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Housing, Finance and Corporate Services Committee

ROUND TWO (16 SEPTEMBER 15)

Agenda Item	Action and responsible officer	Update
Item 7 – Westminster Housing Strategy Consultation Responses & Analysis on Housing Targets	<p>Make explicit in the Direction of Travel Statement that the Council will still accept comments on the Draft Housing Strategy.</p> <p>That officers write to those sectors that were underrepresented in the responses when consulting on a revised draft of the Housing Strategy. (Actions for: Andrew Barry-Purssell/Cecily Herdman)</p>	<p>The direction of travel document will invite comments on what it says, not what's in the draft housing strategy.</p> <p>The Direction of Travel Statement, which invites ongoing comments, was sent to businesses representatives such as,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• London First• Westminster Business Councils• London Chamber of Commerce• London Federation of British Industry

ROUND THREE (17 NOVEMBER 15)

Agenda Item	Action and responsible officer	Update
Item 5 – Update from Cabinet Members	<p>Provide the committee with details of the alternative accommodation offered to temporary accommodation residents vacated from Tollgate Gardens once all relocations are complete. (Action for: Barbara Brownlee, Director of Housing & Regeneration)</p>	<p>An update has been sent to committee with a full report expected when all the re-locations are complete around March 2016.</p> <p>Outstanding information regarding out of borough placements was circulated to Committee on 11th July 2016.</p>

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ROUND SIX (13 APRIL 16)

Agenda Item	Action and responsible officer	Update
Item 7 – Total Facilities Management: Performance and Contract Support	<p>Provide the Committee with a summary of the results of the annual staff survey to determine whether the perception of the service delivery resonates with members' own experiences.</p> <p>Provide the committee with details of what the additional cost would be to the City Council of paying service provider staff the London Living Wage. (Action for: Debbie Morris, Head of Facilities Management, Tri-Borough)</p>	

ROUND ONE (13 JUNE 16)

Agenda Item	Action and responsible officer	Update
Item 4 – Work Programme	<p>Provide a briefing note updating the committee on government policy changes to the Private Rented Sector once published. (Action for: Andrew Barry-Purssell)</p>	<p>This will be included in the briefing note on changes being brought in through the Housing and Planning Act in the Autumn</p>
Item 5 – Update from Cabinet Members	<p>Provide Cllr Roca with a note on the Council's work to promote apprenticeships including the number provided within the Council and its contractors. (Action for: Greg Ward, Director of Economy & Infrastructure)</p> <p>Following a recommendation at a previous meeting, provide details of the number of Members that have raised</p>	<p>Information circulated to Cllr Roca & Committee 21st July</p> <p>Information circulated to committee 22nd June.</p>

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	<p>housing issues with CWH. (Action for: Barbara Brownlee, Director of Housing & Regeneration and Marc Wolman, Director of Customer Services, CityWest Homes)</p> <p>Provide Councillor Rigby with a note on the results of the CWH annual tenant and lessee satisfaction survey for 2015/16 and how these compare with the previous year's survey results. (Action for: Andrea Luker, Head of Strategy and Quality, CityWest Homes)</p> <p>Provide an update on progress in appointing a private market operator to run Berwick Street Market. (Action for: Greg Ward, Director of Economy & Infrastructure)</p>	<p>Information circulated to committee 22nd June.</p> <p>Information circulated to committee 16th August.</p>
<p>Item 6 – Employment and Business Support Operational Plan</p>	<p>Resolutions: The committee acknowledged that there is no statutory requirement for a local authority to reduce unemployment. However, having heard the evidence from invited witnesses it considered that the Council can make a difference and has a role to play in this matter. The committee heard that the Council is in a unique position of not only having a significant supply chain but is able to pool resources, use its influence to leverage partners and new sources of funding and coordinate other organisations. Given the particular challenges facing those in long term unemployment the committee applauded the ambitions of the service.</p> <p>The committee noted witnesses' observations regarding the</p>	<p>To note.</p>

benefits of co-locating services and the importance of addressing the health barriers that impact many of the people that have been unemployed longer than 2 years. Members were of the opinion that whilst the Council has significant property holdings co-location does not have to be delivered exclusively through Council owned property. For the service to succeed its design needs to incorporate links to the health sector. The committee also agreed with witnesses about the importance of all organisations participating in the management and delivery of employability programmes sharing responsibility for delivery and successes or failures.

Whilst the committee did not come to a view on which if any of the four strategic options was preferable to support the ambition it did request that any option chosen should incorporate an ability to assist those long-term unemployed residents living in temporary accommodation outside of the borough.

The committee suggested that the Council should promote those businesses that work with partners to provide opportunities for the long-term unemployed. Members also suggested that in designing the service the Council should incorporate the lessons learned from other local authorities and previous projects such as Family Recovery. The committee also concluded that given the significant challenges affecting those who have been long-term unemployed providing

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	in-depth targeted help to a smaller number of people would be more beneficial and productive than setting overambitious targets.	
Item 8 – Treasury Outturn for 2015/16	Provide the committee with details of how the Council's Treasury Outturn compares with that of comparable local authorities. (Action for: George Bruce, Tri-Borough Director of Treasury and Pensions)	The information will be provided as part of the Treasury Performance Half Year Statutory Review at the meeting in November