

Local London Joint Committee
Venue: London Borough of Redbridge
Lynton House,
225-259 High Road,
Ilford, IG1 1NY

Date: Wednesday 1 July 2026

Timings:

09:30-10:00 Arrival, refreshments and networking

10:00-12:00 Joint Committee Meeting

12:00-12:30 Lunch (optional)

Expected Attendees:		
LB Barking and Dagenham	Leader	Cllr Dominic Twomey
	Exec Director	David Harley (deputy to Fiona Taylor, CEX)
LB Bexley	Leader	Cllr David Leaf
	CEX	Paul Thorogood
LB Bromley	Cabinet Member	(Cllr Yvonne Bear apols. received)
	Director	Lydia Lee (deputy to Ade Adetoyse, CEX)
LB Enfield	Leader	Cllr Alex Georgiou
	CEX	Perry Scott
RB Greenwich	Leader	Cllr Anthony Okereke
	CEX	Jamie Carswell (deputy to Debbie Warren, CEX)
LB Havering	Leader	Cllr Keith Prince
	CEX	Andrew Blake-Herbert
LB Newham	Mayor	Mayor Forhad Hussain
	Exec Director	Paul Kitson (deputy to Paul Martin, Interim CEX)
LB Redbridge	Leader	Cllr Kam Rai
	CEX	Claire Hamilton
LB Waltham Forest	Cabinet Member	Cllr Chante Johnson (Cllr Paul Perkins apols.)

	Director	Will Teasdale (deputy to Linzi Roberts-Egan, CEX)
Local London Partnership Unit:		
Local London		Forogh Rahmani, Director
		Philip Doyle, Senior Policy Manager
		Stephen O'Leary, Head of Programmes
		Vicki Sedin, Executive Support Officer
Apologies:		
LB Bromley	Cabinet Member	Cllr Yvonne Bear
	CEX	Ade Adetoyse
LB Barking and Dagenham	CEX	Fiona Taylor
LB Waltham Forest	Leader	Cllr Paul Perkins
	CEX	Linzi Roberts-Egan

Agenda

- 1. Adoption of the Agenda, welcome and apologies (Chair)**
- 2. Approval of minutes of the meeting held Thursday 26 February 2026 (Chair)**
- 3. Introductions and overview of Local London (All)**
- 4. New Appointments (All)**
 - Chair and Vice-Chair of Joint Committee
 - Chair and Vice-Chair of Sub-Boards
 - Co-opted members
- 5. Local London Annual Report 2025-26 (Local London Director)**
- 6. New Programmes (Local London Director)**
 - DWP Mentoring
 - Careers Hub
 - Job Guarantee
- 7. Any Other Business (All)**

Upcoming meetings:

- **Tuesday 10 November 09:30 – Location TBC**
- **Tuesday 23 February 9.30am – LB Bexley**

Local London Joint Committee Meeting Minutes

Venue: Future Greenwich Campus, 95 Plumstead Road, London, SE18 7DQ

Date 26 February 2026

Time 9.30am – 1.00pm

Members	
Cllr Saima Ashraf, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Community Leadership & Engagement	LB Barking & Dagenham
Cllr Ergin Erbil, Leader	LB Enfield
Cllr Anthony Okereke, Leader [CHAIR]	RB Greenwich
Mayor Rokhsana Fiaz OBE, Mayor of Newham	LB Newham
Cllr Vanisha Solanki, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Finance	LB Redbridge
Officers	
Rebecca Ellsmore, Strategic Head of Place and Development	LB Barking & Dagenham
Lydia Lee, Assistant Director, Culture and Regeneration	LB Bromley
Jamie Carswell, Deputy Chief Executive	RB Greenwich
Graham Hart, Head of Economic Development	RB Greenwich
Tom Farmery-Chana, Comms & Public Affairs	RB Greenwich
Darren Mackin, Director of Place-Making	LB Newham
Claire Hamilton, Chief Executive	LB Redbridge
Alpa Depani, Assistant Director Place & Design	LB Waltham Forest
Guests	
Gavin Winbanks, CEO	White Hawk Green
Local London	
Forogh Rahmani	Director
Philip Doyle	Senior Policy Manager
Robin Bosworth	Digital Lead
Apologies	
Cllr Dominic Twomey, Leader	LB Barking & Dagenham
Cllr Cafer Munur, Cabinet Member for Place Shaping	LB Bexley
Cllr Yvonne Bear, Executive Member for Renewal, Recreation & Housing	LB Bromley
Cllr Ray Morgon, Leader	LB Havering
Cllr Khan, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Housing & Regeneration	LB Waltham Forest
Fiona Taylor, Chief Executive	LB Barking & Dagenham
Paul Thorogood, Chief Executive	LB Bexley
Ade Adetosoye, Chief Executive	LB Bromley
Andrew Blake-Herbert, Chief Executive	LB Havering
Paul Martin, Chief Executive	LB Newham
Linzi Roberts-Egan, Chief Executive	LB Waltham Forest

Follow-up actions and tasks:	Responsible Officer/Member	Progress
As the meeting was not quorate, Local London to send out email to members for decisions	Local London/ members	Complete
Local London to update LSIP case studies including from LB Newham on the AI Strategy and programme.	Local London	Complete
Local London to consider bespoke newsletters on annual achievements for boroughs	Local London	In progress

8. Adoption of the Agenda, welcome and apologies

The Chair welcomed members to the meeting and apologies were noted. LSEC were thanked for hosting the meeting at the newly opened Future Greenwich Campus and a tour of the new facility would follow the meeting.

As they were both stepping down at the forthcoming local elections, the Board wished to record its thanks to Mayor Rokhsana Fiaz OBE - Mayor of Newham, also Chair of the Local London Growth Board, and Councillor Ray Morgon, Leader of Havering, also Chair of the Local London Skills and Employment Board, for their contributions to the Board and the sub-region more widely.

It was noted that, as the board meeting was not quorate, decisions would need to be deferred and an email would follow.

9. Minutes of the meeting held 20 November 2025

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed.

