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Summary

Four Planning Advice Notes have been prepared to provide clarity of advice on potential microclimatic impacts arising from development in the City of London, and how these issues should be considered as part of the planning process. This will provide clarity to approved experts of the matters that need to be covered in their appraisals thus reducing the opportunity for uncertainty in the process and outcomes.

There are four Notes; 1.Sunlight, 2.Solar Glare, 3.Solar Convergence and 4.Wind effects and Tall Buildings. The Notes are appended to this report.

Recommendations

Members are recommended to:

- Acknowledge the receipt of the four Advice Notes for information and that they will now be available on the website, and be used in relation to all relevant development proposals, and the potential need for further notes in the future.

Main Report

Background

1. The City of London Local Plan 2015 sets out the City Corporation's policies for planning the City. The Local Plan is accompanied by a number of other planning documents that provide guidance, to enable a greater understanding to users of the Plan when applying Local Plan policies. The Advice Notes on the City's microclimate fulfil this role and clarify what is required to deal with these issues in relation to individual proposals.
2. The Advice Notes contain guidance which expands on current policy on microclimate issues in the City of London Local Plan 2015, in particular CS3: Safety and Security, CS10:Design, CS14 Tall Buildings, CS15:Sustainable

Development and Climate Change, DM 10.1 New Development, DM 10.4 Environmental Enhancement and DM 10.7 Daylight and Sunlight.

3. The Advice Notes also reflect guidance in the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and London Plan policy.

Proposals

4. The Advice Notes will be published on the City Corporation's website and drawn to the attention of developers of proposed projects. Any future major changes to the Advice Notes will be brought back to this Committee for consideration.

Corporate & Strategic Implications

5. The Advice Notes on the City's microclimate will be revised as necessary with regard to all the City Corporation's other plans and strategies, including the Corporate Plan.
6. The production of any further Advice Notes on the City's microclimate will be delivered with existing staff resources and the existing Local Risk budget. Any requirements for additional budget allocation, will be brought back to this Committee for consideration.

Conclusion

7. The Members are recommended to acknowledge the four Advice Notes for information and agree the production of further notes, where appropriate.

Appendices

- Appendix 1 – Advice Notes 2017

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