

**STREETS AND WALKWAYS SUB (PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION)
COMMITTEE**

Tuesday, 28 May 2019

Minutes of the meeting of the Streets and Walkways Sub (Planning and Transportation) Committee held at the Guildhall EC2 at 11.30 am

Present

Members:

Oliver Sells QC (Chairman)	Deputy Jamie Ingham Clark
Graham Packham (Deputy Chairman)	Shravan Joshi
Randall Anderson	Alderman Alison Gowman (Ex-Officio Member)
Peter Bennett	Christopher Hill (Ex-Officio Member)
Deputy Keith Bottomley	Paul Martinelli (Ex-Officio Member)
Christopher Hayward	

Officers:

Joseph Anstee	- Town Clerk's Department
Zahur Khan	- Department of the Built Environment
Olumayowa Obisesan	- Chamberlain's Department
Gillian Howard	- Department of the Built Environment
Leah Coburn	- Department of the Built Environment
Bruce McVean	- Department of the Built Environment
Sam Lee	- Department of the Built Environment
Mark Lowman	- City Surveyor's Department
Helen Kearney	- Department of the Built Environment
Patrick Hegarty	- Open Spaces Department

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Deputy Alastair Moss.

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

There were no declarations.

3. RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

The Sub-Committee noted the resolution of the Planning & Transportation Committee meeting on 30 April 2019 and noted the updated membership of the Sub-Committee following the Planning & Transportation Committee meeting on 24 May 2019.

4. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

The Sub-Committee proceeded to elect a Chairman in accordance with Standing Order No.29. The Town Clerk read a list of Members eligible to stand and Oliver Sells, being the only Member who expressed his willingness to

serve, was duly elected as Chairman of the Sub-Committee for the ensuing year.

5. ELECTION OF DEPUTY CHAIRMAN

The Sub-Committee proceeded to elect a Deputy Chairman in accordance with Standing Order No.30. The Town Clerk read a list of Members eligible to stand and Graham Packham, being the only Member who expressed his willingness to serve, was duly elected as Deputy Chairman of the Sub-Committee for the ensuing year.

The newly-elected Chairman thanked Members of the Sub-Committee for their support and congratulated the newly-elected Deputy Chairman, before paying tribute to the outgoing Chairman, Christopher Hayward, who had led the Streets & Walkways Sub-Committee and Planning & Transportation Committee with great skill, diplomacy and enthusiasm.

6. MINUTES

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting held on 17 April 2019 be approved as a correct record.

7. OUTSTANDING REFERENCES

The Sub-Committee received a list of outstanding references.

Swan Lane & Trigg Lane

The City Surveyor advised the Sub-Committee that both projects had been completed, with the Environment Agency due back to sign off Swan Lane during the week.

22 Bishopsgate

The Director of the Built Environment advised the Sub-Committee that following a positive meeting between the developer and the City of London Corporation, amendments had been made to the agreement and was expected to be signed off once drafted.

Dockless Bikes

The Director of the Built Environment updated the Sub-Committee on the implementation of the trial period beginning on 12 June. Operators not in the trial had now been asked to exclude the City of London from their operating areas and would be charged the maximum £235 to recover bikes that had been removed by enforcement officers. A more detailed update would be brought to the next meeting, with quarterly updates going forward.

In response to queries from Members, the Director of the Built Environment confirmed that bikes removed by enforcement officers were taken to Walbrook Wharf, and that the trial was timed to end when a London-wide byelaw on dockless cycle management had been developed but could be extended if this had not materialised. The City of London Corporation was involved in the development of the regulations, which would recognise the TfL code of conduct already in place. The Chairman added that this was the beginning of a complex process of physical change, and with technology changing fast there would be more new regulations for new transport technology to come.

Beech Street

The Director of the Built Environment advised the Sub-Committee that the next Gateway report would be submitted to the July meeting of the Sub-Committee. Work was continuing on the strategic model whilst meetings with Islington continued at Member and officer level.

RESOLVED – That the outstanding references be noted.

8. **MUSEUM OF LONDON PUBLIC REALM PROJECT**

The Sub-Committee considered a report of the Director of the Built Environment seeking approval for the next phase of the Museum of London public realm project. The Director of the Built Environment introduced the report and gave a short presentation, updating Members on the project so far and setting out the key points for consideration. In response to queries from Members, the Director of the Built Environment confirmed that the project was outside the scope of the Fundamental Review and was part of the projected ongoing allocations from the On-Street Parking Reserve.

