

<b>Committee(s):</b> Policy & Resources Committee – For Information	<b>Dated:</b> 6 <sup>th</sup> July 2023
<b>Subject:</b> Policy Leads quarterly report of activities	<b>Public</b>
<b>Which outcomes in the City Corporation’s Corporate Plan does this proposal aim to impact directly?</b>	5, 6, 7, 9, 11
<b>Does this proposal require extra revenue and/or capital spending?</b>	<b>N</b>
<b>If so, how much?</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>What is the source of Funding?</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>Has this Funding Source been agreed with the Chamberlain’s Department?</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>Report of:</b> Bob Roberts, Deputy Town Clerk	<b>For Information</b>
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### **Summary**

This is the quarterly report provided to the Policy & Resources Committee setting out the activities undertaken by Policy Leads during the previous quarter.

### **Recommendation(s)**

Members are asked to:

- Note the quarterly activities of the Policy Leads.

### **Main Report**

#### **Background**

1. One of the outcomes of the Governance Review was endorsement for the principle of greater use of Lead Members (or ‘rapporteurs’) to complement the work of the Policy Chairman, making best use of the talent available across the Court of Common Council.
2. In October 2022, the Policy & Resources Committee appointed 6 Policy Leads for the following subject areas: Advanced Markets, High Growth Markets, SMEs, Innovation in Technology, Sustainability and Sports Engagement.
3. The Policy Leads have no legal executive or decision-making power. Rather, the roles are intended to act in an advisory and facilitative capacity, strengthening collaboration between Members and Officers.
4. The table below sets out the activities that have been undertaken by the Policy Leads in the previous quarter.

Policy Lead	Overarching Goal	Corporation Strategic Link	Key activities	Member & external engagement
Deputy Shравan Joshi <i>High Growth Markets</i>	Promote UK FPS. Maximise UK's global reach & increase FPS trade.	Competitiveness Strategy	Ongoing discussions with officers around establishing a new High Growth Market Steering Board  CFLI Regular meetings	Chaired seminar as part of the India UK Financial Markets Dialogue
Alderwoman Sue Langley <i>Advanced Markets</i>			Ongoing conversations with officers and London Market Group re Insurance promotion  Attendance at TCUK US Market Advisory Group	Chaired industry roundtable with insurance firms to shape new campaign.  Bilat with London Market Group  TCUK MAG
Madush Gupta <i>Innovation &amp; Tech</i>	UK as first choice location for FPS Tech firms, backed by globally pioneering digital regulations	Competitiveness Strategy	Ongoing conversations with officers and external stakeholders about developing an initiative to accelerate tech adoption.  Consultation on Finance for Growth	Attended IF Board meeting on the 16 <sup>th</sup> of May.  Attended IF Strategy group meeting on the 15 <sup>th</sup> of June.
Deputy Keith Bottomley <i>Sustainability</i>	Net zero across the square mile. UK as go-to partner for countries and companies looking for capital and expertise to meet climate goals.	Competitiveness Strategy  Climate Action Strategy	Net zero delivery summit 24 <sup>th</sup> May, including panel discussion on <i>Shifting Consumer Priorities</i> .	Spoke at Evening Standard/EON <i>Decarbonising the City of London</i> event 18 May  Quarterly CAS briefing with CCS Chair/Deputy – 19 Jun.  Skills for a Sustainable Skyline Taskforce 5 June
Paul Singh <i>SMEs</i>	Review and refresh the organisation's approach to supporting our SMEs.	In development	Arranging monthly Free Advice Networking (FAN) Breakfasts in collaboration with City organisations e.g. BIDs, Chambers, Livery Companies.  Engaging with the City of London Police as well as partner organisations to enhance their current offering and explore new opportunities	Visits to Square Mile SMEs with Ward Councillors, addressing concerns and connecting them to various support services, organisations, and individuals.  A Member sounding board will be set up shortly to begin engagement toward a refreshed Corporation approach to SMEs.
Deputy Edward Lord	Develop a new strategic approach for the organisation on Sports.	Sports Strategy	On 8 <sup>th</sup> June, Policy & Resources Committee agreed <b>Global City of Sport – A New Sport Strategy for the Square Mile (2023-2030)</b>	Member sounding board met 5 times since October to discuss the feedback from the stakeholder analysis and agree the priorities for sport going forward

