



YARROW, MAYOR

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL

15th October 2015
MEMBERS PRESENT

ALDERMEN

Nicholas Anstee
Sir Michael David Bear
Sheriff Charles Bowman
Peter Estlin
Sir Roger Gifford
David Andrew Graves

Timothy Russell Hailes JP
Gordon Warwick Haines
Peter Hewitt
Vincent Thomas Keaveny
Ian David Luder JP
Julian Henry Malins QC

Dr Andrew Charles Parmley
Matthew Richardson
William Anthony Bowater Russell
Dame Fiona Woolf
Sir David Wootton
The Rt Hon the Lord Mayor, Alan Colin Drake
Yarrow

COMMONERS

George Christopher Abrahams
John David Absalom, Deputy
Randall Keith Anderson
Alex Bain-Stewart JP
John Alfred Barker, OBE, Deputy
Douglas Barrow, Deputy
John Bennett, Deputy
Nicholas Michael Bensted-Smith, JP
Christopher Paul Boden
Mark Boleat
Keith David Forbes Bottomley
David John Bradshaw
Revd Dr William Goodacre
Campbell-Taylor
Michael John Cassidy, CBE, Deputy
Roger Arthur Holden Chadwick
Nigel Kenneth Challis
John Douglas Chapman, Deputy
Henry Nicholas Almroth Colthurst
Dennis Cotgrove
Alexander John Cameron Deane,
Deputy
Karina Dostalova
William Harry Dove OBE, Deputy
(Chief Commoner)
Simon D'Olier Duckworth, OBE, DL

The Revd Dr Martin Raymond
Dudley
Peter Gerard Dunphy
Anthony Noel Eskenzi, CBE,
Deputy
John William Fletcher
William Barrie Fraser, OBE,
Deputy
Stuart John Fraser, CBE
Marianne Bernadette
Fredericks
Lucy Frew
George Marr Flemington Gillon
Stanley Ginsburg, JP, Deputy
The Revd Stephen Decatur
Haines MA, Deputy
Brian Nicholas Harris, Deputy
Christopher Michael Hayward
Tom Hoffman
Ann Holmes
Michael Hudson
Wendy Hyde
Jamie Ingham Clark, Deputy
Clare James
Alastair John Naisbitt King,
MSc, Deputy

Gregory Alfred Lawrence
Vivienne Littlechild JP
Oliver Arthur Wynlayne Lodge, TD
Edward Lord, OBE, JP
Professor John Stuart Penton
Lumley
Paul Nicholas Martinelli
Jeremy Mayhew
Catherine McGuinness, Deputy
Andrew Stratton McMurtrie, JP
Wendy Mead, OBE
Robert Allan Merrett, Deputy
Brian Desmond Francis Mooney MA
Gareth Wynford Moore
Hugh Fenton Morris
Sylvia Doreen Moys
Joyce Carruthers Nash, OBE,
Deputy
Graham David Packham
Ann Marjorie Francescia Pembroke
Judith Lindsay Pleasance
James Henry George Pollard,
Deputy
Emma Charlotte Louisa Price

Chris Punter
Stephen Douglas Quilter,
Richard David Regan, OBE,
Deputy
Adam Fox McCloud
Richardson
Elizabeth Rogula
Virginia Rounding
James de Sausmarez
John George Stewart Scott, JP
Ian Christopher Norman
Seaton
Dr Giles Robert Evelyn Shilson,
Deputy
Jeremy Lewis Simons
Sir Michael Snyder
Angela Mary Starling
Patrick Thomas Streeter
John Tomlinson, Deputy
Michael Welbank, MBE
Mark Raymond Peter Henry
Delano Wheatley
Philip Woodhouse

*Dove, W.H.,
O.B.E., J.P., Deputy.,
Chadwick,
R.A.H.*

Resolved Unanimously – That Dr Christine Ridgen, one of the Sheriffs of the City, be invited to take her seat on the Dais.

1. Minutes

Resolved - That the Minutes of the last Court are correctly recorded.

2. Vote of
Thanks to the
Lord Mayor

Brian Harris, Deputy of the Ward of Bridge and Bridge Without, read the draft of a vote of thanks to the Right Honourable The Lord Mayor, which was intended to be formally Moved at the next meeting of the Court.

The Lord Mayor was heard in reply.

3. Letter

A letter of the Lord Mayor Elect, declaring his assent to take upon himself the Office of Lord Mayor, was received.

4. Resolutions

Resolved unanimously –

*Haines, S.D.,
Deputy the Revd;
Dove, W.H.,
O.B.E., J.P., Deputy*

That, on his retirement from this Honourable Court, Members wish to place on record their most sincere thanks to:-

Sir David Howarth Seymour Howard, Bt.

for the service that he has given to the City of London Corporation and to the City - as a Common Councilman for the Ward of Cornhill, as Alderman for that Ward, as Sheriff, as Lord Mayor and, more recently, as senior Alderman.

It has been a remarkable record of service, spanning more than forty years and this Court could not have been more ably represented at all levels, amongst the Livery, in Government and in business.

