



Gresham Committee (City Side)

Date: FRIDAY, 25 MAY 2012
Time: 12 noon
Venue: COMMITTEE ROOM 2 - COMMITTEE ROOMS

Members:

Deputy John Barker	Brian Harris
Simon Duckworth	Tom Hoffman
Deputy Anthony Eskenzi	Sheriff & Deputy Wendy Mead
Deputy Robin Eve	Deputy John Owen-Ward
Alderman Sir Robert Finch	Deputy Dr Giles Shilson
Alderman Robert Hall	The Rt Hon the Lord Mayor David Woott on (Ex-Officio Member)

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Following a kind invitation from the Mercers' Company, lunch will be served at 1.00pm at Mercers' Hall, following which there will be a meeting of the Joint Grand Gresham Committee at 2.15pm.

Chris Duffield
Town Clerk and Chief Executive

AGENDA

Part 1 - Public Agenda

1. **APOLOGIES**

2. **DECLARATIONS BY MEMBERS OF ANY PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS IN RESPECT OF ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA**

3. **ORDER OF COMMON COUNCIL (19 APRIL 2012)**

Appointing the Committee and approving its Terms of Reference (to be tabled).

For Information
(Pages 1 - 2)

4. **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

To elect a Chairman in accordance with Standing Order No. 29.

5. **ELECTION OF DEPUTY CHAIRMAN**

To elect a Deputy Chairman in accordance with Standing Order No. 30.

6. **MINUTES**

To agree the public minutes and summary of the meeting held on 3 February 2012 (copy attached).

For Decision
(Pages 3 - 6)

7. **GRESHAM WORKING PARTY REPRESENTATIVES**

Report of the Town Clerk (copy attached).

For Decision
(Pages 7 - 10)

8. **GRESHAM COLLEGE COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES**

Report of the Town Clerk (copy attached).

For Decision
(Pages 11 - 14)

9. **QUESTIONS**

Any questions on matters relating to the work of the Committee.

10. **ANY BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS TO BE URGENT**

Any items of other business that the Chairman may decide are urgent.

11. **EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC**

MOTION - That under Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act.

<u>Item Nos.</u>	<u>Exempt Paragraph(s)</u>
12	1, 2 & 3
13	1
14	1 & 3
15	-
16	-

Part 2 - Non-Public Agenda

12. **NON-PUBLIC MINUTES**

To agree the non-public minutes of the meeting held on 3 February 2012 (copy attached).

For Decision

13. **GRESHAM ALMSHOUSES - DETAILS OF PRESENT OCCUPANTS**

Report of the Director of Community and Children's Services (copy attached).

For Information
(Pages 15 - 20)

14. **JOINT GRAND GRESHAM COMMITTEE MATTERS - CITY SIDE CONSIDERATION**

(Pages 21 - 66)

15. **NON-PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE**

16. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT AND WHICH THE COMMITTEE AGREES SHOULD BE CONSIDERED WHILST THE PUBLIC ARE EXCLUDED**

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Agenda Item 3

WOOTTON, Mayor

RESOLVED: That the Court of Common Council holden in the Guildhall of the City of London on Thursday 19th April 2012, doth hereby appoint the following Committee until the first meeting of the Court in April, 2013.

GRESHAM COMMITTEE (CITY SIDE)

1. **Constitution**

A Non-Ward Committee consisting of,

- two Aldermen nominated by the Court of Aldermen
- nine Members elected by the Court of Common Council, at least one of whom shall have fewer than five years' service on the Court at the time of their appointment
- the Right Honourable the Lord Mayor (ex-officio)

2. **Quorum**

The quorum consists of any three Members.

3. **Membership 2012/13**

ALDERMEN

- 8 Sir Robert Finch
- 2 Benjamin Robert Hadley Hall

COMMONERS

- 4 (4) John Alfred Barker, O.B.E., Deputy
- 11 (4) Anthony Noel Eskenzi, C.B.E., D.Sc., Deputy
- 4 (3) Wendy Mead, Deputy and Sheriff
- 10 (3) John Richard Owen-Ward, M.B.E., Deputy
- 5 (2) Simon D'Olier Duckworth, D.L.
- 2 (2) Dr Giles Robert Evelyn Shilson, Deputy
- 12 (1) Robin Anthony Eve, O.B.E., Deputy
- 4 (1) Brian Nicholas Harris
- 8 (1) Tom Hoffman, LL.B.

together with the ex-officio Member referred to in paragraph 1 above .

