

PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

28 October 2011

Minutes of the special meeting of the PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE held at Guildhall, EC2 on FRIDAY, 28 OCTOBER 2011 at 10.30am.

Present

Members:

Deputy Michael Welbank (Deputy
Chairman, in the Chair)
Deputy John Barker
Pollyanna Davies
The Revd Dr Martin Dudley
Sophie Fernandes
Marianne Fredericks
Archie Galloway
Tom Hoffman
Michael Hudson
Clare James

Alderman Sir Paul Judge
Oliver Lodge
Brian Mooney
Sylvia Moys
Ann Pembroke
Henry Pollard
Ian Seaton
John Spanner
Angela Starling
Alderman John White
Alderman Alan Yarrow

Officers:

Chris Duffield	- Town Clerk and Chief Executive
Simon Murrells	- Assistant Town Clerk
Jacqui Daniels	- Town Clerk's Department
Andrew Colvin	- Comptroller and City Solicitor
Loretta Jennings	- Comptroller & City Solicitor's Department
Philip Everett	- Director of Built Environment
Tony Halmos	- Director of Public Relations
Greg Williams	- Public Relations Office

In Attendance

Deputy Ken Ayers
David Bradshaw
Roger Chadwick
Nigel Challis
Deputy Robin Eve
John Fletcher
Deputy William Fraser
Alderman Alison Gowman
Deputy Pauline Halliday
Edward Lord
Alderman Ian Luder
Deputy Greg Lawrence
Jeremy Mayhew
Michael Page

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Alex Bain-Stewart, Mark Boleat, John Chapman, Peter Dunphy, Alderman Roger Gifford, Robert Howard, Deputy Keith Knowles Deputy John Owen-Ward, Jeremy Simons and Mark Twogood.

2. DECLARATIONS BY MEMBERS OF PERSONAL OR PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS IN RESPECT OF ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED AT THIS MEETING

There were no declarations.

3. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

MOTION (Proposed by Deputy Michael Welbank and Seconded by Archie Galloway) – That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act as follows:-

<u>Item No.</u>	<u>Exempt Paragraph</u>
4	5

A Member proposed that the Motion be not carried in view of the good behaviour of the public present.

The Town Clerk reminded the Committee of the terms of Paragraph 5 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 and that whilst it was entirely a matter for Members to decide upon, the Comptroller and City Solicitor had advised that the subject concerned information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings.

The Motion to exclude the public was voted upon and carried (12 votes for, 4 against).

The Committee adjourned for a short while whilst the public were excluded.

SUMMARY OF MATTERS CONSIDERED WHILST THE PUBLIC WERE EXCLUDED

4. DEMONSTRATION NEAR TO ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL

Report of the Comptroller and City Solicitor relating to a protest encampment near to St Paul's Cathedral was considered in detail. The following was agreed by the Committee:-

1) that proceedings be commenced to remove the encampment on the grounds that the encampment constitutes an unreasonable user of the highway and/or on such other grounds as may be advised;

2) in the event the factual circumstances relating to the obstruction of the highway change from those set out in the report before proceedings are commenced, but the encampment remains, that the Committee delegates to the

Town Clerk & Chief Executive, in consultation with the Chairman and Deputy Chairman, the decision whether to commence proceedings; and

3) that a further report be submitted to this Committee on the outcome of legal proceedings and prior to any enforcement action being taken.

The meeting closed at 11.25pm

CHAIRMAN

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