

Committee(s): Corporate Asset Sub-Committee	Date(s): 11 July 2019
Subject: Amendment to the Sub-Committee's Terms of Reference – Request for Delegated Authority	Public
Report of: Town Clerk	For Decision
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Summary

It has become apparent that effective Member scrutiny and strategic oversight of security provision across the Corporation's operational property portfolio could be significantly improved.

Currently, oversight of security is diffuse, with P&R being responsible for approving changes to overall policy and, specifically, security at Guildhall, and, various other service committee's being responsible for their specific buildings.

In its Terms of Reference, Finance Committee has a specific responsibility to ensure "the effective and sustainable management of the City of London's operational assets, to help deliver strategic priorities and service needs" (paragraph g); on this basis, it is proposed that the Terms of Reference of the Corporate Asset Sub-Committee be amended to include a new provision, which explicitly outlines a role for CASC Members to a) scrutinise and b) provide strategic oversight for security issues across the Corporation's operational property portfolio.

These proposals do not seek to usurp or circumvent the current roles and powers of P&R and the various Service Committees, but to complement them, CASC would effectively become a catalyst to improve security performance and pull disparate areas together. Once considered at the Corporate Asset Sub-Committee on 11th July, the intention is to circulate this paper to Finance Committee for formal approval at its meeting on 23rd July.

Recommendation

Members are asked to:

- Delegate authority to the Town Clerk, in consultation with the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Corporate Asset Sub-Committee, to finalise and propose an amendment to the Sub-Committee terms of reference, which outlines CASC's role in scrutinising and providing strategic oversight for Security issues across the Corporation's operational property portfolio.

Once agreed this amendment will be submitted to Finance Committee for final approval.

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