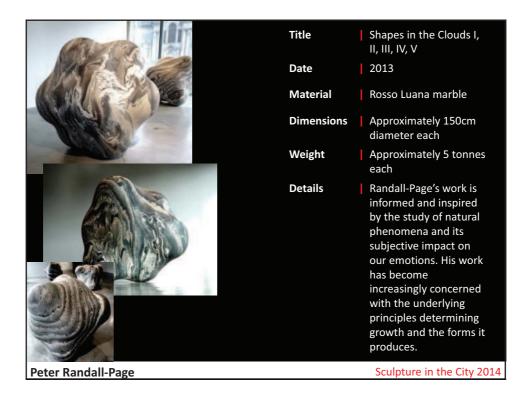
Total projected income - Year 4	£	203,346.00	£ 310,000.00

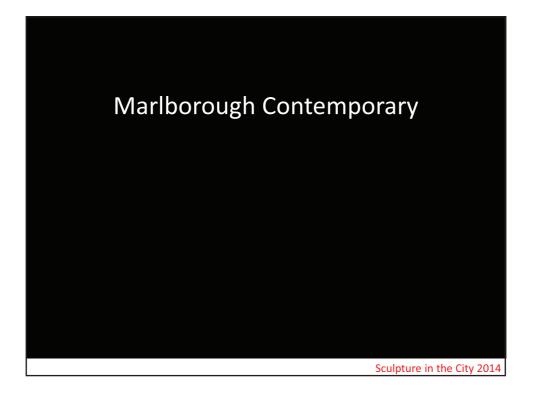


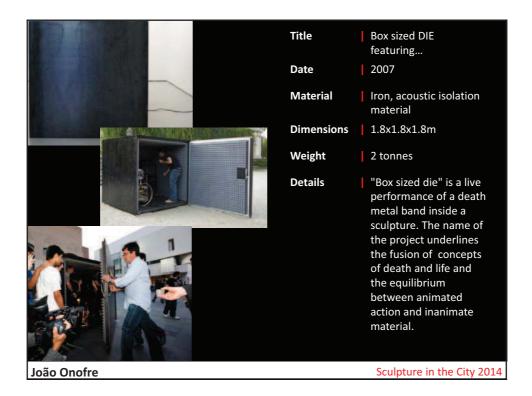


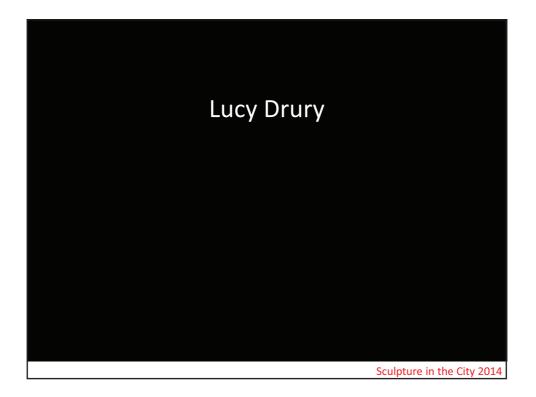


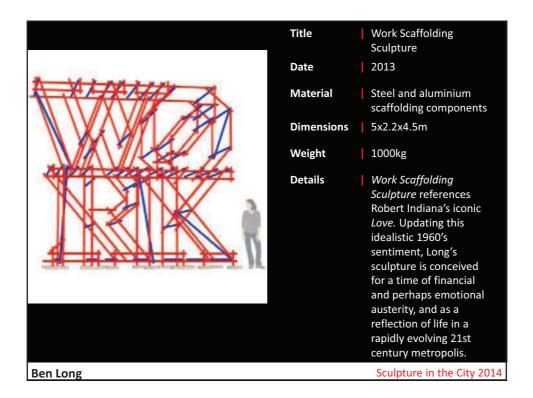


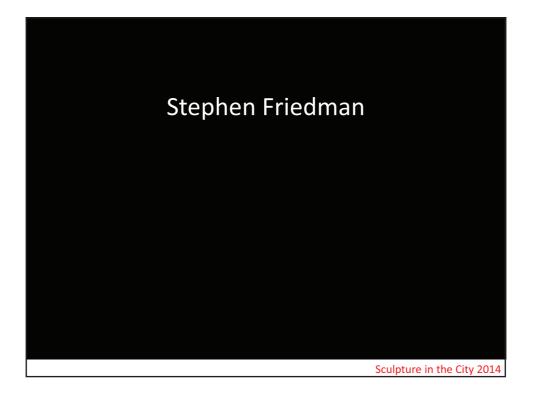


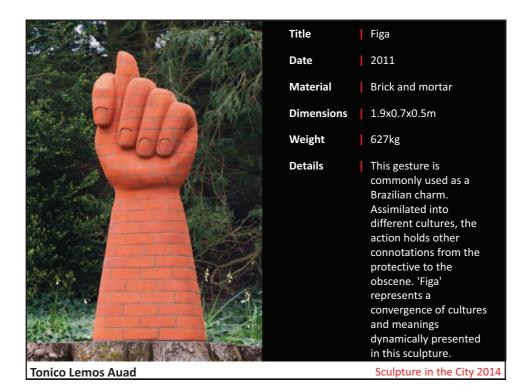




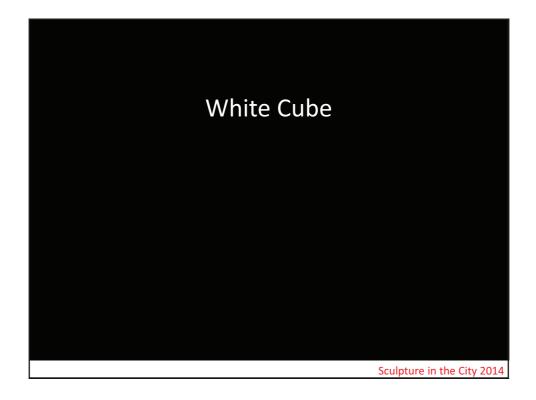








	Title	Circle Dance
	Date	2010
	Material	Highly polished stainless steel
	Dimensions	Approximately 1.8x6.7m diameter
	Weight	1450kg
	Details	The origins for this work lie in a macquette made of oven roasting trays. Exploding the work to human scale accentuates the creases and lines embedded in the thin, malleable foil of the original. The disposable and everyday is exaggerated yet simultaneously transformed
Tom Friedman		Sculpture in the City 2014

