Executive Decision Individual Decision Notice



Classification:

Unrestricted

Decision Maker: Commissioners' Decision Making Meeting, 24 May 16

Capital Grant Release from the Whitechapel High Street Fund to the London Small Business Centre to deliver workspace and business support services at 206 Whitechapel Road, Whitechapel

Under the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 – notice is hereby given that an Executive Key Decision is required to be taken under General Exception Urgency provisions as it is not possible to provide at least 28 clear days' notice of the decision but it is possible to give at least 5 clear days' notice of the decision.

As required under the above regulations, the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee will be notified of the above decision being taken under the General Exception Provision.

This notification will be published as soon as possible before the decision is taken, stating why the decision must be taken urgently.

Reason why it is impractical to provide 28 clear days' notice of the decision: Capital spend on the Whitechapel High Street Fund must be approved and spent before 30th September 2016 as advised by the GLA Regeneration funding team and therefore is at risk to underspend and loss if not fulfilled. Furthermore the two affected parties, London Small Business Centre and the Royal Mail Group will not enter into a lease agreement and have indicated further delay we nullify the arrangement should the capital grant not be allocated to the site within these timescales

Signature:	Date:
David Knight, Senior Democratic Services Officer	30 April 2016

Further details of the decision to be taken:

Key Decision? Yes	Ward(s) Spitalfields & Banglatown; Stepney Green; Whitechapel
Summary of Decision	 A) To provide oversight for the grants allocation process being undertaken against the Whitechapel High Street Fund project
	B) To approve a capital grant allocation £227,000 to the London Small Business Centre to undertake capital works to enable and deliver workspace and business support at 206

Whitechapel Road.	

Community Plan Theme	A Fair and Prosperous Community; A Great Place to Live; A Safe and Cohesive Community
Cabinet Member	Cabinet Member for Work and Economic Growth (Councillor Joshua Peck)
Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place	 Through regular stakeholder update meetings and project working group meetings, which will continue involving the: Whitechapel Vision Delivery Strategic Partnership Board Mayor Biggs and lead member (Cllr Joshua Peck) Royal Mail Group GLA Whitechapel Vision Delivery Council Officer Steering Group Scrutiny & Equalities
Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment?	Full EqIA is not required in this case, however the selection of workspace provider partners and allocation of capital amounts have been determined as per a selection process integrating elements of the LBTH Social Cohesion Toolkit. Please see Appendix 1 Enterprising Whitechapel - Call for Bids guidance note for details.
Contact details for comments or additional information	Corporate Director, Development & Renewal
What supporting documents or other information will be available?	Appendix 1: Enterprising Whitechapel - Call for Bids guidance note Appendix 2: DMT reported dated 2nd February 2016 Appendix 3: LSBC BID Return Appendix 3: 206 Whitechapel Road Feasibility Study dated Sept 2015 (LBTH) Appendix 4: 206 Whitechapel Road Feasibility Study dated 2015 (LSBC)
Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why (Paragraph number – see notes section)? NOTES	No, Unrestricted

NOTES

Advance notice of Key Decisions Key decisions are all those decisions which involve major spending, or savings, or which have a significant impact on the local community. The precise definition

of a key decision adopted by Tower Hamlets is contained in Article 13.03 of the <u>Constitution</u>. Key Decisions are taken by the Mayor, or the Mayor in Cabinet.

Individual notices of new Key Decisions will be published on the website as they are known, whilst a Forward Plan collating these decisions will be published 28 days before each Cabinet meeting. The Forward Plan will be published on the Council's website and will also be available to view at the Town Hall and Libraries, Ideas Centres and One Stop Shops if required. The Committee pages on the Council website include copies of the Forward Plan, Cabinet and other meeting dates and the publication dates of the Forward Plan.

If, due to reasons of urgency, a Key Decision has to be taken where 28 days' notice have not been given. Notice will be published (including on the website) as early as possible and Urgency Procedures as set out in the Constitution will have to be followed.

The most effective way for the public to make their views known about the issues listed in the Forward Plan is to examine the consultation column of the Forward Plan, and/or contact the report author or Cabinet Lead Member as soon as possible, and no later than 10 working days before the decision is expected to be taken.

You can also view the Council's <u>Consultation Calendar</u>, which lists all the issues on which the Council and its partners are consulting.

Reports, appendices and background papers will be available on the Council's website 5 clear working days before the Cabinet meeting. For all other information or to submit documents in relation to any issue, please contact the relevant officer.

Notice of Intention to Conduct Business in Private

The Council is also required to give at least 28 days' notice if it wishes to consider any of the reports on the agenda of an Executive meeting (such as Cabinet) in private session. The last row of each item below will indicate any proposal to consider that item in private session. Should you wish to make any representations in relation to an item being considered in private please contact Democratic Services on the contact details listed below. Note that this applies to Cabinet but not to Individual Mayoral Decisions outside of Cabinet.

The notice may reference a paragraph of Section 12A of the 1972 Local Government Act. In summary those paragraphs refer to the following types of exempt information (more information is available in the Constitution):

- 1. Information relating to any individual
- 2. Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual
- 3. Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority handling the information)
- 4. Information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matters arising between the authority or a Minister of the Crown and employees of, or office holders under, the authority.
- 5. Information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings.
- 6. Information which reveals that the authority proposes:-

- to give under any enactment a notice under or by virtue of which requirements are a) imposed on a person; or
- b) to make an order or direction under any enactment.
 7. Information relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime.

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