

MINUTES of the Extraordinary Meeting of Council held on 4 November 2013 at 7.30pm.

Present: Councillors Tony Fish (Mayor), Wendy Curtis (Deputy Mayor), Phil Anderson, Lynn Carr, Mark Coxshall, Charles Curtis, Angie Gaywood, Oliver Gerrish, Robert Gledhill, Yash Gupta, Garry Hague, James Halden, Victoria Holloway, Barry Johnson, John Kent, Charlie Key, Steve Liddiard, Susan Little, Tunde Ojetola, Bukky Okunade, Maureen Pearce, John Purkiss, Robert Ray, Joycelyn Redsell, Barbara Rice, Gerard Rice, Andrew Roast, Susan Shinnick, Andy Smith, Philip Smith, Richard Speight, Pauline Tolson, Simon Wootton and Lynn Worrall.

Apologies: Councillors Clare Baldwin, Sue Gray, Martin Healy, Shane Hebb, Wendy Herd, Tom Kelly, Cathy Kent, Suzanne MacPherson, Ben Maney, Val Morris-Cook, Barry Palmer, Michael Revell and Michael Stone.

Before the start of the Meeting, the Mayor advised all present that the meeting was being recorded and that the recording would be made available on the Council's website.

71. ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS

The Mayor informed the Council that he had not agreed to the consideration of any items of urgent business.

72. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

There were no declarations made.

73. PROPOSED LONDON GATEWAY LOGISTICS PARK LOCAL DEVELOPMENT ORDER: CONSIDERATION OF HABITAT SCREENING ASSESSMENT

Councillor Andy Smith, the Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Highways and Transportation introduced the report, which provided an update on the consideration required under the Habitats Regulations as to whether the development comprising the proposed Local Development Order would have a significant impact on Nature Conservation sites of European Importance.

The recommendations in the report were proposed by Councillor Andy Smith and seconded by Councillor Hague.

Upon being put to the vote, Members voted unanimously in favour of the recommendations, whereupon the Mayor declared these to be carried.

RESOLVED:

That Council:

- (i) Note the content of the “London Gateway Commercial and Logistics Park Local Development Order Habitat Regulations Information to Inform Screening Assessment Report” and the consultation responses received;**
- (ii) Formally determine, on the basis of the information available, that the development proposed by the LDO will not have a likely significant effect on a European site either alone or in combination with other plans or projects.**

74. PROPOSED LONDON GATEWAY LOGISTICS PARK: ADOPTION OF LOCAL DEVELOPMENT ORDER

Councillor Andy Smith, the Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Highways and Transportation introduced the report. In doing so, Members were informed that the adoption of the Local Development Order was of huge importance to the Council.

A number of Members spoke in respect of the item and raised the following points:

- the likely impact of rail movements on the community of East Tilbury, in particular access for emergency vehicles to the area.
- concern was expressed regarding the lack of communication provided to residents by DP World, in particular in respect of Sorrells roundabout.
- the provision for on-site parking and the monitoring of lorry movements was welcomed after previous concern expressed by Members regarding HGV parking.
- the need for ongoing dialogue between the Council and DP World to ensure that residents continue to reap the benefit of the port.

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Upon being put to the vote, Members voted unanimously in favour of the recommendations, whereupon the Mayor declared these to be carried.

RESOLVED:

That Council:

- (i) Note the Council's earlier decision (if that be the case) that the development to be authorised by the LDO will not have a likely significant effect on a European Site.**
- (ii) Agrees to make the London Gateway Logistics Park Local Development Order 2013 (attached at Appendix 1 to this report), subject to :**
 - (a) the signing of the S.106 Agreement (attached at Appendix 3 to this report) ; and**
 - (b) referral to the Secretary of State.**

The meeting finished at 8.11 pm.

Approved as a true and correct record

MAYOR

DATE

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