

PLEASE BRING THIS AGENDA WITH YOU

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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 15th day of **October, 2015**.

JOHN BARRADELL,
Town Clerk & Chief Executive.

*Guildhall,
Wednesday 7th October 2015*

Sir Roger Gifford

Peter Hewitt

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Aldermen on the Rota

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1 Question - That the Minutes of the last Court are correctly recorded?

2 To read a Vote of Thanks to the Lord Mayor.

3 The Right Honourable The Lord Mayor to lay before the Court a letter of the Lord Mayor Elect declaring his assent to take upon himself that Office.

4 Resolutions on Retirements, Congratulatory Resolutions, Memorials.

5 The Right Honourable The Lord Mayor's report on overseas visits.

6 To elect a Chief Commoner.

In accordance with Standing Order No. 18, Tom Hoffman and Michael Welbank, M.B.E. have valid nominations for the office. The candidates' supporting statements are the subject of a printed and circulated report.

(N.B. A notice of the nominees is on display in the Members' Reading Room)

7 Statement from the Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee.

8 Docquets for the Hospital Seal.

9 List of applicants for the Freedom of the City:

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

10 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 Housing (Right to Buy) (Prescribed Forms) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2015, S.I. No. 1542	17 August 2015
The School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Order 2015, S.I. No. 1582	1 September 2015
The Packaging (Essential Requirements) Regulations 2015, S.I. No. 1640	1 October 2015
The Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Alarm (England) Regulations 2015, S.I. No. 1693	1 October 2015
The Counter-Terrorism and Security Act 2015 (Risk of Being Drawn into Terrorism) (Guidance) Regulations 2015, S.I. No. 1697	17 September 2015

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

11 To appoint the following:-

- a) One Member on the **Police Committee**, for the balance of a term expiring in April 2017.

Nominations received:-

Nicholas Michael Bensted-Smith, J.P.
Emma Edhem
John George Stewart Scott, J.P.
James Richard Tumbridge

- b) One Member on the **Hampstead Heath, Highgate Wood and Queen's Park Committee**, for the balance of a term expiring in April 2016.

Nominations received:-

Michael Hudson

- c) Four Members on the **Ceremonial Protocols Working Party**, two of whom must have fewer than 10 years' service on the Court and two of whom must have more than 10 years' service.

This Working Party has been established by the Policy and Resources Committee to review the City Corporation's ceremonial protocols and practices, with the intention of examining the principles behind each protocol – particularly where there have been changes in practice over recent years – and bringing them up to date to reflect current circumstances.

*+ denotes more than ten years' service on the Court; and
< denotes fewer than ten years' service on the Court.*

Nominations received:-

< Henry Nicholas Almroth Colthurst
< Karina Dostalova
+ Simon D'Olier Duckworth, O.B.E., D.L.
< Sophie Anne Fernandes
+ Wendy Mead, O.B.E.
+ Joyce Carruthers Nash, O.B.E., Deputy
+ Ann Marjorie Francesca Pembroke
+ John George Stewart Scott, J.P.
< Dr. Giles Robert Evelyn Shilson, Deputy
< Tom Sleigh
< Graeme Martyn Smith

- d) One Member on the **Trust for London**, for the balance of a term expiring in April 2020.

Nominations received:-

Alison Gowman, Alderman

- e) One Member on the **Board of Governors of the Museum of London**, for a three year term expiring in November 2018.

** denotes a Member standing for re-appointment*

Nominations received:-

*Tom Hoffman

Graeme Martyn Smith

- f) One Member on the **Dr Johnson's House Trust**, for a two year term expiring in October 2017.

** denotes a Member standing for re-appointment*

Nomination received:-

*Jeremy Lewis Simons

- g) One Member on the **City Arts Trust**, for a four year term expiring in October 2019.

** denotes a Member standing for re-appointment*

Nomination received:

*Wendy Mead, O.B.E.

12 QUESTIONS

13 MOTIONS

14 AWARDS AND PRIZES

National recognition for the Director of Markets and Consumer Protection

Report of the Chairman of the Markets Committee.

“David Smith, Director of Markets and Consumer Protection, was presented with the award for making an ‘outstanding contribution to the markets industry’ by the National Association of British Market Authorities (NABMA) at their conference on 21 September 2015.

