The Lord Mayor will take the Chair at ONE of the clock in the afternoon precisely.



# **COMMON COUNCIL**

## SIR/MADAM,

You are desired to be at a Court of Common Council, at **GUILDHALL**, on **THURSDAY** next, **the 16th day of January, 2014.** 

JOHN BARRADELL, Town Clerk & Chief Executive.

*Guildhall, Wednesday 8th January 2014* 

Nicholas John Anstee

David Andrew Graves

Aldermen on the Rota

- 1 Question That the Minutes of the last two Court meetings are correctly recorded?
- 2 Resolutions on Retirements, Congratulatory Resolutions, Memorials.
- 3 The Right Honourable The Lord Mayor's report on overseas visits.
- 4 Statement from the Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee.
- 5 Docquets for the Hospital Seal.
- 6 List of applicants for the Freedom of the City:

(A list of names, together with those of the nominators, has been separately circulated).

7 Bill for an Act of Common Council

To:-

 Provide for the nomination and election of Auditors of Chamberlain's and Bridgemasters' Accounts, Bridgemasters and Ale Conners of this City; and

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• repeal any previous conflicting provisions regulating or enforcing the same.

(Third and Final Reading).

(A printed report of the Policy and Resources Committee thereon has been circulated).

8 The Remembrancer's report of measures introduced into Parliament which may have an effect on the services provided by the City Corporation.

Subordinate	Legislation

Title The Animal By-Products (Enforcement) (England) Regulations 2013, S.I. No. 2952.	With effect from 12th December 2013.
The Local Authorities (Funds) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2013, S.I. No. 2974.	20th December 2013.
The Council Tax (Reductions for Annexes) (England) Regulations 2013, S.I. No. 2977.	1st April 2014.
The Income-related Benefits (Subsidy to Authorities) Amendment (No. 2) Order 2013, S.I. No. 2989.	28th January 2014.
The Food Safety and Hygiene (England) Regulations 2013, S.I. No. 2996. The School and Early Years Finance (England) Regulations 2013, S.I. No. 3104.	31st December 2013. 1st January 2014.
The Transfer of Functions Concerning School Lunches etc. (England) (Amendment) Order 2013, S.I. No. 3111.	1st January 2014.
The Feed (Hygiene and Enforcement) and the Animal Feed (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2013, S.I. No. 3133.	17th January 2014.
The Local Authority (Duty to Secure Early Years Provision Free of Charge) Regulations 2013, S.I. No. 3193.	1st September 2014.
The Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure and Section 62A Applications) (England) (Amendment No. 2) Order 2013, S.I. No. 3194.	13th January 2014.
The Infrastructure Planning (Business or Commercial Projects) Regulations 2013, S.I. No. 3221.	18th December 2013.

(The text of the measures and the explanatory notes may be obtained from the Remembrancer's office.)

9 The Town Clerk to report the result of a ballot taken at the last Court, viz:-\* denotes appointed

a) One Member on the Open Spaces & City Gardens and West Ham Park Committees for the balance of a term to expire in April 2014.

b) Two Members on the Board of Governors of the Museum of London for four year terms to expire in December 2017.

\*John George Stewart Scott, J.P., B.A.(Hons) 74\* Graeme Martyn Smith 35 \*Michael Welbank, M.B.E., Deputy 78\*

c) To agree with the recommendation of the Standards Committee that Ms Felicity Lusk and Ms Judith Barnes be appointed as Co-opted Members of the Standards Committee for four year terms to expire in December 2017.

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10 To appoint the following:-

a) One Member on the Hampstead Heath Management Committee for the balance of a term to expire in April 2014.

Nomination received:-Ann Holmes

b) One Member on the Investment Committee for the balance of a term to expire in April 2016.

Nomination received:-Michael Hudson

c) One Member on The City Bridge Trust Committee for the balance of a term to expire in April 2016.

Nominations received:-The Revd. Dr. Martin Dudley Stanley Ginsburg J.P., Deputy Ann Holmes Andrew Stratton McMurtrie Judith Lindsay Pleasance John George Stewart Scott, J.P., B.A.(Hons)

d) One Member on the Castle Baynard Educational Foundation for the balance of a term to expire in March 2016.

Nomination received:-Jeremy Lewis Simons, M.Sc.