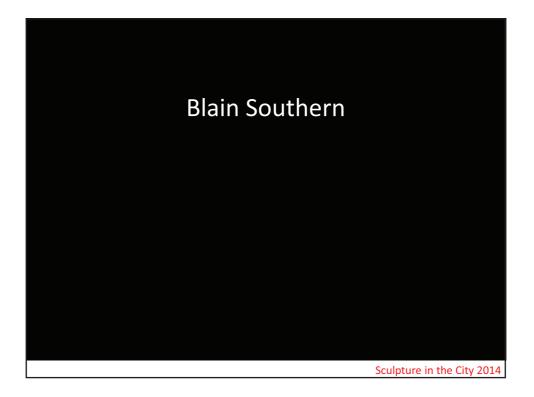








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	Title	Wonky Wheel
	Date	ТВС
	Material	ТВС
	Dimensions	Approximately 3m diameter
	Weight	ТВС
	Description	
Gary Hume		Sculpture in the City 2014

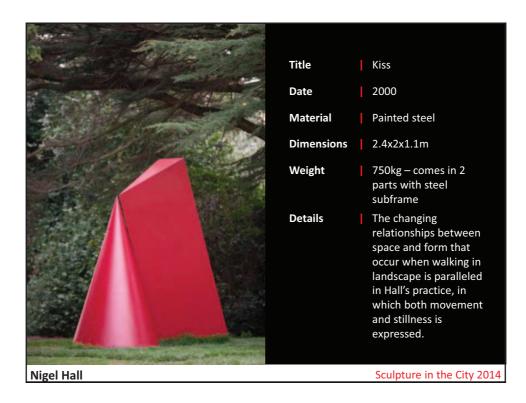














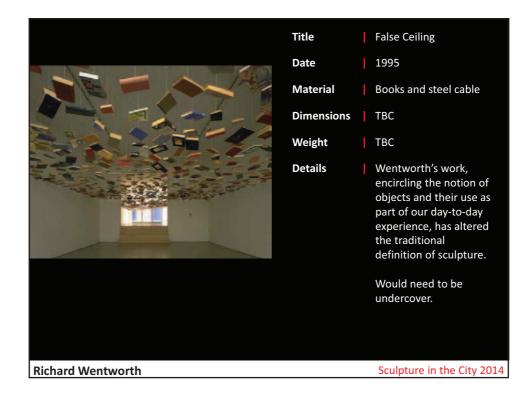


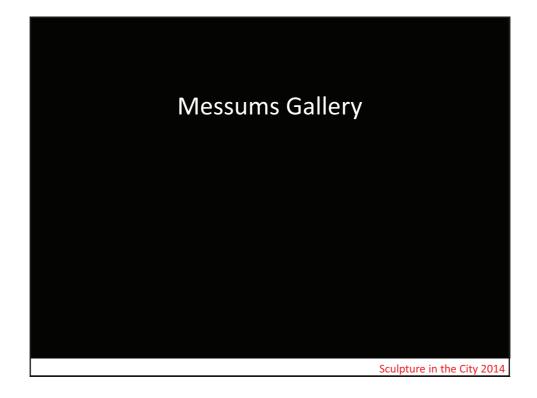


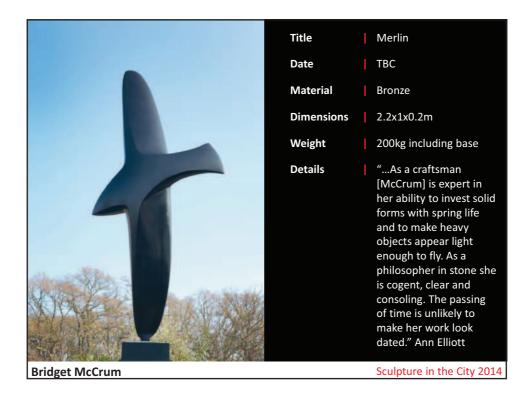


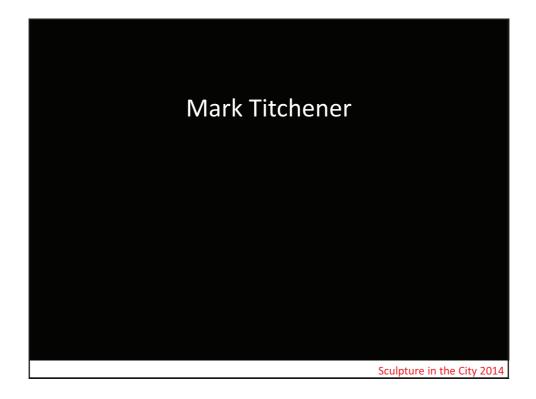














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Agenda Item 4c

Committee(s):		Date	e(s):
Streets and Walkways Su	b Committee (For Decision)	10 th	March 2014
Finance Committee (For	Decision)	25 th	March 2014
Projects Sub Committee	(For Decision)	2 nd .	April 2014
Subject: Queen Street Pi	lot Project Gateway 7 (Outcome Rep	oort)	Public
Report of: Director of the	Built Environment		For Decision
	<u>Summary</u>		
<u>Dashboard</u>			
Project Status	Green		
Timeline	Project Closedown - Gateway 7		

Total Estimated Cost	TOTAL = $\pounds4.28m$ ($\pounds2.5m$ - City of London, $\pounds1.75m$ - Transport for
and source of funding	London, £30K - Arts Council England)
Spend to Date	Current Spend = $\pounds4.164m$
	Upcoming Spend = \pounds 29K (see Section 14: Outstanding Actions)
Overall project risk	Green

Brief description of project

The Lord Mayor launched the Queen Street Pilot Project in June 2000 as part of the then Street Scene Challenge Initiative. The Pilot was a strategy for a series of phased improvements in the Queen Street area. The project area principally between the Guildhall and Southwark Bridge was chosen to take advantage of the opportunities presented by the closure of sections of Queen Street as part of the City traffic and environment zone (CTZ) cordon. It was intended that the approach taken in improving the street scene of the Queen Street area be adopted in other appropriate parts of the City. In February 2003 following an extensive public consultation exercise, the Queen Street Pilot Project was approved by Planning and Transportation Committee.

The improvements were implemented in a phased manner over a 10 year period and delivered new public spaces which include: a shared space between Queen Victoria Street and College Street, enhanced greenery at St Pancras Church Garden (Pancras Lane), widened footways, public art installations and associated lighting improvements.

This project has pioneered opportunities to improve the City's streetscape for what is an historically important route between the Guildhall and Southwark Bridge. It also facilitated opportunities to test a suite of ideas, solutions and techniques which have been utilised in subsequent and on-going environmental enhancement projects; as part of a programme of public realm improvements.

In total, eighteen schemes have been completed as part of the Queen Street Pilot Project and the details of these are set out in Appendix A table 2, Appendix B Indicative Site Location Plans and summarised in the report.

