



HARINGEY QUALITY
REVIEW PANEL
ANNUAL
REPORT

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH

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INTRODUCTION

The Haringey Quality Review Panel was set up in 2015 by Frame Projects on behalf of the London Borough of Haringey. It is chaired by Peter Studdert and includes 28 professional experts, selected through an open recruitment process in collaboration with Haringey officers.

Terms of Reference, available via the Council's web site, set out the role and remit of the panel, and the way in which it supports the planning process. Schemes requiring advice are identified by planning officers and referred to the panel for a review. Officers provide a briefing on planning context and key issues, both in writing for the meeting agendas, and in person at the panel meeting. Advice given by the panel is recorded in a report, to assist with continuing pre-application negotiations, or advise the planning committee on submitted schemes.

The Haringey Quality Review Panel advised on 21 schemes in the year from January 2019 to December 2019. Eleven of these schemes have been reviewed on more than one occasion. First reviews usually take place at a stage when a client and design team have decided their preferred option for development of a site, and have sufficient drawings, models, etc. for a comprehensive discussion. There will often be a second pre-application review to provide advice on more detailed design matters, prior to planning submission.

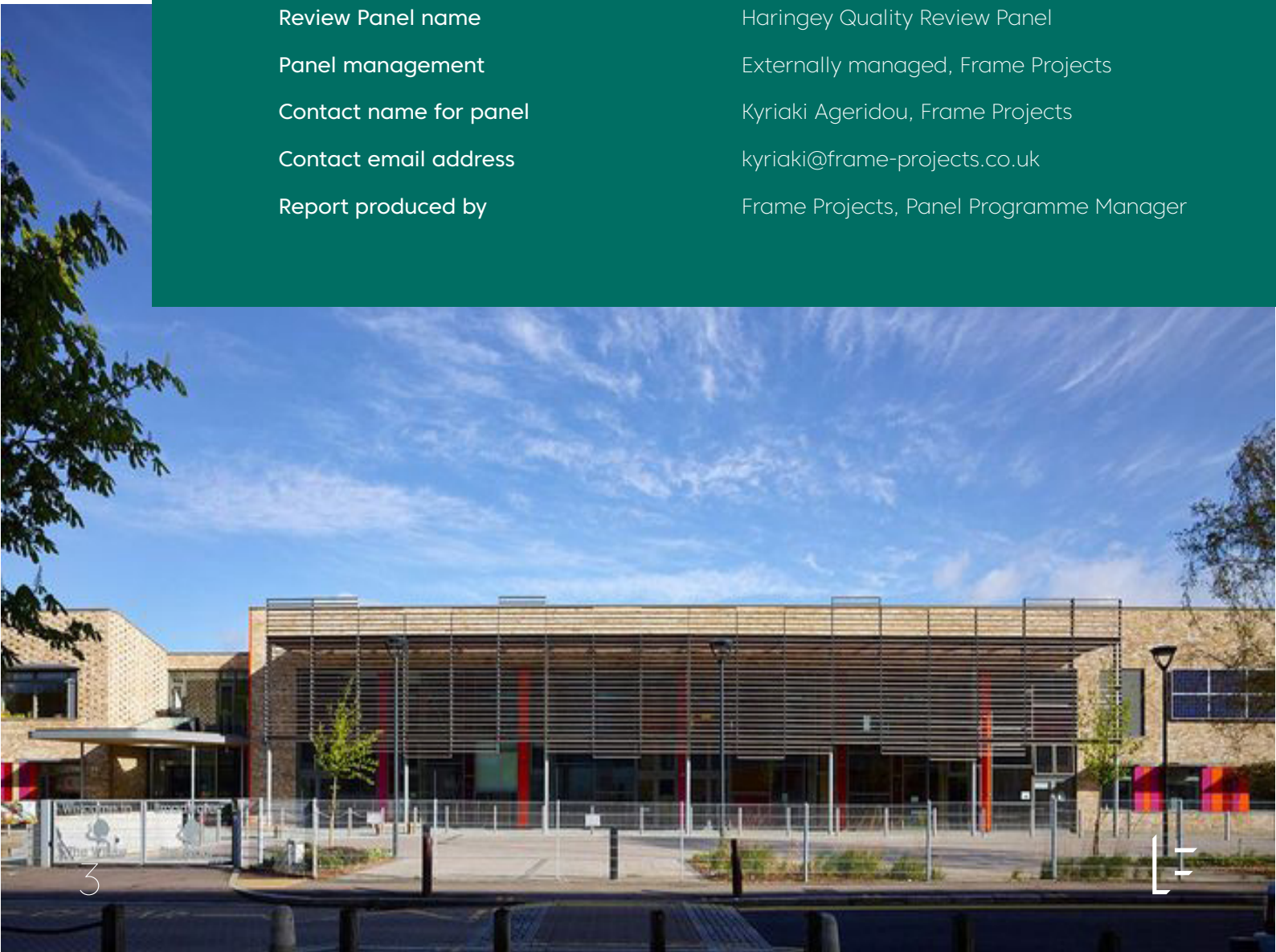
Frame Projects has developed a process for monitoring and evaluating the impact of design review panels. This process will allow us to obtain insight into the effectiveness and performance of each of our panels, as well as valuable information on significant emerging issues from panel reviews. It will also provide public transparency and allow for continual improvement of our services. This process includes collecting quantitative information based on the reviews carried out from January 2019 to December 2019. It also includes feedback from panel members, applicants and local authority representatives gathered through anonymous surveys.

