

OWNERSHIP AND STEWARDSHIP CABINET ADVISORY PANEL

Thursday 22 October 2020 at 6.00 pm

MINUTES

PRESENT: Councillor Matthew Bennett (Chair), Councillor Jennifer Brathwaite and Councillor Paul Gadsby

APOLOGIES: Councillor Iain Simpson

ALSO Councillor David Amos
PRESENT:

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

2. MINUTES

The minutes of the 23 July were agreed, subject to the below changes:

- Councillor Iain Simpson and Councillor David Amos were present at the meeting.

3. FINANCE PRESENTATION

The AD Finance (HFL programme), Andrew Forde-Johnston, presented the report.

It was noted that the modelling would continue to be updated and stress tested, to continue to ensure that the projects were viable.

4. HFL DELIVERY PERFORMANCE AND UPDATE AND RISK REGISTER

Report presented by Jitinder Takhar, the Chief Executive of HfL.

In response to questions from Panel Members, it was noted that:

- Several projects had been commissioned and that some planning permissions were slightly delayed but that progress was being made to meet most start of year targets by year end.
- There would be quarterly reviews to give assurance to Cabinet.
- Members were pleased with the statistics of interns and apprenticeship.
- That appraisals on further LB Lambeth owned sites might be undertaken to ascertain whether existing underutilised sites were viable to create affordable housing.
- It was noted that the Director of Regeneration & Housing Growth and Director of Housing were liaising on a strategic approach on developing a housing growth strategy within the borough.

5. VACANT POSSESSION - UPDATE

The Assistant Director of Housing Delivery gave an update.

In response to questions from Panel Members, it was noted that:

- The department was aligning the approach to resident transition with the HFL programme.. It was likely to use CPOs to secure vacant possession and that the strategy was being further developed in this regard.

6. LIVEABILITY COMMITMENTS

The Co-Strategic Director for Sustainable Growth & Opportunity, Eleanor Purser gave a brief update.

In response to questions from Panel Members, it was noted that:

- The approach to Liveability is being closely developed and implemented between the Housing and Housing Delivery teams.

7. AOB

- Appointing of Chair for HfL board was ongoing.

CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting ended at 7.17 pm

CHAIR

Date of Despatch: 6 November 2020

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