

Committee(s)	Dated:
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Summary

At previous meetings of this Sub-Committee, Members have considered emerging draft policies for the new Local Plan. Members made several comments and suggestions, which will inform the final version of the draft Plan that is presented to this Sub-Committee and to the Grand Committee. One further set of draft policies, relating to Open Spaces and Green Infrastructure, is attached to this report.

Recommendations

Members are recommended to:

- Agree the proposed draft policies set out at Appendix 1 of this report.

Main Report

Background

1. At the meetings of this Sub-Committee on 22nd September 2017 and 6th October 2017, Members agreed the broad structure of the draft Local Plan and considered policy directions for key policy areas. Officers are currently preparing draft policies, informed by the steer from Members and a range of other factors such as national policy, the London Plan, the evidence base and the outcome of the Issues and Options consultation.
2. Eight sets of policies have so far been considered at previous meetings of this Sub-Committee, namely Culture, Visitors and the Night-Time Economy; Circular Economy and Waste; Smart Infrastructure and Utilities; Climate Resilience and Flood Risk; Historic Environment; Healthy and Inclusive City; Housing; and Safe and Secure City.
3. Members made various comments and suggestions, which will be reflected in the amended versions of those policies when the full draft Local Plan is reported to this Sub-Committee and to the Grand Committee in autumn 2018.

Draft policies

4. The following section of the Local Plan has now been drafted and is attached as Appendix 1 of this report:
 - Open Spaces and Green Infrastructure
5. Members should note that the Local Plan is not being drafted in the order that policies will appear in the final version, other than the City-wide policies which are being prepared ahead of the area-specific policies.
6. Members are asked to consider the proposed policy wording and to advise of any additions, deletions or other amendments that should be made before the relevant policies are presented to the Grand Committee.
7. The Sub-Committee previously indicated that it wished to consider the detailed wording of all the policies in the draft Local Plan but not the supporting text. Members are therefore asked to focus comments on the wording in the policy boxes. However, the supporting text is also presented to help explain the reasoning behind the proposed policies, and may assist with understanding the terminology used in some of the draft policies.

Next steps

8. Officers are in the process of drafting further sections of the draft Local Plan, which will be presented to the Sub-Committee at meetings in June and July. It is intended to bring the full Plan back to the Sub-Committee for approval before it is reported to the Grand Committee in the autumn so that it can be published for public consultation alongside the draft Transport Strategy in November 2018.

Corporate and Strategic Implications

9. The review of the Local Plan is being informed by the emerging draft Corporate Plan and will provide an opportunity to complement key corporate objectives, such as developing Culture Mile and progressing the Future City agenda.

Appendices

- Appendix 1 – draft policies on Open Spaces and Green Infrastructure

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