

PROJECTS SUB (POLICY AND RESOURCES) COMMITTEE

Tuesday, 29 October 2013

Minutes of the meeting of the Projects Sub (Policy and Resources) Committee held at the Guildhall EC2 at 3.00pm

Present

Members:

Sir Michael Snyder (Chairman)
Alderman Sir Michael Bear
Deputy Catherine McGuinness
Angela Starling
Deputy John Tomlinson
Deputy Michael Welbank

In Attendance:

Marianne Fredericks
Oliver Lodge
Jeremy Simons

Officers:

Peter Lisley	- Assistant Town Clerk
Jacqui Daniels	- Town Clerk's Department
Rebecca Kearney	- Town Clerks Department
Caroline Al-Beyerty	- Chamberlains
Peter Bennett	- City Surveyor
Huw Rhys Lewis	- City Surveyor's Department
Philip Everett	- Director of the Built Environment
Iain Simmons	- Department of Built Environment
Karen Tarbox	- Community and Children's Services Department
Mike Kettle	- Community and Children's Services
Mike Nisbitt	- City of London Police
Dave Clark	- City of London Police
Pauline Weaver	- City of London Police

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Mark Boleat, Roger Chadwick and Hugh Morris.

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

There were no declarations.

3. MINUTES

RESOLVED – That the public minutes and non-public summary of the meeting held on 26 September 2013 be approved as a correct record.

4. **CITY WIDE PEDESTRIAN MODELLING - PROJECT PROPOSAL - GATEWAY 2**

The Committee considered a report of the Director of the Built Environment concerning the project proposal for City-wide Pedestrian Modelling.

RESOLVED – That as the funding is being met by TfL, the project proceed to Gateway 5 via the streamlined track.

5. **40-45 CHANCERY LANE (SECTION 106 PRIORITISATION) - OUTLINE OPTIONS APPRAISAL - GATEWAY 3**

The Committee considered a report of the Director of the Built Environment which set out options to enhance the streets in the vicinity of Chancery Lane, in line with the Chancery Lane Area Enhancement Strategy which was approved by the Court of Common Council in 2010.

The Town Clerk reported that the Streets and Walkways Sub Committee had decided, at their meeting on 14 October 2013 to include the Christmas Lighting in the list of enhancements to be funded from the Section 106 monies and it was noted that any further running costs should be met by the Chancery Lane Association.

RESOLVED – That approval be given to:-

- 1) the project priority table for the Chancery Lane Area Enhancement Strategy as set in Appendix 4 to the report; and
- 2) the three projects, a) to c) below, be progressed to the detailed design stage, (the delivery and scale of Quality Court to be subject to funds remaining upon completion of the raised crossovers and Southampton Buildings):-
 - a) Raised crossovers at two locations on Chancery Lane to improve accessibility and connectivity;
 - b) Closure to traffic of the eastern end of Southampton Buildings and the creation of a new 'pocket space';
 - c) Public realm improvements to Quality Court to enhance the character of the courts and alleyways off Chancery Lane and Christmas Lighting in Chancery Lane, subject to negotiations with the Chancery Lane Association on future maintenance costs.

6. **MIDDLESEX STREET AREA PROJECT - OPTIONS APPRAISAL - GATEWAY 3/4**

The Committee considered a report of the Director of the Built Environment which proposed a phased approach to the delivery of enhancements of the Middlesex Street Area which was identified as a high priority project within the Liverpool Street Area Enhancement Strategy, approved by the Court of Common Council in September 2013.

Members noted that the Streets and Walkways Sub Committee had approved the proposal. During the course of discussion the following points were raised:-
- the period of time that the maintenance costs would be funded by the developer was referred to and Members noted other local authorities sought longer term funding in such cases. It was further noted that the Corporate

Projects Board were reviewing the level of third party funding to be requested in such cases in future and it was anticipated that a report would be available early in the New Year; and

- Members requested that consideration be given to the use of asphalt in the roadway and pull-in areas in Middlesex Street and that officers be made aware of the Sub Committee's view that asphalt should be used where appropriate in order to reduce excessive costs and future maintenance costs and that it be coloured, where appropriate

RESOLVED – That:-

- 1) New signage and way finding in the project area be implemented and be funded by £6,000 from the 201 Bishopsgate Section 106 agreement;
- 2) Phase 1 of the project proceed to Gateway 5 (Authorisation to start works) and be funded by £96,571 from the 201 Bishopsgate Section 106 agreement;
- 3) Option 2 be approved at a total cost of between £850,000 and £932,000, to be funded by the 201 Bishopsgate Section 106 agreement;
- 4) Temporary traffic experiments be carried out in Widegate Street, Sandy's Row and Fort Street and that the outcomes be reported at the next Gateway; and
- 5) Phase 2 of the project proceed to Gateway 4/5 at a future date.