The Howards have become something of a fixture within the City Corporation, with Sir David representing the third successive generation to serve on the Common Council and also as Lord Mayor. The Resolutions of Thanks to his forebears make reference to their sense of duty and devotion to all aspects of City life, their sincerity of purpose, and the respect in which they were held by their colleagues. In this respect, Sir David has not only upheld the traditions of his predecessors but has surpassed them, acting in an unfailingly courteous and perspicacious manner.

His guidance and consistency will be sorely missed, and I know that Members are all agreed that we are fortunate to have had the benefit of his sage counsel for so long.

Having now stood down from Office, Sir David, so well supported throughout by Valerie, can take with him the very best wishes of all his colleagues on this Court, past and present, for a long, happy and healthy retirement from civic life in the City.

5. Overseas
Visits

The Right Honourable the Lord Mayor reported on his recent overseas visits to China, Ghana, Mozambique, Nigeria and South Africa.

6. Election of
Chief Commoner

The Court proceeded to elect a Chief Commoner for 2016/17.

Two valid nominations had been received in accordance with Standing Order No. 18, for Tom Hoffman and Michael Welbank, M.B.E.

The Court therefore proceeded, in accordance with Standing Order No.10, to ballot.

The Lord Mayor requested the Chief Commoner and the Chairman of the Finance Committee, or their representatives, to be the scrutineers of the ballot.

The result was announced as follows:-

Tom Hoffman	-	36 Votes
Michael Welbank	-	56 Votes

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Michael Welbank, M.B.E. to be elected to the office of Chief Commoner for 2016/17.

7. Policy Statement

The Policy Chairman delivered a statement on the cultural hub and the developing work around a prospective Centre for Music and new site for the Museum of London.

In response to a question from Brian Mooney, the Chairman confirmed that no consideration had been given to the relocation of Smithfield Market as part of the cultural hub plans.

8. Hospital Seal

There were no documents to be sealed.

9. Freedoms

The Chamberlain, in pursuance of the Order of this Court, presented a list of the under-mentioned, persons who had made applications to be admitted to the Freedom of the City by Redemption:-

Kelley John McIntyre <i>Michael Peter Cawston</i> <i>Peter Ronald Elliott</i>	a Regular Army Warrant Officer <i>Citizen and Tyler and Bricklayer</i> <i>Citizen and Blacksmith</i>	Westminster
Neel Suraj Rokad <i>Alan Roy Willis</i> <i>Paul Leonard Wickham</i>	a Student <i>Citizen and Baker</i> <i>Citizen and Baker</i>	Edgware, Middlesex
Debra Maureen Cowland <i>Jonathan Martin Averbs</i> <i>David Andrew Harry McGregor</i> <i>Smith, CBE</i>	a Health Practitioner <i>Citizen and Fletcher</i> <i>Citizen and Cook</i>	West Malling, Kent
Thomas William Starling <i>Rodney Walter Scott</i> <i>Desmond Alan Millward</i>	a Training Company Director <i>Citizen and Glover</i> <i>Citizen and Glover</i>	Blundeston, Lowestoft, Suffolk
Mark Anthony Wright <i>David Llewelyn Daniel</i> <i>Dr Maria Hebel</i>	a Metropolitan Police Officer <i>Citizen and Baker</i> <i>Citizen and Management Consultant</i>	Ware, Hertfordshire

