

Borough Chief Executive
All London Boroughs

cc: Borough TEC representative, Borough Director

4 August 2017

Dear...,

Revised London Councils TEC Delegation - Action required by 31 October 2017

At its meeting on 15 June 2017 London Councils' Transport and Environment Committee (TEC) considered the attached report proposing amendments to the TEC Agreement in support of the Go Ultra Low City Scheme (GULCS) activities. The proposal is to provide London Councils TEC with the authority to take on the operational management as well as the strategic oversight of a London wide residential electric vehicle charging point delivery partnership on behalf of London's local authorities, should this be required.

Prior to this matter being referred to TEC on the 28 June, and since then, London Councils' officers have been liaising with the London local authorities and TfL regarding this proposal as part of the development of the Government's Office for Low Emission Vehicles grant-funded GULCS project. Through the project's engagement work it became clear that some form of centralised contract management and customer facing body was desirable, given the resource constraints boroughs are facing and the benefits a consistent approach might deliver. As an existing joint committee representing all of London's local highway authorities, London Councils TEC has agreed that it is a suitable body to undertake both the strategic oversight and operational management of such a "partnership".

The attached report sets out that these new TEC functions may not be necessary as part of the GULCS project, given the future funding uncertainties of the proposal. However, the GULCS project team is currently investigating the potential feasibility of such a delivery partnership being established. A business case will be developed following further consultation with each authority and other stakeholders and will be presented to TEC for approval before any partnership is established and the delegation of powers utilised. We are undertaking the feasibility and business case work in parallel to seeking the delegation of powers to save time in light of project programme constraints.

I would therefore be grateful if you could forward this to the relevant officer within your authority for them to consider and arrange for the delegation to be signed and returned by the end of October 2017.

If you have any questions about this proposal, please contact my colleague Owain Mortimer on Owain.Mortimer@londoncouncils.gov.uk or 020 7934 9832. To enable us to track progress, I would also be grateful if you could confirm receipt and provide contact details for the officer who will be leading on this matter for you.

Yours faithfully,



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I.....[name and position of authorised person]

on behalf of..... [name of authority]

hereby confirm that my authority has resolved to delegate authority to London Councils' Transport and Environment Committee to exercise the following functions, in the following terms:

“(b)(i) The provision and operation of charging apparatus for electrically powered motor vehicles and/or the grant of permission to provide and operate charging apparatus for electrically powered motor vehicles under section 16 of the London Local Authorities and Transport for London Act 2013 PROVIDED THAT such provision and operation may only take place at locations first agreed by the Participating Council which is the highway authority for the affected road (or, where it is the highway authority for the affected road, TfL) AND PROVIDED FURTHER THAT Go Ultra Low City Scheme Section 31 Grant award shall be applied to any such provision and operation by LCTEC [which shall be at no cost or expense to the Participating Councils unless first agreed].

(b)(ii) The exercise of powers under Section 1 of the Localism Act 2011 for the purposes of giving effect to the joint exercise of powers under Section 16 of the London Local Authorities and Transport for London Act 2013 by LCTEC, or otherwise for the purposes of supporting and facilitating the Participating Councils and/or TfL in their exercise of those functions, including but not limited to oversight and management of the arrangements

(b)(iii) FOR THE AVOIDANCE OF DOUBT the functions referred to at (b)(i) and (b)(ii) above may be exercised directly by LCTEC or pursuant to a contract or Service Level Agreement between LCTEC and TfL (or between LCTEC and another appropriate body) or through such servant, agent or contractor as LCTEC may appoint.

Signed

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Date

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