

LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

**RECORD OF THE DECISIONS OF THE COMMISSIONERS' DECISION MAKING
MEETING**

HELD AT 2.00 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, 20 MAY 2015

**C1, 1ST FLOOR, TOWN HALL, MULBERRY PLACE, 5 CLOVE CRESCENT,
LONDON, E14 2BG**

Members Present:

Sir Ken Knight	(Commissioner)
Chris Allison	(Commissioner)
Max Caller	(Commissioner)

Councillors Present:

Councillor Shahed Ali	(Cabinet Member for Clean and Green)
Councillor Denise Jones	

Officers Present:

Jackie Odunoye	(Service Head, Strategy, Regeneration & Sustainability, Development and Renewal)
Abdul J. Khan	(Sustainable Development Manager, Strategy Innovation & Sustainability, Development and Renewal)
Antonella Burgio	(Democratic Services)
Njomeza Blakcori	

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Commissioner Alan Wood.

2. DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS

No declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests were made.

3. DECISIONS OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The decisions of the meeting held on 13 May 2015 were tabled at the meeting. Commissioners considered the document and agreed that the decision sheet be approved as a correct record of proceedings.

4. CONSIDERATION OF PUBLIC SUBMISSIONS

No public submission requests were received for consideration.

5. REPORTS FOR CONSIDERATION

5.1 Stepney City Farm Educational Facilities

The Commissioners agreed the reasons for urgency which were set out in the report. These were presented by Jackie Odunoye, Head of Strategy, Regeneration and Sustainability.

Abdul Khan, Service Manager, Energy and Sustainability summarised the report which requested the release of a S106 contribution of £50,000 (secured as part of the redevelopment of the Ocean Estate) to provide improved indoor space for education at Stepney City Farm. This provision would better enable the farm to deliver its educational programmes which aimed to inspire the young generation to understand and care for the natural environment.

The Commissioners noted the comprehensive and detailed report and considered submissions from Councillors Shahed Ali and Denise Jones. They then agreed the recommendations as set out in the report.

RESOLVED

1. That the improvements proposed at Stepney City Farm be noted.
2. That the monies secured by alternative funding (Big Lottery Fund) be noted.
3. That the grant of £50,000 to Stepney City Farm from section 106 monies to fund construction of new educational facilities be approved.

The meeting ended at 2.10 p.m.

**Sir Ken Knight
COMMISSIONER**