

OVERVIEW and SCRUTINY BUSINESS PANEL		
Report Title	New Bermondsey (formerly Surrey Canal Triangle) proposed CPO	
Key Decision	n/a	Item No. 5
Ward	n/a	
Contributors	Head of Law	
Class	Part 1	Date: 13 December 2016

1. Summary

This report brings to the attention of the Business Panel the contents of a report entitled "Response to Call-in of Mayor and Cabinet Decision – New Bermondsey (Formerly Surrey Canal Triangle) Proposed Compulsory Purchase Order" which is to be presented to Mayor and Cabinet on 15 December 2016. The Business Panel is asked to consider whether it wishes to submit comments to the Mayor and Cabinet when it considers the attached report, and if so to agree those comments.

2. Purpose of the Report

The purpose of this report is to ensure that the Business Panel has the opportunity to make comments on the attached report to the Mayor and Cabinet for consideration by the Mayor and Cabinet when it meets to reconsider its decision made on 7 September 2016 to make a Compulsory Purchase Order in respect of the New Bermondsey site.

3. Recommendation

The Business Panel is recommended to consider the attached report and to decide whether it wishes to make comments on it, and if so, to agree those comments and to submit them to the Mayor and Cabinet.

4. Background

4.1 On 7 September 2016, the Mayor and Cabinet considered a report and resolved to make a Compulsory Purchase Order in relation to the New Bermondsey site.

4.2 On 20 September 2016 the Business Panel made a decision under the Council's call in procedures to refer the matter back to the Mayor and Cabinet for reconsideration.

4.3 On 28 September, the Mayor and Cabinet met and on that occasion it deferred further reconsideration pending an investigation into a document which came to the attention of the Council shortly before that meeting.

- 4.4 The attached report at the Appendix which is to be submitted to the Mayor and Cabinet on 15 December 2016 deals with the points raised by the Business Panel at its meeting on 20 September, and the outcome of the investigation referred to above.
- 4.5 The Council's Constitution does not provide for further input from the Business Panel once a matter has been referred back to the Mayor and Cabinet for reconsideration. However, in the interests of transparency and in view of the particular sensitivities of this particular matter, the Mayor and Cabinet is keen to ensure that the views of the Business Panel are available to it when it reconsiders its earlier decision.
- 4.6 Members of the Business Panel are therefore requested to consider the attached report, agree any comments it wishes to make and submit any such comments to the Mayor and Cabinet to take into account in its reconsideration on 15 December 2016.

5. Financial Implications

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

6. Legal Implications

Members' attention is drawn to the legal implications in the Appendix and should also note that the Constitutional position is referred to in the body of this report.

7. Human Rights Implications

There are none arising from this report.

8. Equalities Implications

There are none arising from this report

9. Crime and Disorder Implications

There are none arising from this report

Appendix

Report to Mayor and Cabinet dated 15 December 2016 – "Response to Call-in of Mayor and Cabinet Decision – New Bermondsey (Formerly Surrey Canal Triangle) Proposed Compulsory Purchase Order"