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ODA PLANNING COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: MINUTES OF 56th COMMITTEE MEETING
Held on 24 November 2009 at 18.00
Old Town Hall, Stratford, 29 Broadway, London E15 4BQ

Present:
David Taylor Deputy Chairman

Local Authority Members:
Cllr Geoffrey Taylor LB Hackney
Cllr Roque Ahmed LB Tower Hamlets
Cllr Conor McAuley LB Newham
Cllr Terry Wheeler LB Waltham Forest

Independent Members:
Mike Appleton
Celia Carrington
William Hodgson
Dru Vesty

Officers in attendance:
Vivienne Ramsey ODA, Head of Development Control
Anthony Hollingsworth ODA, Chief Planner Development Control, Planning Decisions Team
Richard Smith ODA Transport Advisor, Planning Decisions Team, (Halcrow)
Richard Griffiths ODA Legal Adviser, Planning Decisions Team, ( Pinsent Masons)
Susan Krouwel ODA, Committee Secretary

1. APOLOGIES
   (AGENDA ITEM 1)

   1.1. Lorraine Baldry and Janice Morphet sent their apologies.

2. UPDATES, ORDER OF BUSINESS, AND REQUESTS TO SPEAK
   (AGENDA ITEM 2)

   2.1. There were no updates.

   2.2. The order of business was unchanged.
3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
   (AGENDA ITEM 3)

3.1. The Secretary read the following statement:

'Members of this Planning Committee need to declare personal interests relevant to the agenda at the beginning of each meeting of the Planning Committee.

'Members will see that the paper for Item 3 which has been circulated lists interests which they have declared which appear to be personal interests relating to Item 5.

'Would Members please confirm that the declarations of personal interests listed in the paper for Item 3 are correct; and state if there are any other interests you wish to declare?

'Personal interests are prejudicial if a reasonable member of the public with knowledge of the relevant facts would conclude that the nature of your personal interest is such that your judgement of the public interest is likely to be affected. If, by virtue of your personal interest you have been involved in decisions about these proposals, you may have a prejudicial interest. In that circumstance you would need to leave the meeting during the consideration of that item. In light of the agenda before you this evening, please state whether or not any of the interests declared are prejudicial interests?'

Members confirmed that the personal interests recorded were correct and that none were considered prejudicial.

4. MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING
   (AGENDA ITEM 4)

4.1. The Committee

AGREED the Minutes of the 55th Planning Committee Meeting.

5. 09/90333/S106ODA – OPTEMS Strategy
   (AGENDA ITEM 5)
Submission of OPTEMS Strategy 2009 pursuant to Schedule 4 of the September 2007 Section 106 Agreement.

London Olympic Site – Land North of Stratford Town Centre, East of the Lea Valley Navigation. South of Eastway and the A12 and West of the Lea Valley Railway

5.1. The ODA Transport Advisor for the Planning Decisions Team gave a presentation on the OPTEMS Strategy, which reported on the progress made on identifying, funding and implementing transport mitigation schemes. Twenty six schemes were included in the Strategy, which would together address all but 5 of the 105 locations and all 5 of the areas identified in the S106 Agreement for the Olympic and Paralympic planning permissions.
5.2. The focus in 2010 and 2011 would be on the delivery of the schemes, and in 2011 there would be a review of further priorities for the remaining funding.

5.3. A member queried why some of the work was delayed until after the Games. The Transport Advisor explained that some areas, such as the Eastway Link, would be closed during the Games and so it had been agreed with the boroughs that it would be more appropriate to carry out some measures after the Games.

5.4. A member asked to what extent the capacity to deliver had been assessed, and whether the remaining £6.5m of funding could be used to boost capacity if necessary. It was agreed that capacity was a key risk to delivery. The remaining funding could be provided to boost resources to ensure delivery if necessary.

5.5. A member recognised that each borough would have their own guidance and approach to streetscape design and asked whether OPTEMS had considered the detail of each of these approaches. The OPTEMS Chair, who was available to answer questions on how OPTEMS had reviewed the Strategy, explained that OPTEMS had considered in detail all of the original 43 submissions that were seeking funding from OPTEMS. Whilst every borough had their own guidance, proposals had been challenged where they did not appear to deliver the OPTEMS objectives. Funding for 26 out of the 43 schemes had been agreed in principle and were now included in the 2009 OPTEMS Strategy.

5.6. A member queried why only two schemes addressed car parking, when this was expected to be an area of major impact. It was explained that half of the affected area already had controlled parking, and that Stratford City and Newham were both addressing parking issues, so together with the two schemes there was a comprehensive approach.

5.7. Members noted the thoroughness of the consultation and the report and thanked the OPTEMS Chair for this. The OPTEMS Chair noted the hard work of the group, in particular the review panels, in considering all of the submissions.

5.8. There being no further questions the Chairman moved to a vote and the Planning Committee unanimously RESOLVED that:

the Committee

APPROVED the submitted 2009 OPTEMS Strategy.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS (AGENDA ITEM 6)

6.1. A Planning Officer explained that the next Committee meeting would be on 8 December. There would be briefings on the Health Centre, in Village plot N11, and the black water recycling facility, in the Olympic Park.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 6:35pm.
Signed: J. Boldm

Chairman

Date: 23/3/2010