Actions from the previous meeting

Follow-up actions and tasks:	Responsible Officer/Member	Progress
Chair and Vice Chair Nominations to be taken at the first meeting of the Local London Joint Committee post May 2026 elections.	Forogh Rahmani	July 2026 AGM
Co-opted advisory members covering business, health and education to be identified and confirmed to the Joint Committee in February 2026.	Forogh Rahmani	Postponed to July AGM
Members are asked to note the bi-annual report and share any feedback by email to Forogh.	All	On agenda

10. Local London Investment Prospectus - Gavin Winbanks CEO of White Hawk Green

Gavin Winbanks, CEO of White Hawk Green, presented on Local London's forthcoming Investment Prospectus which would be launched at the second Local London Investment Forum on 18 March. This would be the first such prospectus for the sub-region, establishing it as a leading destination for domestic and global capital through a curated portfolio of investor-ready and strategic regeneration opportunities across all boroughs, aligned with the Vision for Growth and wider London strategies.

The prospectus had been developed alongside White Hawk Green and through the direction of an Investment Steering Group, which included Local London boroughs and other partners. Gavin set out the criteria used to select the opportunities, ensure viability, strategic fit, political support and readiness.

The prospectus would be the start of a collective story and a tool to begin building a relationship with markets, which would be used to showcase opportunities at UKREiiF in May and LREF in September.

A discussion was had on Local London's plans for UKREiiF. Forogh set out possible options, including partnering with Opportunity London or UKIC. A stand was not currently being considered but Local London may look to partner on a roundtable or an evening reception. Mayor Fiaz supported the need for the prospectus and the need for a compelling story in a competitive landscape, however, there needed to be a clear focus on the intended audience.

In the absence of quoracy, approval of the prospectus content, design and proposed launch would be sought by email.

Action. Joint Committee to approve Local London Investment Prospectus by email.

11. New Programme Funding Agreement – Forogh Rahmani

a. Connect to Work

Forogh presented a report seeking approval for the London Borough of Redbridge – as host borough for Local London – to enter into a new three-year Grant Funding Agreement with the Greater London Authority to deliver the Connect to Work employment support programme from 1 April 2026, replacing the terminating DWP agreement.

The delivery model, partners and financial arrangements remained unchanged and posed no additional risk. The report requested delegated authority to the Executive Director for Place, Communities and Enterprise at LB Redbridge. With the approval of Joint Committee, LB Redbridge would finalise and execute the agreement, issue back-to-back agreements to boroughs and delivery partners and procure an independent evaluation partner.

In the absence of quoracy, approval of the new programme funding agreement would be sought by email.

Action. Joint Committee to approve new programme funding by email.

b. Local London Sector Hub

Forogh presented a report seeking approval for Local London to submit a three-year Sectoral Hub proposal to the Greater London Authority, requesting £337,500 annually (£1,012,500 total) to create a coordinated sub-regional “front door” for employers in Construction, Creative, and Health & Social Care, with Digital and Green skills integrated across all sectors.

The programme would strengthen employer engagement, reduce fragmentation in accessing skills and employment support, and align activity with the Local Skills Improvement Plan and London-wide Sector Talent Boards.

In the absence of quoracy, approval of the Local London Sectoral Hub proposal would be taken online.

Action. Joint Committee to approve Local London Sectoral Hub proposal by email.

12. Contract Variations

Forogh presented a paper seeking approval to delegate authority to the Executive Director of Place, Communities and Enterprise for the London Borough of Redbridge – as Accountable Body for Local London – to sign necessary variations to the No Wrong Door Grant Funding Agreement covering its core programme, the Youth Integration Network, and a new Proactive Enrolment Pilot, as well as to enter into a varied Grant Funding Agreement for the Economic Inactivity Trailblazer, both of which are being extended into 2026/27 at similar funding levels to the previous year.

The delegation was required to avoid delays caused by later funder timelines, ensure continuity of delivery for residents from 1 April 2026, and allow mobilisation while awaiting final allocations, as well as extend existing delivery arrangements, issue back-to-back agreements, and action minor funder-required variations.

In the absence of quoracy, approval of the contract variations would be sought by email.

Action. Joint Committee to approve contract variations by email.

13. Local London Budget 2026/27

Forogh presented Local London's 2026-27 draft central budget for approval. It set out a proposed spend of £450,000 funded entirely through continued £50,000 member borough subscriptions, alongside significant externally funded programmes that supported delivery of key initiatives across skills, employment, connectivity and growth.

In the absence of quoracy, approval of the budget would be sought by email.

Action. Joint Committee to approve Local London budget by email.

14. Draft Local London Annual Report 2025/26

Forogh presented Local London's Draft Annual Report for 2025/26. Highlights for the year included the launch of the sub-regional Vision for Growth and its four missions: attracting investment; unlocking infrastructure; supporting business and enterprise; and boosting work and skills.

Key achievements include securing over £54 million to help residents into work, improving digital connectivity for 30,000 premises, identifying priority transport projects, safeguarding 4,000 jobs through business support programmes, and strengthening careers education across 220 schools. The sub-regional partnership also launched major initiatives such as the Investment and Development Forum, youth employment programmes, refreshed skills improvement plans, and expanded employment support services. Looking ahead to 2026 and beyond, Local London would look to intensify investment promotion, advocate for infrastructure funding, reduce digital divides, strengthen employer partnerships, support residents furthest from work, and further enhance opportunities for young people and businesses.

Mayor Fiaz welcomed the report, suggesting bespoke newsletters for each of the boroughs on Local London's activities as the most effective way to amplify sub-regional successes at a borough level.

15. Local Skills Improvement Plan

Forogh presented the refresh of the Local London annex of the Local Skills Improvement Plan (LSIP). The Vision reaffirms the five priority sectors from the previous LSIP: Construction, Creative, Health and Social Care, Transport and Logistics, and Manufacturing.

The Board welcomed the Plan. It was felt that more focus could be made of AI and digital skills and Mayor Fiaz offered their AI activity for inclusion as a powerful case-study. Other issues which were discussed included the need to mobilise around meaningful work experience and the need to reduce system duplication and competition.

The paper asked the Joint Committee to delegate final sign-off of the LSIP to the Chief Executives Group ahead of publication in June. However, in the absence of quoracy, this would be sought by email.

Action. Joint Committee to approve delegation of final LSIP sign off to Chief Executives.

16. Date of Next Meeting:

The next meeting would take place following local elections. Date to be confirmed but would likely be during July. Venue would be Redbridge Town Hall.

17. Any Other Business (AOB)

There was no other business.