Summary of funding sources

The total approved funding for the Queen Street Pilot Project is £4.28m. This consists of £2.5m from the City of London On Street Parking Reserve, £1.75m from Transport for London and £30K from Arts Council England.

<u>Awards</u>

The success of the project has been recognised through the achievement of 3 awards:

- Winner of the Urban Transport Design Award 2007 for: Queen Street central plazas project, awarded by Transport Practitioners
- Highly commended for: Queen Street Central Plaza, London Planning Awards 2007
- Highly commended for: the Institution of Highways and Transportation national award for urban design 2007 for the Queen Street Pilot Project street scene scheme.

Recommendations

Outcome Report recommendation

i) The outcome report is received and actions noted, and the Queen Street Pilot project inclusive of all project elements is formally closed down.

ii) £29,000 of the remaining funds from the Queen Street Pilot project (On-Street Parking Reserve) is utilised to complete some minor outstanding actions (which include signage and paving alterations) that have yet to be implemented as part of the original St Pancras Church Garden project scope.

<u>Overview</u>	
1. Evidence of Need	The closure to sections of Queen Street as part of the City Traffic and Environmental Zone (CTZ) presented pedestrian enhancement opportunities following a significant reduction in local vehicular traffic in the area. This traffic reduction and the increasing numbers of City workers in the area, meant that improvements to the local environment and pedestrian movement could be brought forwards to address identified deficiencies.
	The Lord Mayor's processional route runs through the heart of the area and the route between the Guildhall and Southwark Bridge is also of historic significance. This project offered the opportunity to enhance these routes to create streets and spaces of a quality that is in keeping with the status of the area.
	The Queen Street Pilot Project heralded a modal shift in the City's approach to public realm enhancement and the importance of pedestrian movement.
2. Project Scope and Exclusions	The February 2003 Committee approval highlighted a number of streets that would be part of the Queen Street Pilot Project and these are listed in the table below:

	To enable the project to be delivered in such a complex and busy area, Members agreed that the project would be broken down into manageable phases that would be implemented individually and then linked up. Because the project is an area based improvement scheme, as part of the City's Borough Spending Plan funding application to TfL, the project was split into three project areas: • Queen Street (including plazas & Watling Street) • King Street (including loramonger Lane) • Southwark Bridge (including Southern 'Gateway') • List of Project areas within the Queen Street Pilot (February 2003) • Entrance to Guildhall Yard • St Pancras Churchyard • Watling Street • Queen Street Upper & Lower Plaza • Cannon Street Crossing • Queen Street Crossing • Upper Thames Street Crossing • King Street • Queen Street • Gueen Street • Gueen Street • Gueen Street • Gueen Street • Gueen Street • Gueen Street • Well Court • Queen Street Place
	 Queen Street Place Southwark Bridge Temple of Mithras
2. Link to Strategic Aims	 This project has links to the following strategic aim: To provide modern, efficient and high quality local services and policing within the Square Mile for workers, residents and visitors with a view to delivering sustainable outcomes This project will provide a more accessible, green and attractive street environment that has benefits for walking which is a sustainable mode of transport with other health related outcomes
3. Within which category does the project fit	Substantially reimbursable Asset enhancement/improvement (capital)

4. What is the priority of the project?	Desirable						
5. Resources Expended	expended. Th Street Pilot, Ki	The following tables (6.1 – 6.3) are a record of the resources expended. They have been separated into project areas, Queen Street Pilot, King Street Treatment and Southwark Bridge as originally approved in February 2003.					
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	Project Code	Task Name		Total	Underspend		
	16008063	Fees	328,310.76	315,696.09	12,614.67		
		Staff Costs	23,115.24	23,115.24	0.00		
		Works	1,552,025.00	1,548,941.32	3,083.68		
		TOTAL	1,903,451.00	1,887,752.65	15,698.35		
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Outturn Assessment

6. Assessment of project against Success Criteria	The Queen Street Pilot Project was approved prior to the advent of the Project Gateway Reporting system. However, the main aim of the project was to provide a high quality, pedestrian focussed environment by enhancing both appearance and functionality, with innovative and carefully integrated design proposals.
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	The main objectives are summarised below:
	• Create new and enhanced public spaces for the benefit of local workers, residents and visitors whilst promoting access for all.
	 Reduce street clutter using an integrated approach to street furniture, signposting etc.
	• Use a consistent palette of selected materials based on durability, low maintenance and value for money
	 Introduce more green elements such as street trees and pocket parks.
	• Accentuate streetscape with lighting and integration of public art whilst improving the setting of listed buildings and archaeological sites.
	• Create a safe and pedestrian friendly environment by means of widening of footways and improvement of crossings. Reduce pedestrian/vehicle conflict. Consideration of the integration of cycle routes.
	• Rationalise on-street parking, access and service requirements and minimise the detrimental impact of traffic, including noise.
	 Co-ordinate streetscape proposals with on-going programme of private development proposals.
	• Develop the Art Strategy, including the idea of curating the public space within the project area with a programme of (temporary) arts events.
	The Queen Street Pilot Project has improved the appearance of streets and spaces within the area and to date this achievement has been recognised with awards for setting high standards for public realm. These have been summarised in the Project Summary section at the beginning of this report.
7. Programme	Given the broad nature of this project the programme was developed as a series of phases: Please see table below which lists completed schemes:

2003-2005	1)Guildhall Yard Phase 1 –	2)Guildhall Yard Phase 2	3)Gresham Street/King Street junction	4)College Street	5) Watling Street	6) Public Art Phase1
2005-2007	7)Pancras Lane	8)Public Art Phase 2	9)Whittington Gardens	10)Ironmonger Lane	11) Central Plazas	
2007-2009	12)King Street Connecting Route	13)Queen Street - Connecting Route / Cloak Lane/ College Street	14)Public Art Phase 3 – City of London Festival Installations	15)Upgrading and Improving Lighting – Installation of wall mounted fittings across area		
2009-2011*	16)Guildhall Yard (King Street) – Seating and planting adjacent to crypt	17)Southern Gateway – Planting and cycle route / resurfacing upgrade				
2011-2013*	18) St Pancras Church Garden					

*On September 21st and 22nd 2009 respectively, Members approved a Queen Street Update report to both the Streets & Walkways and Finance Committees. At the time 15 schemes had been completed between 2003 and 2009 (as summarised in table 8.1 above).

