



Summary of meeting - London Transition Board

23 September 2020, 1600-1730

Co-Chairs: Lord Stephen Greenhalgh, Minister of State, Ministry for Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) and the Home Office; and Mayor of London

Annexes:

- A: Membership and guests
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1. Chairs' welcome and introduction (Minister Greenhalgh, Mayor)

1.1 Minister Greenhalgh welcomed attendees and noted the significance for London of the new national measures recently announced by the Prime Minister.

2. London situational update and Strategy Group update (Chair, London Transition Management Group)

2.1 The London Transition Management Group (LTMG) Chair updated members on the current Covid-19 situation in London. He noted that steps were being taken to re-establish the Strategic Coordination Group to coordinate the response to the challenges facing London.

2.2 The Board discussed the work being undertaken to understand community transmission, to build testing capacity and to establish mechanisms of outbreak control.

2.3 The importance of a dual focus on economic recovery and support for vulnerable communities to manage the economic and social legacy of the pandemic was discussed by the Board members.

3. Update on communications (Director of Communications, LTMG)

3.1 The LTMG Director of Communications updated the Board on the London-wide plan for communications. He highlighted the importance of coordination, clarity and consistency of communications as well as targeted delivery.

3.2 A discussion followed, covering topics which included the importance of culturally competent communications to reach different communities and the role of local leaders in delivering messages to their communities.

4. Update on food insecurity (Chief Executive, Haringey Council and Chief Executive, London Plus)

4.1 The Chief Executive of 'London Plus' updated the Board on the status of food insecurity in London and noted the collective and dynamic response to support vulnerable people that had developed between the community sector and local and regional government.

4.2 A discussion followed during which the Board considered resourcing and food infrastructure as well as the importance of addressing the root causes of food insecurity.

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- 5.1 The Minister and the Mayor made closing remarks, noting the value of the measures brought in and giving reassurance of their commitments to address the crisis at hand with all London partners.

ANNEX A

Membership

Organisation	Role	Name
GLA	Mayor of London	Sadiq Khan – Co-Chair
MHCLG	Secretary of State	Robert Jenrick – Co-Chair
BEIS	Minister for London	Paul Scully
London Councils	Chair	Peter John OBE (Lab)
	Deputy Chair	Georgia Gould (Lab)
	Vice Chair	Teresa O'Neill (Conservative)
	Vice Chair	Ruth Dombey (LibDem)
	Vice Chair	Catherine McGuinness (Ind)
London C19 Transition Management Group	Chair	John Barradell
Chief Executive of Haringey Council	Chair	Zina Etheridge
New West End Company	Chair	Sir Peter Rogers
London First	Chair	Paul Drechsler
TheCityUK	Chair	Sir Adrian Montague
Camden Town Unlimited	Chief Executive	Simon Pitkeathley
Trust for London	CEO	Bharat Mehta
Transport for London	Commissioner	Andy Byford
Metropolitan Police	Commissioner	Dame Cressida Dick
NHS England	NHS Regional Director for London	David Sloman
Kings College London	Vice President	Baroness Bull
City Bridge Trust	Director	David Farnsworth
National Contain Lead & Oldham City Council	Chief Executive	Carolyn Wilkins
Public Health England	Regional Director	Kevin Fenton

Guests:

Lord Stephen Greenhalgh, Minister of State, Ministry for Housing, Communities and Local Government and the Home Office.

Alex Aiken (Executive Director for Government Communications)

Claire Pimm (Director, National Resilience Communications Hub, Prime Minister's Office and Cabinet Office Communication)

Martin Brookes (Chief Executive, London Plus and London Communities Strategy Group member)

Sharon Long (Strategic Director Partnership for Young London, Chair of the London Communities Strategy Group)