RESOURCE ALLOCATION SUB (POLICY AND RESOURCES) COMMITTEE

Thursday, 3 May 2018

Minutes of the meeting of the Resource Allocation Sub (Policy and Resources) Committee held at Committee Rooms 3&4, 2nd Floor, West Wing, Guildhall on Thursday, 3 May 2018 at 12.00 pm

Present

Members:

Deputy Catherine McGuinness (Chairman) Jeremy Mayhew (Deputy Chairman) Henry Colthurst Simon Duckworth Christopher Hayward Deputy Edward Lord Deputy Tom Sleigh Sir Michael Snyder Deputy John Tomlinson Alderman Sir David Wootton

In Attendance

Officers:

John Barradell

- Town Clerk and Chief Executive

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies have been received from Sir Mark Boleat and Deputy Jamie Ingham Clark.

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

There were no declarations of interest.

3. MINUTES

The public minutes and summary of the meeting held on Thursday 15 March 2018 were approved as a correct record.

4. ALDGATE HIGHWAY CHANGES AND PUBLIC REALM IMPROVEMENTS

The Sub-Committee considered a report of the Director of Built Environment concerning Aldgate Highway Changes and Public Realm Improvements and the use of On-Street Parking Reserve (OSPR) to fund the project's construction and that the local risk budgets of Highways and Open Spaces be increased.

Members commented that they looked forward to reading the joint Lessons Learnt report, which would follow in Summer 2018 and be reported to Projects Sub Committee.

Some Members discussed whether costs at the beginning of projects were estimated correctly, but discussion on the whole concluded that the City Corporation had, in general, improved its project management skills. One Member highlighted how the end project was a significant regeneration project and of high value to the City.

RESOLVED, that:

- The use of OSPR to fund up to £3m of the project's construction be approved, to be off set from the provision set aside for the All Change Bank project; and
- That the revenue implications of the scheme be met by an increase to the annual departmental local risk budgets of Highways (£75k) and Open Spaces (£40k) from the OSPR.

5. ENFORCEMENT OFFICER FOR CITY'S BRIDGES

The Sub-Committee considered a report of the Director of Markets and Consumer Protection concerning funding from Bridge House Estate for an additional temporary post to be dedicated to carry out enforcement activities on the City's bridges.

A question was raised regarding the request for a temporary Licensing Officer post rather than a permanent post. An Officer commented that a review of the effectiveness of the role would be carried out within the two-year period before deciding whether to make the post permanent.

RESOLVED, that:

- The funding for a Licencing Officer post be approved from the Bridge House Estates Fund at a cost of £100k over a two-year trial period, subject to the approval of the Planning and Transportation Committee; and
- It was noted that officers would be undertaking a review prior to the end of the two-year trial period.
- 6. QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE

There were no questions.

7. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT** There were no urgent items of business.

8. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

RESOLVED – That under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, that public be excluded from the meeting for the following items on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act.

Item Nos 9-13 Paragraph(s) in Schedule 12A

9. NON-PUBLIC MINUTES

The non-public minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 15 March 2018 were approved as a correct record.

10. POLICE ACCOMMODATION STRATEGY: DECANT UPDATE REPORT

The Sub-Committee considered a joint report of the City Surveyor, Chamberlain and the Commissioner concerning the progress on the Police Accommodation Strategy and other areas that needed approvals for the progression of the implementation programme.

11. ST LAWRENCE JEWRY CHURCH UPDATE - GATEWAY 3/4/ ISSUES REPORT

The Sub-Committee considered a report of the City Surveyor concerning the Gateway 3 / 4 project on St Lawrence Jewry Church.

12. **PROJECT FUNDING UPDATE**

The Sub-Committee considered a report of the Chamberlain providing Members with an update on the allocation of central funding for projects and included a round-up of the approved allocations from 2017/18 provisions for new schemes.

- 13. ALDGATE HIGHWAY CHANGES AND PUBLIC REALM IMPROVEMENTS Members received a non-public appendix which was read in conjunction with item 4.
- 14. QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE

There were no questions.

15. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT AND WHICH THE SUB-COMMITTEE AGREE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED WHILST THE PUBLIC ARE EXCLUDED

There were no other urgent items of business.

16. **RECONFIGURATION OF THE CRM AND COD FUNCTIONS AND THE TRANSITION TO AND LONG-TERM SUPPORT FOR CITY DYNAMICS** The Sub Committee considered a report of the Director of Economic Development concerning the reconfiguration of the CRM and COD functions and the transition to and long-term support for City Dynamics.

The meeting ended at 12.26 pm

Chairman

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