#### 11 QUESTIONS

11A Letter of Sir Robert Finch thanking the Court for the resolution passed following his retirement from the Court of Common Council.

#### 12 MOTION

#### By Henry Llewellyn Michael Jones, Deputy

"That Delis Regis be appointed on the Culture, Heritage and Libraries Committee and John Fletcher be appointed on the Markets Committee for the Ward of Farringdon Without, both in the room of Ibthayhaj Gani?"

#### 13 AWARDS AND PRIZES

## National Joint Utilities Group Partnership Award 2013

Report of the Chairman of the Planning and Transportation Committee.

"The City of London Corporation was awarded the "National Joint Utilities Group Partnership Award 2013" on the 10<sup>th</sup> December 2013 at the House of Commons for its work in partnering with office developers and telecoms providers in promoting a scheme for communal entry chambers for new developments in the City. Communal entry chambers, which are built under the public highway, have been constructed for 11 new office developments in the City. They have resulted in faster, more coordinated installation of telecoms services into new office buildings, reducing the incidence of street works and disruption to vehicle and pedestrian movement in the City, and avoiding disturbing newly landscaped areas around new developments. The initiative has been led by the City Property Advisory Team (CPAT) and the Department of Built Environment (DBE) and has saved a total of 396 days working in the public highway in the City of London throughout 2013.

The City's planning powers (section 106) have been amended to require developers to fund the building of communal entry chambers to supply new developments. Chambers are funded, owned, and maintained by the developer, under a section 50 highways licence – *"private apparatus under a public street",* and on-going access and is managed by the building owner.

The judging panel from the National Joint Utilities Group made the following comment: "The City of London Corporation's submission showed both great partnership engagement and working but also demonstrated a proactive approach to effectively future proof the location from further unnecessary disruption. It showed great awareness in thinking beyond the matter at hand."

## 14 **PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE** (Michael Welbank, M.B.E., Deputy)

26 November 2013

#### (A) Adoption of the West Smithfield Area Enhancement Strategy

Your Committee seeks approval for the adoption of the revised West Smithfield Area Enhancement Strategy to progress the delivery of public realm improvement and a separately printed report has been submitted thereon.

The Strategy will -

- a) provide improvements to the public realm in the West Smithfield Area to benefit the increasing number of pedestrians using the streets and new developments including Crossrail;
- b) provide an improved, accessible and functional pedestrian environment that would support the projected increased pedestrian footfall, whilst supporting the activity of Smithfield meat market and the continuing operation of St Bart's Hospital; and
- c) identify current issues and future demands and set out a framework for addressing these within the context of existing policies and guidance.

In addition, the Strategy sets out a delivery plan which identifies projects arising from the Strategy, it prioritises them and indicates the funding strategy for delivery and we **recommend** its adoption.

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### (B) On-Street Parking Surplus Report 2012-2013

Section 55(3A) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended) requires the City of London Corporation (together with the London Borough Councils and Transport for London) to report to the Mayor of London on action taken in respect of any deficit or surplus in their On-Street Parking Account for each financial year.

We submit a short printed and circulated report thereon, which we **recommend** be noted and submitted to the Mayor of London.

## 15 CULTURE, HERITAGE AND LIBRARIES COMMITTEE (John George Stewart Scott, J.P., B.Sc.(Hons))

#### Public Library Byelaws

It is a requirement of the Public Libraries and Museums Act, 1964 (the legislation that governs the provision of library services by local authorities) that library services shall have byelaws setting out the rules for their use, formally approved by their parent Council. The byelaws follow a standard formula recommended by the Department of Culture, Media and Sport and require the endorsement of the Court.

The library byelaws currently in force in the City were approved by the Court in 1966 and are in need of updating. A revised set of byelaws has been drafted and is attached to a separately printed and circulated report and we **recommend** approval thereof.

