

Item No. 9.	Classification: Open	Date: 26 June 2013	Meeting Name: Cabinet
Report title:		Gateway to Peckham - Public Square and Station Regeneration	
Ward(s) or groups affected:		The Lane	
Cabinet Member:		Councillor Fiona Colley, Regeneration and Corporate Strategy	

FOREWORD – COUNCILLOR FIONA COLLEY, REGENERATION AND CORPORATE STRATEGY

This report follows up a number of issues raised regarding our Gateway to Peckham cabinet decision in April. Unfortunately the original recommendations of that report indicated that the council intended to buy out all interests across a far larger area than we in fact intended. Although this was clarified at the meeting and the recommendations amended, some confusion remained and the report was called in to scrutiny.

I'd like to thank Overview and Scrutiny Committee for their decision not to refer back the decision to cabinet and for their constructive recommendations. We are through this report taking the opportunity to clarify the extent of the area in which the acquisition of all interests is required. We also recommend agreeing the other two recommendations and that cabinet should receive a further report and recommendations when investigations of models of partnership arrangements is complete.

Since the last report I have taken the opportunity to visit a number of the cultural businesses who were concerned about their future. I hope I have provided them with a level of reassurance that far from wishing to evict them from the area, that the Gateway to Peckham project is an opportunity to build on the best that Peckham already has to offer and create an arts, culture and leisure hub that will create jobs and business opportunities and be an exciting new destination in London.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the cabinet

1. Notes the recommendations from the overview and scrutiny committee and supports the clarification of the area where interests need to be acquired
2. Agree to take a further report on the findings of the engagement models investigated in the autumn.

KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

3. On 16 April 2013, the cabinet approved the commencement of negotiation with interested parties and delegated authority to the director of regeneration to approve a business engagement package and to prepare and implement a land

information and assembly strategy for the Gateway to Peckham project.

4. This decision was called in by the overview and scrutiny committee who considered the report on 7 May 2013 and made the following recommendations:
 - That the cabinet should investigate models of partnership arrangements which are as dynamic as possible while involving the widest range of stakeholders and community groups.
 - That the cabinet clarifies as soon as possible the extent of the area in which the acquisition of all interests is required.
 - That the cabinet member and officers ensure that the outcomes of involvement activities for this project are recorded, especially those with partners, alongside logistical information on the number of meetings and consultation documents distributed and stakeholders consulted, to ensure meaningful and measurable engagement.
5. In response to the first recommendation, officers will investigate a range of engagement models, learning from previous experience, using best practice and recognising available resources. In this investigation officers will liaise with Network Rail, Greater London Authority, ward councilors, and key stakeholders and report back findings to cabinet in the autumn.
6. Appendix one shows the extent of area in which the acquisition of all interests is required. The darker shaded area is where the acquisition of all interests is expected to be required. The lighter shaded areas are less likely to be required however further technical assessment by Network Rail, particularly around the station building, will determine requirements.
7. Officers will continue to ensure that outcomes are appropriately recorded and will ensure that this is built into the engagement models to be investigated.

Legal issues

8. The overriding intention of achieving the regeneration of Peckham Rye station is part of the overall aim of the council to promote and improve the economic environmental and social well being of the area around the station.
9. None of the recommendations contained in this report give rise to any legal issues at this stage.

Strategic Director of Finance and Corporate Services (FC13/039)

10. This report notes the recommendations from the overview and scrutiny committee and the investigation into partnership models.
11. The strategic director of finance and corporate services notes that there are no new financial implications as a result of accepting the recommendations of this report. The officer time required to support this work can be contained within existing resources.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

Background Papers	Held At	Contact
Cabinet Report - Approval to enter grant agreement with the GLA for the Gateway to Peckham Project – April 2012	http://moderngov.southwark.gov.uk/mglIssueHistoryHome.aspx?IId=18556	Sally Crew 020 7525 5564

APPENDICES

No.	Title
Appendix One	Gateway to Peckham Area

AUDIT TRAIL

Cabinet Member	Councillor Fiona Colley, Regeneration and Corporate Strategy	
Lead Officer	Eleanor Kelly, Chief Executive	
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CONSULTATION WITH OTHER OFFICERS / DIRECTORATES / CABINET MEMBER		
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Strategic Director of Finance & Corporate Services	Yes	Yes
Cabinet Member	Yes	Yes
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