[A tour of Future Greenwich immediately followed the meeting]

Item No.	4
Title	Local London Chair and Vice Chair: Joint Committee, Growth Board and Skills & Employment Board
Purpose	Decision
Date	1 July 2026
Author	Forogh Rahmani, Director Local London

1. Recommendation(s)

1.1. The Joint Committee is asked to:

- **Agree a new Chair and Vice Chair for the Local London Joint Committee**
- **Agree a new Chair for the sub-boards covering Growth and Skills & Employment**
- **Nominate the Cabinet Lead from each member borough to the sub-boards covering Growth and Skills and Employment**
- **Agree the appointment of co-opted advisory members to the Joint Committee representing Education, Business and Health.**

2. Executive Summary

- 2.1. Local London is governed by a Joint Committee represented by the Leader or Mayor of each member Borough.
- 2.2. The Joint Committee, Accountable Body and Lead Authority are responsible for discharging executive functions on the collective behalf of Local London boroughs.
- 2.3. The current Chair's two-year tenure ends in July 2026, and a new Chair and Deputy Chair will be voted in by the Joint Committee.
- 2.4. A vote will take place at the Joint Committee on Wednesday 1 July 2026 to agree a new Chair and Vice Chair for the Committee and its sub-boards.

3. Background

Local London Joint Committee and sub-boards

- 3.1. Local London is governed by a Joint Committee represented by the Leader or Mayor of each member Borough. The Accountable Body and Lead Authority for Local London is the London Borough of Redbridge.
- 3.2. The Joint Committee, Accountable Body and Lead Authority are responsible for discharging executive functions on the collective behalf of Local London boroughs.
- 3.3. The Accountable Body is responsible for:
- 3.3.1. Management of the annual budget (administering and discharging income and grants)
 - 3.3.2. Employment and line management of the Director of Local London
 - 3.3.3. Hosting staff that work for the Local London Partnership Unit
- 3.4. The Joint Committee comprises 9 councillors, one each from the Executive of each of the Member Authorities. Members of the Joint Committee must be the Leader, Mayor or Cabinet Member.

- 3.5. The Chair and Vice Chair are appointed every two years by the Joint Committee and appointments are made on a rotational basis with geographical and political balance where possible.
- 3.6. The current Chair of Local London is Cllr Anthony Okereke (Leader of the Royal Borough of Greenwich) who's two-year tenure ends in July.
- 3.7. Appendix 1 includes the full terms of reference for the Joint Committee.
- 3.8. The Joint Committee is supported by two sub-boards covering Growth and Skills & Employment. These are advisory boards steering strategy and programmes pertaining to the delivery of the Local London Vision for Growth and key national and regional strategies.
- 3.9. Each Board is chaired by a member of the Joint Committee with representation from each of Local London's boroughs' relevant Cabinet Member and key local stakeholders. The Vice Chair of each Board is a nominated Cabinet Member (though Cabinet Members of the sub-board may choose a stakeholder representative as Vice Chair with the agreement of the Chair).
- 3.10. The Chairs for the Skills and Employment Board and Growth Board were respectively held by Cllr Ray Morgon (Leader of Havering) and Mayor Rokhsana Fiaz (Mayor of Newham) and are now vacant.
- 3.11. The terms of reference for the sub-boards are included in appendixes 2 and 3 respectively.

4. Next Steps

- 4.1. The Chair, Vice Chair of the Joint Committee and sub-boards are to be agreed.

Appendix 1 – Terms of reference Local London Joint Committee

Appendix 2 – Terms of reference Local London Growth Board

Appendix 3 – Terms of reference Local London Skills & Employment Board

Appendix 1

Title	Local London Joint Committee
Purpose	Terms of Reference
Date	June 2023

1. Committee Form and Structure

Committee Scope

- 1.1. The purpose of the Local London Joint Committee is to discharge executive functions on behalf of the Local London Members in so far as they relate to joint activities or areas of common concern to Local London.
- 1.2. Local London Members may opt out of joint activities. The Local London Joint Committee is free to agree that one or more but less than all Local London Members participate in a particular project or programme of work.
- 1.3. Where a decision of the Local London Joint Committee does not apply to all Local London Members, the delegation of functions to the Local London Joint Committee is limited to those Local London Members to whom the decision applies.

Composition

- 1.4. The Local London Joint Committee will comprise 9 councillors, one each from the Executive of each of the Local London Members. The political balance rules shall not apply.
- 1.5. Members of the Committee must be Cabinet Members.
- 1.6. The Chairman and Vice Chairman will be appointed every two years by the Joint Committee. Appointments shall be made on a rotational basis.
- 1.7. Partners and stakeholders may be invited to attend meetings of the Local London Joint Committee on a non-voting basis as appropriate.

Quorum

- 1.8. The Local London Joint Committee quorum is 6 councillors.

Voting

- 1.9. Each member of the Local London Joint Committee shall have one vote. All matters to be decided shall be by a simple majority of those members present and voting. If there are equal numbers of votes for and against, the Chair shall have the casting vote.

Reserves

- 1.10. Each member of the Local London Joint Committee may appoint a reserve member from their Executive.

Competency

- 1.11. All members of the Local London Joint Committee and councillors attending as reserves shall:
 - 1.11.1. Have undertaken training in the relevant law and procedures which relate to the Joint Committee's work; and

- 1.11.2. Undertake further appropriate training, on an ad hoc basis, when there are changes to procedure or relevant legislation that are deemed significant by the Chief Executives of each Local London Member (the Chief Executives' Board).

2. Matters Reserved for the Local London Joint Committee

The functions of the Local London Joint Committee shall not be limited by area.

- 2.1. To discharge executive functions that relate to joint activities or areas of common concern in relation to growth and opportunities for devolution in the sub-region.
- 2.2. To collaborate on and coordinate a range of activities and opportunities that arise through greater devolution of powers from central government.
- 2.3. To approve the annual business plan.
- 2.4. To provide strategic management and oversight of:
 - 2.4.1. The Annual Budget;
 - 2.4.2. External funding programmes; and
 - 2.4.3. All other financial resources allocated to Local London.
- 2.5. To secure local benefits and sustainable growth for the geographical areas of the Local London Members.
- 2.6. To secure the long-term benefits for the functions carried out and services undertaken by the Local London Members collectively, individually or in partnership with others.
- 2.7. To provide strategic and operational coherence to the collaborative work of Local London Members in relation to securing local benefits.
- 2.8. To promote and facilitate joint bidding for funding, training and employment programmes to maximise the benefit for Local London Members.
- 2.9. To establish and facilitate the implementation of a programme for Local London Members which ensures local benefits and sustainable long term growth.
- 2.10. To receive reports from the Director of Local London on the delivery of Local London as required by the Local London Members or the Local London Joint Committee from time to time.

