



Natural Environment Board

Date: THURSDAY, 11 DECEMBER 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)	William Upton KC
Charles Edward Lord, OBE JP (Deputy Chair)	Heather Barrett-Mold
Deputy Anne Corbett	Vladislav Dobrokhoto
Deputy Caroline Haines	Tony Leach
Alderman Gregory Jones KC (Ex- Officio Member)	Dani Stephenson
Wendy Mead OBE	John Beyer (Observer)
Deputy Benjamin Murphy	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 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. These information items have been collated in a supplementary agenda pack and circulated separately.

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 minutes of the previous meeting held on 23 October 2025.

For Decision
(Pages 7 - 16)

4. **REVENUE AND CAPITAL BUDGETS 2026/27**

Report of Chamberlain and Executive Director, Environment.

For Decision
(Pages 17 - 32)

5. ***HIGH-LEVEL BUSINESS PLAN 2025-30 MID-YEAR PROGRESS REPORT**

Report of Executive Director, Environment.

For Information

6. **CLIMATE ACTION STRATEGY UPDATE**

Officers of the Environment Department to present a verbal update.

For Information
(Verbal Report)

Open Spaces

7. ***NATURAL ENVIRONMENT OPERATIONAL FINANCE PROGRESS REPORT Q2 2025/26**

Report of the Chamberlain.

For Information

8. ***SENIOR OFFICER RECRUITMENT**

Report of Executive Director, Environment.

For Information

9. ***PLANNING AND INFRASTRUCTURE BILL**

Report of the City Remembrancer and Executive Director, Environment.

For Information

City Gardens

10. **CITY GARDENS UPDATE**

Officers of the Environment Department to provide a verbal update.

For Information
(Verbal Report)

11. **FEES AND CHARGES**

Report of Executive Director, Environment.

For Decision
(Pages 33 - 40)

12. **RESPONSIBLE DOG OWNERSHIP**

Report of the Executive Director, Environment.

For Decision
(Pages 41 - 48)

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

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

Part 2 - Non-Public Agenda

15. **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

16. **NON-PUBLIC MINUTES**

To agree the minutes of the previous meeting held on 23 October 2025.

For Decision
(Pages 49 - 50)

17. **NATURAL ENVIRONMENT CHARITIES REVIEW – GRANT FUNDING MODEL PRINCIPLES PROPOSAL**

Report of Chamberlain and Executive Director, Environment.

For Decision
(Pages 51 - 72)

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

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