NABMA’s Chief Executive, Graham Wilson OBE, presented David with the award, stating:

“Each year NABMA makes an award to an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to the markets industry. The award has been in existence for several years and has featured a wide variety of people from different backgrounds. Two years ago the award was renamed the Krys Zasada award in memory of NABMA's Policy Officer. This year's recipient is David Smith CBE who joined the Corporation of London in 2003 and since that time has been responsible for three of the UK's premier Wholesale Markets at Billingsgate, Smithfield and New Spitalfields. David has not only demonstrated exemplary leadership in the management of these markets but has worked to promote markets nationally and internationally through NABMA and The World Union of Wholesale Markets. He has been Chairman of NABMA's Wholesale Forum, bringing together Wholesale Markets throughout the country, and was also instrumental in the formation of the Association of London Markets. David is a worthy recipient of NABMA's award.”

I commend this achievement to the Court.”

15 POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

(Mark John Boleat)

16 July 2015

(A) Promotion of a City of London Corporation (Open Spaces) Bill

The Management Committees for the City Corporation’s Open Spaces have agreed that it would be desirable to promote a private Bill in Parliament to make changes to the legislative framework governing the Open Spaces. This follows a local consultation exercise carried out early this year. We are supportive of the promotion of a Bill and have considered and agreed detailed proposals for your consideration.

The aim of the changes will be to clarify and expand the management powers available to the City of London Corporation, to increase opportunities to generate revenue for the benefit of the Open Spaces (consistently with their status as public places of recreation and enjoyment), and to strengthen enforcement powers.

We therefore **recommend** that approval be given to the promotion of a City of London Corporation (Open Spaces) Bill to seek the legislative changes described in this Report, and that a Petition to Parliament be prepared and sealed accordingly.

24 September 2015

(B) Increasing the Supply of Homes: Role of the City of London Corporation

The supply of affordable homes for households on low and middle incomes in London is insufficient to meet current demand. This not only affects London’s communities, but it also presents a risk to the capital’s competitiveness and its economy. Meeting London’s housing needs is critical and the issue cannot be addressed in isolation: it requires the commitment and action of all local authorities to adopt measures for a new supply of homes. We have considered proposals on how the City of London Corporation can play its part to address the provision of additional housing and we have agreed a policy entitled “*Increasing the Supply of Homes – the Role of the City of London Corporation*”.

The Policy sets out the scope of what the City Corporation can do in respect of the provision of increased housing. It includes a commitment to increase the supply of homes on City Corporation’s social housing estates by 25 per cent, and provide 3,000 additional homes on development sites in our ownership. In doing so the City Corporation will be able to deliver a range of homes – those that are social rented, homes that offer shared ownership and homes for market sale and rent.

The Increasing the Supply of Homes Policy has been developed in response to the capital’s housing shortage. It is presented as a separately printed and circulated report and we **recommend** you endorse it accordingly.

24 September 2015

(C) Local Government Pensions Board: Revision to Appointment Process

At present, the Terms of Reference for the Local Government Pensions Board state that the Scheme Member representatives appointed to the Board are to be “selected by election by Scheme Members”. In September 2015, your Policy and Resources Committee agreed that amending the Terms of Reference so that Scheme Member representatives are appointed through an open and transparent appointment process, against an agreed set of criteria, would be the most effective way to ensure that

appropriate candidates are selected. This process would also be significantly more cost effective than staging an election, and would also be in line with the approach being taken by many London Borough Councils.

We now submit a separately printed and circulated report thereon and **recommend** that the Court of Common Council approves the proposed amendment to the Terms of Reference of the Local Government Pensions Board.

24 September 2015

(D) City of London Corporation Aviation Policy

The City of London Corporation has consistently supported expansion in aviation capacity. In light of the recommendations of the recent Airports Commission, your Policy and Resources Committee has considered the adoption of a formal aviation policy position to inform, as far as possible, the Government's response to those recommendations, which is expected by the end of 2015.

We now submit a separately printed and circulated report, setting out a proposed policy position, and **recommend** that it be endorsed accordingly.

16 **HOSPITALITY WORKING PARTY OF THE POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

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

16 September 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>
Bank of England	Wednesday 11 November 2015	Conference
HSBC	Thursday 21 January 2016	Dinner
Oliver Wyman	Wednesday 3 February 2016	Dinner
City Food Lecture Organising Committee	Tuesday 16 February 2016	Lecture
The Worshipful Company of World Traders	Thursday 25 February 2016	Lecture
CoL International Women's Day Group	Friday 4 March 2016	Conference
Institute of Marine Engineering, Science and Technology	Friday 18 March 2016	Dinner
Army Benevolent Fund	Thursday 7 April 2016	Lunch

Comparative Health Knowledge Systems	Tuesday 10 May 2016	Dinner
The London Platinum and Palladium Market	Tuesday 17 May 2016	Reception
ClearView Financial Media	Thursday 19 May 2016	Awards Ceremony
British Red Cross	Monday 10 October 2016	Dinner
Four Colman Getty	Tuesday 11 October 2016	Dinner

16 September 2015

(B) European Bank for Reconstruction and Development Governors' Dinner

It is proposed that the City of London Corporation host a dinner for the Governors of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) at Mansion House on Tuesday 10 May 2016, prior to its 25th annual meeting.