Clifford Gerald Hutchinson <i>Donald Howard Coombe, MBE</i> <i>Richard Howard Coombe</i>	a Healthcare Manager <i>Citizen and Poulter</i> <i>Citizen and Poulter</i>	Silsoe, Bedfordshire
Ronald Michael Reed <i>Paul Leonard Wickham</i> <i>Neil Morgan Farrell</i>	an Engineer, retired <i>Citizen and Baker</i> <i>Citizen and Painter Stainer</i>	Shoreham By Sea, West Sussex
Guy Everis Williamson <i>Timothy Russell Hailes, Ald., JP.</i> <i>Thomas Sleigh, CC</i>	a Barrister <i>Citizen and International Banker</i> <i>Citizen and Common Councilman</i>	South Woodford, Essex
Howard Freeman <i>Gordon Mark Gentry</i> <i>Anne Elizabeth Holden</i>	a Solicitor <i>Citizen and Baker</i> <i>Citizen and Basketmaker</i>	Pinner, Middlesex
Helen Maria Brecher <i>Andre Charles Trepel</i> <i>Gordon Davison</i>	a Property Consultant <i>Citizen and Gold & Silver Wyre</i> <i>Drawer</i> <i>Citizen and Gold & Silver Wyre</i> <i>Drawer</i>	Headley Down, Hampshire
Carol Anne Chaplin <i>Sara Pink</i> <i>David Robert Stanley Pearson</i>	a Library Assistant, retired <i>Citizen and Stationer & Newspaper</i> <i>Maker</i> <i>Citizen and Stationer & Newspaper</i> <i>Maker</i>	Great Wakering, Essex
James Simon Thomas <i>John Alexander Smail</i> <i>John Douglas Brewer</i>	a Chief Executive Officer <i>Citizen and Distiller</i> <i>Citizen and Woolman</i>	Chelsea
Thomas Arthur Mulholland <i>George Henry Capon</i> <i>Peter Ronald Elliott</i>	a Cleaning and Maintenance Company Director <i>Citizen and Blacksmith</i> <i>Citizen and Blacksmith</i>	Bromley, Kent
Sonia Natasha Clara Solicari <i>Vivienne Littlechild, JP, CC</i> <i>David Robert Stanley Pearson</i>	a Curator <i>Citizen and Common Councilman</i> <i>Citizen and Stationer & Newspaper</i> <i>Maker</i>	Crystal Palace
Deborah Ann Cooke <i>Ian Patterson Wilson</i> <i>Bruce Rochester</i>	a Residential Landlord <i>Citizen and Arbitrator</i> <i>Citizen and Arbitrator</i>	Lewes, East Sussex
Sean Gary Valentine <i>Richard Stuart Goddard</i> <i>Richard Leslie Springford</i>	a Catering Company Director <i>Citizen and Shipwright</i> <i>Citizen and Carman</i>	Eversley, Hampshire
William James Walter <i>Wendy Mead, OBE, CC</i> <i>Ann Elizabeth Esslemont</i>	a Communications Director <i>Citizen and Glover</i> <i>Citizen and Glover</i>	Page Street, Westminster
Timothy Laurence Hyde <i>Harold Ebenezer Piggott</i> <i>Paul Stephen Hollebhone</i>	a Retired Builder <i>Citizen and Basketmaker</i> <i>Citizen and Chartered Accountant</i>	Rustington, West Sussex
William Victor Rowlinson <i>Peter Lionel Raleigh Hewitt, Ald.</i> <i>Douglas Gordon Fleming Barrow,</i> <i>Deputy</i>	a Police Firearms Instructor <i>Citizen and Woolman</i> <i>Citizen and Shipwright</i>	South Norwood

Philip Reginald Foster <i>Richard Stuart Goddard</i> <i>Richard Leslie Springford</i>	a Training Company Director, retired <i>Citizen and Shipwright</i> <i>Citizen and Carman</i>	Crowthorne, Berkshire
Jason David Frost <i>Simon Jonathan Mark Burrows</i> <i>Alan Buchan</i>	a Postgraduate Student <i>Citizen and Framework Knitter</i> <i>Citizen and Management</i> <i>Consultant</i>	Romford, Essex
Caroline Anne Redman Lusher <i>Sir Paul Judge, Kt., Ald.</i> <i>Daniel Edward Doherty</i>	a Music Company Director <i>Citizen and Marketor</i> <i>Citizen and Needle-maker</i>	The Sands, Farnham, Surrey
Jonathan Stephen Matthews <i>Judge Richard Hone</i> <i>Andrew Charles Parmley, Ald.</i>	a Risk Partner <i>Citizen and Ironmonger</i> <i>Citizen and Musician</i>	Western Gateway, Newham
Craig Russell Mullish <i>Henry Llewellyn Michael Jones, Deputy</i> <i>Stanley Ginsburg, Deputy</i>	a Police Officer <i>Citizen and Common Councilman</i> <i>Citizen and Glover</i>	Woodford, Essex
Derek John Watts <i>Peter Reginald Allcard</i> <i>John Donald Lunn</i>	an Engineering Consultant <i>Citizen and Blacksmith</i> <i>Citizen and Fan Maker</i>	Flacknell Heath, Buckinghamshire
Patricia Watts <i>Peter Reginald Allcard</i> <i>John Donald Lunn</i>	a Library Secretary, retired <i>Citizen and Blacksmith</i> <i>Citizen and Fan Maker</i>	Flackwell Heath, Buckinghamshire
Veronica Nadia Cooper <i>John Anthony Hayton, TD</i> <i>Antony Ronald Kench</i>	a Retired Office Manager <i>Citizen and Bowyer</i> <i>Citizen and Bowyer</i>	Boxgrove Park, Guildford, Surrey
Roy Robert Gordon Jones <i>Ian David Luder, Ald.</i> <i>Linda Jane Luder</i>	a Transport Company Director, retired <i>Citizen and Cooper</i> <i>Citizen and Fletcher</i>	Stanford Le Hope, Essex
Ian Johnson <i>Leslie Findley, TD</i> <i>Michael John Willett</i>	a Construction Company Director <i>Citizen and Apothecary</i> <i>Citizen and Air Pilot</i>	Horton, Northampton, Northamptonshire
Joseph Paul Pojunas <i>Brian Derek Francois</i> <i>William Henry Robinson</i>	a Labour Manager <i>Citizen and Environmental Cleaner</i> <i>Citizen and Wheelwright</i>	Hornchurch, Essex
Sarah Therese Waddell <i>Keith David Forbes Bottomley, CC</i> <i>Christopher Michael Hayward, CC</i>	a Project Director, retired <i>Citizen and Wheelwright</i> <i>Citizen and Pattenmaker</i>	Birkdale, Southport, Merseyside
David Ernest Cook <i>Patrick William Thomas Wilkins</i> <i>Alan William Cornwell</i>	a Production Engineer, retired <i>Citizen and Baker</i> <i>Citizen and Baker</i>	Buckhurst Hill, Essex

