

Committee(s) Planning and Transportation Committee	Date(s): 14 May 2020
Subject: Report of Action Taken	Public
Report of: Town Clerk	For Information
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Summary

This report advises Members of action taken by the Town Clerk since the last formal meeting of the Planning and Transportation Committee, in consultation with the Chair and Deputy Chairman, in accordance with Standing Order Nos. 41(a) and (b).

Recommendation:

- That Members note the report.

Main Report

1. Since the last formal meeting of the Committee, approval was given by the Town Clerk, in consultation with the Chair and Deputy Chairman, for the following five decisions to be made under urgency procedures/delegated authority, Standing Order No. 41:

Urgent Authority - Planning and Transportation Committee – 22 April 2020 – Decisions arising from COVID-19-affected informal/virtual Meeting [5 May 2020]

2. With Members unable to attend physically in light of the public health implications arising from COVID-19, the 22 April 2020 meeting of the Planning and Transportation Committee could not meet in its usual, public format at the Guildhall. In lieu of a formal meeting, Members were given the opportunity to informally discuss three 'for decision' reports via video and teleconference, as well as by email, with a view to facilitating Member oversight and scrutiny to inform any decisions taken under urgency procedures following the meeting.
3. All three matters were subsequently decided under urgency procedures as there was a desire to ensure that these matters could be progressed without undue delay and the current COVID-19 situation was such that it was unclear at that time when a further quorate meeting of the Planning and Transportation Committee might be convened.

SUBJECT 1: Bridgemasters House – Phase I – Gateway 6, Outcome Report

4. The Town Clerk, in consultation with the Chair and Deputy Chairman of the Planning and Transportation Committee agreed to note the lessons learnt and close the project.

SUBJECT 2: Bridgemasters House – Phase II – Gateway 6, Outcome Report

5. The Town Clerk, in consultation with the Chair and Deputy Chairman of the Planning and Transportation Committee, agreed to note the lessons learnt and close the project subject to the verification of the works contract final account for the new control room by the City Surveyor and the verification by the Chamberlain of two fee accounts.

SUBJECT 3: Issues Report: Public Realm Security Programme Delegated Authority (to the Town Clerk)

6. The Town Clerk, in consultation with the Chair and Deputy Chairman of the Planning and Transportation Committee, agreed that approval of future reports related to the Public Realm Security Programme is delegated to the Town Clerk in consultation with the Chairman & Deputy Chairman of the Planning and Transportation Committee for the next 12 months under the understanding that Officers will also further examine the possibility of appropriate Ward Member involvement for specific locations.

Urgent Authority – Parking/Traffic Enforcement and Car Park Management [13 May 2020]

7. Officers had received reports of high volumes of traffic in the City in the days leading up to this request for a decision under urgency. For safety and congestion purposes, Public Services Silver group agreed a set of proposals to changes to parking and traffic enforcement. These proposals also aligned with London Council's advice. The proposals also required Member approval.
8. In consultation with the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Planning & Transportation Committee, the Town Clerk approved the recommendations around parking/traffic enforcement and car park management which are now detailed on the public webpages [here](#).

Delegated Authority – Security Locations H & I

9. The Town Clerk, in consultation with the Chair and Deputy Chairman agreed recommendations in relation to security locations H and I. Respective Members were also given a separate, detailed briefing on these proposals ahead of their formal approval being sought.

Conclusion

10. Background papers for Members are available from Gemma Stokley on the email address provided below, with the exception of papers relating to Security

Location I which, unusually, names the location for specific reasons related to that location and has therefore been shared on a strictly need to know basis.

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