

OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, 14 August 2019 at 6.30 p.m., Room C1, 1st Floor, Town Hall,
Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, London, E14 2BG

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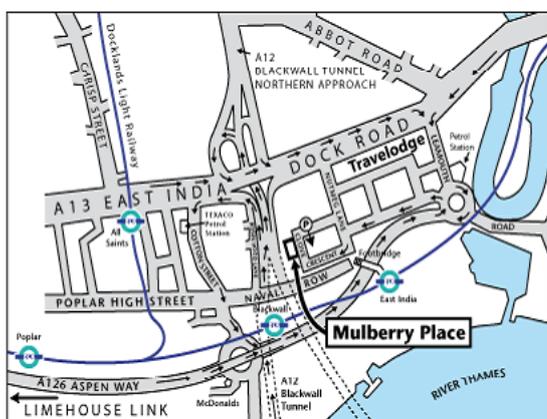
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SECTION ONE	WARD	PAGE NUMBER(S)
1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE		
To receive any apologies for absence.		
2. DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST		9 - 12
To note any declarations of interest made by Members, including those restricting Members from voting on the questions detailed in Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act, 1992. See attached note from the Monitoring Officer.		
3. UNRESTRICTED REPORTS 'CALLED IN'		
3.1 Local Community Fund	All Wards	13 - 166
The report "Local Community Fund" was considered by the Mayor in Cabinet on 31st July, 2019. The following was agreed and published on Friday 2nd August, 2019		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To agree the Local Community Fund programme and funding to individual organisations as set out in appendix F to the report for a period of 42 months from 1st October 2019 to 31st March 2023, subject to agreement of detailed funding agreements setting out the outcomes the funded projects are expected to achieve and conditions of funding. Subject to the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. That a delivery plan for the mitigation measures set out in paragraph 3.56 of the report, including how these will address the concerns raised at Cabinet with regards to meeting the needs of Somali and other minority community residents, be presented to the Mayor for consideration and agreement prior to the conclusion of the final funding agreements set out in Appendix F; 		

- b. That the 'Advice and Information' Scheme 3A, will not be implemented until a further report is presented to the Mayor setting out how the recommended advice consortium will provide wide geographic coverage including in the south west area of the borough and will reach excluded communities; and
 - c. That the report referred to in 1a above will include appropriate timelines for the mitigation measures set out in the Equality Analysis Action Plan referred to in 3 below.
2. To agree that transitional arrangements will be put in place for funded organisations set out in paragraphs 3.54 to 3.58 of the report;
 3. To note the Equality Analysis and the specific equalities considerations as set out in paragraph 4 of the report and to agree the Equality Analysis Action Plan set out in appendix A to the report; and
 4. That a separate report be presented to the Mayor setting out how the Council supports areas such as 'play', 'sports' and 'activities for elders' outside of the Local Community Fund programme and how the conclusion of Mainstream Grants will impact on these programmes.

The above has been 'Called-In' by Cllr Puru Miah; Cllr Ehtasham Haque; Cllr Shah Ameen; Cllr Shad Chowdhury and Cllr Gabriela Salva Macallan. This is in accordance with the provisions of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules of the Council's Constitution.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Overview and Scrutiny Committee (OSC) considers:

1. The contents of the attached report, review the Mayor in Cabinet's decision (provisional, subject to Call In) arising; and
2. Decide whether to accept the decision or to refer the matter back to the Mayor with proposals and reasons.

CONSIDERATION OF THE “CALL IN”

Having met the “Call In” request criteria, the matter is referred to the OSC in order to determine the “Call In” and decide whether or not to refer the matter back to Cabinet for further consideration.

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- Chair to invite members of the Committee to ask question.
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- Chair to invite members of the Committee to ask questions.
- Followed by a general debate.

N.B. In accordance with the OSC Protocols and Guidance adopted by the Committee at its meeting on 4th June, 2013, any Member(s) who present(s) the “Call In” is (are) not eligible to participate in the general debate.

It is open to the OSC to either resolve to take no action (which would have the effect of endorsing the original Mayoral decision/s), or to refer the matter back to the Mayor for further consideration setting out the nature of its concerns and possibly recommending an alternative course of action.

3 .2 LBTH/THH Strategic Review of Housing Management Options

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The report “Strategic Review of Housing Management Options” was considered by the Mayor in Cabinet on 31st July, 2019. The following decisions were agreed and published on Friday 2nd August, 2019

1. To note the findings of Altair’s independent review of current housing management arrangements and appraisal of future options (Appendix 1 to the report).

2. To note the outcome of the recent consultation exercise (Appendix 2 to the report) and agree to proceed with the extension of the Council's management agreement with Tower Hamlets Homes for four years (to 2024), with a possible extension for a further four years (to 2028).
3. To delegate to the Corporate Director (Place) after consultation with the Corporate Director (Governance), authority to complete the said extension by July 2020 and do all that is necessary for this purpose including negotiating and approving a revised Management Agreement.

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4. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

The Call-In documents are presented as unrestricted documents on the agenda. However, should the committee need to discuss any matters that were exempt/restricted then the Committee are recommended to adopt the following motion:

“That, under the provisions of Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985, the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting for the consideration of the Section Two business on the grounds that it contains information defined as Exempt in Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act, 1972.”

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