REGENERATION AND PLANNING OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BRIEFING

PPD key Issues Briefing

Delivery of the Major Sites Programme

- Implementation of the Tottenham Hale Masterplan
- Deliver the social infrastructure for Tottenham Hale
- Implement the Haringey Heartlands Masterplan planning application
- Prepare NDC Masterplan for sustainable land use and renewal for NDC bridge area.
- Establish the Major Sites Development Control team, which will
- be responsible for the processing the increased number of major
- applications which the council expects to receive in the coming
- year and beyond.

Continue to improve the services provided and maintain top quartile performance and improve VFM

- Review the VFM the Building Control Group provides and implement identified improvements.
- Continue to improve customer satisfaction / perception.
- Develop further the e-planning and other electronic service delivery initiatives in line with central government and corporate targets and users requirements. In particular e-consultation.
- Introduce an enhanced Pre Application Planning Advice Service which will improve the quality of applications received in terms of design and reduce the level of refusals.
- Introduce Planning Performance Agreements for Major Schemes.

Develop further the Local Development Framework

 By setting clearly defined and comprehensive milestones, and targets which are achievable.

Take the lead in developing the Council Climate Change Strategy

- Coordinate the inputs from services across the council to produce a comprehensive strategy.
- Work in partnership with neighbouring authorities and other statutory bodies to benchmark our proposals.

Promoting Regeneration

Urban Environment took a stand at the LGA national regeneration conference to promote the work we are doing on tacking worklessness and bringing forward our major sites. This stand will also go to the Regeneration and Renewal conference being held in London in May and is part of our ongoing work to promote the borough.

Worklessness and Employment

The Guarantee continues to go extremely well. We are still collating fourth quarter figures but at the last quarter end we had already exceeded the annual target for people participating in the programme (634 against target of 366) 132 people had secured employment against a annual target of 199 and 14 companies were involved in as employers against a target of 12.

Under the LDA funding we are expanding this programme to cover Enfield and Waltham forest where it will be marketed as the North London Pledge.

We are in discussion with Job Centre Plus and CONEL to develop a better programme to respond to job creation opportunities arising from inward investment or expansion as currently Job Centre plus are not able to deal with these demands for more customised recruitment and training.

The only area where we finding it more difficult is the mandatory LAA target to assist long term incapacity benefit claimants into work. Meeting this target is causing major problems for all local authorities but we are revamping of guarantee programme and have support from the PCT to offer additional support for people from this client group

Olympics

We continue to deliver the pre Olympic volunteering programme and our delivery in this area has exceeded some of the host boroughs in its first year. Our delivery partner is just completing the last cohort of 35 people.

In June Haringey will be organising a number of events to promote the Olympics as part of a north London strategic alliance consortium using LDA funding. This will include a conference for young people and additional activity at the Tottenham Carnival. We are awaiting information on a bid we submitted for an arts event in the Lee Valley Park to link in with Olympic events. All of these events are making the link with the cultural side of the Olympics as much as the sporting event.

The council is also developing proposals for a young people event to tie in with the formal handover of the Olympic to London at the end of the Beijing Olympics.

Town Centres

The Wood Green spatial development plan which has been led by the economic regeneration team will be going to planning committee on the 6th of May and then going out for consultation from the 17th of May.

Having completed the first phase of heritage façade improvements in Tottenham and Hornsey we are no going into the second phase which will see a further 6 buildings improved with new frontages. We have submitted an application for Myddleton rd but it will not be until the autumn that we get confirmation that the funding bid is successful.

Business Support

North London Business, the inward investment and business retention body for north London are currently bidding for the new LDA sub region contract that will now cover Haringey, Enfield, Barnet, Hackney, Islington, Camden and Westminister.

The City Growth programme now has a new champion. Dr Joe Walsh, Director of Innovation and development from BTs headquarters will now be chairing this initiative in line with the goal of linking local potential growth business to existing successful businesses. The deputy chair will be from Angie Hamiliton from Frazer Hamilton- a Tottenham based design and print company. The LDA will be continuing to support this initiative financially.

Our film office has continued to provide valuable support to film companies wanting to film in Haringey. Last year film income brought in £84k to the council and we match places such as Greenwich in film location activity.

Continue to improve the services provided and maintain top quartile performance and improve VFM in planning

The following areas are the priorities for service improvement

- Review the value for money the Building Control Group provides and implement identified improvements.
- Continue to improve customer satisfaction / perception.
- Develop further the e-planning and other electronic service delivery initiatives in line with central government and corporate targets and users requirements. In particular e-consultation.
- Introduce an enhanced Pre Application Planning Advice Service which will improve the quality of applications received in terms of design and reduce the level of refusals.
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Develop the Local Development Framework

Consultation is underway on the core issues and options for the LDF.

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