

Henry Peterson
Chair
St Quintin and Woodlands Neighbourhood Forum

Date: 07 June 2019

SENT BY EMAIL ONLY

Dear Henry,

I am writing in response to your letter dated 7th May 2019 and subsequent letter dated 28th May 2019. I've responded to your queries in the order in which they have appeared in your letter for ease of reference.

Gifts and hospitality

OPDC's gifts and hospitality register is published on OPDC's website at the following link:

<https://www.london.gov.uk/about-us/organisations-we-work/old-oak-and-park-royal-development-corporation-opdc/opdc-structure-1/opdc-spending-money-wisely/opdc-gifts-and-hospitality>

The register will be updated as and when a declaration is made. Since David Lunts took up the role of Interim CEO, he has not accepted any gifts or hospitality relating to OPDC activities.

Register of Interest declarations

The Register of Interests for Michael Simms, Natalie Campbell and Shevaughan Rieck are now available on our website.

Board member roles on community engagement

Michael Simms was appointed to the Board because of his extensive experience in the field of community engagement. He is currently helping me and the Executive team to devise a new strategy for community engagement which will ensure we take account of the wide range of local interests and the various groupings that represent them.

List of perceptions

In respect of your query on the community co-ordinator role, this is a proposed post within the most recent OPDC re-structure and a Community Liaison Officer post will be recruited to. A timeline for recruitment and appointment is yet to be confirmed; however, a large part of the post-holder's responsibility will be to support the community where appropriate by liaising and working with key partners, local authorities, developers and HS2.

Separation of Functions

Aecom were commissioned from 2017 to 2018 to undertake work in a non-delivery capacity – principally to inform OPDC's planning policy and infrastructure strategy. This work concluded in 2018 and is an example of the work referenced in the first section of the table at paragraph 10 of the OPDC protocol for staff. The addendum, although published in 2019, is based on work undertaken in 2018 as part of this commission. Following the conclusion of this planning and

strategy work, Aecom have been commissioned by OPDC's delivery side to undertake work to inform some of OPDC's delivery workstreams. If OPDC as LPA required consultant support to review this emerging work as part of pre-applications or planning applications, OPDC would proceed with the appointment of an independent consultant team on behalf of the LPA.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Liz Peace". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "L".

Liz Peace, CBE

Chairman

Old Oak and Park Royal Development Corporation