

APPENDIX A

CATASTROPHIC INCIDENT IN GREATER LONDON: DELEGATION OF FUNCTIONS

Resolution to be passed by each London Borough and the Common Council of the City of London ("the Councils")

1. This resolution is made in accordance with section 138 Local Government Act 1972, section 101 Local Government Act 1972, section 155 Local Government and Housing Act 1989, section 19 Local Government Act 2000 Regulations 7 and 10 Local Authorities (Arrangements for the Discharge of Functions) (England) Regulations 2000 and all other enabling powers.
2. As from the date of this resolution the Council's functions under section 138(1) Local Government Act 1972 (Powers of principal councils with respect to emergencies or disasters) are delegated to the Head of Paid Service as defined in paragraph 3 below in the circumstances set out in paragraphs 4-7 below.
3. The Head of Paid Service is the person appointed by one of the Councils under section 4 Local Government and Housing Act 1989 who, at the date of declaration of a Catastrophic Incident as defined in paragraph 4 below, has agreed to discharge the functions under section 138(1) Local Government Act 1972 ("the functions") on behalf of the Councils.
4. A Catastrophic Incident is an incident declared as such by the Minister of State for London Resilience ("the Minister") where destruction of or danger to life or property in Greater London has occurred, or, in the reasonable opinion of the Minister, such destruction or danger is imminent, or the Minister has reasonable grounds for apprehending such destruction or danger.
5. The functions hereby delegated to the Head of Paid Service shall not be exercised until resolutions delegating the functions to the Head of Paid Service have been made by all the Councils.
6. The powers hereby delegated to the Head of Paid Service shall not include any power to incur expenditure or to make grants or loans to any person unless the Head of Paid Service has received confirmation from the Minister that expenditure reasonably incurred by the Head of Paid Service in taking immediate action to safeguard life or property or to prevent suffering or severe inconvenience will be reimbursed by HM Government.
7. In discharging the functions, the Head of Paid Service shall, insofar as reasonably practicable, consult with and inform any Council whose area is affected by the Catastrophic Incident regarding any action proposed to be taken in that Council's area.