The guest list would include, in addition to the Governors of the EBRD (normally politicians at Finance Minister level appointed by each of the countries participating in the EBRD), those of its Directors who are based in London, and representatives of international institutions and the EBRD's Executive Committee.

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

This would be a Committee event.

16 September 2015

(C) Education Lecture

It is proposed that the City of London Corporation host a reception and dinner at Guildhall following an address on education policy to be given by the Secretary of State for Education on Tuesday 23 February 2016.

This event would provide an opportunity for the City to highlight its commitment to education, and to bring together key policy makers from business and educational institutions. It will offer a valuable opportunity to build contacts across the range of educational organisations supported by the City. The guest list would include leading figures from business and education, and representatives from Livery Companies, national educational organisations and the media.

We **recommend** that appropriate hospitality be granted and that arrangements be made under the auspices of the Education Board; the cost to be met from City's Cash within the approved cost parameters and with a contribution from the Worshipful Company of Educators.

This would be a Committee event.

(D) Commonwealth High Commissioners' Dinner

It is proposed that the City of London Corporation support a dinner at Mansion House for Commonwealth High Commissioners on Wednesday 9 March 2016 to mark the annual Commonwealth Observance in the 90th year of The Queen's reign.

This event would provide an opportunity for the City to continue its engagement with the Commonwealth and help facilitate dialogue between those with business interests in Commonwealth countries and their representatives in London and related institutional organisations. The guest list would include Commonwealth High Commissioners, selected business guests with Commonwealth interests and other relevant institutional representatives.

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

17 **FINANCE COMMITTEE****(Roger Arthur Holden Chadwick)**

22 September 2015

City of London Corporation Procurement Code 2015

The City of London Corporation's procurement regulations require updating to reflect EU Procurement Directives and to bring them into line with new legislation introduced by the Government in 2015 (specifically the UK Public Contract Regulations 2015 and the Small Business and Employment Act 2015). These changes have been incorporated into a revised City of London Corporation Procurement Code 2015, along with a number of recommended operational changes to drive further procurement efficient and savings.

Your Finance Committee considered and approved the proposed Procurement Code in September 2015, subject to a small number of amendments which have now been made. A separately printed and circulated report is now submitted for your approval, **recommending** that the Court of Common Council adopts the new City of London Corporation Procurement Code 2015.

18 **POLICE COMMITTEE****(James Henry George Pollard, Deputy)**

2 October 2015

Appointment of Commissioner of Police

In accordance with Standing Order No. 62(1), the Appointment Panel established by your Police Committee submit a candidate for appointment to the Office of Commissioner of Police for the City of London to be appointed on a date to be confirmed subject to receipt of approval of Her Majesty The Queen (to be sought in accordance with Section III of the City of London Police Act 1839) and subsequently to the candidate taking an Oath before one of Her Majesty's Judges.

MOTION - To exclude the public.

The candidate will appear before the Court of Common Council and will be asked to provide a short presentation to Members. 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 non-public report has been printed and circulated for consideration by Members only and its contents include exempt information as defined in Paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act, 1972.

19 SOCIAL INVESTMENT BOARD

(Peter Hewitt, Alderman)

18 September 2015

Progress Report

The Social Investment Fund was established in 2012 and is a key component of the City of London Corporation's strategy to develop London as a global centre for social investment (investments that produce both a financial return and demonstrable social benefit).

The Fund has committed almost £9m since it was established supporting a broad range of social projects. It has become apparent that the previously agreed split between investments in London-based, UK-based and International activities is unachievable within the current social investment market, which is still in its infancy. To maintain the Fund's current work and the deployment rate, we therefore submit a separately printed and circulated report which details the investment portfolio to date, provides details of the geographic spread of investments, and **recommends** that the Court of Common Council agree to permit the City of London Corporation's Social Investment Fund to combine its UK and London ring-fences until October 2016.

MOTION

20 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 Paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act, 1972:-

- A) recommendations of the Establishment Committee concerning the creation of a post within the Chamberlain's department;
- B) action taken under urgency procedures in approving recommendations of the Property Investment Board concerning the disposal of a property; and
- C) item 18, a report of the Police Committee in relation to the appointment of the Commissioner of Police for the City of London?"