



Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel

Decisions made by Mayor and Cabinet

Date: 29 September 2020

Key decision: Yes

Class: Part 1

Ward(s) affected: All

Contributors: Chief Executive / Head of Business and Committee

Outline and recommendations

Members are asked to consider decisions taken at a meeting of the Mayor and Cabinet held on 16 September 2020 in open session

1. Recommendation

To consider decisions taken by the Mayor on 16 September 2020, which will come in to force on 30 September 2020 unless called in by the Overview & Scrutiny Business Panel on 29 September 2020.

2. Background

2.1 The Mayor and Cabinet considered the following decisions 16 September 2020:

- i. Health & Care Recovery Plan
- ii. Approval of Lewisham Homes Business Plan
- iii. Small Sites Small Builders GLA Funding - second submission
- iv. Corporate Energy Contracts
- v. Catford Regeneration Programme Approval of Phase 1
- vi. Lease of Abbotshall Playing Fields
- vii. Declaration of Grove Park Nature Reserve LNR
- viii. Catford Town Centre Regeneration Masterplan Framework
- ix. Review of Statement of Community Involvement during Covid-19 Pandemic

2.2 The notice of the decision in respect of this report is attached below.

2.3 Under the provisions of Standing Orders Part IV E 14, Members may call in an executive decision within 7 days. If this report is not called in, the decisions will come into force on 22 July 2020.



NOTICE OF DECISIONS MADE BY THE MAYOR & CABINET

The Mayor and Cabinet made the following decisions on 16 September 2020. All recommendations shown were agreed by a 7-0 or 8-0 vote of voting members in attendance.

The decisions below will become effective on September 30 2020 unless called in by the Overview & Scrutiny Business Panel on September 29 2020.

1. Health & Care Recovery Plan

Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Chris Best, the Mayor and Cabinet agreed that:

(1) the content including the priorities set out in the Lewisham Health and Care Partners System Recovery Plan.

(2) the significant risk of the potential for increased pressures due to winter and also any further spike in Covid-19 cases and the action to be taken in the event of a second wave be noted; and

(3) the proposed activity against each priority will be dependent on the resources that are available and the financial sections of the plan outline the financial challenges that all parts of the system are facing.

2. Approval of Lewisham Homes Business Plan

Having considered an open officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Housing, Councillor Paul Bell, the Mayor and Cabinet agreed that: the business plan for 2020/21 be approved.

3. Small Sites Small Builders GLA Funding - second submission

Having considered an open officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Housing, Councillor Paul Bell, the Mayor and Cabinet agreed that:

(1) a total of £1,310,000 grant funding be accepted from the GLA Small Sites Small Builders Programme (Round Two) to carry out specified works on four Council housing projects on Council land as set out in

Section 4;

(2) authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Housing, Regeneration and Public Realm to agree the terms of and enter into individual grant agreements with the GLA for each project; and

(3) Should any project set out in Section 4 not proceed, authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Housing, Regeneration and Public Realm to agree a substitution project and to agree the terms of and enter into any replacement grant agreement required.

4. Corporate Energy Contracts

Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Mayor, the Mayor and Cabinet agreed that the overall approach to corporate energy contracts be noted.

5. Catford Regeneration Programme Approval of Phase 1

Having considered an open officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Housing, Councillor Paul Bell, the Mayor and Cabinet agreed that:

(1) Match-funding to the GLA Good Growth Fund in the sum of £1.65M be approved to be funded from the Council's General Fund Capital Programme;

(2) authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Housing, Regeneration and Public realm in conjunction with the Director of Law to agree to the terms of and enter into the GLA's Good Growth Grant Agreement and to agree a strategy and programme in conjunction with the GLA and to further commence procurement of a suitable consultancy team to support the project via the ADUP framework.

(3) The transfer of S.106 funding in the sum of £1,515,537, originally proposed for the delivery of a footbridge between Doggett Road and the Barratt's development on the former Catford Greyhound Stadium site be approved to deliver public realm and accessibility improvements to Catford Stations as set out; and

(4) authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Housing, Regeneration and Public Realm to agree the procurement strategy and appointment of a suitable contractor to construct the Catford Stations scheme.

