


<b>Individual Mayoral Decision Proforma</b>  Decision Log No: <u>171</u>	 <b>TOWER HAMLETS</b>
<b>Report of:</b> Ann Sutcliffe, Divisional Director, Property & Major Programmes (Acting Corporate Director of Place)	<b>Classification:</b> Unrestricted
Neighbourhood Planning: Determination of Roman Road Bow Neighbourhood Forum Application	

<b>Is this a Key Decision?</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Decision Notice Publication Date:</b>	21 <sup>st</sup> June 2016
<b>General Exception or Urgency Notice published?</b>	<b>Not required</b>
<b>Restrictions:</b>	N/A
<b>Reason for seeking an Individual Mayoral Decision:</b>	Government regulations require the decision to be made within 13 weeks of publication for consultation. The Cabinet timetable does not allow the decision to be taken at Cabinet within this statutory timeframe.

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Neighbourhood planning was introduced by the Localism Act 2011 and allows communities to help shape their local area by preparing Neighbourhood Development Plans (NDP), or Neighbourhood Development Orders (NDOs), provided they meet a number of basic conditions, including being in general conformity with the strategic policies of a development plan prepared and adopted by the local planning authority (LPA). In parished areas neighbourhood planning processes are led by parish or town councils; in other areas Neighbourhood Forums must apply to the LPA to be designated as the lead (qualifying body).

As LPA, the Council is required to determine applications for Neighbourhood Area designation in accordance with the Town and County Planning Act 1990 (as amended) (TCPA 1990) and the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

Following the designation of the Roman Road Bow Neighbourhood Area on the 6<sup>th</sup> of February 2017. The Council has received an application by the community group 'the Roman Road Bow Neighbourhood Forum' to be designated as the Neighbourhood Forum for the Roman Road Bow Neighbourhood Area. This report assesses the application for the Roman Road Bow Neighbourhood Forum against the relevant legislation and guidance.

Full details of the decision sought, including setting out the reasons for the recommendations and/or all the options put forward; other options considered; background information; the comments of the Chief Finance Officer; the concurrent report of the Head of Legal Services; implications for One Tower Hamlets; Risk Assessment; Background Documents; and other relevant matters are set out in the attached report.

## DECISION

1. Approve the application for the designation of the Roman Road Bow Neighbourhood Forum.

## APPROVALS

1. **(If applicable) Corporate Director proposing the decision or his/her deputy**

I approve the attached report and proposed decision above for submission to the Mayor.

Signed .....  ..... Date 10/8/2017

2. **Chief Finance Officer or his/her deputy**

I have been consulted on the content of the attached report which includes my comments.

Signed  ..... Date 14/08/17

3. **Monitoring Officer or his/her deputy**

I have been consulted on the content of the attached report which includes my comments.


I confirm that this decision:-

- (a) has been published in advance on the Council's Forward Plan OR
- (b) is urgent and subject to the 'General Exception' or 'Special Urgency' provision at paragraph 18 or 19 respectively of the Access to Information Procedure Rules.

Signed  ..... Date 14/8/2017

4. **Mayor**

I agree the decision proposed in the recommendations above for the reasons set out in paragraph 1 in the attached report.

Signed  ..... Date 15/8/17