RESOURCE ALLOCATION SUB (POLICY AND RESOURCES) COMMITTEE

Thursday, 13 December 2018

Minutes of the meeting of the Resource Allocation Sub (Policy and Resources) Committee held at Committee Rooms, 2nd Floor, West Wing, Guildhall on Thursday, 13 December 2018 at 12.00 pm

Present

Members:

Deputy Catherine McGuinness (Chairman) Jeremy Mayhew (Deputy Chairman) Sir Mark Boleat Deputy Keith Bottomley Deputy Jamie Ingham Clark Marianne Fredericks Sheriff Christopher Hayward Deputy Edward Lord Deputy Dr Giles Shilson Sir Michael Snyder Deputy John Tomlinson

In Attendance

Officers:	
John Barradell	 Town Clerk and Chief Executive
Peter Kane	- Chamberlain
Caroline Al-Beyerty	- Chamberlains
Bob Roberts	- Director of Communications
Peter Lisley	 Assistant Town Clerk
Gregory Moore	 Town Clerk's Department

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Henry Colthurst, Simon Duckworth and Deputy Joyce Nash.

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

The Policy Chair, Catherine McGuinness, declared a non-pecuniary interest by virtue of her position as Board Member at London & Partners.

3. MINUTES

The public minutes and summary of the meeting held on 4 October 2018 were approved as a correct record.

4. MENTAL HEALTH CENTRE

The Sub-Committee considered a report of the Director of Community and Children's Services seeking approval for the drawdown of Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) for a mental health centre for those working and living in the Square Mile.

The Director of Community and Children's Services clarified that since the drafting of reports and discussions with the City Surveyor, there had been an

increase in the financial estimate of a further £70,000 from the CIL. Members agreed that approvals could be sought under delegated authority.

A Member remarked that the report did not contain much information on the mental health centre itself, and another Member felt that it was important that increased emphasis on mental health support should be made available to officers and Members at the City Corporation.

RESOLVED, that:

- The mental health centre be allocated funding to an amount up to £451,000 from a drawdown from the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL); and
- Approval for additional funding of £70,000 from a drawdown from COL be sought under delegated authority in consultation with the Town Clerk and the Chairman and Deputy Chairman.

5. **PROJECT FUNDING UPDATE**

The Sub-Committee considered a report of the Chamberlain requesting the allocation of central funding to allow two projects (City Mental Health Centre and City Wayfinding Signage) to be progressed.

Members discussed the current difficulties for Transport for London (TfL) with funding pressures due to the delay of the Elizabeth Line.

RESOLVED, that:

- The following funds to allow two projects to progress be approved:
 - Up to £1.444k from the On-Street Parking Reserve towards the cost of installing new City wayfinding signage; and
 - Up to £455k from the social and community CIL pot to fund adaptation and renovation costs to provide a new City Mental Health Centre.
- The potential shortfall in the 2019/20 provisions for new schemes due to the deferral of unfunded projects from the current year be noted. It be noted that the situation would be kept under review and further reported when proposals have been more firmly quantified.
- It be noted that there are emerging unfunded projects amounting to significant sums beyond the scope of the provisions for new schemes, and that funding would be considered as part of the medium-term financial planning process to be reported in January.

6. ENHANCING SPORT ENGAGEMENT

Members considered a report of the Director of Communications concerning a strategy on sports engagement.

Members heard that the Public Relations and Economic Development Sub Committee had discussed this paper the previous day and, whilst they had agreed with the recommendations, had also asked the Town Clerk to review where the role should sit at officer level and if extra funding might be needed for activation of the strategy.

RESOLVED, that:

• An uplift in the Town Clerk's annual budget of £80k to fund the additional Corporate Affairs Officer be approved.

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

There were no questions.

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

9. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

RESOLVED – That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the 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 Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act.

Item No.	Paragraph No.
10-12	3
13	removed
14-15	3
18	2
19-21	1, 2, 3

10. NON-PUBLIC MINUTES

The non-public minutes of the Sub-Committee meeting held on 4 October 2018 be approved.

11. GUILDHALL ADMINISTRATION BUDGET REPORT - REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING 2019/20 AND ONWARDS

The Sub-Committee considered a report of the City Surveyor concerning the ongoing significant budget pressure faced by the Guildhall Complex and a request for additional funding.

12. REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING OF A FIRE SAFETY COMPLIANCE OFFICER POST

The Sub-Committee considered a report of the City Surveyor requesting additional funding for a Fire Safety Compliance Officer post.

13. GRESHAM COLLEGE FUNDING

This item was withdrawn.

14. GATEWAY 1/2/3/4 - CITY OF LONDON SCHOOL FOR GIRLS EXPANSION PROJECT

The Sub-Committee considered a report of the Headmistress of the City of London School for Girls seeking approval for a project to expand the School.

15. GATEWAY 6 - ACTION AND KNOW FRAUD CENTRE - CONTRACT

The Sub-Committee considered a report of the Commissioner of the City of London Police regarding the Action and Know Fraud Centre.

16. QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE

There was one question regarding the delay in delivery of the Elizabeth Line (Crossrail).

17. 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 urgent items of business.

18. STRENGTHENING WORK ON GLOBAL COMPETITIVENESS

The Sub-Committee considered a report of the Director of Economic Development regarding the strengthening of work on global competitiveness.

- 19. APPROVAL AND FUNDING OF MARKET FORCE SUPPLEMENTS CORPORATE PROPERTY GROUP, CITY SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT The Sub-Committee considered a report of the City Surveyor regarding the approval and funding of Market Force Supplements for the Corporate Property Group in the City Surveyor's Department.
- 20. FUNDING AND APPROVAL OF MARKET FORCE SUPPLEMENTS TO OPERATIONS GROUP, CITY SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT The Sub-Committee considered a report of the City Surveyor regarding funding and approval of Market Forces Supplements to the Operations Group within the City Surveyor's Department.
- 21. FUNDING AND APPROVAL OF A NEW TEAM STRUCTURE AND MARKET FORCE SUPPLEMENTS TO THE PROPERTY PROJECTS GROUP, CITY SURVEYORS DEPARTMENT

The meeting ended at 12.45 pm

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Chairman

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