

## PROJECTS SUB (POLICY AND RESOURCES) COMMITTEE

Tuesday, 26 January 2016

**Minutes of the meeting of the Projects Sub (Policy and Resources) Committee held at the Guildhall EC2 at 9.00 am**

### **Present**

#### **Members:**

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

#### **Officers:**

Peter Lisle	- Town Clerk's Department
David Bianco	- Town Clerk's Department
Christopher Braithwaite	- Town Clerk's Department
Matthew Pitt	- Town Clerk's Department
Arshi Zaman	- Town Clerk's Department
Caroline Al-Beyerty	- Chamberlain's Department
Christopher Bell	- Chamberlain's Department
Graham Bell	- Chamberlain's Department
Gary Brailsford-Hart	- City of London Police
Martin O'Regan	- City of London Police
Pauline Weaver	- City of London Police
Nicholas Gill	- City Surveyor's Department
Mark Lowman	- City Surveyor's Department
Peter Young	- City Surveyor's Department
Simon Glynn	- Department of the Built Environment
Paul Monaghan	- Department of the Built Environment
Iain Simmons	- Department of the Built Environment
Michael Dick	- Barbican Centre
Mike Saunders	- Community and Children's Services Department
Paul Murtagh	- Community and Children's Services Department
Geoff Pick	- Culture, Heritage and Libraries Department

The Town Clerk informed the Sub-Committee that the Chairman had been in contact to advise that he would be late to the meeting. In the absence of the Deputy Chairman, the Sub-Committee agreed to elect a temporary Chairman to preside over the meeting in the Chairman's absence.

**RESOLVED** – That Hugh Morris be elected to act as temporary Chairman until the Chairman of the Sub-Committee arrives at the meeting.

1. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Mark Boleat, Christopher Hayward and Michael Welbank.

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

There were no declarations of interest.

3. **MINUTES**

**RESOLVED** – That the Committee approves the minutes of the last meeting held on 1 December 2015 as an accurate record.

4. **TOWER BRIDGE HV SYSTEM REPLACEMENT AND INCREASING ELECTRICAL RESILIENCE - GATEWAY 2/ ISSUES REPORT**

The Committee considered a Gateway 2 report of the City Surveyor regarding the Tower Bridge HV System – Replacement and Increasing Electrical Reliance Project. The Sub-Committee had previously considered the Gateway 2 report in October 2015 and had deferred approval, pending confirmation that Option five set out within that report (and provided at the Appendix to this report) would be considered as an option at Gateway 3/4.

**RESOLVED** – That the Committee approves the Project to proceed to Gateway 3/4 on the Regular Route.

5. **BREAMS BUILDING - GATEWAY 3 OUTLINE OPTIONS APPRAISAL**

The Sub-Committee considered a Gateway 3 report of the Director of the Built Environment which requested approval at Gateway 3 for a project to enhance the public realm in the vicinity of the Breams Buildings.

The Town Clerk advised that at Callover the Chairman of the Sub-Committee had suggested that this project be conditional upon receipt of Section 278 funding. The Sub-Committee agreed that this was appropriate.

**RESOLVED** – That the Sub-Committee:

- a) Subject to receipt of Section 278 funding, approves the Project to progress to Gateway 4 on the Regular route;
- b) Approve the Scheme Objectives as detailed in Appendix 1 of the report;
- c) Authorises the progression of the project and the release of funds amounting to £32,687, as set out in Section 16 and Appendix 4 of the report;
- d) Authorise officers to enter into a Section 278 agreement with the developer.

6. **LONDON WALL PLACE - SECTION 106 AND SECTION 278 HIGHWAY AND PUBLIC REALM IMPROVEMENT - GATEWAY 4 DETAILED OPTIONS APPRAISAL**

The Sub-Committee considered a Gateway 4 report of the Director of the Built Environment which provided the detailed options appraisal for highway and public realm improvements at London Wall Place, required to integrate the

development into the public highway. The Project would be funded by Section 106 and Section 278 funding.

The Sub-Committee noted that there were currently a number of highways projects which would have impacts upon this scheme (and each other), particularly the Bank Junction and Beech Street Tunnel projects. The Sub-Committee was keen to ensure that officers approached all of these projects in a cohesive and holistic way.

**RESOLVED** – That the Sub-Committee:

- a) Approves the proposed highway changes shown in Appendix 2 of the report to be progressed to detailed design;
- b) Notes that public consultation on the proposals for Options A and B (kerbside provision) follows this report;
- c) Agrees an increase in budget of £583,300 to complete detailed design as shown in Appendix 9 to the report;
- d) Delegates authority for any adjustments between elements of the £971,300 required budget to the Director of the Built Environment in conjunction with the Chamberlain's Head of Finance provided the total approved budget of £971,300 is not exceeded; and
- e) Authorises Officers to enter into any legal agreements required to progress as proposed.

