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 25th day of June, 2015.** 

JOHN BARRADELL, Town Clerk & Chief Executive.

Guildhall, Wednesday 17th June 2015

William Anthony Bowater Russell

Michael Raymond Mainelli

Aldermen on the Rota

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

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

(B) To report action taken in approving an application for the Freedom of the City of London under urgency procedures on behalf of the Court of Common Council as there was insufficient time for the Court approval to be obtained in the usual way:

To Andrej Kiska, Engineer and Philanthropist; being nominated by Sir Gavyn Arthur, Citizen and Gardner and by Sir Anthony Bailey, Citizen and Loriner. Urgent approval was granted as Mr Kiska, now also the President of the Slovak Republic, was due to be in London on 23 June and it was considered sensible to expedite the approval to allow the Ceremony to coincide with his visit.

- 8 Resolutions of the Annual Wardmotes from the Wards of Cripplegate (Within and Without), Dowgate, Farringdon Within and Portsoken are the subject of a separately printed and circulated report for consideration.
- 9 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 with effect from
The Honey (England) Regulations 2015, S.I. No. 1348 24 June 2015

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

10 The Town Clerk to report the result of a ballot taken at the last Court, viz:-

**Policy and Resources Committee** (one vacancy for the balance of a term expiring in April 2016).

\* denotes appointed.

	votes
John Alfred Barker, O.B.E., Deputy	3
Alistair Michael Moss, Deputy	40
Jeremy Lewis Simons, M.Sc.	46★

11 To appoint the following:-

a) One Member on the Board of Governors of the City of London Freemen's School, for a four year term expiring in July 2019.

### Nominations received:-

Ann Holmes

**b)** Two Members on the **Local Government Pensions Board**, for terms expiring in April 2019.

### Nominations received:-

Ian David Luder, J.P., B.Sc.(Econ.), Alderman James Richard Tumbridge

- 12 **QUESTIONS**
- 13 MOTIONS
- 14 AWARDS AND PRIZES
- 15 **POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

(Mark John Boleat)

11 June 2015

### **Amendment to Standing Order No.63**

The purpose of this report is to propose the amendment of Standing Order 63 regarding Disciplinary Action to comply with the Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2015 (the 2015 Regulations).

This Standing Order currently sets out the process by which disciplinary action can be taken in respect of the Town Clerk, the City of London Corporation's Monitoring Officer or the Chamberlain. The 2015 Regulations amend this process such that it now only covers dismissal, rather than any discipline, and no longer requires the relevant authority (the Court of Common Council in this instance) to follow a recommendation of a designated independent person. Investigations into dismissal of one of the three designated officers should therefore be conducted by a disciplinary panel, and a decision agreed by a vote of the Court of Common Council.

A separately printed and circulated report is submitted thereon and we **recommend** you agree the changes to standing orders set out therein.

# 16 HOSPITALITY WORKING PARTY OF THE POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

(Deputy Billy Dove, O.B.E., J.P., Chief Commoner)

19 May 2015

### (A) 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:-

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Function</u>
National Day of Singapore	Monday 6 July 2015	Reception
British Red Cross	Sunday 29 November 2015 (set up) Monday 30 November 2015 Tuesday 1 December 2015	Christmas Market
Guildhall School of Music & Drama	Friday 6 November 2015	Graduation
Wine & Spirit Education Trust	Monday 18 January 2016	Dinner
Principal Global Events	Tuesday 10 May 2016 (set up) Wednesday 11 May 2016	Dinner
Save the Children	Thursday 8 September 2016	Dinner
Henley and Partners	Tuesday 8 November 2016 Wednesday 9 November 2016	Conference
Coventry University	Friday 18 November 2016	Graduation
Powerful Media Ltd	Monday 21 November 2016	Conference
Loan Market Association	Monday 30 November 2016	Reception

19 May 2015

## (B) Application for Hospitality: 70th Anniversary of the United Nations

It is proposed that that the City of London Corporation host an early evening reception at Guildhall on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2015 at the conclusion of a panel discussion to mark the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the United Nations.

This event will provide an opportunity for the City to mark the anniversary with guests including diplomats, government and UN officials, policy-makers, academics, City business representatives, representatives from the City's schools and academies and Members with relevant interests.

