Places for London (Places) Integrated Assurance and Audit Schedule – Work in Progress

Appendix 1

Priority	Topic	Evidence of Need	Туре	Who	When	Objectives
1	Revenue collection/debt management	 Debt recovery activities are an important part of managing the revenue stream. There have been increasing levels of arrears in recent years. 	Audit	Internal Audit (IA)	Ongoing	 To provide assurance over the effectiveness and adequacy of the debt collection process.
2	Due diligence process (new tenants)	 Tenants need to be financially secure so that they do not default on rent payments. They need to be fully vetted to ensure this is the case. A new vetting process was introduced over a year ago and has yet to be tested for effectiveness. 	Audit	IA	Ongoing	 To provide assurance on the adequacy and effectiveness of the due diligence process for bringing new tenants on board.
3	Property disposal strategy	 Disposals are a significant part of generating funds to support the capital investment programme. Disposal activities have not been progressing as forecast. 	Targeted	Independent Investment Programme Advisory Group (IIPAG)	Complete	 To assess the impact on the capital investment programme. To provide assurance over the effectiveness and adequacy of the process for identifying and executing disposals.

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4	Investment appraisal and project financial hurdles	 Large projects and investments are appraised using financial hurdles. Places are undertaking a review of the investment appraisal process and hurdle rates. 	Targeted	IIPAG	Underway	To consider proposals to update the investment appraisal process, new hurdle rates and their application and governance regarding exemptions.
5	Electric vehicle charging hubs	 Programme is preparing to procure a delivery partner. 	Continuous	Project Assurance (PA)/IIPAG	Ongoing	 To assess key decisions including business model and investment appraisal. To consider readiness to go to market.
6	Limmo development	 Complex site with significant constraints. Programme is preparing a procurement strategy. 	Continuous	IIPAG/PA	Ongoing	To provide assurance on the procurement strategy.
7	Continuous assurance activities	 A number of functions and strategies are emerging, such as first line assurance. There are a number of large, complex development programmes and sites. 	Continuous	PA	Ongoing	 To increase understanding of the Places business. To highlight areas for targeted assurance.