

**LSDC Full Commission Meeting  
Friday 12 July 2013, 2.30-5pm, CR5  
Minutes**

**Present:** John Plowman (Chair), Karen Lawrence, Richard Stephenson, Paul Toyne, Chris Church, , Andrew MacAskill, Howard Davidson, Nicky Gavron

**Secretariat:** Patrick Feehily, Nusrat Yousuf, Jemma Percy

**Apologies:** Sue Riddlestone, Andy Wales, Alison Barnes, Ed Gillespie, , Paul de Zylva, Harpinder Singh, Samantha Heath, Shaun McCarthy, Adrian Gurney

## **1. Introduction and apologies**

The Chair reviewed the actions from the previous meeting.

**Action: NY to liaise with Samantha Heath regarding engagement with councillors / officers on QoL before a Tech Committee meeting.**

**Action: Secretariat to follow up with action owners in advance of Commission meetings to ensure completion.**

## **2. Commission update**

- **Minutes of last Full Commission meeting.**

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

- **Work streams update**

The meeting received a paper updating the group on progress around each of the Commission's work streams. Additional information was provided, as follows:

- **Quality of Life**

A workshop had taken place before the full Commission meeting that brought together Commissioners and many of the GLA data leads. Paul Toyne reported that opinion had been split loosely into two camps – those who felt the task of undertaking causal loop analysis in relation to Quality of Life predictor indicators was too complex and required thorough academic analysis, and those advocating pushing forward with the work and initially taking one area (such as Health) and looking in more detail at what data is available with a view to developing a model to assist policy makers. It was agreed that the sub-group would digest feedback from the workshop more thoroughly before making their recommendations.

- Nicky Gavron suggested inviting Onkar Sahota from the London Assembly Health Committee to be involved with the work if pursued down the health route. NG also suggested connecting with work being undertaken by the World Bank on core indicators for all cities via Patricia McCartney is the contact.

- PT had presented on QoL at the Leverhulme enquiry into eco-cities which has looked at over 46 different frameworks.

**Action: PT to provide link to report on the Leverhulme enquiry into eco-cities.**

- **Closed Loop**

Paul Toyne reported that Daryl Newport at the University of East London is involved with a project around industrial symbiosis which is joining up waste streams in Dagenham and Barking and co-locating businesses according to their related needs. It was agreed that Daryl Newport might be able to inform the sub-group on the "landscape review" of existing closed loop efforts in London.

**Action: NY to approach Daryl Newport to find out more about the industrial symbiosis project and landscape review.**

**Action: NY to seek out GLA resources to assist with the closed loop work if possible.**

- **Scope 3 / PAS2070**

Paul Toyne reported that Peter Madden from the Future Cities Catapult is involved in setting up an innovation centre, and PT had also suggested he implement PAS2070 in Glasgow. There is a possible link to the LSDC's Green Entrepreneurs work.

- **Communications**

Comms team to discuss and scope the value of a 'Hackathon' approach to the Quality of Life work to gain more mileage from the data set. Chris Church suggested also looking at Citizen Cyberscience at UCL Chorley Institute. Other work has also been undertaken around mapping how people feel about their environment, entitled 'Mappiness'.

### **3. LSDC Communications**

Ed Gillespie was unable to attend due to other commitments and sent his apologies. In his absence, Patrick Feehily summarised his and EG's discussions as follows:

- LSDC press releases do not need to be cleared or authorised by the press team (unless a Mayoral quote is included) and should be sent for information only.
- The LSDC should ensure a policy of 'no surprises' with the GLA press team
- A common sense approach should be used by Commissioners when speaking in public (both at conferences and to the media) and the Secretariat should be kept informed of such activities

The group agreed this was a reasonable way forward.

**Action: EG to circulate his slide and secretariat to write up the spokesperson protocol as appropriate.**

### **4. Old Street Tech City / Open Institute**

- Stephie Joslin from the GLA Development, Enterprise & Environment team presented an update on plans to develop provision for innovators and entrepreneurs around the Old Street area. The work revolves around three objectives:
  - To develop an institute to support technological advancement and businesses in general
  - To regenerate the Old Street roundabout
  - To regenerate the wider area around the Old Street roundabout
- The engagement and consultation process has been running since May 2013 and remains on-going. The consultation involves talking with businesses, tech workers, locals people etc to establish where the gaps are in terms of support and provision.

- Initial findings suggest the work will focus around the areas of education and skills development to meet a perceived skills shortage, as a “shop window” for opportunities and developing an auditorium as a neutral space for product launches etc.
- Feedback on the plans can be provided through [www.oi-london.org.uk](http://www.oi-london.org.uk)

## **5. Overview of the content: Mayoral 2020 Vision**

- Richard Walker from the GLA Intelligence team provided an overview of the Mayor’s new 2020 vision.
- The full report is available at: [www.london.gov.uk/sites/default/files/2020\\_vision\\_web.pdf](http://www.london.gov.uk/sites/default/files/2020_vision_web.pdf)
- Key points from the discussion were as follows:
  - The population of London is projected to be 9 million by 2020 and 10 million by 2030
  - In areas of the vision where work is not already being undertaken, the GLA is bringing together stakeholders and appropriate organisations to fill the gaps
  - There is an internal task force responsible for ensuring the London Finance Commission is matched up with the Mayor’s 2020 vision
  - The main drivers for population growth in London are a slowdown in outwards migration due to the economic downturn and housing shortage in the South East and also the existence of a double humped fertility curve
  - An implementation plan for the vision is being drafted and is expected in the Autumn. At the next meeting, Andrew Collinge (GLA Assistant Director of Intelligence) will provide a further update on implementation of the vision and implications for the GLA
  - The vision and implementation plan will mean revisions are needed to the London Plan
  - There is a role for the LSDC in advising on areas that should also be revised in the next iteration of the London Plan

**Action: A discussion is to be held at the next Full Commission meeting about where the LSDC might input**

**Date of next meeting: 25 October 2013**