

Meeting with: Sadiq Khan with Andy Lustgarten and Jayne McGiven from MSG

Briefing for: Sadiq Khan

Date: 18 October 2018

Time: 5.15pm

Location: City Hall

Proposed Agenda

- 1.Introductions
- 2. Update on 'Sphere'
- 3. London's cultural offer 24 hour vision for London
- 4. Relevant Mayoral Initiatives Mayors Construction Programme, Digital Talent

Programme, Good Work Standard

5. AOB

LLDC Position

- The MSG Sphere project is supported in strategic planning terms and aligns with LLDC's vision for Stratford as a Metropolitan Centre served by world class venues and world class cultural institutions.
- It would make a welcome contribution to London's cultural and creative industries, night time and visitor economy, and confirms Stratford's position as a key national and international visitor destination.
- Key strategic priorities for LLDC from the MSG Sphere are:
 - Infrastructure improvements to Stratford Station and Walking and Cycling on Montfichet Road
 - 2. Local resident access to skills training and employment
 - 3. Equalities and inclusion

1. Improvements to Stratford Station



Walking and Cycling on Montfichet Road

LLDC want Montfichet Rd (adjacent to the site) to be a more welcoming and attractive public space in line with Healthy Streets.

Widening the pavement and improving cycling facilities on Montfichet Rd, prioritising pedestrians and users of public transport to make it easier to move around.

2. Local resident access to skills training and employment

Promoting construction and end-use employment and skills opportunities for local residents

- LLDC are working with MSG to explore opportunities to develop a higher-level skills offer which could align with the 3D/Virtual Reality Academy that may be developed at Here East.
- The ambition for this academy is to develop a diverse, local talent pipeline who can take advantage of the high tech employment opportunities at Here East and from proposed developments like MSG.
- LLDC are also keen for MSG to work with the local Training Association during the construction phase.
- LB Newham want MSG to use their workplace provider, Newham Workplace, to support the prioritisation of construction and end-use jobs for their residents. LLDC supports this position.
- Community access to the proposed small venue and support for local venues.

2. Equalities and inclusion

- Inclusive design is key so that any person, regardless of their physical ability, can access the facilities. For example, there is no blue badge parking provision on site and MSG are proposing to make arrangements with use their disabled parking bays.
- LLDC have not received details on how this will work and what support patrons will
 have to get from their vehicle to their seat, if there would be a cost and how
 practicable this would be during an event.
- LLDC are also not convinced with the lift provision on Montfichet Rd, both the number of lifts proposed and their location.