Marion Sherrin <i>Edward Frederic Colin Donaldson</i> <i>Graham Kenneth Aslet</i>	a Gardener <i>Citizen and Basketmaker</i> <i>Citizen and Basketmaker</i>	Sutton, Surrey
Maurice Philip England <i>Ian Stewart Wilson</i> <i>Donald Howard Coombe, MBE</i>	a Lecturer <i>Citizen and Poulter</i> <i>Citizen and Poulter</i>	Bromley, Kent
Mark James Siggers <i>Ian Apsley McColl</i> <i>Anthony Raymond Layard</i>	an Aircraft Engineering Manager <i>Citizen and Horner</i> <i>Citizen and Glass Seller</i>	Epsom, Surrey
Roger Anthony Stanford Isaacs <i>Joanna Marjorie Edwards</i> <i>Paul Jonathan Garratt</i>	a Chartered Accountant <i>Citizen and Marketor</i> <i>Citizen and Carman</i>	Bristol
Malcolm Edward Thorp <i>James Robert Lewis Nuttall</i> <i>James Edward Carter</i>	a Workshop Technician, retired <i>Citizen and Gold & Silver Wyre Drawer</i> <i>Citizen and Security Professional</i>	Wickford, Essex
Marcus John Scott <i>Giles Adam Stuart George Murphy</i> <i>Douglas Gordon Fleming Barrow, Deputy</i>	a Chartered Accountant <i>Citizen and Merchant Taylor</i> <i>Citizen and Shipwright</i>	Wistow, Cambridgeshire
Ian Christopher Moore <i>Lord Robert Lingfield, Kt., DL</i> <i>Nigel Anthony Chimmo Branson, JP</i>	an Educational Charity Director <i>Citizen and Goldsmith</i> <i>Citizen and Haberdasher</i>	West End Lane, Hampstead
Nicholas Andrew Landauer <i>Andrew Charles Parmley, Ald.</i> <i>William Harry Dove, OBE, JP, Deputy</i>	an Aviation Consultant <i>Citizen and Musician</i> <i>Citizen and Ironmonger</i>	Redhill, Surrey
James Fitzgerald <i>George Adam Traill</i> <i>George Thomas Traill</i>	a Soldier <i>Citizen and Cutler</i> <i>Citizen and Cutler</i>	Windsor, Berkshire
Alexander William Fieldwick Kemsley <i>Michael Kemsley</i> <i>Keith Bottomley</i>	a Management Trainee <i>Citizen and Pattenmaker</i> <i>Citizen and Fletcher</i>	Twickenham, Middlesex
Anthony Stuart Cox <i>Julia Sibley, MBE</i> <i>Philippe Roland Rossiter</i>	a Hotel General Manager <i>Citizen and Innholder</i> <i>Citizen and Innholder</i>	Marlow, Buckinghamshire
Richard John Abraham <i>Scott Marcus Longman</i> <i>George Henry Capon</i>	a Retail Managing Director <i>Citizen and Blacksmith</i> <i>Citizen and Blacksmith</i>	Little Gaddesden, Hertfordshire
Robert William Richard Grant <i>Ivor Macklin</i> <i>David Richard Clover</i>	a Risk Management Company Director, retired <i>Citizen and Painter-Stainer</i> <i>Citizen and Painter-Stainer</i>	Bexley, Kent

