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## CABINET

Monday 15 October 2018 at 5.00 pm

## MINUTES

### **PRESENT:**

#### **Cabinet Members:**

Councillor Matthew  
Bennett

Councillor Edward Davie

Councillor Jim Dickson

Councillor Jacqui Dyer

Councillor Paul Gadsby

Councillor Claire Holland

Councillor Jack Hopkins

Councillor Lib Peck

Councillor Mohammed  
Seedat

Councillor Andy Wilson

Councillor Sonia Winifred

#### **Portfolio:**

Cabinet Member for Planning, Investment & New  
Homes

Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care (job  
share)

Cabinet Member for the Voluntary Sector, Partnerships  
and Community Safety (job share)

Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care (job  
share)

Cabinet Member for Housing

Cabinet Member for Environment and Clean Air

Deputy Leader of the Council (Jobs, Skills and  
Performance)

Cabinet Member for the Voluntary Sector, Partnerships  
and Community Safety (job share)

Cabinet Member for Finance

Cabinet Member for Equalities and Culture

#### **Apologies for absence**

Councillor Jennifer Brathwaite

**Also present:**

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required by

**1. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

There were none.

**2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the previous meeting held on 17 September 2018 be approved and signed by the Chair as a correct record of the proceedings.

**3. LAMBETH LOCAL PLAN REVIEW**

The Cabinet Member for Planning, Investment and New Homes, Councillor Matthew Bennett, introduced the report and noted that the Lambeth Local Plan had been adopted in September 2015 subject to early review. The report under consideration recommended a second round of public consultation on the Draft Revised Lambeth Local Plan and responded to changes in national planning policy as well as the emerging new London Plan. Councillor Bennett noted a range of policy areas where the council was proposing changes. These included student housing, hotels, the approach to managing house conversions, affordable housing, viability assessments, minimum space standards, affordable workspace, car-free developments and improved cycling infrastructure. He thanked members of the Planning and Development Cabinet Advisory Panel for their input before expressing particular gratitude to Catherine Carpenter and the Planning Policy team for their work to date on the Draft Revised Local Plan.

Councillor Becca Thackray (Green Party) addressed the committee and requested further clarification on biodiversity calculations in planning assessments as well as carbon offsetting, which she said should be including in the Draft Revised Local Plan. The Planning Strategy and Policy Manager, Catherine Carpenter, responded the new London Plan covered these issues and would work alongside the Draft Revised Local Plan. The new London Plan included the Urban Greening Factor (a quantification of green infrastructure including biodiversity) as well as a requirement for carbon offsetting. Lambeth collected related financial contributions in certain circumstances.

The Leader of the Council, Councillor Lib Peck, welcomed the inclusion of proposed policy changes around affordable workspace which, coupled with the council's new Creative and Digital Industries Strategy, would provide support for organisations throughout Lambeth. She then expressed thanks to officers for their continued work on the Local Plan.

It was **RESOLVED:**

1. To agree public consultation on the Draft Revised Lambeth Local Plan (Appendix 2 of the report) and associated Proposed Changes to the Policies Map (Appendix 4), to take place over eight weeks

between October and December 2018.

2. To agree the Local Development Scheme (Appendix 5 of the report).

#### 4. **LAMBETH TRANSPORT STRATEGY**

The Cabinet Member for Environment and Clean Air, Councillor Claire Holland, introduced the report which presented a long-term vision for mobility and connection across the borough. She explained that the guiding principles of the Draft Transport Strategy had been developed following consultation with key stakeholders and that they would help to deliver the three priorities identified in Borough Plan 2016-2021. The Transport Strategy presented an opportunity to extend Lambeth's reputation as a walking, cycling and public transport borough. It placed public health at the centre of transport planning and tackled poor air quality, focusing on people rather than traffic.

Councillor Becca Thackray (Green Party) addressed Cabinet and welcomed the Draft Transport Strategy, noting that Lambeth had a high potential for increased numbers of cyclists. She asked whether the possibility of a Mini-Holland had been investigated before requesting further information on an additional Overground station, accessibility at Loughborough Junction Station and potential SCOOT (Split Cycle Offset Optimisation Technique) schemes.

The Transport and Public Realm Strategy Manager, Simon Phillips, responded that TfL now operated a Liveable Neighbourhoods programme which gave boroughs the opportunity to bid for funding for long-term schemes, however not to the same levels as Mini-Holland. Potential Overground stations had been investigated at Brixton and Brixton East and officers were now looking at Loughborough Junction, the latter of which would receive improvements to accessibility in the event of a viable scheme being agreed and confirmed. Officers would also explore whether SCOOT could be used as a tool to encourage compliance with the speed limit in the borough.

The Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care, Councillor Ed Davie, welcomed the emphasis on sustainable forms of transport and cited the public health emergency resulting from the air quality in London. Lambeth Council needed to be ambitious in its action to improve air quality and tackle climate change. Simon Phillips added that lots of small changes on a local level would produce positive results.

Councillor Lib Peck said that cabinet members work with officers to investigate the successes of the Mini-Holland scheme in Waltham Forest and engage with their colleagues across London. A site visit would be beneficial.

Councillor Holland concluded that the council was working with local communities on these issues and would also engage with the Mayor of London to deliver a more sustainable environment for residents. It would also put pressure on Government and train providers to address air quality and improve local transportation.

It was **RESOLVED**:

1. To agree public consultation on the Draft Transport Strategy and Local Implementation Plan (Appendices 1 and 2 of the report) to take place over eight weeks between October and December 2018.
2. To approve the Draft Local Implementation Plan for submission to TfL.
3. To delegate authority to Cabinet Member for Environment and Clean Air to approve any revisions to the Local Implementation Plan required by TfL.

**5. REPORT TO AUTHORISE THE FIRST ROUND PUBLIC CONSULTATION ON A PRELIMINARY DRAFT CIL CHARGING SCHEDULE**

The Cabinet Member for Planning, Investment and New Homes, Councillor Matthew Bennett, introduced the report and explained that since agreeing Lambeth's CIL Charging Schedule in 2014, the council had raised over £20m from private developments to fund local infrastructure. It would now consult of the revised CIL Charging Schedule with the intent of increasing collection by up to £74m for the period 2020/21 to 2024/25. The Draft CIL Charging Schedule also redefined geographical boundaries to reflect varying land values in different parts of the borough and incentivised the development of Affordable Housing by charging no CIL on those schemes.

In response to questions from the Cabinet Member for Finance, officers said that the projected CIL collection figures had been generated in line with current forecasts for housing development, but noted factors such as Brexit could result in fluctuation. The proposed CIL charging rate for student housing was based on the land values in the borough, taking account that most had historically come forward in the north, and the valuation advice was that it was set at an appropriate level. Officers would keep this under review and consider increases if supported by further analysis.

It was **RESOLVED**:

1. To authorise the first round public consultation from 22 October until 17 December 2018 on the Preliminary Draft Charging Schedule which proposes new CIL rates, to be held simultaneously with the public consultation on the Local Plan and Transport Strategy.

The meeting ended at 5.36 pm

CHAIR  
CABINET  
Monday 5 November 2018

Date of Despatch: Friday 19 October 2018

Call-in Date: Friday 26 October 2018

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