The report highlighted that although the majority of the Queen Street schemes had been completed, 3 schemes (16, 17 and 18) were outstanding and would be progressed as part of a subsequent revised programme of remaining works. These schemes have recently been completed and were as follows:

- St Pancras Churchyard,
- King Street Treatment (Guildhall Area)
- Southwark Bridge Upper Thames Street/Southern Gateway

8. Budget	The total funding available for this project is £4,28m comprised of: £2,5m (On Street Parking Reserve - OSPR), £1,75m (Transport for London - TfL) and £30,000 (Arts Council).
	The anticipated outturn cost, including the outstanding signage and paving for St Pancras Garden estimated at $\pounds 29,000$, is $\pounds 4,193,202$, a net reduction of $\pounds 89,798$ against the total budget. After taking account of additional funding from TfL of $\pounds 60,000$ secured in 2010/11, there was a net reduction in the call on the OSPR of $\pounds 149,798$. This reduced requirement has been largely factored in to the latest forecast of the reserve and has assisted in mitigating a potential shortfall.

Risk	Mitigating Action
Ground conditions impact on design	Liaised with City Engineers, consultants, developer and other stakeholders with an interest (such as TfL and Utilities companies) early on to ensure designs were robust and fit for purpose.
Closures to implement works and impact on traffic	Liaised with the consultant CDM Co-ordinator, City's Engineers and the City Parking Service to ensure that closures were programmed in a timely manner. This ensured works were delivered to programme, did not impact on public safety and vehicular access was appropriately managed.
Legal Agreements impact on the programme and delivery of the St Pancras Church Garden scheme	Agreed a long lease agreement with the owners of the site and engaged with the Comptroller & City Solicitor, City Planning Officer and City Surveyor to ensure the project met the programme of delivery. Note: The City's acquisition of the garden space was part of an extensive legal process which spanned many years of negotiation as the ownership of the development site changed hands.
English Heritage require approvals for design/method statements	Met with the Inspector of Monuments (English Heritage) to ensure that designs were sensitive to the underlying archaeology on the site and artefacts remained undisturbed.
Programme shifts as a result of neighbouring redevelopments	The programme was extended to take account of the neighbouring redevelopments. The use of the City's term contractor was beneficial in this respect as they could be pulled off the site without incurring any cost penalties.
Bespoke granite from China not delivered on time.	There was a delay in receiving the bespoke granite planters from China. However, they were considerably cheaper than European alternatives and as a result this element came in under budget (Southern Gateway planters).
Proposed cost	Design to budget.
estimates exceed the budget tolerance	In the case of the St Pancras Church Garden scheme it was agreed that a partnership with the City and Guilds School would deliver the level of quality required at a competitive price compared to other consultant expressions of interest.

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10. Communications	Officers from the then Department Planning and Transportation worked closely with colleagues from the then Department of Environmental Services and the Open Spaces Department to deliver the extensive Queen Street project programme. Working with the Highways maintenance Term Contractor also assisted with continuity of communication across the various projects. The current Term Contractor has increased their communications role in projects with the use of a dedicated staff member for this purpose.
	Communication was managed in a number of ways to enable all interested parties to engage with the project development. There were regular update reports to Committee informing Members of the various stages of scheme development to obtain necessary approvals.
	Officers worked closely with a number of stakeholders in order to achieve the appropriate level of engagement and buy-in. It was important to engage with landowners and developers to ensure that they were kept informed of all relevant project progress.
	Public consultations exercises were undertaken by carrying out a series of exhibitions and delivering related consultation material either as leaflets or electronically on the City of London website.
	Liaison was necessary with stakeholders such as TfL to agree elements of project design. Where work was to be carried out close to TfL streets (Upper Thames Street) engagement was necessary over work permits and Section 159 agreements to agree TfL funding/reporting parameters.
11. Benefits achieved to	 Central Plazas at Queen Victoria Street and Cannon Street More space for walking
date	 Shared use of space has reduced cycling speeds and no accidents have been reported.
	 Improved visual environment Consistent coordinated use of materials as part of the agreed palette within Project area
	Southern Plaza (Southern Gateway/Upper Thames Street)
	More space for walking
	 Monitoring suggests that the shared use of space has reduced cycling speeds and no accidents have been reported.
	 Increased green coverage through introduction of planters and associated seating
	 Segregation of desire lines for pedestrians and cyclists to reduce conflict at the Queen Street / Upper Thames Street junction
	Rationalisation of street furniture and introduction of way-finding information

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	Walking Routes (including: College Street Watling Street and Ironmonger Lane)
	 Widening of footways to provide more space for walking
	 Shared use of space and timed closures have reduced the impact of vehicular traffic, reduced cycling speeds and pedestrian conflict with other road users. Improved visual environment through a consistent and coordinated use of materials
	Whittington Gardens
	Reconfiguration/re-landscaping of garden space
	• Improved visual environment through a consistent and coordinated use of materials
	 Increased/improved opportunities for seating Introduction of publicly accessible artwork - installation of statues from the Italian Embassy
	<u>St Pancras Church Garden</u>
	 Creation of new green public space from a previously disused derelict site
	 Partnership working with the City and Guilds School and links to educational opportunities to learn about arts and crafts and the City's archaeological heritage
	Preservation of the City's Heritage assets
	<u>Guildhall + King St</u>
	• Enhancement of the City's processional routes. Namely, a positive improvement to the experience of the Lord Mayor's Show.
	 Improved crossing points and opportunities for seating close to the City's civic core (Guildhall)
	 De-cluttering and consistent use of street furniture to highlight the City's local heritage
	• Upgrading of lighting in King Street/Queen Street and walking routes off the main thoroughfare.
	Light up Queen Street
	 A series of temporary lighting installations as part of a wider City of London Festival programme.
12. Strategy for continued achievement	The success of the Queen Street Pilot Project is typified by the consistent use of materials. This achievement has successfully created a link between spaces which often appeared unrelated in the past.
of benefits	The consistency of these enhancements has led to innovations throughout the Queen Street area and influenced the approach to

	subsequent publ	ic realm impro	ovements throughout the City.	
	It is important that an appropriate maintenance regime remains consistent to ensure the continued success and quality of the public realm.			
13. Outstanding actions	The Queen Street Pilot Project is complete. However, there are some minor outstanding actions which have yet to be implemented as part of the original project scope. These minor works consist of signage to highlight the public nature and historic evolution of the space; and some paving alterations.			
	The total cost of carrying out these works is estimated at $\pounds29,000$ as shown in Table 14.1 below.			
	Table 14.1: Propos	ed St Pancras G	Garden Signage and Paving Alterations	
	ltem	Estimate		
	Fees	2,000		
	Staff Costs	3,000		
	Works	24,000		
	TOTAL	29,000		

Review of Team Performance

14. Governance arrangements	No project board was used. The project was led by the senior responsible officer, with committee approvals sought for project elements.		
15. Key strengths	• The successful implementation of various Queen Street pilot project elements was developed through officers working closely with a number of designers and artists to achieve an innovative approach to public realm improvements.		
	• The working relationship between the Environmental Enhancement Division, engineers, consultants, clients and other stakeholders was important to achieve an integrated scheme and preserve its longevity.		
	• The use of the City's highway maintenance term contractor enabled a more flexible approach to the timing of the works which was necessary given the numerous external factors that influenced the programme over an extended period of time.		
	• The ability to frame agreements with the Comptroller and City Solicitor has enabled an effective change control when priorities/scope of individual schemes was altered.		
	• Utilising the Highways Maintenance Term Contractor to implement the works has provided a more efficient delivery of the projects and enabled changes to be made to programmes and details without incurring penalties.		

