STREETS AND WALKWAYS SUB (PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION) COMMITTEE

Monday, 21 May 2012

Minutes of the meeting of the Streets and Walkways Sub (Planning and Transportation) Committee held in Committee Room 2 - Committee Rooms on Monday, 21 May 2012 at 11.45 am.

Present

Members:

Jeremy Simons (Chairman) Archie Galloway (Deputy Chairman) Deputy John Barker Marianne Fredericks Alderman Robert Hall **Brian Harris** Michael Hudson Sylvia Moys Deputy John Owen-Ward Deputy Michael Welbank Alderman Alison Gowman

Officers:

Katie Odling Esther Sumner Mark Paddon Paul Monaghan Victor Callister Iain Simmons Ian Hughes Patrick Hegarty Alan Rickwood Michael Bennett

Town Clerk's Department Town Clerk's Department Chamberlain's Department City Surveyor's Department

Department of the Built Environment Department of the Built Environment Department of the Built Environment

Open Spaces Department

City Police

Barbican Estate Officer Manager

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

An apology for absence was received from Martin Farr.

2. DECLARATIONS BY MEMBERS OF ANY PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS IN RESPECT OF ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA

Mrs Sylvia Moys declared a personal interest in respect of Item Number 7.2 due to being a former ex-officio governor at the City of London School.

3. **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

The Sub Committee proceeded to elect a Chairman, and Jeremy Simons, being the only Member expressing a willingness to serve, was declared to be duly elected Chairman of the Sub Committee for the ensuing year, and he took his place.

4. ELECTION OF DEPUTY CHAIRMAN

The Sub Committee proceeded to elect a Deputy Chairman, and Archie Galloway, being the only Member expressing a willingness to serve, was declared to be duly elected Deputy Chairman of the Sub Committee for the ensuing year, and he took his place.

5. TERMS OF REFERENCE

RESOLVED: - That the Terms and Reference of the Streets and Walkways Sub Committee approved by the Planning and Transportation Committee on 24 April 2012 be received.

6. MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 23 April 2012 were approved as a correct record.

MATTERS ARISING: -

Item 3 – Minutes – Drainage outside St Giles' Church – Michael Bennett (Barbican Estate Manager) provided an update regarding the drainage outside St Giles' Terrace. Members were informed that a six monthly maintenance programme had been implemented on the gulleys and regular inspections to the site would continue. It was anticipated that a thorough management plan would be put together in conjunction with Barbican estate residents.

Item 4C - The Times Cities for Cycling Campaign - Members agreed to submit a resolution to the Policy and Resources Committee to indicate, in principle, support for the campaign and to seek advice from the Committee as to whether it would be appropriate for the City to join the campaign. Members particularly sought to understand the distinction between 'supporting' the campaign and 'signing' up to it.

Item 6 – European Funding – Members were informed that suitable authority had been obtained and a joint submission made for funding for the project at Aldgate.

7. REPORTS OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT:-

7.1 LIME STREET AND CULLUM STREET ENHANCEMENT WORKS - GATEWAY 5

Consideration was given to a report of the Director of the Built Environment which set out the results of the detailed design work into enhancements to Lime Street and Cullum Street and the outcome of a public consultation into the possible management of traffic on Lime Street, in line with Committee approval of November 2010.

The Assistant Director (Environmental Enhancement) provided a brief presentation to the Committee.

During discussion, reference was made to the following: - suitable and sustainable drainage provision, pedestrian usage through the passageway on Cullum Street, increasing greenery and biodiversity, Section 106 funding and how this was distributed and road safety, particularly for cyclists.

With regard to the distribution of Section 106 funding, Members were informed that although Lime Street and Cullum Street were listed as priorities, the wider area was being considered for funding. A full consultation with Ward Members and the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Planning and Transportation Committee would be undertaken during the summer months and Officers were exploring the most effective method of consultation.

RESOLVED: - That,

- a) environmental enhancement works in Lime Street and Cullum Street including an experiment on managing traffic access in Lime Street at a cost of £653,963 as set out in this report be approved, subject to obtaining necessary traffic orders and legal agreements;
- b) the implementation of enhancement works in Cullum Street be approved, subject to obtaining the necessary traffic orders and any legal agreements;
- authorisation be given to begin preparation works for a traffic experiment to start in autumn 2013 to investigate traffic management on Lime Street and any facilities required on nearby streets; and
- d) the implementation of physical enhancement works to Lime Street be approved subject to obtaining necessary traffic orders and legal agreements only after the experiment has been concluded, if run, and the design amendments following the experiment results have been approved by Members.

7.2 MILLENNIUM BRIDGE AREA ENVIRONMENTAL ENHANCEMENTS

(N.B: Jeremy Simons declared a personal interest in respect of this item due to being a Liveryman of the Company of Scientific Instrument Makers, provider of the Millennium Measure.)

Consideration was given to a report of the Director of the Built Environment regarding the Gateway 3/4 Options Appraisal in respect of 'Millennium Bridge Area Environmental Enhancements'. The Streamlined Projects Approval Process as agreed with the Town Clerk's Department would be followed and should approval be granted for this Gateway report, it was proposed to seek Chief Officer approval for detailed design and the Town Clerk's Authority to start work.

The Assistant Director (Environmental Enhancement) provided a brief presentation to the Committee.

During discussion, reference was made to the wider improvement of the area, sustainable drainage systems, signage (Members were advised this would be picked up as part of the detailed design plan) and the importance of ensuring there was access for vehicles to maintain the gulleys.

RESOLVED: - That,

- a) the progression of Option 1 to authority to start works stage at a cost of £45,000 (staff costs and fees) to be funded from 20 Fenchurch Street Section 106 contribution be approved; and
- b) the environmental enhancements and sustainable urban drainage system (Option 1) at an estimated total cost of £1,469,805 funded through the 20 Fenchurch Street, Watermark Place and Riverbank House Section 106 contributions (£1,305,305), the London Marathon Charitable Trust (£34,500) and the On-Street Parking Reserve (£130,000) be approved; subject to the confirmation of savings on the completed Angel Lane project, approval of the authority to start work and any other statutory consents.

8. QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE SUB COMMITTEE

A question was raised regarding the possibility of easing the parking restrictions in the City during the evening. The Assistant Director advised Members that this matter was being considered.

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT

Road Safety - Members of the Sub Committee had been sent an exposition on casualties with the City of London by Mr Reilly; a City resident who had previously engaged with the Sub Committee on the matter of road safety. The Chairman asked Officers to present a report to the next meeting of the Sub-Committee, detailing the latest casualty information.

10. 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 Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act.

11. NON-PUBLIC MINUTES

The non-public minutes of the meeting held on 23 April 2012 were considered.

12. **EASTERN CITY CLUSTER PHASE ONE**

Consideration was given to a report of the Director of the Built Environment in respect of Phase One of the Eastern City Cluster.

RECEIVED.

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

There were no questions.

14. 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 ended at 1.05 pm.
Chairman

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