Mervyn Olakunle Shiwoku <i>Wyndham Seymour-Hamilton</i> <i>Clifford Mark Sturt</i>	a Postgraduate Student <i>Citizen and Loriner</i> <i>Citizen and Scrivener</i>	Leytonstone
Bridgette Khairool Ibrahim <i>Richard Alan Reddaway</i> <i>Christopher Graham Howard Allen</i>	a Charity Volunteer, retired <i>Citizen and Goldsmith</i> <i>Citizen and Tobacco Pipe Maker & Tobacco Blender</i>	Edgware, Middlesex
Ronan Vincent Kearney <i>Daniel Edward Doherty</i> <i>Lars Bendik Andersen</i>	a Publisher of Financial Indices <i>Citizen and Needlemaker</i> <i>Citizen and World Trader</i>	Prenton, Merseyside
Eric Hampson <i>Geoffrey Douglas Ellis</i> <i>Wesley Val Hollands</i>	a Police Officer, retired <i>Citizen and Joiner & Ceiler</i> <i>Citizen and Loriner</i>	Keston, Near Bromley, Kent
Sean Antony Gavin <i>Fiona Josephine Adler</i> <i>Andrew Charles Parmley, Ald.</i>	a Restaurant Manager <i>Citizen and Tobacco Pipe Maker & Tobacco Blender</i> <i>Citizen and Musician</i>	South Woodford, Essex
James Edward McKeown <i>Brian Colin Wright</i> <i>Paul Ernest Woodley</i>	a Fine Food Company Director <i>Citizen and Bowyer</i> <i>Citizen and Tobacco Pipe Maker & Tobacco Blender</i>	Kensington
Anne Lillian Edgar <i>Edwyn Sandys Dawes</i> <i>Carolyn Jane Boulter</i>	a City Historian <i>Citizen and Fruiterer</i> <i>Citizen and Clothworker</i>	Wallingford, Oxfordshire
Stephen Bukenya Agaba <i>Brian Colin Wright</i> <i>Paul Ernest Woodley</i>	a Banker <i>Citizen and Bowyer</i> <i>Citizen and Tobacco Pipe Maker & Tobacco Blender</i>	Tower Hamlets
Stephen Norman Gilkes <i>Lawrence John Day</i> <i>David Michael Bole</i>	a Banker <i>Citizen and Maker of Playing Cards</i> <i>Citizen and Maker of Playing Cards</i>	Richmond, Surrey
Kenneth Raymond Connolly <i>Anthony John Keith Woodhead</i> <i>Anne Elizabeth Holden</i>	a Mortuary Services Manager <i>Citizen and Tax Adviser</i> <i>Citizen and Basketmaker</i>	Gilston, Hertfordshire
Graham George Cooke, MBE <i>Brian Andrew Kay, OBE, TD, DL</i> <i>Martin William Lindsay Dodd, TD</i>	a Royal Airforce Officer, retired <i>Citizen and Furniture Maker</i> <i>Citizen and Vintner</i>	Stamford, Lincolnshire
Carl Ernest William Lillington <i>Anthony John Keith Woodhead</i> <i>Anne Elizabeth Holden</i>	an Information Technologist Manager <i>Citizen and Tax Adviser</i> <i>Citizen and Basketmaker</i>	Welling, Kent
Fritz Horst Melsheimer <i>Alison Jane Gowman, Ald.</i> <i>Kenneth Dieter Stern</i>	an Insurer <i>Citizen and Glover</i> <i>Citizen and Wheelwright</i>	Hamburg, Germany
Ruth Hildegard Margarete Berckholtz <i>Alison Jane Gowman, Ald.</i> <i>Kenneth Dieter Stern</i>	a Commercial Representative <i>Citizen and Glover</i> <i>Citizen and Wheelwright</i>	Wedel, Germany

Fiona Margaret Roach <i>Michael Ronald Newman</i> <i>Andrew Paul Mayes</i>	an Aircraft Company Manager <i>Citizen and Firefighter</i> <i>Citizen and Firefighter</i>	Feltham, Middlesex
Alison Amelia Perman, MBE <i>Maurice Geoffrey Court</i> <i>Paul Bernard Cohen</i>	a Police Officer <i>Citizen and Gold & Silver Wyre Drawer</i> <i>Citizen and Gold & Silver Wyre Drawer</i>	Welwyn Garden City, Hertfordshire
David Albert Michael Lay <i>Anthony John Keith Woodhead</i> <i>Anne Elizabeth Holden</i>	a Turncock, retired <i>Citizen and Tax Adviser</i> <i>Citizen and Basketmaker</i>	Maidenhead, Berkshire
Monsif El Fadili <i>Scott Marcus Longman</i> <i>George Henry Capon</i>	a Banker <i>Citizen and Blacksmith</i> <i>Citizen and Blacksmith</i>	Tower Hamlets
Stephen Roberts <i>David Benjamin Morris</i> <i>Gary John Hopkins</i>	an Insurance Surveyor <i>Citizen and Solicitor</i> <i>Citizen and Builders Merchant</i>	Sleaford, Lincolnshire
Andrew Paul Da Vinci <i>Keith David Forbes Bottomley, CC</i> <i>Christopher Michael Hayward, CC</i>	a Manufacturing Director <i>Citizen and Wheelwright</i> <i>Citizen and Pattenmaker</i>	Langley Burrell, Chippenham, Wiltshire
Alexandra Da Vinci <i>Keith David Forbes Bottomley, CC</i> <i>Christopher Michael Hayward, CC</i>	a Consultancy Company Director <i>Citizen and Wheelwright</i> <i>Citizen and Pattenmaker</i>	Langley Burrell, Chippenham, Wiltshire
Ian Archibald Parsons <i>Jack Love</i> <i>Roger David Ellis</i>	a Concrete Engineering Director, retired <i>Citizen and Firefighter</i> <i>Citizen and Information Technologist</i>	Church Crookham, Fleet, Hampshire
Mark Steven Guzam <i>Jack Love</i> <i>Roger David Ellis</i>	a Steel Company Director <i>Citizen and Firefighter</i> <i>Citizen and Information Technologist</i>	Blackwater, Camberley, Surrey
Frederick Bertram Tomlin <i>Patrick William Thomas Wilkins</i> <i>Alan William Cornwell</i>	a Commercial Negotiator, retired <i>Citizen and Baker</i> <i>Citizen and Baker</i>	Buckhurst Hill, Essex
Simon William Turner <i>Anthony John Keith Woodhead</i> <i>Anne Elizabeth Holden</i>	a Construction Site Manager <i>Citizen and Tax Adviser</i> <i>Citizen and Basketmaker</i>	Kempston, Bedfordshire
Richard Frederick Stafford Allshorn <i>John Ford Steeds Northcott</i> <i>Fred Anthony Woodburn</i>	an Interior Decorator, retired <i>Citizen and Vintner</i> <i>Citizen and Clockmaker</i>	Alton, Hampshire