16. Areas for improvement	A Project board and use of the new Gateway system for a project of this size would have been beneficial. This would have enabled a more structured process for scheme development which would allow for:		
	 Agreed priorities and processes Programme changes More efficient delivery of phases Project Advocates/Champions Clearer response to Issue resolution 		
17. Special recognition	n/a		

Lessons Learnt

18. Key lessons and how they will be used and applied	 The success of the project is defined by the importance of a consistent, standard palette of materials. This eases the burden of maintenance by utilising standard commercially available materials that are easily procured. Shared surfaces have not only improved the appearance of the Queen Street Area but have also improved how people
	 behave in a busy public realm. Cyclists have had to adapt to the presence of pedestrians particularly in the central and southern plaza areas. This has resulted in reduced cycle speeds and improved safety for all road users. The Southern Gateway is a good example of reducing potential conflict between pedestrians and cyclists.
	• The use of granite setts is a feature of the Queen Street Pilot Project and has proved to be successful in areas of high pedestrian footfall. However, their use in busy road junctions and areas close to development sites has inadvertently hastened the degradation of the carriageway due to the high frequency of carriageway excavation to accommodate various services in this area. As a consequence of this experience officers have been trialling the use of anti-skid surfacing on raised tables as an alternative to setts and the results of this trial are expected soon.
	 Going forward, enhanced coordination of utility works and reparations would ensure the integrity of the streets and better preserve enhancements.

Appendices

Appendix A	Table 1: Final Outturn (November 2013)
	Table2: Completed Schemes to Date (2003-2013) - (to be read in conjunction with Map 1)
Appendix BMap 1: Site Location Map (to be read in conjunction with Tak	

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Appendix A: Queen Street Pilot Project Expenditure Tables

Table 1: Final Outturn (November 2013)			
Items	CoL Contributions (£)	Other Contribution s (£)	(£) Total
Expenditure to date: -Completed Schemes	2,326,202	1,838,000	4,164,202
Anticipated cost of outstanding signage and paving for St Pancras Church Garden	29,000	-	29,000
Anticipated outturn cost	2,355,202	1,838,000	4,193,202
Budget (as reported September 2009)	2,500,000	1,783,000	4,283,000
Anticipated underspend against budget	-144,798	+55,000	-89,798

Table 2: Completed Schemes to Date (2003-2013)

Scheme	Project Element	(£)
1	Watling St - Timed closure and repaving including seating and planting	528,900
2	College St - Repaving and seating	256,703
3	Guildhall Phase 1 Guildhall Yard - Creation of special paved area, seating and planting	249,583
4	Guildhall Phase 2 King St Junction - Raised table at junction	171,039
5	Public Art (stage1) - Temporary installations in Queen Street Area	103,533
6	Public Art 2 - Light Up Queen Street: a series of temporary lighting installations	231,569
7	Pancras Lane/Sise Lane - Repaving and raised tables	183,348
8	Whittington Garden - Re-landscaping and seating including installation of statues from the Italian Embassy	95,427
9	Ironmonger Lane - Repaving and Raised tables	238,325
10	Central Plaza Areas - Creation of two large plazas with connected crossing to form a large public space. With seating and planting	930,166
11	King Street Connecting Route - Widening footways and repaving	301,868
12	Queen Street - Connecting Route/Cloak Lane/College St - Widening footways and repaving	153,605
13	Queen St Connecting Route Cheapside/Queen Vic St -Widening footways and repaving	242,037
14	Public Art 3 – City of London Festival Installations	8,600
15	Upgrading and Improving Lighting – Installation of wall mounted fittings	51,091
	Sub TOTALS	3,745,794
	Costs of developing approved outstanding schemes in (2009)	9,387
16	King Street Treatment - Guildhall Area) seating and planting adjacent to St Lawrence Jewry Church	32,656
17	Queen Street Pilot - St Pancras Church Garden	256,183
18	Southwark Bridge Area - (Southern Gateway) – Creation of 2 elliptical planters and reconfiguration of the cycle lane with associated resurfacing	120,182
	Sub-total	413,254
	TOTAL	4,164,202

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Appendix B: Queen Street Pilot Project - Indicative Site Location Plan



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Agenda Item 4d

Committee(s):		Date(s):	
Streets & Walkways Sub-Committee		10 March 2014	
Subject.		Dublic	
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Globe View Walkway Consultation Report			
Report of:		For Decision	
Director of Built Environment			
Summary			
Dashboard			
Timeline	Working towards Detailed Options Appraisal – Gateway 4		
Total Estimated Cost	£750K - £1.5m (TfL, Section 106 and CIL)		
Spend to Date	£64,415 – comprising of:		
	£30,636 (staff costs) and £33,779 (consultant fees)		
Overall project risk	Medium		

This report provides an update on the public consultation on the Globe View Walkway project. Copies of the full public consultation responses are available in the Members' Reading Room.

This project relates to a section of the Riverside Walk under the residential building at Globe View. This section of walkway has been gated shut since its construction in 2003, due to problems of rough sleeping and fire lighting that resulted from the poor layout, environmental quality and disconnected nature of this section of walkway.

Following Initial discussions with Ward Members, resident representatives and the City of London Police, a Gateway 3 (outline options appraisal) report on this project was considered by Committees in October 2012. This set out three options:

- Keeping the east-west section of the walkway under the building, creating an exit by opening up an existing window at the eastern end and creating a small section of external walkway to replace the north south section of walkway that currently runs through the building.
- 2) Enhancing the existing walkway on its current alignment through the building
- 3) Re-directing the walkway around the building on a new external walkway structure over the Thames.

Members agreed that Option.1 set out above be taken forward and consulted upon with local residents. Plans are attached in Appendix A.

