



# Greater London Authority Act 2007

## 2007 CHAPTER 24

### PART 8

#### ENVIRONMENTAL FUNCTIONS

##### *Climate change and energy*

#### **43 The London climate change mitigation and energy strategy**

- (1) In section 41 of the GLA Act 1999 (general duties of the Mayor in relation to his strategies) in subsection (1) (which lists the strategies to which the section applies) after paragraph (e) insert—
- “(ee) the London climate change mitigation and energy strategy prepared and published under section 361B below,”.
- (2) In Part 9 of the GLA Act 1999 (environmental functions) after section 361A insert—

#### **“361B The London climate change mitigation and energy strategy**

- (1) The Mayor shall prepare and publish a document to be known as the “London climate change mitigation and energy strategy”.
- (2) The London climate change mitigation and energy strategy shall contain the Mayor’s proposals and policies with respect to the contribution to be made in Greater London towards each of the following—
- the mitigation of climate change,
  - the achievement of any objectives specified or described in national policies relating to energy.
- (3) The strategy must include the Mayor’s proposals and policies relating to each of the following—
- minimising emissions of carbon dioxide and other significant greenhouse substances from the use of energy in Greater London for the purposes of surface transport,

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- (b) minimising emissions of carbon dioxide and other significant greenhouse substances from the use of energy in Greater London for purposes other than those of transportation,
  - (c) supporting innovation, and encouraging investment, in energy technologies in Greater London,
  - (d) promoting the efficient production and use of energy in Greater London.
- (4) In subsection (3) above “other significant greenhouse substances” means substances (other than carbon dioxide)—
  - (a) which contribute to climate change, and
  - (b) which the Mayor considers it appropriate to deal with in the strategy.
- (5) In performing the duty under subsection (3)(c) above, the Mayor must have regard to the desirability of advancing energy technologies which involve the emission of lower levels of substances which contribute to climate change.
- (6) The strategy shall also contain information about—
  - (a) the pattern of energy use in Greater London,
  - (b) the levels of emissions in, or attributable to, Greater London of substances which contribute to climate change,
  - (c) the number of households in Greater London in which one or more persons are living in fuel poverty, within the meaning of the Warm Homes and Energy Conservation Act 2000 (see section 1 of that Act),
  - (d) the measures to be taken, for the purpose of implementing the strategy, by each of the following—
    - (i) the Authority,
    - (ii) Transport for London,
    - (iii) the London Development Agency,
  - (e) the measures which other bodies or persons are to be encouraged by the Mayor to take for the purpose of implementing the strategy.
- (7) The Mayor must have regard to any guidance given to him by the Secretary of State in relation to the preparation or revision of the strategy.
- (8) The strategy must not be inconsistent with—
  - (a) national policies relating to mitigation of climate change, or
  - (b) national policies relating to energy.
- (9) In preparing or revising the strategy the Mayor must consult each of the following—
  - (a) the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority,
  - (b) the Gas and Electricity Consumer Council,
  - (c) prescribed holders of licences granted under—
    - (i) section 7 or 7A of the Gas Act 1986, or
    - (ii) section 6 of the Electricity Act 1989.
- (10) If at any time (whether before, on or after the day on which this Act is passed) there ceases to be—
  - (a) a body known as the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority, or
  - (b) a body known as the Gas and Electricity Consumer Council,

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the Secretary of State may by order amend subsection (9) above so as to substitute for that body such other body as he may consider appropriate.

(11) An order under subsection (10) above may have effect in relation to times before the day on which it is made.

(12) In this section—

“climate change” has the same meaning as in section 361A above;

“energy technologies” means technologies for—

(a) the production of energy, or

(b) the more efficient or effective use of energy;

“mitigation” has the same meaning as in section 361A above;

“prescribed” means specified or described in guidance under subsection (7) above;

“surface transport” means any form of transport other than transport by air.

### **361C Directions by the Secretary of State to revise the strategy**

(1) Where the Secretary of State considers that—

(a) the London climate change mitigation and energy strategy (or any part of it) is inconsistent with any policies announced by Her Majesty’s government with respect to energy or to climate change or the consequences of climate change, and

(b) the inconsistency would have a detrimental effect on achieving any or all of the objectives of those policies,

he may direct the Mayor to make such revisions of the strategy in order to remove the inconsistency as may be specified in the direction.

(2) The Secretary of State must consult the Mayor before giving him a direction under subsection (1) above.

(3) Where the Secretary of State gives the Mayor a direction under subsection (1) above, the Mayor must revise the strategy in accordance with the direction.

(4) In this section—

“climate change” has the same meaning as in section 361A above;

“consequences”, in relation to climate change, has the same meaning as in section 361A above.”.

(3) In section 420 of the GLA Act 1999 (regulations and orders) in the list of provisions in subsection (8) (orders subject to negative resolution Parliamentary procedure) insert at the appropriate place—

“section 361B(10);”.