



Natural Environment Board

Date: THURSDAY, 23 OCTOBER 2025

Time: 11.00 am – or at the rising of the West Ham Park Committee, whichever is later.

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

Members:

James St John Davis (Chair)	Deputy Benjamin Murphy
Charles Edward Lord, OBE JP (Deputy Chair)	William Upton KC
Deputy Anne Corbett	Heather Barrett-Mold
Karina Dostalova, Bishopsgate	Vladislav Dobrokhoto
Deputy Caroline Haines	Tony Leach
Alderman Gregory Jones KC (Ex-Officio Member)	Dani Stephenson
Wendy Mead OBE	John Beyer, Hampstead Heath, Highgate Wood and Queen's Park Committee (Observer)
	Catherine Bickmore (Observer)
	Verderer Paul Morris (Observer)

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Ian Thomas CBE
Town Clerk and Chief Executive

AGENDA

NB: Certain matters for information 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 previous meeting held on Thursday 3 July 2025.

For Decision
(Pages 7 - 12)

4. **RISK MANAGEMENT UPDATE**

Report of the Executive Director, Environment.

For Information
(Pages 13 - 62)

5. **CLIMATE ACTION STRATEGY UPDATE**

The Committee to receive a verbal update and presentation from Officers of the Environment Department.

For Information

Open Spaces

6. **REVENUE OUTTURN REPORT - 2024/25**

Report of the Chamberlain and Executive Director, Environment.

For Information
(Pages 63 - 74)

7. **NATURAL ENVIRONMENT OPERATIONAL FINANCE PROGRESS REPORT Q1 2025/26**

Report of the Chamberlain.

For Information
(Pages 75 - 94)

8. **ENJOYING GREEN SPACES AND THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT – ANNUAL REPORT 2024/25**

Report of the Interim Managing Director of City Bridge Foundation.

For Information
(Pages 95 - 116)

9. **COOL STREETS AND GREENING – PROGRAMME UPDATE**

Report of the Executive Director, Environment.

For Information
(Pages 117 - 146)

10. **MOORGATE CROSSRAIL STATION LINKS: FINSBURY CIRCUS WESTERN ARM**

Director of the Built Environment.

For Information
(Pages 147 - 166)

11. **PONDS - VERBAL UPDATE**

The Committee to receive a presentation from Officers of the Environment Department.

For Information

City Gardens

12. **CITY GARDENS TREE ANNUAL UPDATE**

Report of the Executive Director, Environment.

For Information
(Pages 167 - 178)

13. **CITY GARDENS UPDATE**

The Committee to receive a verbal update from Officers from the Environment Department

For Information

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

15. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT AND WHICH THE COMMITTEE AGREE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED**

Part 2 - Non-Public Agenda

16. **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

17. **NON-PUBLIC MINUTES**

To agree the non-public minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 3 July 2025.

For Decision
(Pages 179 - 180)

18. **NATURAL ENVIRONMENT OUTSTANDING DEBT ARREARS - 30 JUNE 2025**

Report of the Executive Director, Environment.

For Information
(Pages 181 - 192)

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

20. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT AND WHICH THE COMMITTEE AGREE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED WHILST THE PUBLIC ARE EXCLUDED**