

CORPORATE ASSET SUB (FINANCE) COMMITTEE
Thursday, 29 January 2015

Minutes of the meeting of the Corporate Asset Sub (Finance) Committee held at
Committee Rooms, 2nd Floor, West Wing, Guildhall on Thursday, 29 January 2015
at 1.45 pm

Present

Roger Chadwick (Chairman)
Jeremy Mayhew (Deputy Chairman)
Randall Anderson
Deputy Douglas Barrow
Deputy Michael Cassidy
Deputy Alastair Moss
Deputy John Tomlinson
Brian Harris

Officers:

Laura Donegani	Town Clerk's Department
Katie Odling	Town Clerk's Department
Chris Bartson-Umuliisa	Town Clerk's Department
Andrew Little	Chamberlain's Department
Peter Kane	Chamberlain
Dianne Merrifield	Chamberlain's Department
Peter Bennett	City Surveyor
Bob Meldrum	City Surveyor's Department
Peter Young	City Surveyor's Department
Andrew Crafter	City Surveyor's Department

1. **APOLOGIES**

An apology for absence was received from Deputy Dr Giles Shilson.

2. **DECLARATIONS BY MEMBERS OF PERSONAL OR PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS IN RESPECT OF ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED AT THIS MEETING**

There were no declarations of interest.

3. **MINUTES**

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting held on the 21st November 2014 be approved.

4. **HERITAGE AT RISK REGISTER UPDATE REPORT**

The Committee received a report of the City Surveyor which provided a list of statutorily protected heritage sites which English Heritage regarded 'most at risk of being lost through neglect, decay or inappropriate

development'. The latest edition of the 'Heritage At Risk Register' (HARR) was published in October 2014.

Members were informed that the City of London Corporation had 11 heritage assets listed in the 2013 edition of the HARR. One of those assets, a section of the London Wall was removed from the 2014 listing, following repair and renovation works. Additionally, although the condition of Ashted Park was noted as generally satisfactory, it remained on the register.

The City Surveyor informed Members that the purpose of the Wanstead Park Conservation Steering Group was to enable the overall management of the area and a further update on the matter would be provided to the Sub Committee in due course.

The City Surveyor explained the circumstances and issues for each asset at risk and set out the plans of action that were implemented to eventually remove them all from the HARR.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

5. CITY MARKETING SUITE UPDATE REPORT

The Committee considered a report of the City Surveyor that related to the City Marketing Suite (CMS) - a corporate property asset within the Guildhall complex that provided meeting and event space for internal and external use.

Members were updated on activity and usage of the CMS which has been below desired levels and sought to identify measures to encourage greater external usage which included working more closely with New London Architecture (NLA), a sister company of Pipers Projects Ltd, and the option to rename it, so as to better resonate with the external market place.

The Committee considered and agreed the new name of the CMS would be 'The City Centre'.

RESOLVED – That,

a) the review of the CMS and its performance as an internal and commercial venue be noted;

b) the proposals for future collaboration with New London Architecture to increase awareness and use of the CMS, and promote the City and the City Corporation to a wider audience be noted; and

c) the CMS be renamed as 'The City Centre' from the suggested shortlist provided.

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

There were no questions.

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT

There were no urgent items.

8. **EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC**

RESOLVED – That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act as follows:-

Item	Paragraph
10-14	3

9. **NON-PUBLIC MINUTES**

RESOLVED – That the non-public minutes of the meeting held on the 21st November 2014, be approved.

10. **ADDITIONAL REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE PROGRAMMES - PROGRESS REPORT**

Members considered a report of the City Surveyor providing an overview of the progress and expenditure on three additional works programmes.

Resolved – Members:

- Received this report and noted the overall progress
- Agreed to extend the period for delivery of the projects at Capel Road changing rooms, in Wanstead from the 12/13 Programme into a fourth year (2015/16) subject to the outcome of the sports consultant's report.

11. **FIRST REGISTRATION OF THE CITY'S FREEHOLD TITLES - PROGRESS SINCE JANUARY 2014**

Members received a joint report of the City Surveyor and The City of London Corporation's title registration project is integral to the City fulfilling its property asset management responsibilities.

12. **CENTRAL CRIMINAL COURT PLANT REPLACEMENT PHASE 1**

Members received an update from the City Surveyor on Phase 1 of the Central Criminal Court Plant Replacement.

13. **CITY SURVEYOR'S BUSINESS PLAN 2014-17 - QUARTER 3 2014/15 PROGRESS REPORT**

Members received a report that provided details of progress in Quarter 3 2014/15 against the 2014-17 business plan and the key risk areas associated with the delivery of that plan.

14. **COMBINED HEAT AND POWER SYSTEM - ANNUAL REPORT 2013/14**

Members received an annual report for the City of London Combined Heat and Power (CHP) System for the year 2013/14, providing details of significant developments and system performance over the year.

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

There were no questions

16. 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 matters.

The meeting ended at 2:45 pm

Chairman

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