6. Lease of Abbotshall Playing Fields

Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the job-share Cabinet Member for Culture, Skills and Jobs, Councillor Andre Bourne, the Mayor and Cabinet agreed that:

(1) a lease of 25 years of Abbotshall Playing Fields shown on an attached plan be offered to Abbotshall Healthy Lifestyle Centre at a concessionary, peppercorn rent subject to:

(a) there being no objection arising from the statutory advertising of the proposal as set out with any objections to be reported back to Mayor and Cabinet for consideration; and

(b) the proposal being notified to the Secretary of State under Section 77 of the School Standards and Framework Act and there being no objection from the Secretary of State.

(2) authority be delegated to the Executive Director for Community Services, in consultation with the Director of Inclusive Regeneration and the Director of Law, Governance & HR to negotiate and agree the terms of the lease referred to above.

7. Declaration of Grove Park Nature Reserve LNR

Having considered an officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport, Councillor Sophie McGeevor, the Mayor and Cabinet agreed that

(1) the contents of this report and the formal response from Natural England's Local Team that consultation is complete be noted; and

(2) Grove Park be declared a Local Nature Reserve and the Director of Legal, Governance and HR be authorised to proceed with the making of the necessary declaration and the insertion of a public notice in appropriate local press and on the Council's website.

8. Catford Town Centre Regeneration Masterplan Framework

Having considered an open officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Housing, Councillor Paul Bell, the Mayor and Cabinet agreed that:

(1) the Draft Catford Town Centre Framework be endorsed for consultation;

(2) the release of the Draft Catford Town Centre Framework for broadly-based public consultation be approved and reported back to Mayor and Cabinet in Spring 2021;

(3) the Executive Director of Housing, Regeneration and Public Realm, be authorised in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Housing and Planning, to undertake all steps to progress the public consultation and to progress the related workstreams set out in this report;

(4) the Phase 1 delivery projects be noted as early and positive investment projects and consider specific recommendations to advance these as set out in a separate report on this Mayor and Cabinet agenda;

(5) the Executive Director of Housing, Regeneration and Public Realm, in consultation with the Executive Director for Corporate Services and with the Cabinet Member for Housing and Planning, be authorised to undertake all steps to progress work needed to report back to Mayor and Cabinet on potential delivery mechanisms – including potential partnership approaches and approaches to funding and phasing;

(6) the Executive Director of Housing, Regeneration and Public Realm, in consultation with the Executive Director for Corporate Services and with the Cabinet Member for Housing and Planning, be authorised to undertake all steps to progress work needed to report back to Mayor and Cabinet on a strategy for Civic Accommodation/the Catford Campus;

(7) the Executive Director of Housing, Regeneration and Public Realm, in consultation with the Executive Director for Corporate Services and with relevant Cabinet Members be authorised to continue to bid for external funding opportunities where they arise to support essential investment in Catford and enable the aims of the draft Framework (within the current delegation framework); and

(8) the continued development of the scheme be authorised to re-align the A205 in order to enable the Draft Catford Framework, including working with TfL to reach agreement on matters of technical detail and with TfL and DfT in relation to funding.

9. Review of Statement of Community Involvement during Covid-19 Pandemic

Having considered an open officer report, and a presentation by the Cabinet Member for Housing, Councillor Paul Bell, the Mayor and Cabinet agreed that:

(1) temporary modifications be authorised to the Council's Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) for a further 6 month period to enable the following:

Threshold for applications being required to go to Planning Committee for decision to be raised from 3 to 5

- Any application with an amenity society objection to be subject to case review with Chair to determine whether it is referred to planning committee for a decision

- Any application with 5-9 objections to be subject to case review with Chair to determine whether it is referred to planning committee for a decision
- Invitations to planning committee meetings and other communications and information (including publication of agendas) relating to planning committee meetings be carried out electronically wherever possible
- Make it explicit that people wishing to speak at planning committee meetings will need to register to speak in advance of the meeting and will need to submit written copies of their speeches in advance of the meeting
- A new online format for Local Meetings to be developed and implemented
- Make any necessary amendments regarding the publication of agendas and decisions

(2) changes be reviewed again at the end of the 6 month period referred to.

(3) the contents of the draft Addendum to the SCI (Appendix 1), and the reasons for these amendments, as set out in Section 4 be noted; and

(4) the draft Addendum to the SCI (Appendix 1) be approved for non-statutory public consultation.

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