This framework builds on the initial work done by Public Practice to develop a monitoring tool for design review.

Quantitative data was gathered from reviews that took place from January to December 2019.

PANEL

Authority	London Borough of Haringey
Review Panel name	Haringey Quality Review Panel
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REVIEW TOTALS

Total number of reviews

21

Number of follow up /
second reviews

11

Number of site visits

13

Number of formal reviews
(5 panel members)

13

Chair's reviews
(1-2 panel members)

8

Other reviews

0

PANEL COMPOSITION

PANEL MEMBERS USED

No. of different panel
members used

24

Male panel members

58.6%

Female panel members

41.4%

BAME panel members

10.7%

PANEL EXPERTISE USED

Urban design

10

Engineering

0

Architecture

22

Sustainability

3

Landscape

6

Heritage / Conservation

7

PROPOSALS REVIEWED

APPLICANT TYPE

Private developer

19

Local authority

2

Joint venture

0

STAGE OF PROPOSAL

Pre application

16

Planning application
submitted

3

Policy/strategic
document

2

TYPE OF PROPOSAL

Masterplan

1

Mixed use

12

Policy or strategic document

2

Residential (1-50 units)

2

Residential (50+ units)

1

Commercial

1

Healthcare

1

Public Realm

1

Frame Projects has worked with the local planning authority to identify schemes to assess as part of the monitoring and evaluation process. This consists of schemes that have been reviewed by the Quality Review Panel, where a planning decision was determined between January to December 2019.

The schemes used for feedback in this evaluation are:

- 168 Park View Road
- Chocolate Factory
- Tottenham Hale Station
- Earlham Primary School
- Kerswell Close
- 45 - 63 & 67 Lawrence Road
- Ashley House
- Hampden Road
- Land at Haringey Heartlands
- 163 Tottenham Lane

Anonymous surveys responses were collected from the applicants (planning agent and lead architects), panel members who attended the reviews, and local authority representatives (planning officer and design officer) who were leading on the schemes. Surveys took the format of yes/no questions with options to provide further specific feedback. Participants were sent an email asking them to take part in the survey and given two weeks to provide feedback with one follow up reminder.



APPLICANT FEEDBACK

Ten applicants were contacted twice to complete the feedback questionnaire. Five applicants responded. (50 per cent)

Found the review session was conducted in a constructive manner

100%

Were clear about the information they needed to provide prior to the review

100%

Considered the advice from the panel helped to improve the proposal

80%

Feel the panel reports accurately captured review discussions

100%

Thought review session assisted with officer and council discussions

100%

Would recommend using the review panel

80%

LOCAL AUTHORITY FEEDBACK

Nine local planning authority representatives were contacted twice to complete the feedback questionnaire. Three local authority representatives responded. (33.3 per cent)

Clear about information they needed to provide and their role in the process

80%

Found the panel's comments during the review clear and constructive

100%

Found review session and report helpful

100%

Found the panel's advice helped support negotiations on design quality

100%

Reported the panel's comments on an officer's planning report

100%

Felt the Planning Committee gave weight to the design review advice

100%



PANEL MEMBER FEEDBACK

Ten panel members were contacted twice to complete the feedback questionnaire. Six panel members responded. (60 per cent)

Felt level of information provided before review session was appropriate

80%

Considered officer briefings provided clarity on design and policy issues

100%

Considered site visits a benefit to a review session

100%

Felt that the panel reports accurately captured the review discussions

100%

Considered the information presented during the review sufficient

60%

Felt that they could contribute their advice fully

80%



EMERGING ISSUES AND NEXT STEPS

Haringey Council has declared a climate emergency, and feedback from panel members highlights the importance of this being addressed by the Quality Review Panel. Frame Projects is currently planning a climate emergency training event for its panel members, in collaboration with the London Energy Transformation Initiative (LETI) who recently published a Climate Emergency Design Guide.

Feedback from planning officers on the way their verbal briefings are recorded in Quality Review Panel reports has prompted a clarification of how these should be written by Frame Projects – to give factual planning context, and highlight the issues the panel was asked to advise on.

The guidance given to applicants on information to present at review meetings has been updated, with the aim of ensuring information presented is sufficient to enable a thorough review. This addresses feedback from panel members that some schemes are not clearly presented at Quality Review Panel meetings.

In addition to the feedback included in the questionnaire responses, Frame Projects is aware of the emphasis Haringey Council places on health and wellbeing, and panel members are encouraged to discuss this during reviews.

