

Report to the Future Melbourne Committee

Agenda item 7.1

Post travel report by Councillor Wood, C40 Workshop, London, August 2016

20 September 2016

Presenter: Councillor Arron Wood

Purpose and background

1. To report to the Future Melbourne Committee (Committee) on the travel undertaken by Councillor Arron Wood to London associated with the C40 Business Plan Workshop (Workshop) between 11 and 12 August 2016.
2. On 19 July 2016, the Committee approved the proposal by Councillor Arron Wood to participate in the Workshop.

Key issues

3. The Workshop brought together selected Steering Committee members and city representatives (list included as Attachment 2) to discuss in detail some of the significant issues that emerged out of the advance consultation on the draft strategy for the C40 Business Plan 2014-2017. A key contribution from Councillor Wood to the Workshop was the elected official perspective.
4. The agenda for the two day Workshop is set out as Attachment 3. The key focus of discussion centred on the key elements for the Business Plan 2017-2020 including: engaging mayoral leadership; C40 thought leadership to drive global urban climate strategy; supporting cities to prepare robust climate targets and plans that meet 1.5 degree aspiration; an expanded adaptation program; identifying and removing barriers to change and increased direct support to cities targeted on the priority areas.
5. At the Workshop, Councillor Wood presented on the Melbourne Renewable Energy Project, Ecocity World Summit 2017 and the experience of City of Melbourne as leader of the C40 Low Carbon District Network and host to a C40 City Advisor.
6. Councillor Wood reconnected with Austin Blackmon, City of Boston, and Matt Peterson, City of Los Angeles, continuing to build connections and exchange information and contacts on environmental initiatives underway in respective cities.
7. The Workshop also provided Councillor Wood the opportunity to connect with Patrick Klugman, Deputy Lord Mayor City of Paris, and discuss initiatives such as 'Reinventing Paris'. Anne Hildago, Mayor of Paris, will be the new Chair of C40 Cities from December 2016.
8. The output of the Workshop forms a final report available to the C40 Board and Steering Committee, and will inform the final revision of the Business Plan itself. Full endorsement of the Business Plan and appendices will be sought of the C40 Steering Committee on 30 November 2016.

Recommendation

9. That the Future Melbourne Committee notes the report by Councillor Arron Wood on participation in the C40 Business Plan Workshop held in London between 11 and 12 August 2016.

Attachments:

1. Supporting Attachment (page 2 of 4)
2. Workshop Attendees (page 3 of 4)
3. Workshop Agenda (page 4 of 4)

Supporting Attachment

Finance

1. Costs associated with Councillor Woods' participation in the Workshop will be jointly funded with C40. C40 will contribute \$US1500 (estimated at \$AUD1901 at the time of writing this report) towards airfare costs and covered accommodation costs for three nights. The cost to Council is estimated at \$3,957.70 and will cover partial airfare costs, accommodation for one night and incidentals costs. Once reconciliation is finalised, the confirmed figure will be included in the updated travel register published on the City of Melbourne website.

Conflict of interest

2. No member of Council staff, or other person engaged under a contract, involved in advising on or preparing this report has declared a direct or indirect interest in relation to the matter of the report.

Relation to Council policy

3. The Manager Governance and Legal has confirmed that the travel proposal accords with the requirements of the travel guidelines outlined in the Councillor Expenses and Resources Guidelines.
4. The focus of the workshop sits with the City of Melbourne's eco-city goals.

Environmental sustainability

5. The travel facilitated opportunities for Councillor Wood to demonstrate City of Melbourne's leadership in environmental initiatives and contribute elected official representation input into the C40 Business Plan 2014-2017.
6. The carbon emissions resulting from travel were offset with the purchase of credits.



C40 BUSINESS PLAN WORKSHOP
11-12 AUGUST 2016
LONDON CITY HALL

C40 Business Planning Workshop Participants

Name	Title	City
Ayman Smadi	Director of Transport	Greater Amman Municipality
Austin Blackmon	Chief of Environment, Energy and Open Space	City of Boston
Annemarie Munk Riis	Head of Section, Office for Growth and Business, Finance Administration	City of Copenhagen
Aisa Tobing	Assistant to the Governor for International Cooperation	City of Jakarta
Aaron Wood	Councillor	City of Melbourne
Trevor Fowler	City Manager	City of Johannesburg
Patrick Feehily	Assistant Director - Environment	Greater London Authority
Matt Petersen	Chief Sustainability Officer	City of Los Angeles
Hyejung Yeo	Officer, Climate Change & Sustainability Division	City of Seoul
Patrick Klugman	Deputy Mayor for International Relations and French-speaking world	City of Paris
Nicolas de Labrusse	Deputy Head of International Relations Bureau	City of Paris
Tomoko Iwaya	Director of International Relations, Bureau of Environment	Tokyo Metropolitan Government
Kanako Okano	Bureau of Environment	Tokyo Metropolitan Government
Ikuko Derry	Translator	Tokyo Metropolitan Government
Mark Watts	Executive Director	C40
Andrea Fernández	Director of Governance & Global Partnerships	C40
Shannon Lawrence	Director of Global Initiatives	C40
Simon Hansen	Director of Regions	C40
Anna Beech	Head of the Office of the Executive Director	C40



WORKSHOP AGENDA

DAY 1: Thursday, August 11

- Welcome and introductions
- Overview of C40's Business Plan
- *Break – 10:45*
- Business Plan Implementation session – Vision 2020: from research to action
- *Lunch – 12:30*
- Steering Committee Meeting – 14:00
- *Break – 15:00*
- Business Plan Implementation session – Adaptation
- Vision of Paris, C40's Chair-Elect
- Wrap up and conclusions from day 1
- *Cocktails and canapes - 17:00 – 18:30*

DAY 2: Friday, August 12

- Welcome and recap of agenda
- Business Plan implementation session – Increasing ambition and results through C40 networks
- *Break – 10:30*
- City Diplomacy
- Business Plan Implementation session – Maximizing the benefits of inclusive climate action
- *Lunch – 12:45*
- Business Plan Implementation session – Finance
- *Break – 14:30*
- Role of Vice Chairs
- Concluding remarks and next steps
- END 17:00