# 16 HOSPITALITY WORKING PARTY OF THE POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

## (George Marr Flemington Gillon, Chief Commoner)

12 November 2013 & 11 December 2013

#### Applications for the Use of Guildhall

In accordance with the arrangements approved by the Court on 21 June 2001 for the approval of applications for the use of Guildhall, we now inform the Court of the following applications which have been agreed to:-

Name London District Surveyors	<b>Date</b> Friday 9 May 2014	Function Awards
Association		Ceremony
The London Platinum and Palladium Market	Tuesday 20 May 2014	Reception
Ifs (Institute of Financial Services) School of Finance	Friday 18 July 2014	Graduation
Embassy of Israel	Monday 27 April 2015	Dinner
The Worshipful Company of Carmen	Wednesday 15 July 2015	Cart Marking & Lunch
EuroWeek (Global capital markets newspaper)	Wednesday 12 February 2014	Dinner
Trades Exhibitions Limited (Annual Professional Beauty Awards)	Sunday 23 February 2014	Dinner
William Reed Business Media Ltd	Sunday 27 April 2014	Awards Ceremony
Association of the Luxembourg Fund Industry	Wednesday 14 May 2014	Conference

## 17 AUDIT & RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (Jeremy Paul Mayhew, MA, MBA)

11 December 2013

#### Audit and Risk Management Committee – Appointment of Independent Members

At its meeting on 9 September 2011 the Court agreed the procedure for appointing the external, independent, members of the Audit and Risk Management Committee. Whilst the procedure specifies that appointments cover a four year term, it does not include any scope for the re-appointment of existing members. We submit for your approval a printed report which seeks to address this by varying the procedure to allow external members to be re-appointed for a further term. However, in the interests of maintaining a fresh perspective, we are also recommending that, normally, a maximum of two terms be served in total.

We also seek the Court's approval to the re-appointment of Kenneth Ludlam and Caroline Mawhood, two of the current external members of the Audit and Risk Management Committee. Both terms expire in March 2014 and, in order to maintain an element of

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continuity, your Committee is recommending that their proposed new terms be staggered at 3 and 4 years respectively, expiring in 2017 and 2018. For your information, the term of the third external member, Hilary Daniels, who was appointed by the Court in 2012, expires in 2016.

## 18 SOCIAL INVESTMENT BOARD OF THE INVESTMENT COMMITTEE (Alderman Peter Hewitt)

#### Social Investment Board - Update on activities

Under the leadership of the Policy & Resources Committee, the City Corporation is working to position London as a global hub for social investment. In October 2012 the Court approved a designation of £20 million from Bridge House Estates for investments that produce a positive financial return and demonstrable social benefit and we submit a printed and circulated report informing Members of progress and we **recommend** that it be noted.

## 19 THE CITY BRIDGE TRUST COMMITTEE (William Harry Dove, M.B.E., J.P., Deputy)

28 November 2013

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#### City of London as Trustee of the Bridge House Estates

At a recent meeting of The City Bridge Trust Committee Members requested clarification regarding the position in respect of the Bridge House Estates and City Bridge Trust. The Committee also sought clarification regarding Members' responsibilities when acting as Bridge House Estates Trustees.

We therefore submit, for your information, a separately printed and circulated report which explains the role of the City of London Corporation as Trustee of the Charity, Bridge House Estates and clarifies the distinct functions and responsibilities of the Committees of the Court of Common Council of the City Corporation that conduct business relating to the Charity.

# 20 FINANCE COMMITTEE (Roger Arthur Holden Chadwick)

(A) City of London Procurement Regulations

Since the latest edition of the City's Procurement Regulations were approved in July 2012, there have been significant changes in the way in which the City organises its procurement, most notably the launch of the new City of London Procurement Service (CLPS) on 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2013. There have also been several important legislative and policy developments which have impacted on areas of the City's procurement. All of these developments require significant revisions to some of the existing Regulations, together with the introduction of some new regulations. The revisions and new regulations are more than minor technical updates and therefore require the approval of the Court and we submit a separately printed report for your approval.

### (B) Appointment of the Chamberlain

As Members are aware, the current Chamberlain Chris Bilsland has given notice of his intention to retire on 31 May 2014. In accordance with Standing Order No. 61(1), the Recruitment Panel established by your Finance Committee submit a candidate for appointment as Chamberlain.

The candidate will appear before the Court of Common Council (in private session) and will give a presentation. Upon the candidate's withdrawal from the Court, a ballot by Members will be held for the appointment. On completion of that, the public will be re-admitted and the decision of the Court can be made known.

Our report has been separately printed and circulated only to Members as its contents include personal information relating to the candidate, which is considered to be exempt information as defined in Paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act, 1972.

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## MOTION

# 21 By the Chief Commoner

"That the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business below on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act, 1972:-

A) recommendations of the Property Investment Board on various property transactions?"