

## West London Economic Prosperity Board

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<b>Title</b>	<b>Annual Report and Forward Look</b>
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<b>Wards</b>	n/a
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<b>Urgent</b>	No
<b>Enclosures</b>	Appendix One: Economic Prosperity Board Annual Report and Forward-look Appendix Two: West London Vision for Growth Action Plan
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### Summary

This reports provides an opportunity for the Board to review its progress and achievements to date against each of the themes set out in the West London Vision for Growth Action Plan, and to comment on the coming year's work. If approved the content of this review will be incorporated into the Committee Forward Plan and published.

### Recommendations

**The Board are asked to:**

- 1. Comment on the content of the Annual Review and Forward Look document in Appendix one, and identify any additional areas of activity that should be incorporated.**
- 2. Agree, subject to inclusion of its comments, that the Annual Review and Forward Look document be published and used to focus the coming year's committee Forward Plan.**

#### **1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED**

- 1.1 When it agreed the West London Vision for Growth Action Plan (Appendix Two) the committee also agreed that an update and progress report would be returned to it on at least an annual basis.

## **2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 2.1 The West London Growth, Employment and Skills Programme has been in operation for a year now. This, combined with a new national Government following the general election on 8 June 2017, and progress being made developing the content of a new London Plan by the Mayor, means that now is a good time for the Committee to review its progress to date and agree its objectives and ambitions for the year ahead.

## **3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED**

- 3.1 N/A

## **4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION**

- 4.1 If agreed the “next steps” element of the forward look will be incorporated into the WLEPB Forward Plan. Decisions will be brought back to the Board on a case-by case basis as required.

## **5. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION**

### **5.1 Corporate Priorities and Performance**

- 5.2 This report relates directly to the delivery of the West London Vision for Growth, which has been agreed by the members of the West London Alliance.

### **5.3 Resources (Finance & Value for Money, Procurement, Staffing, IT, Property, Sustainability)**

- 5.4 None directly associated with this report. However, where a specific requirement for additional resource is identified to fund a particular activity or project contained within the annual report or wider Vision for Growth action plan then this requirement will be brought back to a future Board for consideration on a case-by-case basis.

### **5.5 Social Value**

- 5.6 This annual report supports the delivery of the objectives set out in the Vision for Growth, including the objective to support low-paid people in work and those without work to find it.

### **5.7 Legal and Constitutional References**

- 5.8 The Board has its own functions and procedure rules as set out in the Constitutions of the relevant local authorities. These include representing the participating local authorities in discussions and negotiations with regional and national bodies and central government on matters relating to economic prosperity for the benefit of the local government areas of the participating authorities, and representing the participating local authorities in discussion

and negotiations in relation to pan-London matters relating to economic prosperity.

## **5.9 Risk Management**

- 5.10 There is a risk that by not engaging with the full range of levers that have an impact on the overall economic success of an area the sub-region will not achieve the level of economic outcomes in terms of jobs, investment, or housing that might otherwise be the case over the medium and long term.

## **5.11 Equalities and Diversity**

- 5.12 The Vision for Growth recognises the need to ensure that people from all backgrounds are able to benefit from growth. Individual programmes within the Vision will have equality impact assessments undertaken on a case by case basis.

## **5.13 Consultation and Engagement**

- 5.14 WLEPB requested an annual report be presented to it on an annual basis when it agreed with Vision for Growth Action Plan in June 2016. West London Growth Directors discussed the content of the annual review and forward plan when they met on 15 May 2017 to ensure focus on the highest priority areas and alignment between borough-level work and sub-regional activity in relation to economic growth.

## **6. BACKGROUND PAPERS**

- 6.1 **Appendix One:** West London Economic Prosperity Board annual report and forward look.
- 6.2 **Appendix Two:** West London Vision for Growth Action Plan can be found here: <http://www.wla.london/pages/WLA-267>