



Natural Environment Board

Date: MONDAY, 19 FEBRUARY 2024

Time: 11.00 am

Venue: COMMITTEE ROOM - 2ND FLOOR WEST WING, GUILDHALL

Members:

Caroline Haines (Chair)	Oliver Sells KC
Andrew McMurtrie (Deputy Chairman)	James St John Davis
Eamonn Mullally	William Upton KC (Ex-Officio Member)
Wendy Mead	Alderman Gregory Jones KC (Ex-Officio Member)
Benjamin Murphy	Deputy Alpa Raja

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Ian Thomas CBE
Town Clerk and Chief Executive

AGENDA

NB: Certain items presented for information have been marked * and will be taken without discussion, unless the Committee Clerk has been informed that a Member has questions or comments prior to the start of the meeting.

Part 1 - Public Agenda

1. **APOLOGIES**

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

3. **MINUTES**

To agree the public minutes and non-public summary of the Natural Environment Board meeting held on 4 December 2023.

For Decision
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Environment Department

4. **DRAFT HIGH-LEVEL BUSINESS PLAN 2024/25 - ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT**

Report of the Executive Director Environment.

For Decision
(Pages 13 - 28)

5. **RISK MANAGEMENT UPDATE REPORT**

Report of the Executive Director Environment.

For Decision
(Pages 29 - 42)

Natural Environment

6. **CHARITIES & COMMERCIAL**

Executive Director of Environment to be heard.

7. *** CLIMATE ACTION STRATEGY, COOL STREETS AND GREENING PROGRAMME - PHASE 4**

Report of the Executive Environment.

For Information

8. *** OPERATIONAL FINANCE PROGRESS REPORT (PERIOD 9 APRIL - DECEMBER 2023) 2023/24 - NATURAL ENVIRONMENT DIVISION**

Report of the Chamberlain.

For Information

9. *** NATURAL CAPITAL AUDIT**

Report of the Executive Director Environment.

For Information

City Gardens

10. **DOG CONTROL WITHIN CITY GARDENS**

Report of the Executive Director Environment.

For Decision
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11. **2024/25 EVENTS FEES AND CHARGES - CITY GARDENS**

Report of the Executive Director Environment.

For Decision
(Pages 53 - 58)

12. *** CITY GARDENS UPDATE**

Report of the Executive Director Environment.

For Information

13. *** KING GEORGE'S FIELD-CITY OF LONDON TRUSTEE'S ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

Report of the Executive Director Environment.

For Information

Governance

14. *** DECISIONS TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY OR URGENCY POWERS**

Report of the Town Clerk.

For Information

15. **QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE**
16. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT AND WHICH THE COMMITTEE AGREE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED**

Part 2 - Non-Public Agenda

17. **EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC**

MOTION: 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 Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act.

For Decision

18. **NON-PUBLIC MINUTES**

To agree the non-public minutes of the Natural Environment Board meeting held on 4 December 2023.

For Decision
(Pages 59 - 60)

19. *** CORPORATE CHARITIES REVIEW SCOPING EXERCISE TO SUPPORT THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT CHARITIES REVIEW**

Joint report of the Managing Director of City Bridge Foundation and Executive Director Environment.

For Information

20. **QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE**
21. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT AND WHICH THE COMMITTEE AGREE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED WHILST THE PUBLIC ARE EXCLUDED**

Part 3 - Confidential Agenda (circulated separately)

22. **NATURAL ENVIRONMENT STAFFING**

Report of the Executive Director Environment.

For Decision

