Department of the Built Environment A year of achievements

Contribute to a flourishing society

- People are safe and feel safe.
- People enjoy good health and wellbeing.
- People have equal opportunities to enrich their lives and reach their full potential.
- Communities are cohesive and have the facilities they need.



- The award-winning Aldgate Highway Changes and Public Realm Improvements opened in July 2018.
- Public Realm works around Farringdon East Station entrance complete, ensuring safe and easy pedestrian access to and from the Crossrail station as well as preventative security measures. Other projects at Liverpool Street and Moorfields now underway and on target to complete before the opening.
- Committee approval on the Bank Experimental Scheme, to improve public safety in September 18.
- The improvement of public permeability by new routes, open space, greenery and high-level access – examples of completed schemes with improved permeability and greenery include Fen Court and the Bloomberg Building.
- The 18/19 Sculptures in the City had approximate 26,900 visits including school and community groups. This is the first year this data has been available.

Support a thriving economy

- Businesses are trusted and socially and environmentally responsible.
- We have the world's best legal framework and access to global markets.
- We are a global hub for innovation in finance and professional services, commerce and culture.
- We have access to skills and talent we need.
- Local Land Charges data is now available in digital form, with a same-day service via the Land Registry internet portal. This reinforces the City's international property appeal and supported our aim towards digital services. We were the 3rd local authority in England to 'go-live' and the first in London.
- The Draft Local Plan (*City Plan 2036*) was subject to public consultation until February 2019. Drop-in sessions over 17 locations, over 2,000 document downloads and nearly 200 separate respondents.
- Committee approval on a following strategies: Culture Mile Look and Feel Strategy, Road Danger Reduction Strategy, Eastern City Cluster Strategy and the Lighting Strategy.
- Planning applications increased by 2% to 1,142 in the year 18/19.

Shape outstanding environments

- We are digitally and physically well connected and responsive.
- We inspire enterprise, excellence, creativity and collaboration.
- We have clear air, land and water and a thriving sustainable natural environment.
- Our spaces are secure resilient and well maintained.
- A 10% increase in electrical charging points including once rapid charging point in Noble Street and additional points at the Barbican Estates Willoughby House Car Park.
- November 2019, saw the introduction of a consolidation service for the Guildhall
- Implement new lighting schemes across three of the City's bridges.
- Increase in office floorspace stock and employment office stock increased 160,000 square metres gross from 8.79 million in March 2018 to 8.95 million in Sept.2018. March 2019 stock figures not yet available. Employment in the City increased from 483,000 in 2016 to 513,000 in 2017; 2018 figures not due until autumn 2019.
- Innovative Street Lighting Strategy approved Oct18 which will significantly improve safety, reduce energy usage and enable immediate responsiveness to changing requirements

Awards

- Bloomberg Development won the best mixed-use development in the London Planning Awards and Best Accessible Building of the LABC Excellence Awards as well as the prestigious RIBA Stirling prize for architecture.
- The Transportation team won National Urban Design Awards
- The Cleansing Team won the Institute of Courier Award (Electric Consolidation) in connection with the use electric vehicles.
- Claire Callan-Day, Street Environment Officer (T&PR Division) was awarded the Enforcement Academy Award – Outstanding Achievement at the Keep Britain Tidy Awards.
- Victoria Santos won three awards at the 'Loo of the Year Awards 2018' National Award for Individual Cleaner, Lifetime Achievement Award for her
 service to public facilities and British Toilet Association Individual Cleaner
 Trophy.
- The CoL was presented with four awards at the 'Loo of the Year Awards 2018'.
- The Bank on Safety road safety scheme won 'Most Effective Road Safety, Traffic Management and Enforcement Project category at the London Transport' Awards 2019.
- Vince Dignam, Business Performance and Transport Group Manager (T&PR Division) became a Fellow of the CILT.
- Mark Pundsack, Assistant District Surveyor became a Fellow of the Institute of Structural Engineers.

- Chris Shiel, Principal Building Control Officer passed the LABC assessment of Fire Safety Competence.
- Thomas Creed, Group Engineer (District Surveyor's Division) passed his Chartered Professional Review and is now a Chartered Civil Engineer and Member of the Institution of Civil Engineers.
- Tim Munday, Building Control Officer (District Surveyor's Division) passed his Professional Review and is now a Chartered Building Engineer.