

Report from the Capital Ambition AGM – Item no: 25 June 2015

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Summary: Summary of the minutes of the London Councils' Capital Ambition AGM held on 25 June 2015.

Recommendations: For information.

1. **Attendance:** *Members:* Edward Lord OBE JP (City of London - Chair), Cllr Nicholas Paget-Brown (RB Kensington and Chelsea), Cllr Paul McGlone (LB Lambeth - Dep); *London Councils:* John O'Brien (Chief Executive), Frank Smith (Director of Corporate Resources), Thomas Man (Head of Capital Ambition), Lisa Henry (Capital Ambition Programme Manager), Emily Tofts (London Ventures Programme Manager), Mehboob Khan (Labour Group Political Advisor), Sarah Sturrock (Strategic Lead: Health and Adult Services); *Advisers:* Nathan Elvery (LB Croydon), James Rolfe (LB Enfield); *Board Secretariat:* Ana Gradiska (Principal Governance and Projects Officer); *EY:* Darra Singh (Partner, Government & Public Services), Victoria Evans (Manager, Government & Public Services), Louise Warman (Manager, Government & Public Services); *Project partners:* Matthew Wallbridge (LB Croydon) Ian O'Donnell (LB Ealing), Hamza Yusuf (LB Hackney).
2. **Apologies:** Apologies were received from Cllr Stephen Alambritis (LB Merton), Cllr Jas Athwal (LB Redbridge), Cllr David Simmonds CBE (LB Hillingdon), Martin Smith (LB Ealing), Rob Leak (LB Enfield) and Mike O'Donnell (LB Camden)
3. **Minutes of the meeting held on 21 May 2015** The minutes were agreed as an accurate record of the non-exempt part of the meeting held on 21 May 2015.
4. **Minutes of the Capital Ambition AGM held on 17 July 2014 (for noting)** Members noted the minutes of the CAB AGM held on 17 July 2014.
5. **Capital Ambition AGM – Operational matters and accounts**
 - The Board noted the appointment of the Capital Ambition Board and election of its Chair and Vice Chair by Leaders' Committee on 2 June 2015. The elected Chair was Edward Lord OBE JP, and the elected Vice Chair was Cllr Stephen Alambritis.

- James Rolfe, Director of Finance, Resources and Customer Services, LB Enfield, a new advisor to the Board, was welcomed by members and officers.
- Members approved the financial statement and transactions list for 2014/15, and the three year budget proposal and business plan.

6. Supporting health and social care reform and devolution

- The Chair said that this proposal originated from a discussion at Leaders' Committee. It was envisaged that Capital Ambition could support the strengthening of local partnerships for health and social care reform. Sarah Sturrock, Strategic Lead for Health and Adult Services at London Councils, introduced her paper which summarised further developments around health and care reform and devolution, and initial considerations by officers about potential areas in which Capital Ambition could play a constructive role to help move these forward. The estimated budget for this piece of work was £150,000; however, this figure may change once the detailed business case has been developed, and so flexibility on the budget would be helpful.
- Members agreed to use Capital Ambition funding of up to £150,000 to support the development of sub-regional working arrangements for health with strong borough engagement, subject to the agreement of a detailed business case. They also agreed to delegate approval of the business case to the Chair in consultation with the Chair of London Councils and the Health portfolio holder and report back to the Board's September meeting.
- The Chair then added a further recommendation: that members agree for the Chair and Vice Chair to have delegated authority to increase the budget by up to another £100,000, should the original budget prove to be insufficient. Members agreed this recommendation.

7. London Ventures:

Feedback from current investment cases

- Hamza Yusuf updated the members on the progress of the Xantura Children's Safeguarding Profiling Model programme in LB Hackney. He gave an update on general progress and benefits already realised.
- Matthew Wallbridge from Croydon outlined the benefits of the four programmes that LB Croydon has been involved in:
- Ian O'Donnell said that the London Fraud Prevention Hub was progressing well.
- The Chair asked for some of the presenters, along with Darra Singh and Nathan Elvery to present at the Leaders' Committee in October, so that the LV programme could gain greater recognition within London local authorities.
- Members agreed the focus of the work for the rest of 2015/16, including divesting of Ventures not aligned to the strategic or commercial programme priorities.