3. Agenda Management

- 3.1. Prospective items of business for the Local London Joint Committee shall first be approved by the Chief Executives' Board in unanimity.
- 3.2. Where the Chairman is of the view that majority voting may not be achieved on an item of business by the Joint Committee, the Chairman may propose that the agenda item is referred back to the Chief Executives' Board for further consideration.

4. Overview and Scrutiny

- 4.1. The Local London Joint Committee shall be subject to the overview and scrutiny requirements of the Local London Members.
- 4.2. In the event that a decision of the Local London Joint Committee or any sub-committee of it is called-in, the Chief Executive (or his/ her nominee) for the relevant Local London Member shall attend scrutiny committee meeting together with the relevant member of the Local London Joint Committee.

Appendix 2

Title	Local London Growth Board
Purpose	Terms of Reference
Date	January 2026

1. Context

- 1.1. The Local London (LL) Joint Committee – is the Leader and Cabinet Member led decision-making body for the sub-regional partnership and is supported by three Sub-Boards. They are:
- Chief Executives’ Board represented by the Local London constituent borough chief executive officers,
 - Growth Board represented by Local London borough cabinet leads for growth and key partners; and the
 - Skills and Employment Board represented by Local London borough cabinet leads for skills and employment and key partners.
- 1.2. The priorities of Local London have relevance across the different Boards and the Local London team is responsible for monitoring these overlaps and ensuring that any implications are reported. The Skills and Employment Board and the Growth Board each have political representation from the member authorities. The purpose and ways of working for each Board is to be agreed by the members of each Board.

2. Ambition

- 2.1. The core ambitions for Local London are:
- To provide a strong voice for the sub-region; and
 - To maximise investment into the fastest growing part of London.
- 2.2. By working together with our partner boroughs, key anchors, businesses and communities on areas of shared ambition, we can deliver inclusive growth through:
- Attracting Investment
 - Unlocking Infrastructure
 - Supporting Enterprise and Business
 - Boosting Work and Skills.

3. Purpose of the Growth Board

- 3.1. The purpose of the Board is to lead on and co-ordinate collaboration between the Local London boroughs, and with external partners, in the delivery of economic growth for the benefit of residents and businesses. This includes issues relating to transport and digital infrastructure, business and economic growth and environmental where they pertain to growth and innovation priorities.

4. Role of the Board

- 4.1. To advise the Local London Joint Committee and Chief Executives’ Board on all matters related to economic growth.

- 4.2. To identify common areas of interest and use Local London's convening role to encourage collaboration which can benefit the member authorities.
- 4.3. The Board shall be the key strategic board for the Local London Vision, as well as 'owner' of the sub-region's implementation of the London Growth Plan.
- 4.4. The Board shall have within its portfolio sub-regional infrastructure and innovation.
- 4.5. The Board shall champion investment into the sub-region, seeking opportunities to promote investment and create links to investors.
- 4.6. The Board shall ensure that knowledge, learning and good practice in economic development is shared between the boroughs and partners.
- 4.7. To keep under review opportunities to secure new external grant or similar funding and resources for economic growth and, where appropriate, provide advice to the Lead Authority (Redbridge) on collaborative bids or applications for funding and, when successful, have oversight of their effective use.

5. Membership

- 5.1. Membership will be evenly split between boroughs and external partners.
- 5.2. Boroughs will be represented by leaders or cabinet members with growth, place or other relevant areas within their portfolio.
- 5.3. The Chair and Vice-Chair of the Board will be agreed by the Joint Committee for a term of two years.
- 5.4. The Board shall seek to widen its membership to include relevant growth zones/corridors, business, anchors and investors, subject to agreement by the Chair.
- 5.5. As the Board is advisory and not decision making, there is no quoracy. The Board will be supported by the Local London Growth Directors Group.
- 5.6. The Board may look to set up task and finish groups to support it with specific pieces of work.

6. Role of Board Members

- 6.1. Members will –
 - a) be accountable to their borough and other partners for their contribution and actions;
 - b) ensure that, where decisions by their organisation are necessary for their contribution and action, such decisions are taken by their organisation in a timely and decisive manner;
 - c) be responsible for ensuring good communications about the work of the Board and the objectives for Local London take place within their organisation;
 - d) nominate and empower appropriately a substitute should they be unable to attend a meeting.

7. Meeting Frequency

- 7.1. Meetings will take place three times a year, in line with Local London's core meeting cycle, but may be more frequent when the business or the Board requires it. The Chair may call for additional meetings as required.

8. Secretariat Support

- 8.1. Secretariat support for the Board will be provided by the Local London Partnership Unit.

List of members

Borough Members (TBC)	
	London Borough of Barking and Dagenham
	London Borough of Bexley
	London Borough of Bromley
	London Borough of Enfield
	Royal Borough of Greenwich
	London Borough of Havering
	London Borough of Newham
	London Borough of Redbridge
	London Borough of Waltham Forest
External Members	
David Christie, Head of Growth and Master planning	Transport for London
Michelle Cuomo-Boorer, Managing Director	London & Partners
Paul Honeyben, Strategy Director	London Councils
Stuart Rimmer, Interim Chief Executive	Thames Freeport
Jackie Sadek, Chair	UK Innovation Corridor
Saadiya Ahmed, Head of Regional Partnerships - Office of the Vice-Chancellor and President	University of East London
Michelle May, Executive Director	London Legacy Development Corporation
Local London Partnership Unit	
Forogh Rahmani	Director
Robin Bosworth	Digital Champion
Philip Doyle	Senior Policy Manager
Anamaria Tibocha	Senior Policy Officer

Appendix 3

1. Context

Title	Local London Skills and Employment Board
Purpose	Terms of Reference
Date	November 2025

- 1.1. The Local London (LL) Joint Committee – is the Leader and Cabinet Member led decision-making body for the sub-regional partnership and is supported by three Sub-Boards. They are:
- Chief Executives’ Board represented by the Local London constituent borough chief executive officers,
 - Growth Board represented by Local London borough cabinet leads for growth and key partners; and the
 - Skills and Employment Board represented by Local London borough cabinet leads for skills and employment and key partners.
- 1.2. The priorities of Local London have relevance across the different Boards and the Local London team is responsible for monitoring these overlaps and ensuring that any implications are reported. The Skills and Employment Board and the Growth Board each have political representation from the member authorities. The purpose and ways of working for each Board is to be agreed by the members of each Board.