The public consultation was carried out between August and October 2013. A total of 39 responses were received. There is a 50/50 split between respondents that support the proposed re-configured layout with a section of external walkway and respondents that would prefer to see the existing configuration maintained <u>without</u> a section of external walkway.

The main issues raised by residents in relation to the external walkway are noise disturbance from people using the walkway and gathering, particularly customers from the adjacent restaurant/bar. Further advice has been taken from the City of London Police. The Police advice is that the walkway should not be opened on its existing alignment, as it would be very likely that there would be a repeat of previous anti-social behaviour, and would present a danger to those using the walkway, particularly at night and particularly vulnerable users. They are supportive of the creation of the small section of external walkway, as the best way to reduce the risk to residents and users.

Given the mixed response to the consultation, it is recommended that further consultation and communication with residents is undertaken, with input from the City of London Police before the Gateway 4 report is brought forwards. This will include the consideration of modifications to the existing internal walkway that could help to design out crime, including CCTV.

An additional £8,500 of Transport for London LIP funds were been made available for spend on this scheme in financial year 2013/14. Furthermore, it is proposed that an additional £20,000 is approved to cover the costs of further communication and consultation that are required to take the project forward to Gateway 4, to be funded from the funds available from the Watermark Place Section 106.

Recommendation

It is recommended that:

(i) The results of the public consultation are received and actions noted;

(ii) A budget increase of £28,500 is approved, funded from Transport for London LIP funds for 2013/14 (£8,500) and the Watermark Place Section106 obligation (£20,000).

<u>Main Report</u>

<u>Background</u>

- 1. Globe View is a residential block of flats with a restaurant/bar on part of the ground/1st floor accessed via Stew Lane. The Riverside Walkway in this area currently follows a long diversion route along High Timber Street (away from the River) which is confusing and frustrating for many users.
- 2. The section of Riverside Walkway under Globe View has been closed to the public for more than a decade. After a few months of being opened in 2003, problems of rough sleeping and anti-social behaviour occurred, including fire-lighting which was of particular concern to residents. These problems were due to the isolated and disconnected nature of this covered walkway and its layout and narrow openings.
- 3. The main objective of this project is the opening of the Riverside Walkway at Globe View. The project is a high priority of the Riverside Walk Enhancement Strategy and was approved at Gateway 3 in October 2012 where Members considered 3 options:

1) Keeping the east-west section of the walkway under the building, creating an exit by opening up existing window at the eastern end and creating a small section of external walkway to replace the north south section of walkway that currently runs through the building.

2) Enhancing the existing walkway on its current alignment through the building.

3) Re-directing the walkway around the building on a new walkway structure over the Thames.

4. Option 1 was approved to be taken forward at Gateway 3 because it could provide a workable solution that would solve a lot of the problems that the current internal walkway has through the provision of a more direct an open route. Option 2 was not recommended to be taken forward because it would not sufficiently overcome the

safety/antisocial behaviour concerns associated with the internal walkway. Option 3 was also not recommended to be taken forward because it was not supported by residents and had received a mixed response from officers and local businesses. Appendix A includes a plan of the area and the proposals. Appendix B includes photographs of the existing walkway.

5. The neighbouring section of Riverside Walkway under Sir John Lyon House to the west of Globe View was completed in 2009 and the completion of the walkway to the east is planned through the implementation of a planning permission for a hotel at Queensbridge House. The development agreement between the City and the developer also includes the provision of Riverside Walkway under the neighbouring residential building at Queens Quay. Work on this development is expected to commence in spring 2014.

Public Consultation Exercise

- 6. A public consultation exercise was carried out between August and October 2013 on the Globe View walkway proposals.
- 7. The consultation involved several meetings with residents and local occupiers and a detailed leaflet explaining the proposals was sent to all occupiers. The consultation leaflet included the enhancement of the east-west section of the internal walkway and two sub-options for the section of external walkway to provide the north-south connection to Stew Lane: one with a narrower platform and one with a wider platform. A total of 39 responses to the leaflet were received and these are summarised in Table 1 below. The vast majority of these responses are from residents of Globe View and Queens Quay.

Preference	Number of respondents choosing Preference
Option 1 (smaller section of external walkway)	9
Option 2 (larger section of external walkway)	7
Both options (1 or 2)	2
Re-Open existing internal walkway	18
Do Nothing	2
No response	1

Table 1: Summary of consultation responses

- 8. There is a 50/50 divide between those respondents that support the section of external walkway and those that would prefer to see the internal walkway re-opened without a section of external walkway. In addition, 2 respondents have suggested doing nothing, i.e not re-opening the walkway at all.
- 9. One of the main comments received from residents is concern about noise disturbance to the flats above from people using the proposed external walkway, particularly customers from the adjacent restaurant/bar. Other issues raised include concerns about anti-social behaviour and rough sleepers, the stability and visual impact of the proposed structure, flood risk, and the cost of the external walkway.
- 10. At a meeting with residents in October 2013 (minutes are attached at Appendix C), the results of the consultation were discussed and several suggestions for the way forward were aired. These included:
 - Making the external walkway narrower to reduce space for people to dwell;

- A covered or partially covered external walkway to reduce the impact of noise disturbance;
- A staged approach to the implementation of the scheme, involving a trial of the re-opening of the internal walkway following enhancements to lighting and the removal of ledges, with the external walkway only implemented if the trial is unsuccessful.
- 11. It was also made clear at this meeting that the walkway at Globe View would not be opened until the adjacent section of walkway at Queensbridge House/Queens Quay was also completed. This is so that the past problems of the walkway being disconnected and isolated are not repeated.

City of London Police Advice

- 12. Following the meeting with residents in October, further advice was sought from the City of London Police on the proposals. A site visit was carried out with their Architectural Liaison Officer and the walkway proposals were discussed.
- 13. The Police advice is that the walkway should not be opened on its existing alignment, as it would be very likely that there would be a repeat of previous anti-social behaviour and this would present a danger to those using the walkway, particularly at night and particularly vulnerable users. A key concern of the Police is the 'blind corner' at the eastern end of the existing walkway. There are similarities in this respect with other sections of internal walkway, such as at London Bridge, which is known to suffer from crime and anti-social behaviour problems.
- 14. The Police are supportive of the creation of the small section of external walkway to link the internal walkway with Stew Lane to the north, as approved by Members at Gateway 3. They consider that this is the best way to reduce the risk to residents and users. The Police are not supportive of a staged approach whereby the re-opening of the internal walkway would be trialled. This is because of the risk of anti-social behaviour and crime.

