

PROJECTS SUB (POLICY AND RESOURCES) COMMITTEE

Wednesday, 4 November 2015

Minutes of the meeting of the Projects Sub (Policy and Resources) Committee held at the Guildhall EC2 at 3.00 pm

Present

Members:

Sir Michael Snyder (Chairman)	Henry Colthurst
Mark Boleat (Deputy Chairman)	Hugh Morris
Roger Chadwick	Graham Packham
Nigel Challis	Deputy John Tomlinson

In Attendance

Marianne Fredericks

Officers:

Peter Lisley	- Town Clerk's Department
Jacqui Daniels	- Town Clerk's Department
Christopher Braithwaite	- Town Clerk's Department
Natasha Dogra	- Town Clerk's Department
Arshi Zaman	- Town Clerk's Department
Caroline Al-Beyerty	- Chamberlain's Department
Chris Bell	- Chamberlain's Department
Peter Young	- City Surveyor's Department
Huw Rhys Lewis	- City Surveyor's Department
Steve Presland	- Department of the Built Environment
Doug Wilkinson	- Department of the Built Environment
Paul Monaghan	- Department of the Built Environment
Luke Joyce	- Department of the Built Environment
Ian Dyson	- City of London Police
Martin O'Regan	- City of London Police
Jim Turner	- Barbican Centre

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Christopher Hayward, Deputy Catherine McGuinness and Michael Welbank.

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

No declarations of interest were made.

3. MINUTES

RESOLVED – That the public minutes and non-public summary of the meeting held on 8 October 2015 are approved as an accurate record.

Matters Arising:

Hampstead Heath Ponds Project Update

The Chamberlain informed Members that a mechanism had been devised by which savings from projects could be banked following which requests could be made to the Sub-Committee to consider the release of the savings, should they be required.

4. GATEWAY APPROVAL PROCESS

RESOLVED – That the Committee noted the Gateway Approval Process.

5. ISSUE REPORT: FLEET BUILDINGS AND PLUMTREE COURT (SHOE LANE QUARTER PUBLIC REALM ENHANCEMENTS - PHASE 1)

The Sub-Committee considered a report of the Director of Built Environment which provided an issue report in relation to public realm enhancements at 1 New Street Square, which were funded through S106 and S278 agreements.

RESOLVED – That the Sub-Committee:

- a) Authorised the budget setup and implementation of the 1 New Street Square highway works totalling £575,760 (fully funded by the developer), as outlined in paragraph 3 and Appendix 1 of the main report;
- b) Delegated authority to the Director of the Built Environment to adjust the budget between the 1 New Street Square project elements (works, fees and staff costs) as required to meet the project needs;
- c) Confirmed the £216,000 budget for the Public Realm and Security Improvements (S278) scheme for the London Development to reach the next Gateway;
- d) Noted that this project was to be renamed from “Fleet Buildings and Plumtree Court” to “Shoe Lane Quarter Public Realm Enhancements”; and
- e) Noted the outline phasing for this project, as detailed in the Main Report which reflects the emergence of forthcoming developments in the Shoe Lane Quarter.

6. ST MARY-AT-HILL CHURCHYARD ENVIRONMENTAL ENHANCEMENT SCHEME (EE104) - GW4 DETAILED OPTIONS APPRAISAL

The Sub-Committee considered a report of the Director of the Built Environment which provided a proposed concept design for the St Mary-At-Hill Churchyard Environmental Enhancement Scheme (EE104), which included ramped and stepped access, new tree planting and soft landscaping, sustainable drainage, new seating, lighting and re-use of heritage assets.

In response to a query regarding the design of the ramped access, Officers informed Members that the recommended concept design had been proposed with the deterring of skateboarding on sloped areas in mind.

RESOLVED – That the Sub-Committee:

- a) Authorised the progression of the project and the release of funds, as set out in Section 17 of the report;
- b) Authorised officers to arrange additional funding as per the agreed funding strategy to secure the delivery of all project objectives;
- c) Authorised officers to develop a formal agreement to carry out the works on the privately owned churchyard and develop a long term maintenance agreement;
- d) Authorised officers to pursue all necessary Planning and Faculty permissions;
- e) Authorised the use of interest accrued on the £100,000 Section 106 Agreement.

7. GATEWAY 1, 2, 3, 4: BARBICAN AREA CCTV

The Sub-Committee considered a joint report of the Town Clerk and Commissioner of the City of London Police which provided details of a project which sought to improve the CCTV coverage of the public walkways and the area around the Barbican Estate, including the Golden Lane Estate area. The project had been triggered by recent incidents of crime being reported (some of an indecent nature) on the Barbican Estate near the School for Girls which has subsequently highlighted the fact of there being a lack of camera coverage in this area.

RESOLVED – That the project be approved to the next Gateway.

8. ISSUE REPORT: MIDDLESEX STREET PHASE 3 - REDESIGN OF ARTIZAN STREET PUBLIC SPACE (TO FOLLOW)

RESOLVED – that delegated authority be granted to the Chairman and Deputy Chairman in consultation with the Town Clerk regarding the Middlesex Street Phase 3 Artizan Street Public Space redesign.

9. QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE

There were no questions.

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT

The Chairman conveyed his thanks to Jacqui Daniels who would be leaving the City of London Corporation and the Committee wished Jacqui well for the future.

11. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

MOTION - That under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item(s) on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act.

Item no:
13-18

Paragraph:
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12. NON-PUBLIC MINUTES

Resolved - The non-public minutes of the meeting held on 8 October 2015 were approved as an accurate record.

13. ISSUE REPORT: TOWER BRIDGE BASCULE RE-DECKING AND APPROACH VIADUCT WATERPROOFING

The Committee considered and approved a report of the Director of the Built Environment regarding the Tower Bridge Bascule Re-Decking and Approach Viaduct Waterproofing.

14. POLICE ACCOMMODATION PROJECT - PHASE 3, DECANT STRATEGY FOR WOOD STREET AND 21 NEW STREET

The Sub-Committee considered and approved a joint report of the Chamberlain, Commissioner of the City of London Police and the City Surveyor providing the Committee with the decant strategy for the City of London Police from Wood Street and 21 New Street.

15. BUILDINGS PROGRAMME- RED & AMBER REPORT UPDATE

The Sub-Committee considered a joint report of the City Surveyor and the Director of Community and Children's Services which presented the Buildings project managed by the City Surveyor and the Community and Children's Services Department.

RESOLVED – That the Sub-Committee notes the report.

16. REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY

The Sub-Committee noted a report of the Town Clerk which advised Members of action taken by the Town Clerk under delegated authority or urgency since the last meeting of the Sub-Committee.

17. QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE

There were no questions.

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

There were no questions

The meeting closed at 3.12 pm

Chairman

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