

CAPITAL BUILDINGS COMMITTEE

Wednesday, 13 May 2020

Minutes of the meeting of the Capital Buildings Committee held at the Guildhall EC2 at 9.45 am

Present

Members:

Sir Michael Snyder (Chairman)	Alderman Ian Luder
Deputy Edward Lord (Deputy Chair)	Jeremy Mayhew
Douglas Barrow	Deputy Catherine McGuinness
Peter Bennett	Oliver Sells QC
Deputy Keith Bottomley	Deputy James Thomson
David Brooks Wilson	Alderman Sir David Wootton
Alderman Alison Gowman	
Sheriff Christopher Hayward	
Deputy Jamie Ingham Clark	

Officers:

Peter Lisley	- Assistant Town Clerk & Director of Major Projects
Julie Mayer	- Town Clerk's Department
Greg Moore	- Town Clerk's Department
Caroline Al-Beyerty	- Deputy Chamberlain
Paul Wilkinson	- City Surveyor
Mark Lowman	- City Surveyor's Department
Paul Friend	- City Surveyor's Department
Ola Obadara	- City Surveyor's Department
Tim Cutter	- City Surveyor's Department
Martin O'Regan	- City of London Police

In attendance:

Eric Parry – Eric Parry Architects (*for items 9 and 10*)

1. APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

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

David Brooks Wilson's standing declaration was noted in respect of all matters concerning Arcadis, Arups, Belsize Architects, and Keltbray, as an advisor to those companies.

Alderman Alison Gowman declared a non-prejudicial interest in respect of the disposal of Wood Street Police Station, having been recently made aware that the company for which she worked (DLA Piper) had acted for the site purchaser.

3. **MINUTES**

The draft minutes and public summary of the meeting held on 15 January 2020 were approved as an accurate record.

4. **OUTSTANDING ACTIONS**

Members noted the following updates to the Outstanding Actions List:

- **Barking Reach:** a number of asset sales had been completed and efforts continued in respect of the sale of outstanding items.
- **Parabolic Dome:** Officers had located one further example of such a dome at the now-demolished Brynmawr Semtex Rubber Factory in Gwent, Wales. That building had been designed and built by The Architect's Co-Op in collaboration with engineers Ove Arup between 1945 and 1951 and was very similar in design to the Poultry Market. The structural engineer (Ove Arup) was the same for both projects and appeared to have been influenced by the Brynmawr design.
- **FSE Electrical Resilience:** The electrical supply and resilience query in respect of the Fleet Street Estate had been resolved and a fuller update would be provided through Item 10.

5. **QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE**

There were no questions.

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

There were no items.

7. **EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC**

RESOLVED – That - under Section 100A 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.

8. **NON-PUBLIC MINUTES**

The non-public minutes of the meeting held on 15 January 2020 were approved.

9. **FLEET STREET ESTATE - ARCHITECTS' PRESENTATION**

Members received a presentation from Eric Parry concerning the Fleet Street Estate build, which interlinked with the decisions to be taken at Item 10.

10. **FLEET STREET ESTATE - RIBA STAGE 3 PROGRESS REPORT**

Members considered and approved a report of the City Surveyor concerning the Fleet Street Estate programme.

11. **MUSEUM OF LONDON UPDATE**

Members considered and approved a report of the City Surveyor concerning the Museum of London relocation programme.

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

There were no questions.

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

There were no urgent items.

The meeting closed at 10:50 am

Chairman

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