2. Ambition

- 2.1. The core ambitions for Local London are:
- To provide a strong voice for the sub-region; and
 - To maximise investment into the fastest growing part of London.
- 2.2. By working together with our partner boroughs, key anchors, businesses and communities on areas of shared ambition, we can deliver inclusive growth through:
- Attracting Investment
 - Unlocking Infrastructure
 - Supporting Enterprise and Business
 - Boosting Work and Skills.

3. Purpose / Role of the Local London Skills and Employment Board:

- 3.1. The Local London Skills and Employment Board [henceforth ‘the Board’] was established by Local London to lead on and co-ordinate collaboration between the Local London member boroughs and key partners, including the Local London Skills Provider Network, employers/ business and the health sector to support residents in Local London to access skills and employability support and progress into good jobs.
- 3.2. The role of the Board will include oversight of actions pertaining to skills and employment within the new Local London Vision for Growth and the London Local Skills Improvement Plan (LSIP) and its [Local London annex](#). There will be an emphasis on upskilling and re-skilling residents, to progress

convergence between the wealthiest and poorest communities across Local London; closing the gap in the skills and prospects of residents and working with businesses to access and help grow the workforce they need.

- 3.3. The Board will also work to support the implementation of relevant national and regional policies and programmes at a sub-regional level, including the Mayor of London's Inclusive Talent Strategy and the Get London Working Plan.
- 3.4. It will also work alongside the GLA, London Councils, other SRPs and individual boroughs to develop the case for greater devolution in skills and employment to London.

4. Duties of the Board

- 4.1. To advise the Local London Joint Committee and Chief Executives Board on all matters related to skills and employment for Local London residents and businesses.
- 4.2. Oversee the development of a vision, strategy (LSIP) and objectives for skills and employment for Local London businesses and residents.
- 4.3. To ensure that knowledge, learning and good practice in skills and employment is shared between the boroughs and partners. Improve and promote collaboration and information sharing between boroughs, employers, colleges, universities, private training providers and employment services to better understand and meet the skills needs of local employers and residents.
- 4.4. To co-ordinate the input where relevant of all borough services to the achievement of the vision, strategy, and objectives for skills and employment in Local London.
- 4.5. To keep under review the use of budget resources that are allocated to skills and employment programmes and make recommendations to boroughs and partner organisations where resources are required to support the delivery of the vision.
- 4.6. To keep under review opportunities to secure new external grant or similar funding and resources for skills and employment and where appropriate co-ordinate and sign-off collaborative bids or applications for funding and, when successful, have an oversight of their effective use.
- 4.7. Ensure that the 'voice' of the learner is heard, and their needs are understood, particularly regarding access to learning throughout their lifetime.
- 4.8. The Board will be accountable to their member borough for decisions and their actions. [Further details of the working method can be found at annex 1 to these terms of reference.]

5. Membership:

- 5.1. Leaders/ Cabinet Members from each of the nine member boroughs.
- 5.2. Key stakeholders from Further Education, Higher Education, Adult and Community Education and independent training providers.
- 5.3. The Chair of Local London's Employer Group.
- 5.4. Representatives from key partners, including the NHS, regional DWP and business.
- 5.5. Member borough officers, GLA and London Councils may attend in an observer capacity.
- 5.6. The full list of members can be found at annex 1.

6. Meeting Frequency:

6.1. The Board will meet at least three times a year. However, frequency may change when the agenda or the Board requires.

7. The remit of the Skills & Employment Board

7.1. The Skills and Employment Board enables the member authorities and key partners to develop a collaborative approach to addressing employment and skills issues across the Local London sub-region, and work towards achieving the Local London skills and employment ambition.

7.2. The Skills & Employment Board is not a decision-making body but is advisory and makes recommendations to the Joint Committee of Local London.

8. Employer Group

8.1. The Board will be supported by a sub-group made up of local employers to ensure employer engagement across our programmes is well coordinated and to support delivery of the LSIP (see annex 2).

9. Secretariat Support

9.1. The Secretariat to the Board will be Local London.

Annex 1: Working method

Role of Board Members

Members will –

- ensure that, where recommendations by their organisation are necessary to implement the decisions of the board, such decisions are taken by their organisation in a timely and decisive manner.
- be responsible for ensuring good communications about the work of the Board and the vision, strategy and objectives for Local London take place within their organisation.
- nominate and empower appropriately a substitute should they be unable to attend a meeting.
- Agree membership of the Employer sub-group, including Chair and Deputy Chair.

How the Board will operate

- The Chair of the Skills & Employment Board will be a member of the Local London Joint Committee and elected bi-annually by the Joint Committee.
- The Vice Chair will be nominated by the Skills and Employment Board.
- The work of the Skills and Employment Board will be reviewed annually [and in line with the objectives of the LSIP and Local London’s Vision for Growth] through an annual workplan.

Local London Skills and Employment Board Membership

Borough Members (TBC)	
	LB Barking and Dagenham
	LB Bexley
	LB Bromley
	LB Enfield
	RB Greenwich
	LB Havering
	LB Newham
	LB Redbridge
	LB Waltham Forest
Co-opted Members	
Higher Education	

Seb Coombs	Coventry University
Adam Doyle	University of East London
<i>Further Education</i>	
Neil Coker	Barnet & Southgate College
Debbie Houghton	Capital City College Group
Asfa Sohail	London South East Colleges
<i>Adult Community Education</i>	
William Pickford	Redbridge Adult Education Institute
Maxine Reed	Enfield & Barnet Adult Community Learning
Simon Beer	Barking and Dagenham Adult Education
<i>Independent Training Providers</i>	
Stephen Jeffery	London Learning Consortium
<i>Business, Health & DWP</i>	
Noorzaman Rashid	CEME / Chair of LL Employer Group
Steve Drury	Rooff / London Regional Construction Training Group
Jo Frazer-Wise and Charlotte Stone	NHS North East London
Michael Morley	DWP
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Annex 2: Employer Group of the Local London Skills and Employment Board

The Employer Group of the Local London Skills and Employment Board (LLSEB) does not make decisions, but will report to and make recommendations to the LLSEB. The Employer Group will provide expertise and advice to the LLSEB in driving forward the Local Skills Improvement Plan (LSIP) and its ambition to:

- Identify current, future and priority skills needs in the Local London sub-region.
- Direct system changes and training courses.
- Ensure post-16 technical education and skills provision is more responsive and flexible in meeting local labour market skills needs.
- Close gaps to ensure all people have the right skills to build successful long-term careers and help businesses fill vacancies and get more Londoners into jobs.
- Make skills more accessible and address barriers to progression.
- Increase productivity, reduce unemployment, and boost London's growth.

