

West London Economic Prosperity Board

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Title	Growth agenda of the new Government
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Wards	All
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Urgent	No
Enclosures	Appendix A: External Briefing - What the manifestos say on infrastructure, employment, skills, transport and digital Appendix B: External Briefing - What the manifestos say on Devolution and Brexit
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Summary

The General Election on 8 June 2017 resulted in a hung parliament. The new Government, whatever form it takes, will have a focus on maintaining and boosting economic growth, productivity and international competitiveness over the coming years. There is then an opportunity to identify those elements of the relevant manifestos that are of greatest interest to the Committee so that it can engage Government in order to secure additional resources, leverage influence, and deliver improved economic outcomes for residents and businesses across West London.

The Committee will discuss emerging priorities of the new government, consider its implications for economic growth within boroughs and across West London more broadly, and identify those areas of particular relevance to be incorporated into its approach to growth in West London.

Recommendations

- The Committee is asked to review those elements of the main party manifestos most relevant to growth and devolution as set out in appendices A – C of this report, and to identify those policy areas or issues of greatest interest or concern to it in relation to Employment and Skills, Infrastructure**

and Devolution in particular.

2. The Committee is asked to instruct officers to incorporate these areas in to the Committee Forward Work Plan.

1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

- 1.1 The Economic policy of the new Government will have a significant impact on the sub-regional and wider London economy. It is therefore appropriate for the committee to consider its position in relation to this economic policy so that it can respond to it effectively and with maximum impact.

2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 N/A

3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED

- 3.1 N/A

4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION

- 4.1 Any issues of interest identified by the Committee during the discussion will be incorporated in to the Committee Work Plan.

5. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION

N/A

6. BACKGROUND PAPERS

Appendix A: External Briefing - What the manifestos say on infrastructure, employment, skills, transport and digital

Appendix B: External Briefing - What the manifestos say on Devolution and Brexit