Committee(s):	Date:
Planning and Transportation Committee	30 April 2019
Subject:	Public
Appointment of Sub Committees	
Report of:	
Town Clerk	For Decision
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Summary

- 1. The purpose of this report is to consider the appointment of the Committee's Subcommittees and working party, and approve the compositions and terms of reference.
- 2. The Planning and Transportation Committee appoints two sub-committees and one working party:-
 - Streets and Walkways Sub Committee
 - Local Plan Sub Committee
 - Local Plan Working Party (membership to be the same as the Local Plan Sub Committee.)
- 3. For ease, details of the composition and terms of reference of the Sub-committees and working party are set out in Appendix A.

Recommendation(s)

- 4. It is recommended that:-
 - a) The Committee appoints the Streets and Walkways Sub Committee for the ensuing year and approves its terms of reference detailed at Appendix A to this report; and
 - b) The Committee appoints the Local Plans Sub Committee and the Local Plans Working Party for the ensuing year and approves the terms of reference detailed at Appendix A to this report.

Main Report

Background

- This report considers the appointment, terms of reference and composition of the Planning and Transportation Committee's sub-committees and working party.
- 6. Each of the Committee's proposed sub-committees and working party are considered in turn below. Details of their terms of reference and proposed composition are set out in Appendix A of this report.

Streets and Walkways Sub-Committee

- 7. The Sub Committee was originally formed in 2004 and has acted fairly independently of the Grand Committee since then. The Terms of Reference have always included responsibility for such things as traffic engineering and management, street scene enhancements, the Riverside Walkway, and road safety matters.
- 8. It should be noted that the Sub Committee continues to have power to act in those matters, in order to avoid potentially delaying projects by requiring the Grand Committee's approval as well, when they often involve tight timescales to complete them or use external funding.
- 9. Expressions of interest are sought from **seven Members of the Planning and Transportation Committee** who wish to serve on this Sub Committee.
- 10. The Sub Committee meets every 5-6 weeks on and has met eight times since it was last appointed in May 2018.

Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Sub Committee

- 11. The Sub Committee elects its own Chairman and Deputy Chairman at its first meeting following the first meeting of the new Grand Committee which in this case will be 28 May 2019.
- 12. The Committee is therefore requested to agree the membership and the Terms of Reference of the Streets and Walkways Sub Committee for the ensuing year, (at Appendix A), with power to act.

Local Plan Sub-Committee

13. The Committee first appointed a Sub Committee in October 2004 with the specific task of considering the Local Development Framework (LDF), which replaced the Unitary Development Plan as the spatial planning strategy for the City. It was later agreed that this Sub Committee would also be suitable for considering details of the traffic-related Local Implementation Plan (LIP) as well.

Its Terms of Reference are simply to consider those types of documents in detail and make recommendations to the Grand Committee.

- 14. Expressions of interest are sought from **five Members of the Committee** who wish to serve on this Sub Committee, together with an *ex-officio* Member appointed by the Policy and Resources Committee.
- 15. The Committee also agreed in September 2005 to appoint a Working Party to consider the LDF in more detail, when necessary. Those meetings usually take place in tandem with those of the existing Sub Committee, and they share the same membership, except the Working Party also includes two officers: the Town Clerk or his representative and the Director of the Built Environment or his representative.
- 16. This Sub Committee and Working Party meet when necessary to progress the Local Plan or LIP. The Sub Committee has met seven times since it was last appointed in May 2018 and is due to meet again on 17 May 2019. Membership of the Sub Committee presents the opportunity to be involved in the early stages of deciding the many policies upon which the City's entire planning strategy is based.
- 17. The Committee is requested to agree for the ensuing year the membership of the Sub Committee that considers the City's Local Plan and Local Implementation Plan, which will be the same for the Working Party.

Appendices

Appendix A – composition and terms of reference of the Planning and Transportation Committee's sub-committees and working party.

Background Papers:

Appointment of Sub Committees, Working Parties and Representatives on Other Committees – Report 2 May 2014

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(A) Streets and Walkways Sub-Committee

Composition

- 1. The Streets and Walkways Sub Committee comprises
 - a) The Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Grand Committee along with seven other Members:
 - b) Together with four *ex-officio* Members representing the Finance, Police and Open Spaces, City Gardens and West Ham Park and Port Health and Environmental Services Committees.
- 2. The 2018/19 Membership comprised the following Members –

Chistopher Hayward (Chairman, Grand Committee)	
Alistair Moss (Deputy Chairman, Grand Committee)	
Randall Anderson	
Deputy Keith Bottomley	
Marianne Fredericks	
Gregory Jones QC	
Deputy Jamie Ingham Clark	
Graham Packham	
Oliver Sells QC	
Paul Martinelli (ex-officio, Finance Committee)	
Alderman Alison Gowman (ex-officio, Police Committee)	
Barbara Newman (ex-officio, Open Spaces Committee)	
Deputy Kevin Everett (ex-officio, Port Health)	

Terms of Reference

- 3. The Sub Committee is responsible for:-
- (a) traffic engineering and management, maintenance of the City's streets, and the agreement of schemes affecting the City's Highways and Walkways (such as street scene enhancement, traffic schemes, pedestrian facilities, special events on the public highway and authorising Traffic Orders) in accordance with the policies and strategies of the Grand Committee;
- (b) all general matters relating to road safety;
- (c) the provision, maintenance and repair of bridges, subways and footbridges, other than the five City river bridges;
- (d) public lighting, including street lighting;
- (e) day-to-day administration of the Grand Committee's car parks

- (f) all matters relating to the Riverside Walkway, except for adjacent open spaces; and
- (g) to be responsible for advising the Grand Committee on:-
 - (i) progress in implementing the Grand Committee's plans, policies and strategies relating to the City's Highways and Walkways; and
 - (ii) the design of and strategy for providing signposts in the City
- (h) Those matters of significance will be referred to the Grand Committee to seek concurrence.

(B) Local Plans Sub Committee

Composition

4. The 2018/19 Membership comprised the following Members –

Christopher Hayward (Chairman of the Grand Committee and
Sub Committee)
Alistair Moss (Deputy Chairman of the Grand Committee)
Randall Anderson
Mark Bostock
Deputy Keith Bottomley
Marianne Fredericks
Alderman Gregory Jones
Dhruv Patel (ex-officio, Policy and Resources Committee)

Terms of Reference

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