# **RESOURCE ALLOCATION SUB (POLICY AND RESOURCES) COMMITTEE**

## Thursday, 19 March 2020

Minutes of the meeting of the Resource Allocation Sub (Policy and Resources) Committee held at Committee Rooms, 2nd Floor, West Wing, Guildhall on Thursday, 19 March 2020 at 12.00 pm

#### Present

#### Members:

Deputy Catherine McGuinness (Chairman) Jeremy Mayhew (Deputy Chairman) Deputy Jamie Ingham Clark Alderman Vincent Keaveny Deputy Edward Lord Alderman Ian Luder

## In Attendance

#### Officers:

1. APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

2. MEMBERS DECLARATIONS UNDER THE CODE OF CONDUCT IN RESPECT OF ITEMS ON THE AGENDA There were no declarations.

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## 3. MINUTES

The public minutes of the meeting held on 23 January 2020 were approved as a correct record.

## 4. CAPITAL FUNDING UPDATE

The Sub-Committee considered a report of the Chamberlain setting out various bids for Capital Funding.

Reference was made to the importance of robust communication around the annual bids process, to build on organisational understanding in good time ahead of the next round.

With reference to the projects being progressed, a Member observed that they were to be subject to the usual Gateway and other approval processes. Given the likely cancellation of a number of meetings as part of the immediate COVID response, particularly sub-committee meetings, it was queried how this would be managed. Members observed that thought would need to be given to this as there were many unknowns at this point; for instance, the impact of forthcoming legislation on virtual meetings, the timescales in which approvals might be needed, and any delays that might arise to both the projects and approvals

required as a result of COVID. Retaining suitable Member oversight would be crucial.

RESOLVED: That Members:-

- agree the allocation of central funding of up to £4.449m to allow schemes

   to (x) as set out in Table 1 and detailed in paragraph 6 of the report to
   progress, subject to the requisite gateway and other approvals.
- note the full schedule of 2020/21 successful capital bids provided in Appendix 1 - comprising 'in principle' funding amounting to £89m together with 'in principle' internal loan funding of £47.7m.
- 3. note that a review of the annual capital bid process is under review and that any changes proposed will be brought back to Members for consideration.

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

There were no questions.

6. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT** There were no urgent items.

## 7. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

RESOLVED: That under Section 100(A) 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 I of the Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act.

## 8. NON-PUBLIC MINUTES

The Sub-Committee approved the non-public minutes of the meeting held on 23 January 2020 as a correct record.

#### 9. CYCLICAL WORKS PROGRAMME (CWP) AND ADDITIONAL RESOURCES FOR CITY FUND PROPERTIES (ARCFP) REQUEST FOR FUNDING FOR 2020/2021

The Sub-Committee considered and approved a report of the Chamberlain regarding the approval of funding for the proposed 2020/21 Cyclical Works Programme (CWP) and revisions to the Additional Resources for City Fund Properties (ARCFP).

# 10. REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY OR URGENCY PROCEDURES

The Sub-Committee received a report of the Town Clerk regarding decisions taken under delegated authority or urgency powers since the last meeting of the Committee.

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

There were no questions.

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

There was one oral urgent item, concerning support for business.

#### 13. CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES - 5 MARCH 2020

The confidential minutes of the informal meeting of Members of the Resource Allocation Sub-Committee held on 20 February 2020 were noted

The meeting ended at 12.40 pm

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Chairman

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