Laurence William Stafford Allshorn <i>John Ford Steeds Northcott</i> <i>Fred Anthony Woodburn</i>	a Dental Technician, retired <i>Citizen and Vintner</i> <i>Citizen and Clockmaker</i>	Hornchurch, Essex
Kathryn Jane Day <i>Roger Antony Prentis</i> <i>Claudio Chiste</i>	a Training Company Director <i>Citizen and Arbitrator</i> <i>Citizen and Shipwright</i>	St Leonards-on-Sea, East Sussex
James Peter Snooks <i>Anthony John Keith Woodhead</i> <i>Anne Elizabeth Holden</i>	a Banking Director <i>Citizen and Tax Adviser</i> <i>Citizen and Basketmaker</i>	Chelmsford , Essex
Kevin William Osborn <i>Kevin Malcolm Everett, CC</i> <i>Elizabeth Rogula, CC</i>	a Computer Company Director <i>Citizen and Fletcher</i> <i>Citizen and Common Councilman</i>	Chislehurst, Kent
Martyn David Loukes <i>Charles Edward Lord, OBE, JP, CC</i> <i>Thomas Sleigh, CC</i>	a Transport Business Development Manager <i>Citizen and Broderer</i> <i>Citizen and Common Councilman</i>	Waltham Forest
Benoit Mottrie <i>Dame Catherine Fiona Woolf, DBE, Ald.</i> <i>John Tomlinson, Deputy</i>	a Car Company Director <i>Citizen and Solicitor</i> <i>Citizen and Fletcher</i>	Ieper, Belgium
Joseph Marie Ivan Verschoore <i>Dame Catherine Fiona Woolf, DBE, Ald.</i> <i>John Tomlinson, Deputy</i>	a Politician <i>Citizen and Solicitor</i> <i>Citizen and Fletcher</i>	Ieper, Belgium
Jan Rik Dirk Durnez <i>Dame Catherine Fiona Woolf, DBE, Ald.</i> <i>John Tomlinson, Deputy</i>	a Politician <i>Citizen and Solicitor</i> <i>Citizen and Fletcher</i>	Ieper, Belgium
Bryn Terfel Jones, CBE <i>William Harry Dove, OBE, JP, Deputy</i> <i>Sir Roger Gifford, Kt., Ald.</i>	an Opera Singer <i>Citizen and Ironmonger</i> <i>Citizen and Musician</i>	Kensington

Resolved – That this Court doth hereby assent to the admission of the said persons to the Freedom of this City by Redemption upon the terms and in the manner mentioned in the several Resolutions of this Court, and it is hereby ordered that the Chamberlain do admit them severally to their Freedom accordingly.

10.
Parliamentary
Measures

The Remembrancer reported on measures introduced by Parliament which might have an effect on the services provided by the City Corporation as follows:-

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.
Appointments
to Committees
and Outside
Bodies

The Court proceeded to consider appointments to the Police Committee, the Hampstead Heath Highgate Wood and Queen's Park Committee, the Ceremonial Protocols Working Party, the Trust for London, the Board of Governors of the Museum of London, the Dr Johnson's House Trust, and the City Arts Trust.

- a) **Police Committee** (one vacancy 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

Read.

The Court proceeded, in accordance with Standing Order No.10, to ballot on the vacancy.

The Lord Mayor appointed the Chief Commoner and the Chairman of the Finance Committee, or their representatives, to be the scrutineers of the ballot.

Resolved – That the votes be counted at the conclusion of the Court and the result printed in the Summons for the next meeting.

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

Nominations received:-

Michael Hudson

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Michael Hudson to be appointed to the Hampstead Heath, Highgate Wood and Queen's Park Committee.

- c) **Ceremonial Protocols Working Party** (four vacancies, two for Members with fewer than 10 years' service on the Court and two for Members with more than 10 years' service).

*+ 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

Read.

The Court proceeded, in accordance with Standing Order No.10, to ballot on the vacancy.

The Lord Mayor appointed the Chief Commoner and the Chairman of the Finance Committee, or their representatives, to be the scrutineers of the ballot.

Resolved – That the votes be counted at the conclusion of the Court and the result printed in the Summons for the next meeting.

- d) **Trust for London** (one vacancy for the balance of a term expiring in April 2020).

Nominations received:-

Alison Gowman, Alderman

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Alderman Alison Gowman to be appointed to the Trust for London.