Next Steps

- 15. Given the mixed response to the consultation from residents and the advice received from the City of London Police in relation to security and anti-social behaviour, it is proposed that further communication and consultation is carried out before progressing to Gateway 4 (detailed options appraisal).
- 16. The possibility of re-opening the internal walkway will be further investigated with additional advice on designing out crime sought from the City of London Police, including the feasibility of CCTV. There is a possibility that a CCTV system could be linked to that of the adjacent Hotel development. However, the City of London Police will need to be satisfied that this will overcome their security concerns. Details of the management and monitoring of the system will also need to be agreed.
- 17. The following tasks will also be undertaken ahead of Gateway 4:
 - Further communication and consultation with residents and occupiers;
 - Further consultation will be carried out with the Environment Agency and the Port of London Authority;
 - Investigation into the legal agreements and approvals required to carry out the works will be undertaken;
 - Investigation of options for the City Walkway declaration, so that access rights may be withdrawn in limited circumstances;

- Investigation of funding sources to implement the works will be carried out.
- 18. It is proposed that no further design development of the external walkway is undertaken until the possibility of reopening the internal walkway with CCTV coverage has been fully investigated with the City of London Police.
- 19. The communication and consultation work will be carried out over spring and summer 2014, with the Gateway 4 report anticipated in autumn 2014.

Financial Implications

20. An additional £8,500 of Transport for London LIP funds were been made available for spend on this scheme in financial year 2013/14. Furthermore, it is proposed that an additional £20,000 is approved to cover the costs of the further communication and consultation that are required to take the project forward to Gateway 4, to be funded from the funds available from the Watermark Place Section 106 obligation. A breakdown of these costs is included in Table 2 below.

Table 2: Design and Consultation Costs to reach Gateway 4

Item	Estimated Cost (£'s)
Staff Costs*	28,500
Total	28,500

* inclusive of £8,800 staff costs already incurred

Appendices

Appendix A: Location Plan and Proposals that were consulted upon Appendix B: Photographs of existing internal walkway Appendix C: Minutes of post-consultation residents meeting

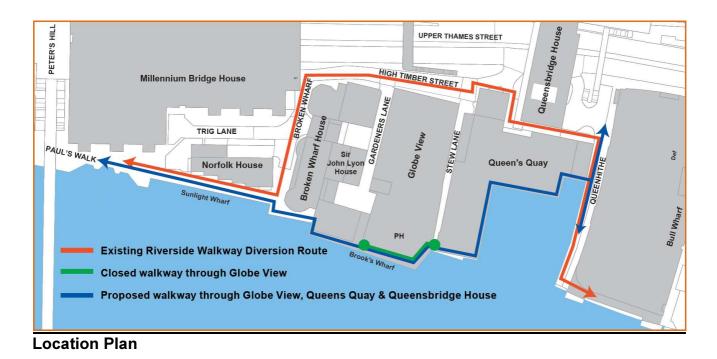
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Gateway 3 report October 2012

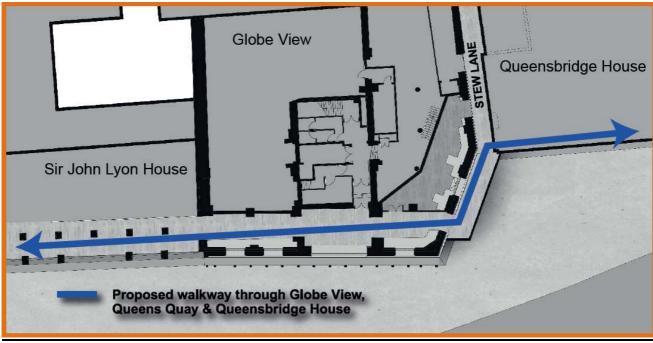
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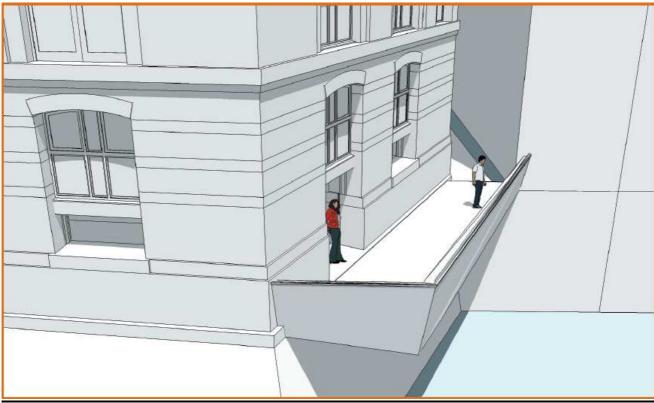
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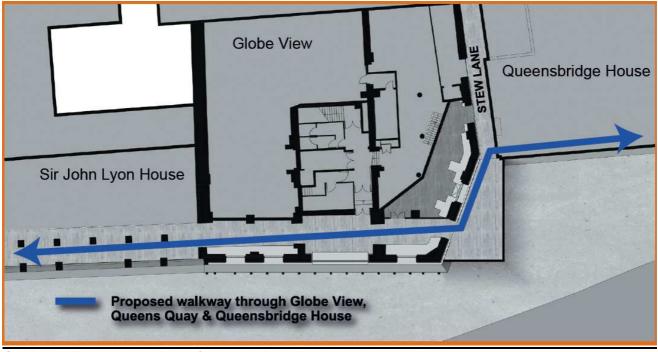
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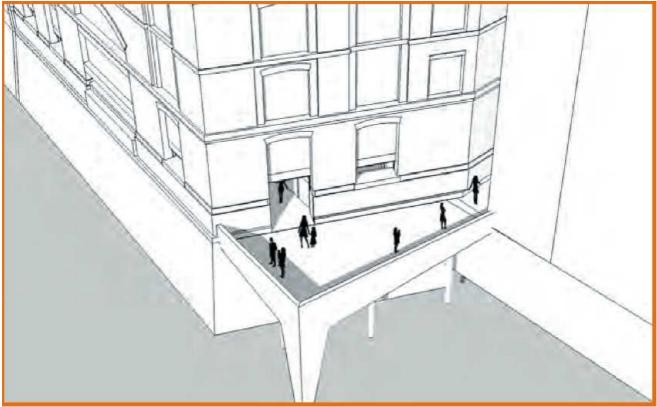
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Option 2 (larger section of external walkway)