7. **ALDGATE HIGHWAY CHANGES AND PUBLIC REALM IMPROVEMENT PROJECT - DETAILED OPTIONS APPRAISAL - GATEWAY 4**

The Committee considered a report of the Director of the Built Environment which proposed a major highway scheme which would include transformational public realm improvements in the Aldgate Area.

Members noted that the proposal had been approved by the various Committees and that consideration was being given to the proposed kiosk being the same model as the City Information Centre near to St Paul's Cathedral but on a smaller scale, it was emphasised that it should be viable, sustainable and the space must be usable.

RESOLVED – That Option 1 be progressed to Gateway 5.

8. **SILK STREET - PRE-GATEWAY 5 BUDGET INCREASE**

Members considered a report of the Director of the Built Environment which sought a budget increase to complete the detailed design of the environmental enhancement project in Silk Street in advance of the Gateway 5 report.

RESOLVED – That approval be given to an increase in the fees budget for the Silk Street project of £26,000 and to an increase in the staff costs budget of £4,000 in order to reduce key project risk elements.

9. **WIDE AREA NETWORK (WAN) REVIEW 2009-2010 - OUTCOME REPORT - GATEWAY 7**

The Committee received the outcome report for the WAN Review Project for 2009-2010.

RESOLVED – That permission be granted to close the project.

10. **TELECOMMUNICATIONS STRATEGY - OUTCOME REPORT - GATEWAY 7**
Members considered a report of the Director of the Built Environment concerning the outcome of the Telecommunication Project for 2009-2011.

RESOLVED – That permission be granted to close the project.

11. **INSTITUTIONALISING LESSONS LEARNT FROM PROJECTS**
Members considered a report of the Town Clerk concerning lessons learnt from projects and their use as an integral part of project development and delivery.

It was noted that the format of Committee reports would be reviewed.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted and that an annual report on lessons learnt from projects be submitted to the Sub Committee, containing recommendations for action where appropriate.

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

There were no questions.

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

There were no items of urgent business.

14. **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 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act, as follows:

Item Nos.	Exempt Paragraph No
15 - 28	3

15. **NON-PUBLIC MINUTES**

RESOLVED – That the non-public minutes of the Projects Sub Committee on 26 September 2013 be approved.

16. **A PRESENTATION ON PROFESSIONAL FEES BY THE CITY SURVEYOR WITHDRAWN.**

17. **DRON HOUSE NEW FLAT/WINDOW REFURBISHMENT - PROJECT PROPOSAL - GATEWAY 2**

The Sub Committee approved a report of the Director of Community and Children's Services Department.

18. **CITY OF LONDON POLICE - PROJECT PROPOSAL - EROS 2 - GATEWAY 2**

The Sub Committee approved a report of the Commissioner of the City of London Police.

19. **CITY OF LONDON POLICE - PROJECT PROPOSAL - KNOWFRAUD UPGRADE - GATEWAY 2**
The Sub Committee approved a report of the Commissioner of the City of London Police.
20. **CITY OF LONDON POLICE - PROJECT PROPOSAL - ACESO FORENSIC DOWNLOAD DEVICES NETWORK SOLUTION - GATEWAY 2**
The Sub Committee approved a report of the Commissioner of the City of London Police.
21. **POLICE ACCOMMODATION - OUTLINE OPTIONS APPRAISAL - GATEWAY 3**
The Sub Committee considered a report of the Chamberlain.
22. **LORD MAYOR'S STATE COACH, SEMI-STATE COACHES AND DRESS CHARIOTS - DETAILED OPTIONS APPRAISAL - GATEWAY 4**
A report of the City Surveyor was considered.
23. **CITY OF LONDON FREEMENS' SCHOOL MASTERPLAN PHASE 1 - PROGRESS REPORT - GATEWAY 6**
The Sub Committee considered a resolution of the Board of Governors of the City of London Freemen's School forwarding a joint report of the City Surveyor and the Headmaster of the City of London Freemen's School.
24. **CONSOLIDATION OF OUTTURN REPORTS - GATEWAY 7**
A report of the City Surveyor was approved.
25. **TOWER BRIDGE ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS - OUTCOME REPORT - GATEWAY 7**
The Sub Committee received a report of the City Surveyor.
26. **THE BARBICAN CAMPUS PROGRAMME: AMBER AND RED PROJECTS**
The Sub Committee received a report of the City Surveyor.
27. **HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC REALM PROGRAMME: AMBER AND RED PROJECTS**
The Sub Committee received a joint report of the Town Clerk, City Surveyor and the Director of the Built Environment.
28. **DECISIONS TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY AND URGENCY PROCEDURES**
The Sub Committee received a report of the Town Clerk.
29. **QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE SUB COMMITTEE**
There were no questions.

30. **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 items of urgent business.

The meeting closed at 4.20pm

Chairman

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