

MINUTES

Meeting: Environment Committee
Date: Tuesday 3 March 2015
Time: 10.00 am
Place: Chamber, City Hall, The Queen's Walk, London, SE1 2AA

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Present:

Stephen Knight AM (Chair)
Murad Qureshi AM (Deputy Chair)
Tony Arbour AM
Nicky Gavron AM
Jenny Jones AM
Kit Malthouse AM

1 Apologies for Absence and Chair's Announcements (Item 1)

1.1 Apologies for absence were received from James Cleverly AM, for whom Tony Arbour AM substituted, and Len Duvall AM.

2 Declarations of Interests (Item 2)

2.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat.

2.2 Resolved:

That the list of offices held by Assembly Members, as set out in the table at Agenda Item 2, be noted as disclosable pecuniary interests.

3 Minutes (Item 3)

3.1 Resolved:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 4 February 2015 be signed by the Chair as a correct record.

4 Summary List of Actions (Item 4)

4.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat.

4.2 Resolved:

That the completed and outstanding actions arising from previous meetings of the Committee be noted.

5 The Mayor's Biodiversity Strategy Update (Item 5)

5.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat as background to putting questions on the Mayor's Biodiversity Strategy Update to the following invited guests:

- John Archer, Vice Chair, London Boroughs Biodiversity Forum;
- Mathew Frith, Director of Policy and Planning, London Wildlife Trust;
- Pete Massini, Principal Policy and Programme Officer, Environment Unit, Greater London Authority;
- Claire Wansbury, Associate Director of Ecology, Atkins; and
- Kathy Wormald, Chief Executive Officer, Froglife.

5.2 A transcript of the discussion is attached at **Appendix 1**.

5.3 Resolved:

That the report and discussion be noted.

6 Bag it or Bin it? (Item 6)

6.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat.

6.2 **Resolved:**

That the Committee's report *Bag it or bin it? Managing London's domestic food waste* be agreed.

7 Environment Committee Work Programme (Item 7)

7.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat.

7.2 **Resolved:**

(a) That the work programme be noted; and

(b) That authority be delegated to the Chair, in consultation with party Group Lead Members to agree:

(i) The Committee's report on severe weather risks and adaptations;

(ii) The Committee's report on diesel emissions;

(iii) Any necessary response to a written briefing from GLA officers on plans to consult on changes to the Local Air Quality Management Framework; and

(iv) The topic for the June 2015 meeting of the Committee (noting the date of the meeting is subject to approval of the Assembly's timetable at the London Assembly's Annual Meeting scheduled for 13 May 2015).

8 Date of Next Meeting (Item 8)

8.1 Noting that it is subject to a decision of the London Assembly at its Annual Meeting on 13 May 2015, the date of the next meeting of the Committee was scheduled as Thursday, 4 June 2015 at 10.00 am in Committee Room 5, City Hall.

9 Any Other Business the Chair Considers Urgent (Item 9)

9.1 There were no items of business that the Chair considered to be urgent.

10 Close of Meeting

10.1 The meeting ended at 12.39 pm.

Chair

Date

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