We **recommend** that appropriate hospitality be granted and that arrangements be made under the auspices of the Policy and Resources Committee; the cost to be met from City's Cash and within the approved cost parameters.

This would be a Committee event.

#### 17 FINANCE COMMITTEE

## (Roger Arthur Holden Chadwick)

12 May 2015

# Revenues Court and Tribunal Appearances – Authorisation for officers to represent the Corporation

Section 223 of the Local Government Act 1972 provides that any Member or officer of a local authority who is authorised by that authority shall be entitled to prosecute or defend or to appear in proceedings before a Magistrates' Court. This report seeks approval to update the authorisations given to officers in respect of the administration of non-domestic rates, council tax and miscellaneous income, following a number of

staff changes; a separately printed and circulated report is submitted thereon and we **recommend** it be approved accordingly.

### 18 PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

### (Michael Welbank, M.B.E)

14 April 2015

# Updates to Scheme of Delegation in relation to changes to statutory powers and minor material amendments

The Court of Common Council has delegated to your Planning and Transportation Committee responsibility for the City's local planning authority functions. To facilitate the carrying out and administration of these functions, some of these functions have been further delegated to Chief Officers, as set out in the Scheme of Delegations approved by Court of Common Council on 1 May 2014 and updated on 1 December 2014. Recent modifications to the conservation area regime and the introduction of Lead Local Flood Authority functions and Sustainable Urban Drainage responsibilities have given rise to further delegation issues.

Your Committee therefore seeks approval to amend the Scheme of Delegation in respect of the Lead Local Flood Authority functions. A printed and circulated report is submitted thereon and we **recommend** the amendments to the Scheme of Delegation as set out.

### 19 COMMUNITY & CHILDREN'S SERVICES COMMITTEE

## (Dhruv Patel)

8 May 2015

### **Corporate Parenting Strategy**

The Court of Common Council is **recommended** to receive the Corporate Parenting Strategy which highlights the important responsibility of all Members as corporate parents to the children who are in or who have left the City's care. The Strategy sets out how the City will fulfil its commitment and ensure that children and young people have the support, care and encouragement to reach their full potential. This includes the City's Pledge to its children looked after and care leavers, which has been identified through consultation with children and young people in or leaving care.

#### 20 **STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

### (Charles Edward Lord, O.B.E., J.P.)

15 May 2015

### **Standards Committee Annual Report**

In accordance with our terms of reference, the Standards Committee is required to monitor all complaints referred to us and to submit an annual report on our activities. This report provides a brief synopsis of the activities undertaken by your Committee since the introduction of the new standards arrangements under the Localism Act 2011.

A printed and circulated report has therefore been submitted for your information and we **recommend** its content be noted.

### 21 EDUCATION BOARD

### (Catherine McGuinness, Deputy)

21 May 2015

### **Implementing the Education Strategy 2013-15**

The City of London Corporation's Education Strategy 2013-15 was adopted by the Court of Common Council at its meeting on 8 May 2014, with an overarching vision to educate and inspire children and young people to achieve their full potential. In adopting the strategy the Court established the Education Board as a grand committee to oversee its implementation, as well as the wider City of London Corporation education 'offer, working as it does so with other Committees with specific education responsibilities.

The Court of Common Council instructed the Education Board to report back to the Court on its first year of operation. A printed and circulated report that outlines the Board's headline activities since its first meeting in June 2014, and progress on the implementation of the Education Strategy over that period, is now submitted for your consideration. It is **recommended** that the Court receive the report and notes the activity undertaken by the Education Board during the last year.

#### **MOTION**

### 22 By the Chief Commoner

"That the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business below on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, or which fall under paragraph 100A(2) of the Local Government Act 1972 relating to confidential information that would be disclosed in breach of an obligation of confidence by a department of Her Majesty's Government?":-

- A) recommendations of the Policy and Resources Committee proposing the award of a contract;
- B) recommendations of the Property Investment Board pertaining to the sale of a property:
- C) recommendations of the Property Investment Board concerning the surrender of a lease and granting of a new head lease;
- D) action taken under urgency procedures approving recommendations of the Property Investment Board concerning the purchase of a freehold; and
- E) recommendations of the Hospitality Working Party concerning a matter of hospitality?"