At this point Sir Michael Snyder arrived at the meeting and took the Chair.

**7. CONCRETE TESTING AND REPAIR AT THE BARBICAN ESTATE - ISSUE REPORT**

The Sub-Committee considered an Issues report of the Director of Community and Children's Services which requested alteration to the budget structure for the Concrete Testing and Repair Project at the Barbican Estate to allow some of the repair budget (up to £600,000) to be drawn down prior to the Options Appraisal at Gateway 3.

The Chairman noted that for the Middlesex Street concrete repairs project, approval had been given to undertake any emergency repair works after informing the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of these works (to ensure proper monitoring). The Committee agreed that it would be appropriate to apply a similar approach to this project.

**RESOLVED** – That the Sub-Committee:

- a) approves the alteration of the budget approved at the previous Gateway from £310,000, to £600,000. This will be broken down into two budgets, testing at £262,167 and repairs at £337,833;
- b) agrees that the Chairman and Deputy Chairman should be informed immediately of any emergency works which are to be undertaken.

**8. DRAFT CITY PUBLIC REALM SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT**

The Sub-Committee considered a report of the Director of the Built Environment which set out the background and preparation of the City Public

Realm SPD which is intended to be adopted as a Supplementary Planning Document.

The Chairman requested that, for future versions of documents such as this, the policy implications of the proposals were summarised for Members in a more user-friendly fashion.

A Member asked whether ensuring value for money should be included as one of the key considerations for the City Public Realm SPD, or whether this was already included. The Director of the Built Environment explained that this was not currently included, and agreed that it could be.

The Chairman noted that there was a tendency when projects were funded from Section 106 or Section 278 funding to be less vigilant to value for money concerns on the basis that if the money was not spent, it could not be used on other projects anyway. The Chairman suggested that it might be beneficial for Resource Allocation Sub-Committee to consider whether a wider remit should be sought for the use of such funding to ensure value for money.

**RESOLVED** – That the Sub-Committee notes the report.

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

There were no questions.

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

There was one item of urgent business.

10 Trinity Square S278 - Gateway 3/4/5 Options Appraisal and Authority to Start Work - request for Delegated Authority

The Sub-Committee considered a report of the Director of Built Environment which had been put around the table which sought delegated authority to the Town Clerk (in consultation with the Chairman and Deputy Chairman) to approve the design proposal and grant approval to start work for Section 278 works at 10 Trinity Square. Approval for this was sought as an item of urgent business to ensure that the works could be completed in time for the opening of 10 Trinity Square in June 2016.

Members commented that they were generally supportive of the proposals, but agreed that, as the report had been put around the table at the meeting, all Members of the Sub-Committee should be given the opportunity to comment upon the decision to be taken under delegated authority before it being taken.

**RESOLVED** – That delegated authority be granted to the Town Clerk, in consultation with the Chairman and Deputy Chairman, to approve the design proposal and grant approval for Section 278 works at 10 Trinity Square. All Members of the Sub-Committee to be provided the opportunity to comment upon the decision prior to it being taken.

11. **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 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(s)**  
12-32

**Paragraph(s)**  
3

12. **NON-PUBLIC MINUTES**

The Sub-Committee approved the non-public minutes of the last meeting held on 1 December 2015 as an accurate record.

13. **CITY OF LONDON POLICE - TRANSFORMATION AND ACCOMMODATION PROGRAMMES**

The Sub-Committee noted a joint report of the Commissioner of the City of London Police and the City Surveyor which provided an update on the overall position of the City of London Police Transformation and Accommodation Programmes following the previous Accommodation Project report in November 2015.

14. **CITY OF LONDON POLICE INTRANET UPGRADE - GATEWAY 2 PROJECT PROPOSAL**

The Sub-Committee considered and approved a Gateway 2 report of the Commissioner of the City of London Police which proposed to replace hardware and software for the City of London's IT with a new solution that would deliver an improved and enhanced service.

15. **JOINT NETWORK REFRESH PROGRAMME FOR THE CORPORATION AND CITY OF LONDON POLICE - PROGRAMME UPDATE AND AUTHORITY TO PROGRESS JOINT LAN AND POLICE WAN PROPOSALS - GATEWAY 4 DETAILED OPTIONS APPRAISAL AND GATEWAY 5 AUTHORITY TO START WORK REPORT**

The Sub-Committee considered and approved a Gateway 4/5 report of the Chamberlain requested approval to start work for the City of London Corporation and City of London Police joint Local Area Network Project and provided an update and sought additional resources to reach Gateway 5 of the City of London Police Wide Area Network Project.