- e) **Board of Governors of the Museum of London** (one vacancy for a three year term expiring in November 2018).

** denotes a Member standing for re-appointment*

Nominations received:-

*Tom Hoffman
Graeme Martyn Smith

Read.

The Court proceeded, in accordance with Standing Order No.10, to ballot on the vacancy.

The Lord Mayor appointed the Chief Commoner and the Chairman of the Finance Committee, or their representatives, to be the scrutineers of the ballot.

Resolved – That the votes be counted at the conclusion of the Court and the result printed in the Summons for the next meeting.

- f) **Dr Johnson's House Trust** (one vacancy for a two year term expiring in October 2017).

** denotes a Member standing for re-appointment*

Nomination received:-

*Jeremy Lewis Simons

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Jeremy Simons to be appointed to the Dr Johnson's House Trust.

- g) **City Arts Trust** (one vacancy for a four year term expiring in October 2019).

** denotes a Member standing for re-appointment*

Nomination received:

*Wendy Mead, O.B.E.

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Wendy Mead to be appointed to the City Arts Trust.

12. Questions

*Scott, J.G.S.
J.P., to the
Chairman of
the Policy and
Resources
Committee*

Publicity of City Charitable Activities

John Scott asked a question of the Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee regarding the publicity surrounding the City Corporation's charitable activities.

In response, the Chairman outlined previous and ongoing collaboration with the Evening Standard and others to publicise charitable activities, whilst also highlighting the positive efforts being made to promote and deliver positive outcomes in London's most disadvantaged communities through charitable and strategic activities. The Chairman also emphasised that the publicity of charitable activities should be only of secondary concern compared to enriching the lives of others and learning to maximise the impact of such efforts.

Replying to a supplementary question from Mr Scott concerning the involvement of the City's cultural institutions in such activities, the Chairman agreed that it would be important to maximise the exposure of people to these institutions and highlight the arts offerings available within the City. He drew particular reference to ongoing

work with schools with Deputy Catherine McGuinness, the Chairman of the Education Board, taking the opportunity to reference the City's new School Visits Fund, which was set to be launched in November and would subsidise school visits to City cultural institutions. During his response, the Chairman also acknowledged an observation from Ann Pembroke that the City was one of the nation's biggest contributors to the arts.

*Hudson, M., to
the Chairman
of the Planning
and
Transportation
Committee*

Paternoster Square and Highway Designation

Michael Hudson asked a question of the Chairman of the Planning and Transportation Committee concerning Paternoster Square and its prospective designation as City Highway.

In response, the Chairman confirmed that a report on this matter would be considered at the November meeting of the Planning and Transportation Committee.

*Campbell-
Taylor, W.G., to
the Deputy
Chairman of
the Community
and Children's
Services
Committee*

Assisting Refugees

The Revd. William Campbell-Taylor asked a question of the Chairman of Community and Children's Services Committee concerning the City Corporation's role in assisting refugees.

In response, the Deputy Chairman of the Community and Children's Services Committee outlined the steps being taken to provide support for Syrian refugees and the contributions made by the Corporation to humanitarian efforts in the region.

Replying to a supplementary question from the Revd. Campbell-Taylor seeking clarity as to whether or not the City identified itself as a "City of Sanctuary", the Deputy Chairman stated that it was not for him to comment on individual charities but highlighted the meaningful contributions the Corporation was making to pan-London efforts in assisting refugees.

At this point in proceedings, the Lord Mayor directed that item 18 should be taken forthwith, to ensure that there was no risk of a quorum being lost before the appointment of a Commissioner was considered.

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 submitted 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.

The candidate was to appear before the Court of Common Council and be asked to

provide a short presentation to Members. Upon the candidate's withdrawal from the Court, a ballot by Members was to be held for the appointment. On completion of that, the public would be re-admitted and the decision of the Court made known.

The Committee's non-public report had been printed and circulated for consideration by Members only and its contents included exempt information as defined in Paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act, 1972.

Resolved – That the public be excluded from the meeting for three items of business concerning the appointment of a Commissioner, the creation of a senior graded post within the Chamberlain's department, and a report of urgent action taken regarding the disposal of a property, 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.

Dove, W.H.,
O.B.E., J.P., Deputy.,
Chadwick,
R.A.H.

The candidate, having been called in, addressed the Court on a given subject and then withdrew.

The Court proceeded to ballot on the appointment.

The Lord Mayor appointed Deputy Billy Dove and Roger Chadwick to be scrutineers of the ballot.

Whilst the counting of votes took place, the Court considered the other item of non-public business, under Item 20.

Summary of exempt items considered whilst the public were excluded:-

The Court:-

- a) approved recommendations of the Establishment Committee concerning the creation of a senior graded post within the Chamberlain's department; and
- b) noted action taken in accordance with urgency procedures in approving recommendations of the Property Investment Board, concerning the disposal of a property.

The ballot for the Commissioner of Police having been taken up and cast, the Lord Mayor declared Mr Ian Dyson to have been elected.

