

PUBLIC RELATIONS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SUB (POLICY & RESOURCES) COMMITTEE

Thursday, 21 September 2017

Minutes of the meeting of the Public Relations and Economic Development Sub (Policy & Resources) Committee held at the Guildhall EC2 at 12.00 pm

Present

Members:

Deputy Catherine McGuinness (Chairman)	Anne Fairweather
Sir Mark Boleat (Deputy Chairman)	Deputy Edward Lord
Simon Duckworth	Andrew Mayer
Hugh Morris	Alderman Sir David Wootton
Deputy Keith Bottomley	

Officers:

John Barradell	-	Town Clerk and Chief Executive
Bob Roberts	-	Director of Communications
Paul Double	-	City Remembrancer
Damian Nussbaum	-	Director of Economic Development
Bruce Hunt	-	Remembrancer's Department
Eugenie de Naurois	-	Town Clerk's Department
Jeremy Blackburn	-	Town Clerk's Department
Laura Davison	-	Town Clerk's Department
Fiona Morrill	-	Town Clerk's Department
Emma Sawers	-	Town Clerk's Department

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Jeremy Mayhew, the Lord Mountevans, Deputy Tom Sleigh, Sir Michael Snyder and James Tumbridge.

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

There were no declarations of interest.

3. MINUTES

RESOLVED – That the public minutes and summary of the meeting held on Thursday 6 July 2017 be approved as a correct record.

4. PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO SMITHFIELD MARKET - SUGGESTED AMENDMENT TO THE MINUTES

Members considered a report of the Town Clerk to change the wording of the minutes from 8 June 2017 under the item on "Prime Minister's Visit to Smithfield Market", which was raised under "Questions on Matters Relating to the Sub-Committee".

RESOLVED – Members were asked to accept the suggested changes of the minutes from its meeting on 8 June 2017 as outlined in the report.

5. **UPDATE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ISSUES**

RESOLVED – That this item be discussed in the non-public part of the agenda on the grounds that discussion would involve information exempt under paragraph 3 as defined in Part I of the Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act.

6. **UPDATE ON POLITICAL AND PARLIAMENTARY ACTIVITY**

RESOLVED – That this item be discussed in the non-public part of the agenda on the grounds that discussion would involve information exempt under paragraph 3 as defined in Part I of the Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act.

7. **GREEN FINANCE SUMMIT**

The Sub-Committee considered a report of the Director of Economic Development recommending that Members approve that the Corporation hosts a repeat Green Finance Summit in 2018, building on the success of this year's event.

Officers received feedback that they would like the Green Finance to be more high level and look at the impact it would receive, perhaps not having such a large audience.

RESOLVED, that:

- The Corporation hosts a repeat Green Finance Initiative Summit in 2018, building on the success of this year's event, taking on board Members' feedback.

8. **PARTY CONFERENCES**

The Sub-Committee received a report of the Director of Communications on the City of London Corporation's Party Conference Programme.

RESOLVED, that:

- The report be noted.

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

There were no questions.

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

There were no urgent items.

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 items on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part I of the Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act.

Item	Paragraph
12-16	3

12. **NON-PUBLIC MINUTES**
RESOLVED - The non-public minutes and summary of the meeting held on 6 July 2017 were approved as a correct record.
13. **KEY MESSAGING FOR LONDON**
The Sub-Committee received a report of the Director of Communications on key messaging for London.
14. **UPDATE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ISSUES**
Members received an update from the Director of Economic Development on the work of his department.
15. **UPDATE ON POLITICAL AND PARLIAMENTARY ACTIVITY**
Members received an update from the Director of Communications and the Remembrancer on political and parliamentary activity.
16. **OVERSEAS ENGAGEMENT**
Members received a report of the Director of Economic Development on overseas engagement.
17. **NON-PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE**
There were no questions.
18. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT AND WHICH THE SUB COMMITTEE AGREES SHOULD BE CONSIDERED WHILST THE PUBLIC ARE EXCLUDED**
There were no items of urgent business.

The meeting closed at 12:55pm.

Chairman

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