16. **END USER DEVICE REFRESH PROGRAMME - GATEWAY 4/5 DETAILED OPTIONS APPRAISAL**

The Sub-Committee considered and approved a Gateway 4/5 report of the Chamberlain which provided a detailed options appraisal of the End User Device Refresh Programme.

17. **UNIFIED COMMUNICATIONS - GATEWAY 2 PROJECT PROPOSAL**

The Sub-Committee considered and approved a Gateway 1/2 report of the Chamberlain which set out proposals for a Unified Communications Project.

18. **LONDON METROPOLITAN ARCHIVES - DIGITISATION - GATEWAY 2 PROJECT PROPOSAL**

The Sub-Committee considered and approved a Gateway 2 report of the Director of Culture, Heritage and Libraries which sought approval for a digitisation project at the London Metropolitan Archives, which would include two large scale digitisation applications to the Heritage Lottery Fund and to the Wellcome Trust. Permission was sought to enter into formal discussions with the funding bodies.

19. **AVONDALE SQUARE ESTATE - WINDOW OVERHAUL - GATEWAY 3/4 OPTIONS APPRAISAL**

The Committee considered and approved a Gateway 3/4 report of the Director of Community and Children's Services regarding window overhauls at Avondale Square Estate.

20. **AVONDALE SQUARE, GOLDEN LANE AND YORK WAY ESTATES, EXTERNAL AND INTERNAL COMMON PARTS REDECORATION - GATEWAY 3/4 OPTIONS APPRAISAL**

The Sub-Committee considered and approved a report of the Director of Community and Children's Services regarding redecoration of External and Internal Common Parts of Avondale Square, Golden Lane and York Way Estates.

21. **CCTV INSTALLATION AT CITY OF LONDON ESTATES - GATEWAY 3/4 OPTIONS APPRAISAL**

The Committee considered and approved a report of the Director of the Community and Children's Services which requested approval to appoint a consultant to draw up detailed specifications of works for CCTV installation at City of London Corporation estates.

22. **BEECH STREET PROJECT - ISSUES REPORT**

The Sub-Committee considered and approved a joint report of the Town Clerk and Director of the Built Environment sought to integrate the Beech Street Tunnel improvement project, which had been identified as a high priority in the Barbican Area Strategy Review, with the Cultural Hub Project's aspirations of transforming Beech Street.

23. **LONDON BRIDGE STAIRCASE - ISSUES REPORT**

The Committee considered and approved an Issues Report of the Director of the Built Environment which requested approval to use the project's contingency fund to increase the project budget so that the work could continue to completion.

24. **CITY OF LONDON FREEMEN'S SCHOOL MASTERPLAN DELIVERY - SWIMMING POOL REPLACEMENT - ISSUES REPORT**

The Committee considered and approved an Issues report of the Headmaster of the City of London Freeman's School and the City Surveyor which requested additional funding for the City of London Freeman's School Swimming Pool replacement project, and approval to conduct works in relation to this project.

25. **THE LORD MAYOR'S STATE COACH: CONSERVATION AND REPAIR - ISSUES REPORT**  
The Sub-Committee considered and approved an Issues report of the City Surveyor which requested approval for an increased initial budget for the restoration of the Lord Mayor's State Coach.
26. **123/124 NEW BOND STREET - ISSUES REPORT**  
The Sub-Committee considered and approved an Issues report of the City Surveyor which requested approval for an increased budget for the project to refurbish 123/124 New Bond Street.
27. **BARBICAN CENTRE - INTELLIGENT LIGHTING AND SYSTEMS REPLACEMENT (MOVING LIGHTS) - GATEWAY 7 PROJECT OUTCOME REPORT**  
The Sub-Committee noted a Gateway 7 Outcome report of the Managing Director of the Barbican Centre which provided information of the outcomes and lessons learnt from the Barbican Centre Intelligent Lighting and Systems Replacement project.
28. **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMMES - RED, AMBER AND GREEN PROJECT UPDATE**  
The Sub-Committee noted a report of the Chamberlain which provided an update on all Red, Amber and Green projects within the Information Technology Programme.
29. **BUILDINGS PROGRAMME (INCLUDING HOUSING) RED AND AMBER PROJECTS**  
The Sub-Committee noted a joint report of the City Surveyor and the Director of Community and Children's Services which provided an update on all Red and Amber projects within the Buildings Programme.
30. **CULTURE, HERITAGE AND LIBRARIES PROGRAMME - RED, AMBER, GREEN REPORT UPDATE**  
The Sub-Committee noted a report of the Director of Culture, Heritage and Libraries which provided updates on all Red, Amber and Green projects within the Culture, Heritage and Libraries Programme.
31. **QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE**  
There were no questions.
32. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT AND WHICH THE COMMITTEE AGREE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED WHILST THE PUBLIC ARE EXCLUDED**  
There were no items of urgent business.

**The meeting closed at 10.30 am**

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Chairman

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