Whereupon the Court resolved that strangers be re-admitted.

The Town Clerk reported that the Court of Common Council had, in accordance with Standing Order No. 62(1), elected Mr Ian Dyson to be Commissioner of Police for the City of London. Mr Dyson was called back in, onto the Dais.

Whereupon The Right Honourable The Lord Mayor declared Mr Dyson to be duly appointed to the Office of Commissioner of Police for the City of London 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 to the taking of an Oath

before one of Her Majesty's Judges, on the usual terms and conditions relating to the appointment of Chief Officers and subject to such other regulations as this Court had adopted or may hereafter adopt in respect of the said appointment, and to all other orders and regulations of this Court with reference to its Officers.

Mr Dyson accepted the appointment on the above terms and conditions and offered his thanks to the Court.

13. Motions There were no 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, having each considered the matter, had been unanimous in agreeing that it would be desirable to promote a private Bill in Parliament to make changes to the legislative framework governing the Open Spaces. This had followed a local consultation exercise carried out early this year. The Policy and Resources Committee were

supportive of the promotion of a Bill and had considered and agreed detailed proposals for the Court's consideration.

The aim of the changes was 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.

It was therefore **recommended** 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.

In response to a question from Gregory Lawrence concerning the details of an individual's housing circumstances in the Epping Forest area, the Chairman advised that he would ask officers to look in to the specific case and write to the Member with a response in due course.

Resolved – That approval be given to the promotion of a City of London Corporation (Open Spaces) Bill 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. The Policy and Resources Committee, having considered proposals on how the City of London Corporation could play its part to address the provision of additional housing, consequently 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 was developed in response to the capital's housing shortage and accordingly presented as a separately printed and circulated report, with it **recommended** that the Court endorse it accordingly.

Resolved – That the Housing Policy be endorsed.

24 September 2015

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

The Terms of Reference for the Local Government Pensions Board previously agreed by the Court stated that the Scheme Member representatives appointed to

the Board were to be “selected by election by Scheme Members”. In September 2015, the 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.

A separately printed and circulated report was submitted thereon and it was **recommended** that the Court of Common Council approved the proposed amendment to the Terms of Reference of the Local Government Pensions Board.

In response to questions from Gregory Lawrence and Deputy Stanley Ginsburg concerning the pensions fund deficit, the Chairman of the Finance Committee agreed to submit a report at an appropriate point clarifying the position. He also offered to arrange for an additional Member Development session to be scheduled concerning the City Corporation’s pensions arrangements.

Resolved – That the amendments to the terms of reference and appointments process for the Local Government Pensions Board be approved.

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, the Policy and Resources Committee had 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.

A separately printed and circulated report was submitted, setting out a proposed policy position, and it was **recommended** that it be endorsed accordingly.

Resolved – That the Aviation Policy be endorsed.

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, the Court was informed of the following applications which had 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

Resolved – That the various applications be noted.

16 September 2015

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

It was proposed that 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 was to 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.

It was **recommended** 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 was to be a Committee event.

Resolved – That hospitality be granted and that the 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.

16 September 2015

(C) Education Lecture

It was proposed that the City of London Corporation should 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 was intended to 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 was also intended to offer a valuable opportunity to build contacts across the range of educational organisations supported by the City. The guest list was to include leading figures from business and education, and representatives from Livery Companies, national educational organisations and the media.

It was **recommended** 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 was to be a Committee event.

Resolved – That hospitality be granted and that the arrangements be made under the auspices of the Education Board; the cost to be met from City's Cash and within the approved cost parameters.

16 September 2015

(D) Commonwealth High Commissioners' Dinner

It was 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 64th year of The Queen's reign.

This event was intended to 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 was to include Commonwealth High Commissioners, selected business guests with Commonwealth interests and other relevant institutional representatives.

It was **recommended** 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.

Resolved – That hospitality be granted and that the 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 had been noted as requiring 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 had consequently 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.

The Finance Committee considered and approved the proposed Procurement Code in September 2015, subject to a small number of amendments. A separately printed and circulated report was therefore submitted for approval, **recommending** that the Court of Common Council adopts the new City of London Corporation Procurement Code 2015.

Resolved – That the City of London Corporation Procurement Code 2015 be adopted.

19. **SOCIAL INVESTMENT BOARD****(Peter Hewitt, Alderman)**

18 September 2015

Progress Report

The Social Investment Fund was established in 2012 as 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 had committed almost £9m since it was established, supporting a broad range of social projects. However, it had become apparent that the previously agreed split between investments in London-based, UK-based and International activities was unachievable within the current social investment market, which was still in its infancy. To maintain the Fund's current work and the deployment rate, a separately printed and circulated report was submitted which detailed the investment portfolio to date, provided details of the geographic spread of investments, and **recommended** 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.

Resolved – That the Social Investment Fund be authorised to combine its UK and London ring-fences until October 2016.

The meeting commenced at 1.00 pm and ended at 2.35 pm**BARRADELL.**