Working method

The Employer Group will be an effective forum for engaging with a broad spectrum of employers in the local labour market (e.g. through focused consultation, meetings, working groups and through business representative bodies) and working with them to identify skills requirements for the sub-region, matching supply and demand:

- The Employer Group will report to the LLSEB via the Chair or its Local London secretariat.
- The Employer Group will be formed of representatives from businesses and employer representative organisations. Membership will also include representation from the Local London Skills Provider Network (LLSPN). As the Employer Group is only advisory, there will be no quorum, however, the Group shall endeavour to ensure the priority sectors in the LSIP are represented.
- Membership of the Employer Group will be through invitation from the LLSEB. A chair will be elected from the membership of the group, alongside a deputy chair on a bi-annual basis. Other external experts may be invited to present and to report on specific agenda items on an ad-hoc basis.

Meeting Frequency

The Employer Group will meet at least three times a year, in line with the LLSEB. The meetings will usually be held in the month preceding the LLSEB. However, frequency may change when the business or the Board requires.

Duties of the Employer Group

- To advise the LLSEB on all matters related to skills and employment for Local London residents and businesses.
- To provide expertise and support to the LLSEB in the development of a vision, strategy and objectives for skills and employment for Local London businesses and residents.
- To engage with providers and ensure that the 'voice' of the learner is heard and their needs are understood, particularly with regard to access to learning throughout their lifetime.
- To provide input and advice to the LLSEB on the annual LSIP report.
- To provide advice and guidance to the LLSEB on relevant Local London programmes relating to skills and employment (e.g. careers and employment programmes).
- The Employer Group will be accountable to the LLSEB.

Membership

	Representatives	Organisation Name	Sector
1	Noorzaman Rashid (Chair)	CEME	Manufacturing & Business Support
2	Despina Johnson	Enterprise Enfield	Chambers
3	Steve Drury	Rooff Ltd	Construction
4	Tayvanie Nagendran.	Care Providers Voice	Social Care
5	Maria Gonella	Quantum Group	Construction and training
6	Erica Moses Neacy	TfL	Transport
7	Vita Sudaryte-Greenhill/ Rachel Vellenoweth	Mo-Sys	Manufacturing/ Creative
8	Matt Skinner	Care City	Social Care
9	Anthony Frayne	CITB	Construction
10	Helen McIntosh	SE London Chambers	Chambers
11	Paul Mason Hughes	New City College	Havering & Brentwood Chambers
12	Stewart Weller	Northeast London ICB	Health
13	Daniel Jane	McHugh	Construction
14	Matt Robinson	Get Zero	Green and Training
15	Aaron Uthman	Newham Chambers/ City Airport	Chambers
16	Jonathan Yabsley	Kenson Highways	Construction
17	Tom Fieldhouse	Stansted Airport	Aviation
18	Stuart Rimmer	Thames Freeport	Innovation
19	Al Parra	BLOQS	Manufacturing
20	Kerri-Anne Mruk	Make UK	Manufacturing
21	Michael Toyer	London Legacy Development Corporation	Creative
22	LLSPN Director	Vince Glover	Education

Item No.	5
Title	Local London Annual Report 2025-25
Purpose	Agreement
Date	1 July 2026
Author	Helen McKay, Communications

1. Recommendation(s)

1.1. The Joint Committee is asked to:

- **Note the progress on the Annual Report and the contents of the draft approved at the February 2026 Joint Committee.**
- **Provide feedback on the draft designed report.**
- **Agree the design and publication of the report in July 2026, subject to feedback at Joint Committee.**

2. Executive Summary

- 2.1. Last year was marked by change and accelerated progress for Local London. We launched a record number of programmes, diversifying our support to help more people in our communities to take advantage of the opportunities here.
- 2.2. As a record of our progress, and for transparency as a public sector body, we intend to publish our 2025-26 Annual Report, setting out our work this year with and for our boroughs.
- 2.3. We launched our Vision for Growth – our blueprint for driving inclusive and sustainable growth across our nine member boroughs - in November 2025. This aligns with Central Government’s mission to drive growth and the publication of the London Growth Plan.

3. Background

- 3.1. Operating on behalf of our member boroughs we intend to provide the public with a true summary of our work this year. The scope of this has broadened with new funding streams from central and London Government.
- 3.2. This report reflects our Vision for Growth Missions, as well as our achievements and figures up to the end of March 2026.
- 3.3. The draft contents and structure were approved by Joint Committee in February 2026.
- 3.4. We are seeking approval to publish Local London’s Annual Report subject to Joint Committee feedback.
- 3.5. Key highlights are shared below in Appendix 1.

4. Next Steps

- 4.1. We wish to present the approved designed Annual Report to the Joint Committee in July 2026 and have set out in Appendix 2 - draft timeline for publication.

Appendix 1 – Key highlights

Mission One: Attracting investment:

- Hosted two Local London Investment and Development Fora, which connected Local London boroughs with international and domestic investors and developers.
- Developed the first joint investment portfolio for our boroughs showcasing the opportunities available.
- Planned a joint presence at UKREiiF 2026.

Mission Two: Unlocking infrastructure highlights

- Worked with digital providers to connect 30,000 additional homes and business sites and over 300 public sector sites in the sub-region with high-speed broadband.
- Identified 15 priority transport infrastructure projects to unlock growth.
- Contributed to the London Infrastructure Framework on Local London's key transport and fibre infrastructure schemes

Mission Three: Supporting business and enterprise highlights

- 4,000 jobs safeguarded and £57 million increase in business revenue generated by our E-business programme.
- Over 60 people taken up self-employment and start-up support via our Economic Inactivity Trailblazer since launch September 2025.
- Over 2,410 interactions with businesses and partners through our 'No Wrong Door' approach bringing employers, residents and employment advisors together to help people find work and training.
- Over 350 businesses accessed information and resources to become more inclusive employers.
- 75 businesses engaged through our Employment and Skills Summit to drive forward an integrated approach to skills and workforce development across our sub-region.