Members commented that the change of scope made sense in this situation, and that the project needed to be carried out intelligently due to the interaction and impact of various other projects in the area such as Crossrail and the markets. Whilst there was limited precision with regard to timeframes, it was important to maintain momentum on the project. A Member suggested moving the ambulance station from the area. The Sub-Committee also felt that the project name could be reviewed, as the proposed change could be improved.

RESOLVED – That the Streets & Walkways Sub-Committee:

- a) Approve the next phase of the project as described in this report.
- b) Note the Capital Funding Review process via Resource Allocation Sub-Committee has approved central funding for the key project dependency elements of this project;
- c) Approve the increase in the scope of the project to reflect the proposals within the Transportation Strategy, the planned implementation of Culture Mile and the development of the Markets Consolidation Programme.
- d) Approve the change of the project name from Museum of London Public Realm, but suggest officers consider alternatives to West Smithfield Area Public Realm and Transportation project;
- e) Note the revised project budget of £715,000; and note the total estimated project cost of £12m which is subject to the identification of funding.

9. **THE CITY OF LONDON CORPORATION'S SPORT AND PHYSICAL ACTIVITY STRATEGY FOR 2019-23**

The Sub-Committee received a report of the Head of Corporate Strategy presenting the proposed final version of the City of London Corporation's Sport and Physical Activity Strategy for 2019-2023.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

10. **QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE SUB COMMITTEE**

In response to a question from a Member, the Director of the Built Environment gave the Sub-Committee an update on plans for Car Free Day. Officers were currently working out access restrictions, with Beech Street likely to remain open to buses, and continued to engage on synchronising Car Free Day with Open House Weekend events. Committee approval was being sought for the necessary footprint and road closures.

With regards to Ludgate Circus, the Deputy Chairman stressed that Members needed to maintain their role in scrutinising and monitoring progress and asked whether Members should press for TfL to go further. The planned intervention of an experimental traffic order would ban southbound manoeuvres and cause the junction to operate differently for pedestrians. The Director of the Built Environment advised that TfL were committed, and this would be the beginning of a process. Officers would continue to lobby and liaise during the experimental period and monitor the impact of the traffic order. Members stressed that pedestrians should be the highest priority in transforming the junction due to the high volume of pedestrian movements across it.

A Member asked if officers could provide further information on road charging, following a presentation from Centre for London at the recent Walking and Cycling Conference. The Director of the Built Environment advised that Centre for London's proposals aligned closely with the City of London Corporation's own proposals on road user charging. A briefing could be arranged to provide Members with more information on this.

11. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT**

The Sub-Committee considered an urgent report of the Director of the Built Environment, concerning the All Change at Bank project. Members noted developments since the last meeting in light of the Fundamental Review and the resolution submitted by the Sub-Committee to the Resource Allocation Sub-Committee. The Sub-Committee was advised of the amended recommendations and noted the proposed funding strategy of using Section 106 deposits to fund the project to the next Gateway.

Members stressed that the project should not be delayed any further and urged officers to ensure the project moved forward.

RESOLVED – That the Streets & Walkways Sub-Committee:

- a) Agree that the S106 deposits identified be used to fund the All Change at Bank project to Gateway 4, at a cost of £659,584, subject to the agreement of the Resource Allocation Sub-Committee; and
- b) Agree the original recommendations set out in the All Change at Bank project Issues report of 17 April 2019, as follows:
 1. That Members agree the intended project approach for the All Change at Bank Project;
 2. That Members note the programme, milestones, costs and key risks as set out;
 3. That Members agree to a second issues report being presented in November/December 2019 to approve a limited number of options to proceed to more detailed feasibility work;
 4. That Members agree to the outlined procurement approach; and
 5. That Members approve the requested budget increase from £1,179,000 to £1,810,761 (an increase of £631,761) to reach Gateway 4.

12. 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 of business 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.	Exempt Paragraphs
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13. NON-PUBLIC MINUTES

RESOLVED – That the non-public minutes of the meeting held on 17 April 2019 be approved as a correct record.

14. SECURITY ENHANCEMENTS/SECURITY CROSS CUTTING - CENTRAL CRIMINAL COURT, HOSTILE VEHICLE MITIGATION & CCTV

The Sub-Committee considered a report of the City Surveyor.

15. NON-PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE SUB COMMITTEE

There were no questions.

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

There was one item of other business.

The meeting closed at 12.45 pm

Chairman

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