

RESOURCE ALLOCATION SUB (POLICY AND RESOURCES) COMMITTEE

Wednesday, 24 May 2023

Minutes of the meeting of the Resource Allocation Sub (Policy and Resources) Committee held at Committee Rooms, 2nd Floor, West Wing, Guildhall on Wednesday, 24 May 2023 at 9.30 am

Present

Members:

Deputy Christopher Hayward (Chairman)	Deputy Shravan Joshi
Deputy Henry Colthurst (Deputy Chairman)	Deputy Andrien Meyers
Deputy Randall Anderson	Ruby Sayed
Deputy Keith Bottomley	Tom Sleigh
Tijs Broeke	Deputy Sir Michael Snyder
Jason Groves	Deputy James Thomson

In Attendance

Caroline Haines (observing online)

Officers:

Ian Thomas	- Town Clerk & Chief Executive
Polly Dunn	- Town Clerk's Department
Caroline Al-Beyerty	- Chamberlain
Juliemma McLoughlin	- Executive Director Environment
Samantha Tharme	- Environment Department
Robert Murphy	- City Surveyor's Department
Jack Joslin	- Bridge House Estates

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Catherine McGuinness. Caroline Haines gave apologies and observed the meeting virtually.

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

There were no declarations of interest.

3. MINUTES

The Committee considered the draft public meeting summary of the previous meeting held on 8 March 2023.

RESOLVED – That the public minutes of the meeting held on 8 March 2023, be approved as an accurate record.

4. LOCAL IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FUNDED SCHEMES 2023-24

Members considered a report of the Executive Director Environment regarding the provision of Transport for London (TfL) Local Implementation Plan (LIP) funding to the City of London Corporation for the year 2023/24.

The Chair remarked that the key item for Members to pay attention to was the proposed allocations from TfL to LIP funding, for the Sub-Committee's approval.

RESOLVED – That Members:

- Approve the allocations up to the maximum set out in Table 1 (£556k), for the year 2023/24.
- Authorise the Executive Director Environment, in consultation with the Chairs and Deputy Chairs of the Planning & Transportation Committee and of the Streets & Walkways Sub Committee, to allocate any additional funds which are made available by TfL in 2023/24 financial year.
- Approve to spend any funds awarded for Principal Road Renewal for the year 2023/24.
- Authorise the Executive Director Environment to reallocate the TfL grant between the approved LIP schemes should that be necessary during 2023/24 up to a maximum of £150,000.

5. **COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY NEIGHBOURHOOD FUND (CILNF) APPLICATIONS FOR APPROVAL**

Members considered a report of the Managing Director of the Bridge House Estate regarding the approval for two new CILNF bids (ARTBASH and the Barbican Association), and the approval for the final tranche of a multi-year bid (Barbican Centre Trust Ltd).

In response to questions from Members, it was confirmed that the Barbican Library would be responsible for managing all of the bookings for the community room, noting that they had worked with a number of third sector organisations and local community groups and would be able to do this more should the bid be successful.

Responding to Members questions on value for money justifications, it was clarified that cost for the project had been generated by the department in consultation with architects and relevant stakeholders. It was noted that some additional inflationary costs had been built in and the project may be finalised using less than the budget.

In response, Members requested additional information on the value for money justification for the community room and clarification on the usage of the room.

RESOLVED – That Members:

1. approve the grant recommended to ARTBASH for £75,210 at a meeting of the CILNF Officer Panel in May 2023 (Appendix 1).
2. delegate authority to the Town Clerk, in consultation with the Chairman and Deputy Chairman, to consider the grant recommended to Department of Community and Children's Services in collaboration with the Barbican Association for £449,550, subject to receipt of further information on the value for money and clarification on usage of the community room.
3. approve the final year of funding of £233,707 to the Barbican Centre Trust Limited, as agreed in principle by the Committee at its meeting 10 May 2021 (Appendix 2).
4. note the current position of the CILNF, the need for a public consultation to be carried out on the fund and approve for the temporary closure of the Fund for grants over £50,000.

6. **REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN BETWEEN MEETINGS**

Members received a report of the Town Clerk regarding actions taken by the Town Clerk outside of the Board's meeting schedule, in consultation with the Chairman and Deputy Chairman, in accordance with Standing Order Nos. 41(a) and (b).

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

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

The Deputy Chairman asked if Officers could review the Officer Scheme of Delegations with the view to reduce the need for frequent of meetings with few items.

In response, the Town Clerk noted that the Scheme of Delegation would be reviewed in the coming months and this revision process may provide more agility.

8. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT**

There were no urgent items considered in the public session.

9. **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 items on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part I of the Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act.

10. **NON-PUBLIC MINUTES**

RESOLVED – That the non-public minutes of the meeting held on 8 March 2023, be approved as an accurate record.

11. **CITY FUND - FUNDING STRATEGY 15/17 ELDON STREET EC2 AND 6 BROAD STREET PLACE EC2 REFURBISHMENT PROJECT - UPDATE REPORT**

Members considered a report of the City Surveyor regarding an updated funding plan to pursue the refurbishment project at 15/17 Eldon Street and 6 Broad Street Place.

12. **COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY AND ON STREET PARKING RESERVE FUNDING BIDS**

Members received a joint report of the Chamberlain and Executive Director, Environment regarding decisions on the Community Infrastructure Levy which were referred to Policy and Resources Committee, on the recommendation of this Sub-Committee.

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

There were no non-public questions.

14. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT AND WHICH THE SUB-COMMITTEE AGREE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED WHILST THE PUBLIC ARE EXCLUDED**

There were no non-public items of urgent business.

The meeting ended at 9.55 am

Chairman

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