

MINUTES

Meeting: Environment Committee
Date: Wednesday 4 February 2015
Time: 10.30 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)
James Cleverly AM
Len Duvall AM
Nicky Gavron AM
Jenny Jones AM
Kit Malthouse AM

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

1.1 There were no apologies for absence.

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 December 2014 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 outstanding actions arising from previous meetings of the Committee be noted.

5 Thames Water (Item 5)

5.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat as background to putting questions on the work and policies of Thames Water to the following invited guests:

- Richard Aylard CVO, External Affairs and Sustainability Director, Thames Water;
- Alex Nickson, Policy & Programmes Manager, GLA;
- Sir Tony Redmond, Chair, London and South East Region, Consumer Council for Water; and
- Kevin Reid, Principal Policy Manager, GLA.

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

5.3 During the course of the discussion, Thames Water committed to provide the Committee with the following additional information:

- The breakdown of expenditure on sustainable drainage across Thames Water's business plan, particularly in London if possible;
- A copy of the presentation given to the Mayor's Office on methods used to identify potential leaks in the trunk main network;
- The initial position taken by Thames Water in the negotiations with the water regulator on leakage targets; and
- A copy of the forward programme setting out the potential expansion of the smarter homes visits beyond the current pilot in Bexley and Greenwich.

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5.4 Thames Water further committed to write directly to the Deputy Chair with further information on the issue he raised in Northumberland Avenue, WC2.

5.5 **Resolved:**

That the report and discussion be noted.

6 Environment Committee Work Programme (Item 6)

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

6.2 **Resolved:**

That the work programme be noted.

7 Date of Next Meeting (Item 7)

7.1 The date of the next meeting of the Committee was confirmed as Tuesday 3 March 2015 at 10.00 am in the Chamber, City Hall.

8 Any Other Business the Chair Considers Urgent (Item 8)

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

9 Close of Meeting

9.1 The meeting ended at 12.30 pm.

Chair

Date

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