

Subject: Transport-led Regeneration

Report to: Regeneration Committee

Report of: Executive Director of Secretariat

Date: 2 July 2015

This report will be considered in public

1. Summary

- 1.1 This report proposes that the Committee agrees the scope of its investigation on transport-led regeneration and uses this meeting to hold a discussion on the topic with expert guests and stakeholders.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 **That the Committee agrees the proposed terms of reference and scope for its investigation into transport-led regeneration, as set out in paragraphs 4.1 and 4.2 of this report.**
- 2.2 **That the Committee notes the report as background to a discussion with invited guests regarding transport-led regeneration, and notes the discussion.**
- 2.3 **That the Committee notes the summary of the site visit to Vauxhall Nine Elms and Battersea on 2 June 2015 to support this investigation, attached at Appendix 2 to this report.**

3. Background

- 3.1 At its meeting on 10 March 2015, the Committee agreed its initial priorities for 2015/16, the first of which is an investigation on transport-led regeneration.

4. Issues for Consideration

Scope of the investigation

- 4.1 A scoping paper at **Appendix 1** sets out the proposed terms of reference, background information, topics to be covered, and approach to the Committee's investigation.
- 4.2 The proposed terms of reference for the investigation are:

- To examine how the Mayor and TfL use transport investment to promote regeneration and how they work with a range of stakeholders to identify transport improvements;
- To examine how TfL is using its Growth Fund, including the rationale for allocating £360 million to the fund, the criteria used to decide how it should be spent, and its potential impact on different types of regeneration (i.e. economic, physical and social), and on different groups; and
- To clarify the choices facing a future Mayor on the use of transport investment to support regeneration.

4.3 The Committee plans to use information collected at its site visit on 2 June 2015, a formal meeting on 2 July 2015, written information from stakeholders, and engagement with local communities to gather evidence for its investigation.

2 June site visit

4.4 At its meeting on 10 March 2015, the Committee agreed to carry out a site visit as part of this investigation. The Committee visited Vauxhall Nine Elms and Battersea on 2 June 2015. Committee Members received a briefing from TfL on the purpose of the Growth Fund and its plans for transport improvements at Vauxhall Cross. The visit also provided the Committee with an opportunity to receive an update on the progress of the regeneration programme at Vauxhall Nine Elms and Battersea. A summary of the visit is attached at **Appendix 2** for noting.

2 July discussion

4.5 The following guests have been invited to the Committee's meeting on 2 July:

- Isabel Dedring, Deputy Mayor for Transport;
- Alex Williams, Director of Borough Planning, TfL;
- Dr Karen Lucas, Associate Professor, Institute of Transport Studies, University of Leeds; and
- Martyn Evans, Creative Director, Cathedral Group.

4.6 The meeting will look to cover the following issues:

- The relationship between transport infrastructure and regeneration, including the distributional effects on a range of stakeholders;
- The impact of transport on key regeneration programmes in London;
- How the Mayor and TfL use transport to drive regeneration, and how they consult local communities;
- The role of the Growth Fund and its links with other mayoral and TfL funding for transport improvements to support regeneration; and
- The Mayor and TfL's future plans for regeneration-focused investment.

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 – Transport-led regeneration scoping paper

Appendix 2 – Summary of the site visit to Vauxhall Nine Elms and Battersea on 2 June 2015

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List of Background Papers: There are none
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