

OPERATIONAL PROPERTY AND PROJECTS SUB COMMITTEE
Wednesday, 14 December 2022

Minutes of the meeting of the Operational Property and Projects Sub Committee held
at Committee Rooms, West Wing, Guildhall on Wednesday, 14 December 2022 at
11.00 am

Present

Members:

Alderman Timothy Hailes (Chair)
Deputy Randall Anderson
Deputy Michael Cassidy
Deputy Shravan Joshi
Deputy Edward Lord
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Officers:

Genine Whitehorne	- Chief Operating Officer's Department
Rohit Paul	- Chief Operating Officer's Department
Sarah Baker	- Chief Operating Officer's Department
Paul Wilkinson	- City Surveyor
Peter Young	- City Surveyor's Department
Ola Obadara	- City Surveyor's Department
John Galvin	- City Surveyor's Department
Dorian Price	- City Surveyor's Department
Jessica Lees	- City Surveyor's Department
Ian Hughes	- Environment Department
Peter Sebastian	- Chamberlain's Department
Polly Dunn	- Town Clerk's Department

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from the Deputy Chairman – Deputy Rehana Ameer, Deputy Keith Bottomley, Deputy Madush Gupta, Deputy Christopher Hayward and Paul Martinelli.

2. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS UNDER THE CODE OF CONDUCT IN RESPECT OF ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

There were no declarations.

3. MINUTES

With regard to item 7 of the minutes, it was requested that the resolution contain the Sub-Committee's requirement for a satisfactory business case.

For item 9, the Sub-Committee confirmed that the requirement for a project paper be included in the resolution wording.

RESOLVED – That, subject to these two revisions to items 7 and 9, the public minutes of the meeting held on 23 November 2022 be approved as an accurate record.

4. **TECHNICAL CLARIFICATIONS TO THE PROCUREMENT CODE**

Members considered a report of the Chief Operating Officer regarding changes to the Procurement Code.

RESOLVED, that Members approve two technical clarifications as described in the report, to the procurement processes contained in rule 15 of the revised Procurement Code effective from 3 January 2023.

5. **GW2: EPPING FOREST: COVID-19 DAMAGE TO SHARED USE TRAIL NETWORK**

Members considered a Gateway 2 report of the Executive Director Environment regarding COVID-19 Damage to the Shared Use Trail Network.

It was confirmed that initial funding for works was available. However, ongoing arrangements would be subject to the Capital Review.

RESOLVED, that Members:

1. Approve the project proposal to undertake the evaluation and design of the options presented in Section 9 of the report.
2. Note that funding is subject to the capital programme review and the final decision on whether to proceed will be dependent on the outcome of that review and approval by the Operational Property and Projects Sub-Committee.

6. ***CLIMATE ACTION STRATEGY (CAS) NZ1, NZ3 AND RS3 WORKSTREAM UPDATE FOR THE OPERATIONAL PORTFOLIO**

Members received a report of the City Surveyor regarding the Climate Action Strategy workstream update for the operational portfolio.

A Member asked whether it was possible to review the ranking of the City's Estate portfolio, to assess whether specific buildings, such as the Barbican Estate, were contributing disproportionately to the City's carbon output.

RESOLVED, that the report be noted.

7. ***CYCLICAL WORKS PROGRAMME - MID-YEAR PROGRESS REPORT**

Members received a report of the City Surveyor regarding the mid-year progress of the Cyclical Works Programme.

Given that historic spends had been focussed on Health & Safety requirements, the Chairman reminded the Comm

RESOLVED, that the report be noted.

8. ***22/23 ENERGY & DECARBONISATION PERFORMANCE Q2 UPDATE FOR THE OPERATIONAL PORTFOLIO**

Members received a report of the City Surveyor regarding the 2022/23 Energy and decarbonisation performance for the Operational Portfolio.

Members focussed on the bottom 5 performing sites – noting that the Guildhall School of Music and Drama Milton Court site and New Street (21) had the most significant percentage increases in kWh between 2021/22.

Whilst some of this increase was attributed to the Covid-19 pandemic, the City Surveyor confirmed that officers would investigate these two sites specifically and report back with greater detail as to the cause(s) of the increase.

RESOLVED, that Members note the report and commission a further report on the energy and decarbonisation performance at the Milton Court and New Street sites.

9. ***GW5 (ISSUES) - BEECH STREET TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC REALM PROJECT**

Members received a report of the Executive Director Environment regarding the Beech Street Transportation and Public Realm Project.

RESOLVED, that the report be noted.

10. **QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE SUB COMMITTEE**

There were no questions.

11. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT**

There was no other business.

12. **EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC**

RESOLVED, That under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item(s) 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

13. **NON-PUBLIC MINUTES**

RESOLVED, that the non-public minutes of the meeting held on 23 November 2022, be approved as an accurate record.

14. **WALBROOK WHARF STRATEGIC PURCHASE OPPORTUNITY**

Members considered a report of the City Surveyor regarding the Walbrook Wharf Strategic Purchase Opportunity.

15. **GW2: CENTRAL CRIMINAL COURT - CELL AREA DUCTING AND EXTRACT SYSTEM BALANCING**

Members considered a Gateway 2 report on the Central Criminal Court cell area ducting and extraction system balancing.

16. **GW3: BARBICAN FIRE SAFETY**

Members considered a Gateway 3 report of the City Surveyor regarding Barbican Fire Safety.

17. **GW4C: GUILDHALL COOLING PLANT REPLACEMENT**

Members considered a Gateway 4 report of the City Surveyor regarding the Guildhall Cooling Plant Replacement.

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

There were no questions.

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

There was no other business.

The meeting ended at 11.30 am

Chairman

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