Mission Four: Boosting work and skills highlights

- Secured over £54 million new investment into our sub-region to deliver the Government's flagship Trailblazers and Connect to Work programmes, which have already helped over 1,250 residents looking to find and stay in work or become self-employed. This brings Local London's total investment in boosting jobs and skills to £130m.
- Worked with our 220 schools to deliver quality careers advice to young people, with our sub-region now ranked in the top 25% nationally.
- Hosted a Youth Employment Summit that brought together 175 young people and professionals to start addressing employment issues impacting local young people.
- Kick started the development of a new Local Skills Improvement Plan that is aligning skills training with local businesses' needs and underpin our boosting work and skills mission.

Appendix 2 – Draft timeline for publication

Overarching principles and skeleton agreed. Sign off of structure and content (to date).	Joint Committee	February 2026
CEX Papers circulated		June 2026
Designed report discussed and agreed	CEX	June 2026
JC Papers circulated		June 2026
Designed report discussed and agreed	Joint Committee	July 2026
Publication of final Annual Report		July

Local London Joint Committee Meeting Date 1 st July 2026	Classification Public
Wards Affected All Local London boroughs	Key Decision Yes
From Forogh Rahmani, Local London Director	
Overview Committee Local London Skills & Employment Board	Title Of Report Local London – Peer Mentoring Programme - DWP Grant Funding Agreement – Delegated Authority

1. Executive Summary

1.1 This report notes the submission of a Delivery Plan by Local London to the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) for grant funding of £560,000 to deliver the Peer Mentoring Programme, supporting 150 individuals with drug and alcohol dependency to progress towards employment. The grant is for the period July 2026 – March 2027 with the expectation of a funding extension for a further two years.

1.2 The Delivery Plan was submitted on 29 May 2026 in line with DWP requirements. The programme represents a new funding opportunity for Local London to deliver a targeted intervention supporting residents facing multiple and complex barriers.

2. Recommendations

The Local London Joint Committee is asked to:

2.1 Note the submission of the Peer Mentoring Delivery Plan to the Department for Work and Pensions on 29 May 2026.

2.2 Delegate authority to the Executive Director for Place, Communities and Enterprise (London Borough of Redbridge), as Accountable Body for Local London, in consultation with Finance and Legal Services, to finalise, enter into and execute the Grant Funding Agreement and any associated documentation if the Delivery Plan is successful.

3. Reasons for Recommendations

3.1 The Peer Mentoring Programme supports individuals with drug and alcohol dependency to progress towards employment through targeted, person-centred support.

3.2 The programme aligns with Local London’s strategic priorities to improve employment outcomes for residents facing multiple disadvantage and to strengthen integration between employment, health and social care systems.

3.3 The programme complements existing provision, including Connect to Work and wider employment and skills programmes, by acting as a bridge between recovery and employment pathways.

3.4 Delivery through a sub-regional model enables Local London to operate at scale while maintaining strong place-based integration across boroughs.

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4. Background

4.1 The Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) invited Local London to submit a Delivery Plan for the Peer Mentoring Programme, a nationally tested intervention designed to support individuals with drug and alcohol dependency to engage with services and progress towards employment.

4.2 Local London submitted a Delivery Plan on 29 May 2026 to deliver the programme across the sub-region. The proposed model will operate through a tri-borough structure, grouping participating boroughs into delivery clusters. Peer Mentors with lived experience will work alongside Jobcentre Plus, treatment providers, local authority and health services and voluntary sector organisations, building on existing infrastructure and integrating with current services.

4.3 The programme will support approximately 150 residents over the delivery period, providing structured, time-limited support including assessment, action planning and a series of mentoring sessions aligned to individual needs. The programme will focus on improving engagement with support services, stabilisation and progression toward employment pathways.

4.4 The indicative funding for the programme is approximately £560,000 for the period July 2026 to March 2027, subject to approval of the Delivery Plan by the Department for Work and Pensions. The London Borough of Redbridge, as Accountable Body, will be responsible for entering into the Grant Funding Agreement and ensuring appropriate governance and financial management.

5. Options and Proposals

5.1 The following options were considered:

Option 1 Option 1 (recommended): Note the submission of the Delivery Plan and approve delegated authority to enter into the Grant Funding Agreement if successful.

Option 2: Do not proceed with the Delivery Plan.

5.2 Option 1 is recommended as it enables timely execution of the Grant Funding Agreement if the Delivery Plan is successful and supports prompt mobilisation of delivery with no or limited disruption.

5.3 Option 2 would risk delay to programme mobilisation and may result in the loss of external funding and delivery opportunity.

6. Consultation

6.1 Consultation has been undertaken with borough partners, Local London CEXs' Board, Jobcentre Plus and relevant stakeholders in developing the Delivery Plan.

6.2 The proposals have been reviewed by London Borough of Redbridge Finance, Legal and Governance officers in their role supporting the Council as Accountable Body, and have been sighted by the Local London Programme Board which has oversight of all Local London programmes.

7. Risk

7.1 The principal risk is that, if delegated authority is not agreed, there may be delay in entering into the Grant Funding Agreement with the DWP if the Delivery Plan is successful.

7.2 Any delay in executing the Grant Funding Agreement could impact timely mobilisation of the programme and delivery within the funding period.

7.3 Delivery risks include recruitment timelines, referral volumes and participant engagement, reflecting the complexity of the cohort and the time-limited nature of the programme.

7.4 These risks will be mitigated through a phased mobilisation approach, established partnerships with Jobcentre Plus and local services, and robust programme management, supervision and performance monitoring arrangements.

7.5 The programme is fully externally funded. Financial risk to the Council is limited to its role as Accountable Body, with appropriate financial controls, monitoring and assurance processes in place.

8. Fairness Implications, including Equality and Diversity

8.1 The programme will support residents with drug and alcohol dependency, to help them move closer to the labour market.

9. Staffing Implications

9.1 The Peer Mentoring Programme will be delivered through a dedicated team comprising Peer Mentors and programme management, all of which will be fully

funded through the external grant. There is no additional financial liability to the Accountable Body.

