



ISLINGTON

ENVIRONMENT AND REGENERATION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

29 September 2020

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Report of: Director of Law and Governance

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Environment & Regeneration Scrutiny Committee	29 September 2020	All

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Subject: MEMBERSHIP, TERMS OF REFERENCE AND DATES OF MEETINGS OF THE ENVIRONMENT & REGENERATION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

1. Synopsis

To inform members of the terms of reference of the Environment & Regeneration Scrutiny Committee.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 To note the membership appointed by Annual Council on 24 September 2020, terms of reference and dates of meetings of the Environment & Regeneration Scrutiny Committee for the municipal year 2020/21 as set out at Appendix A.

3. Background

- 3.1 The terms of reference of the Environment & Regeneration Scrutiny Committee (as at Part 5 of the Council's Constitution) are set out at Appendix A.
- 3.2 The membership and dates of meetings are also set out at Appendix A for information.

4. Implications

4.1 Financial Implications

None.

4.2 Legal Implications

None.

4.3 Resident Impact Assessment

The council must, in the exercise of its functions, have due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation, and to advance equality of opportunity, and foster good relations, between those who share a relevant protected characteristic and those who do not share it (section 149 Equality Act 2010). The council has a duty to have due regard to the need to remove or minimise disadvantages, take steps to meet needs, in particular steps to take account of disabled persons' disabilities, and encourage people to participate in public life. The council must have due regard to the need to tackle prejudice and promote understanding. A resident impact assessment is not relevant in this instance.

4.4 Environmental Implications

The environmental impacts have been considered and it was identified that the proposals in this report would have no adverse impacts on the following:

- Energy use and carbon emissions
- Use of natural resources
- Travel and transportation
- Waste and recycling
- Climate change adaptation
- Biodiversity
- Pollution

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5. Conclusion and reasons for recommendations

5.1 The report is submitted to ensure members are fully informed of the remit of the Committee.

Background Papers: None.

Appendices: Appendix A – Committee Membership, Future Meeting Dates, and Terms of Reference.

Final Report Clearance

Signed by



Director of Law and Governance

Date

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ENVIRONMENT & REGENERATION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – 2020/21

1. COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Councillors	Substitute Members
Councillor Dave Poyser (Chair)	Councillor Santiago Bell-Bradford
Councillor Roulin Khondoker (Vice Chair)	Councillor Janet Burgess
Councillor Tricia Clarke	Councillor Osh Gantly
Councillor Paul Convery	Councillor Sara Hyde
Councillor Phil Graham	Councillor John Woolf
Councillor Clare Jeapes	
Councillor Gulcin Ozdemir	
Councillor Kadeema Woodbyrne	
Councillor Caroline Russell	

2. MEETING DATES

- 29 September 2020
- 16 November 2020
- 17 December 2020
- 4 February 2021
- 8 March 2021
- 27 April 2021
- 8 June 2021

The dates, times and locations of meetings are publicised on the council's website – democracy.islington.gov.uk

3. TERMS OF REFERENCE PART 5 OF THE COUNCIL'S CONSTITUTION

Composition

Members of the Executive may not be members of the Environment & Regeneration Scrutiny Committee.

No member may be involved in scrutinising a decision in which he/she has been directly involved.

The Environment & Regeneration Scrutiny Committee shall be entitled to appoint a number of people as non-voting co-optees.

Quorum

The quorum for the Environment & Regeneration Scrutiny Committee shall be four members, not including co-opted members.

Terms of Reference

1. To carry out the functions of an overview and scrutiny committee in respect of matters relating to the Environment and Regeneration Directorate.
2. To scrutinise other sustainability and transport issues affecting the borough.
3. To undertake, a scrutiny review of its own choosing and any further review as directed by the Policy and Performance Scrutiny Committee and, consulting all relevant sections of the community, to make recommendations to the Executive thereon.
4. To carry out any review referred to it by the Policy and Performance Scrutiny Committee following consideration of a Councillor Call for Action referral.

DRAFT RECOMMENDATIONS SCRUTINY REVIEW – BEHAVIOURAL CHANGE

That the Executive be recommended, with a view to supporting the effective implementation of the Council's Zero Carbon strategy –

- a)** That given the success in a number of other Local Authorities of effective behavioural change being implemented, an appropriate organisation be engaged to undertake a pilot/s project to investigate the provision of applying behavioural change. The pilot project/s should be developed to support the Council's Net Zero Carbon strategy action plan. The pilot project/s should be determined by the Director of Environment and Regeneration, in consultation with the Chair/Vice Chair of the Committee, and Executive Member Environment
- b)** That in view of the need for 'cross cutting issues to be addressed effectively across Council areas, Departments should work closely together to ensure a clear message is communicated to residents, in order to avoid duplication and ensure a consistent message is conveyed
- c)** That appropriate 'pump prime' funding be made available for the behaviour change programmes in order to support the development of specific behaviour change trial projects in support of the New Zero Carbon Strategy ,
- d)** That following the completion of the pilot project, an analysis take place of the effectiveness of the project, with a view to promoting further work on behavioural change within the Council.
- e)** That a key element of commissioning and appropriate organisation(s) i includes the transfer of knowledge, expertise and tools to within the Council to enable future capacity and skills within services and corporately e.g. within the strategy and change unit.
- f)** That, in conjunction with recommendation a) above, an appropriate organisation be engaged to undertake a pilot project to investigate the provision of applying behavioural

change techniques to support the implementation of the net zero carbon strategy and as part the council's communications to specific cohorts of residents.

- g)** That consideration be given to a more localised approach to communications that can target messages to specific cohorts of residents, rather than more generic messages that are often not as effective as they could be.

- h)** That the Council seek funding opportunities to support the pilot and long-term implementation of behavioural change activities e.g. funding from Government, Mayor of London, other organisations, the LGA etc. The Government is supportive of behavioural change approaches, and the Mayor of London and other organisations have various funds that support tackling environmental issues and behavioural changes