

Subject: Regeneration Committee Work Programme

Report to: Regeneration Committee

Report of: Executive Director of Secretariat

Date: 26 November 2014

This report will be considered in public

1. Summary

1.1 The Committee receives a report monitoring the progress of its work programme at each meeting.

2. Recommendations

2.1 **That the Committee agrees the updated work programme for the 2014/15 Assembly year.**

2.2 **That the Committee agrees to use the meeting slot on 3 February 2015 for a site visit to Smithfield Market and the Farringdon area.**

2.3 **That the Committee notes the records of the site visits to West Ham United FC and Manchester City FC (attached as Appendices 1 and 2 to this report respectively).**

2.4 **That the Committee notes the summary of the informal meetings the Chairman and Deputy Chair held with Cargiant and Millwall FC (attached as Appendices 3 and 4 to this report respectively).**

3. Background

3.1 At the Assembly's Annual Meeting on 14 May 2014, the Assembly agreed nine slots between June 2014 and March 2015 for the Regeneration Committee, which will be used for meetings and site visits.

3.2 The Committee receives an update on its work programme at each meeting.

3.3 At its meeting on 19 June 2014, the Committee identified its initial priorities for the 2014/15 Assembly year.

3.4 On 21 October 2014, the Chairman and Deputy Chairman held an informal meeting to discuss priorities for the remainder of the 2014/15 Assembly year.

4. Issues for Consideration

The Committee's work programme

4.1 The topics the Committee has agreed to cover this year are set out below:

- **Stadium-led regeneration:** an investigation into the impact of football stadia development on local regeneration. The project examines the role of the Mayor and local authorities in stadium-led regeneration schemes, paying particular attention to the use of the Olympic Stadium, and proposed development schemes. The Committee agreed to use a combination of formal meetings and site visits to several football clubs/ grounds to gather evidence for the investigation. In addition, the Committee is carrying out engagement activities to gather views on the impact of new stadia on local communities in London. The Committee is asked to note the summaries of its site visits (**Appendices 1 and 2**) and informal meetings (**Appendices 3 and 4**) in connection with this investigation.
- **Follow-up on the London Legacy Development Corporation (LLDC):** The Committee will follow up its December 2013 report on the work of the LLDC. This would examine the LLDC's budget to support its regeneration activities (and progress towards becoming self-sustaining by 2017/18), its progress on construction of homes at Chobham Manor and appointing a developer for Eastwick and Sweetwater, and new transport connections along the western edge of the Park. The LLDC is the subject of today's main discussion item, as noted under Item 5 on this agenda.
- **The Royal Docks and Enterprise Zones:** the Committee will arrange a site visit to the Royal Docks for its slot on 16 December 2014 to be briefed about plans for the regeneration of the site, and partners involved in the development. The visit would give the Committee an opportunity to hear about the GLA's vision for the Royal Docks, the aims of the Enterprise Zone, and its effectiveness to date. During the visit, Members would seek to meet with a range of stakeholders involved in the development of the Royal Docks. Following the site visit, the Committee will hold a meeting to discuss the Enterprise Zone, with representatives of the GLA, and other relevant stakeholders. The meeting will cover the objectives of the Enterprise Zone, the GLA's work to promote it, progress to date, and priorities for its development.
- **Smithfield Market/ Farringdon, and Intensification Areas:** The Committee plans to visit Smithfield Market in Farringdon, where there are plans for regeneration of the market building and surrounding area. It is proposed that this site visit takes place on the Committee's meeting slot on 3 February 2015 instead of a committee meeting. Proposals by the site's leaseholders to convert the building into a £160 million office and retail development were rejected by the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government in July 2014, following two public enquiries into the scheme. The Committee could visit the market to receive a briefing on the main issues raised in the public enquiries into Smithfield market and the reasons for the Secretary of State's decision to reject the planning application, alternative plans for the market, and consultation and engagement informing plans the redevelopment. Furthermore, the Smithfield and Farringdon area is designated as an Intensification Area in the London Plan (as an area with good transport links which could

benefit from further development). The Committee could follow this visit with further work on regeneration in Intensification Areas in the 2015/16 Assembly year.

- **Follow up on the Mayor’s regeneration funds:** the Committee plans to use a meeting in 2014/15 to discuss the GLA’s regeneration funds. In this session Members could revisit the work the Committee carried out on the Outer London Fund and Mayor’s Regeneration Fund in 2013/14. In addition, the Committee plans to consider the High Street Fund (worth up to £9 million), which the Mayor launched in September 2014; the Growing Places Fund; and the New Homes Bonus.

4.2 Further to informal discussion between the Chairman and Deputy Chair, the proposed schedule for the Committee’s remaining meetings in 2014/15 Assembly year is shown below:

Date	Proposed Main item of business
Tuesday 16 December 2014	Royal Docks site visit (no committee meeting)
Wednesday 7 January 2015	Enterprise zones
Tuesday 3 February 2015	Smithfield Market/ Farringdon site visit (no committee meeting)
Tuesday 10 March 2015	The Mayor’s regeneration funds

Other topics

4.3 In addition, from time to time the Committee may decide to hold informal meetings with stakeholders and respond to consultations that are relevant to the Committee’s work.

Infrastructure Plan consultation

4.4 The Committee contributed to the Assembly’s submission to the consultation on the Mayor’s Infrastructure Plan. The Committee responded to consultation questions relating to digital connectivity, drawing on its previous work on this topic. The Committee submitted its response to the Planning Committee, which coordinated the Assembly’s response to the consultation. A copy of the Committee’s submission is attached as Appendix 4 to Agenda Item 4 (Summary of Action and Action taken by the Chairman under delegated authority).

5. Legal Implications

5.1 The Committee has the power to do what is recommended in this report.

6. Financial Implications

6.1 There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

List of appendices to this report:

Appendix 1 – Note of site visit to West Ham United FC on 2 September 2014.

Appendix 2 – Note of site visit to Manchester City FC on 15 September 2014.

Appendix 3 – Summary of the informal meeting between the Chairman, Deputy Chair and Cargiant on 30 September 2014

Appendix 4 – Summary of the informal meeting between the Chairman, Deputy Chair and Millwall FC on 2 October 2014.

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List of Background Papers: None

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