Photographs of Existing closed internal walkway



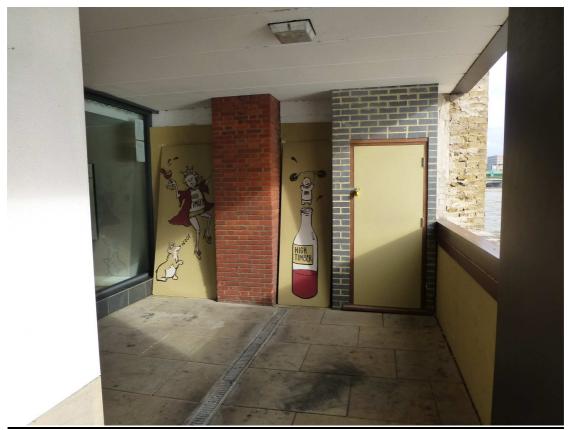
North-south section of covered walkway



North-south section of covered walkway, approaching 'blind corner'



East-west section of covered walkway



Entrance to East-west section of covered walkway at Sir John Lyon House

Appendix C: Minutes of post-consultation residents meeting (Names have been removed)

Globe View Walkway Consultation meeting minutes

24 October 2013 18:00 - 19:00



<u>Minutes</u>:

Chairman's Introduction		
Overview of the project		
The Chairman explained that there had been a pre-consultation meeting with residents in June. A full public consultation on the project then took place in August-September. The meeting this evening is a follow-up to this consultation.		
• There is an approximate 50/50 split between those that prefer the section of external walkway and those that prefer to re-open the existing walkway (see		

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Key Issues and Residents Comments

- There was a suggestion that the external walkway could be even narrower than shown to encourage through movement and discourage dwell.

VC – policy for walkways is a minimum of 3m wide. We need to bear in mind access requirements for wheelchairs but will take this point on board.

- There were several comments about noise disturbance in relation to the proposed external walkway, particularly in relation to the pub. There was also concern about noise from rollerbladers.

- Concerns were expressed about existing problems of noise, rough sleepers and drug dealing

- There was a question about a possible a bridge over Queenhithe?

VC – Queenhithe dock is a scheduled ancient monument and this has been looked at in the past and rejected by English Heritage. We will nonetheless consult English Heritage to clarify the position.

- Concern was expressed about the risk of terrorism

VC- We are working closely with the City of London Police on this and other schemes in the City. The whole City is a crowded place and considered to be a risk.

- There was a suggestion that the external section of walkway could be covered by a roof to limit noise disturbance and a discussion about the possibilities for a roof and its form: the roof could cover part of the external walkway (eg half the width) and could be designed to prevent climbing.

VC – We have looked at this option and will continue to consider it. However, it will be difficult to achieve an appropriate design that is not climbable.

- There was a question about how the external structure would be built: piles visible at low tide, flood protection and PLA approval.

VC – PLA have been consulted and did not raise objections. Flood defence walls would be necessary and very likely that piles would also be necessary for both sizes of walkway options.

- There was a discussion about rough sleepers: a covered walkway may encourage rough sleepers but a narrow walkway may discourage them. Bumpy paving may also discourage them. Removing the right angles would also help.

VC- we could consider rough granite setts in some parts of the covered walkway. Layout could also be looked at.
- There was a query about whether a sprinkler system or CCTV could be installed.
VC- This will be considered in developing the detailed design for the walkway
- There was a discussion about approvals required from the Globe View Freehold Company to build the external walkway.
- There was a query about whether the owners of flats had been consulted.
VC- We have only consulted occupiers and this is the standard consultation approach at this stage of a project.
- There was a query about what the status of the walkway would be.
VC- It would be City Walkway whereby the City has rights over the surface but no land rights. City cannot prevent smoking on City Walkway but cycling and rollerblading are illegal but currently difficult to enforce against.
- There was a suggestion that the internal walkway could be enhanced (lighting, removal of ledges & hiding places etc) and then opened up. It could then be monitored for a period to see if any problems occurred. If problems did occur, the external walkway could be brought forwards.
VC- Yes we could consider a staged process and this option can be put to City of London Committee Members following police advice. However, we would not want to open the Globe View walkway until the neighbouring section under the hotel is complete.
Next steps
- VC reiterated that the walkway at Globe View would not be opened until the walkway at Queens Quay is completed. This could be as long as 2 -3 years depending on the developer's programme.
- The City of London Police would be further consulted on the phased option raised by residents.
 The results of the consultation will be reported to City of London Committees, including the options discussed.
- Following this, further design work and consultation would be required before then going back to City of London Committees for a final decision. Residents will be kept informed.

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Committee:	Date:
Streets and Walkways Sub Committee	10 March 2014
Subject: Decisions taken under delegated authority powers	or urgency
Report of: Town Clerk	For Information

Summary

This report provides details of action taken by the Town Clerk in consultation with the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Streets and Walkways Sub (Planning and Transportation) Committee, in accordance with Standing Order Nos. 41(a) and 41 (b).

Recommendations:-

That the action taken be noted.

Main Report

Background

1. Standing Order Nos. 41(a) and 41(b) provide mechanisms for decisions to be taken between scheduled meetings of the Planning and Transportation Committee, either where it is urgently necessary that a decision be made or where the Committee has delegated power for a decision to be taken.

Decisions Taken under Urgency Procedures

2. The following action has been taken under **Delegated Authority**, Standing Order No. 41 (b)-

Gateway 5 - Authority to Start Works - Silk Street

- 3. Authority was delegated to the Town Clerk in consultation with the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of both the Streets and Walkways and Projects Sub Committees to proceed to Gateway 5 (Authority to Start Works) in light of further consultation which was required with residents and stakeholders.
- 4. The responses to the consultation process can be found in the Members' Reading Room) and the proposals which have been approved under Delegated Authority are summarised below -
 - to provide an enhanced pedestrian environment and increase the amount of greenery in the area
 - to widen the southern and eastern footways on Silk Street to provide more space for pedestrians; this will also provide opportunity to introduce additional street trees adjacent to the Guidlhall School of Music and Drama
 - to install a raised section of carriageway outside the main entrance to the Barbican Centre and this feature will primarily serve to enhance the status of the entrance and calm driver behaviour; and
 - to simplify the layout of the junction of Silk Street and Beech Street so reducing the number of zebra crossings from four to two which will provide wider footpaths for pedestrians.

- 5. The total estimate cost of the project is £856, 203. A budget tolerance of £150,000 was proposed for potential utility and paving works, however, this was not supported by the Projects Sub Committee. Should further funding be required, officers would need to submit a further report.
- **6.** A Gateway 6 (progress report) would be presented to Members during the implementation phase.

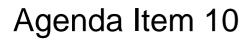
Action agreed under delegated authority

- That approval be given to start work based on the proposals contained in the attached report, <u>however, the budget tolerance of £150,000 in relation to</u> <u>potential utility and paving works be not approved; and</u>
- 2) Officers be authorised to progress any necessary Traffic Orders.

Conclusion

7. Members are asked to note to contents of this report.

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