9.2 Recruitment will be undertaken in line with London Borough of Redbridge policies and procedures, including consideration of TUPE arrangements.

10. Financial Implications

10.1 The Peer Mentoring Programme is expected to be funded through a Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) grant of approximately £560,000 for the period July 2026 to March 2027, subject to approval of the submitted Delivery Plan. There is potential for future funding or extension beyond this period, subject to Department for Work and Pensions approval and performance.

10.2 The London Borough of Redbridge will act as Accountable Body for Local London and will receive, hold and administer the funding in accordance with the Grant Funding Agreement.

10.3 Grant payments will be made in arrears and subject to submission of financial expenditure and Management Information returns. Appropriate financial controls, monitoring and assurance processes will be in place to ensure compliance with DWP requirements.

11. Legal Implications

11.1 The proposal enables Redbridge Council, acting as Accountable Body for Local London, to enter into a Grant Funding Agreement with the Department for Work and Pensions should the bid be successful.

11.2 The Constitution at Part 5 section sets out that the purpose of the LLPP Joint Committee is to discharge executive functions on behalf of the Local London Members in so far as they relate to joint activities or areas of common concern to the LLPP.

11.3 Legal Services will be engaged to review and support the execution of the Grant Funding Agreement to ensure that all contractual and governance requirements are met and that the conditions of the Grant Agreement complied with.

Local London Joint Committee Meeting Date 1 st July 2026	Classification Public
Wards Affected All Local London Boroughs	Key Decision Yes
From Local London to the Joint Committee	
Overview Committee Report through: Local London Skills and Employment Board	Title Of Report Careers Hub East Bid and Delegated Authority

1. Executive Summary

1.1 This report notes the successful outcome of a bid submitted by Local London to the Greater London Authority for continued delivery of the Careers Hub East programme from September 2026.

1.2 Local London is currently delivering the Careers Hub programme across the sub-region. The programme will now continue into the next funding period.

1.3 The programme is externally funded with an indicative value of £2,116,715 over two academic years (September 2026 to August 2028). There is no additional financial liability to the Accountable Body.

2. Recommendations

2.1 Note the successful outcome of the Careers Hub East bid to the Greater London Authority.

2.2 Delegate authority to the Executive Director for Place, Communities and Enterprise (London Borough of Redbridge), as Accountable Body for Local London, in consultation with Finance and Legal Services, to finalise, enter into and execute the Grant Funding Agreement and any associated documentation.

3. Reasons for Recommendations

3.1 The Careers Hub programme strengthens pathways from education into employment through employer engagement, careers provision and work experience.

3.2 The programme aligns with national and London priorities, including the Gatsby Benchmarks, Local Skills Improvement Plan and London Inclusive Talent Strategy.

3.3 Local London has delivered the Careers Hub programme since 2021 supporting over 220 schools across the sub-region, driving sustained improvement in careers provision and progression outcomes for young people.

3.4 The bid enables continuation of established delivery from September 2026.

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4. Background

4.1 Local London has delivered the Careers Hub programme across the sub-region since 2021 and submitted a bid on 19 May 2026 to the Greater London Authority, which has now been successful, enabling continued delivery from September 2026.

4.4 The programme supports over 220 schools, colleges, special schools and alternative provision settings to improve the quality of careers education and the advice available to young people. Delivery has led to clear improvements in how schools support students to understand their options and progress into employment, education or training.

4.5 It strengthens links between schools and employers, giving young people access to real experiences of work and clearer pathways into jobs, apprenticeships and further study. The programme plays an important role in supporting young people who face the greatest barriers.

4.6 The next phase of funding will continue this established delivery. The indicative budget for the East sub-region is £2,116,715 over two academic years, funded by the Greater London Authority and the Careers & Enterprise Company. The London Borough of Redbridge, as Accountable Body, is responsible for entering into the Grant Funding Agreement and ensuring appropriate governance and financial management.

5. Options and Proposals

5.1 The following options were considered:

Option 1 (recommended): Note the successful outcome of the bid and approve delegated authority to enter into the Grant Funding Agreement.

Option 2: Do not proceed with the application for funding

5.2 Option 1 is recommended as it enables timely execution of the Grant Funding Agreement and supports continuity of delivery from September 2026 with no or limited disruption.

5.3 Option 2 would risk disruption to delivery and may result in loss of external funding.

6. Consultation

6.1 Consultation has been undertaken with the Greater London Authority and Local London borough partners.

6.2 The proposals have been reviewed by London Borough of Redbridge Finance, Legal and Governance officers in their role supporting the Council as Accountable Body, and have been sighted by the Local London Programme Board which has oversight of all Local London programmes.

6.3 No formal public consultation has been required as the report relates to continuation of an existing externally funded programme and does not change service access or delivery arrangements.

7. Risk

7.1 The principal risk is that, if delegated authority is not agreed, there may be delay in entering into the Grant Funding Agreement if the bid is successful.

7.2 Any delay could disrupt continuation of the Careers Hub programme and impact delivery from September 2026.

7.3 This risk is mitigated by seeking delegated authority to enable timely execution of the agreement and continuity of delivery.

7.4 The programme is fully externally funded. Financial risk to the Accountable Body is limited, with appropriate financial controls and monitoring in place.

8. Fairness Implications, including Equality and Diversity

8.1 This programme will support all children across Local London's secondary schools.

9. Staffing Implications

9.1 There are no additional staffing implications arising from this report.

9.2 The Careers Hub programme is fully externally funded and delivered by an established team already in post.

9.3 The proposals safeguard these externally funded roles and ensure continuity of delivery from September 2026.

10. Financial Implications

10.1 The Careers Hub programme is fully funded through external grant funding from the Greater London Authority and the Careers & Enterprise Company.

10.2 The indicative funding for the East sub-region is £2,116,715 over two academic years.

10.3 The London Borough of Redbridge will act as Accountable Body and will receive, hold and administer the funding in accordance with the Grant Funding Agreement.

10.4 There is no additional financial liability or call on Council resources beyond existing Accountable Body arrangements.

11. Legal Implications

11.1 The proposal enables the Redbridge Council, acting as Accountable Body for Local London, to enter into a Grant Funding Agreement with the Greater London Authority. The work is already mobilised, and this bid will enable that to continue.

11.2 Legal Services will be engaged to review and support the execution of the Grant Funding Agreement to ensure that all contractual and governance requirements are met and that the conditions of the Grant Agreement complied with.