4. **Terms of Reference**

To be responsible for:-

- (a) letting and demising the lands and tenements given to this City by Sir Thomas Gresham by his last Will and Testament or otherwise to do and perform all and everything and things according to the true intent and meaning of the said last Will and Testament of the said Sir Thomas Gresham and the several Acts of Parliament for that purpose made with limitations and provisions as in the same are directed;

(Note: The estate, so far as it relates to the land that was left to the City of London Corporation and the Mercers' Company, is administered by the Joint Grand Gresham Committee, which consists of the City Side and an equal number of Mercers. The legal obligations upon the City of London Corporation under the terms of Sir Thomas Gresham's Will, as varied by statute and discharged by the City Side, are limited:-

- (i) to the appointment and payment of four of the Gresham Lecturers, namely those in Divinity, Astronomy, Music and Geometry, and in the provision of a sufficient and proper place for the delivery of the lectures;
- (ii) to the maintenance of eight almshouses in Ferndale Road, Brixton, to the appointment of eight "almsfolkes" and the payment of a small annual sum to each of them);

- (b) all other City Side matters relating to Gresham College including:-

- (i) the appointment, from the membership of the Court of Common Council, of one representative to attend General Meetings of the Council of Gresham College and up to four Directors to serve on the Council of Gresham College;
- (ii) any amendments to the current Memorandum and Articles of Association of Gresham College, other than financial aspects and those which, in the opinion of the Committee, are significant and should be considered by the Court.

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GRESHAM (CITY SIDE) COMMITTEE
FRIDAY, 3 FEBRUARY 2012

Minutes of the meeting of the GRESHAM COMMITTEE (CITY SIDE) held at Guildhall, EC2, on FRIDAY, 3 OCTOBER 2012, at 12 Noon.

Present

Members:

Tom Hoffman (Chairman)
Deputy Anthony Eskenzi (Deputy Chairman)
Deputy John Barker
Alderman Sir Robert Finch
Alderman Robert Hall
Brian Harris
Deputy John Owen-Ward
Deputy Dr. Giles Shilson

Officers:

Gemma Goulding	-	Town Clerk's Department
Steven Reynolds	-	Chamberlain's Department
Alan Bennetts	-	Comptroller and City Solicitor's Department
Andrew Wild	-	City Surveyor's Department

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from the Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor Alderman David Wootton, Simon Duckworth, Deputy Robin Eve, and Sheriff Wendy Mead.

2. DECLARATIONS BY MEMBERS OF PERSONAL OR PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS IN RESPECT OF ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED AT THIS MEETING

The Chairman declared a personal interest in Item 8 (the Joint Grand Gresham Committee items) in relation to the matter of lecture accommodation at the Museum of London, as he served on the Museum's Board of Governors. He did not consider this interest to be prejudicial.

The Chairman and Deputy John Owen-Ward, both Members of the City of London's Planning and Transportation Committee declared an interest in relation to Item 8 where the Seating outside the Royal Exchange was covered as a 'matter arising'.

The Chairman and Deputy Chairman, both Members of Gresham College Council declared a personal interest in items related to Gresham College. He did not consider this interest to be prejudicial.

CHAIRMAN

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Agenda Item 7

Committee: Gresham Committee (City Side)	Date: Friday 25 May 2012	Item No.
Subject: Gresham Working Party Representatives		
Report of: Town Clerk	Public For Decision	
<u>Summary</u>		
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. This report sets out the Terms of Reference for the Gresham Working Party and requests that the Committee appoint four representatives for the ensuing year. You are also asked to endorse the continuation of the delegated authority arrangements that you have previously approved for occasions when the Working Party's decisions require endorsement more quickly than usual.2. It would be helpful if any Member interested in serving as a representative on the Working Party or as a Gresham College Council representative would inform Gemma Goulding at gemma.goulding@cityoflondon.gov.uk (or on 020 7332 1427) of his or her interest before the Committee meeting. That information will be reported orally at the meeting before Members are asked to consider making the necessary appointments.		
<u>Recommendations</u>		
Members are asked to:-		
<ol style="list-style-type: none">(a) note the Terms of Reference of the Gresham Working Party (paragraph 1);(b) appoint four representatives to represent the City Side on the Gresham Working Party (paragraph 5);(c) endorse the delegated authority procedures detailed in this report in relation to the Working Party (paragraph 7); and		

Main Report

Working Party - Terms of Reference

1. The Terms of Reference for the Gresham Working Party were agreed by the Joint Grand Gresham Committee (JGGC) in 2003/04 as follows:-
 - (i) The membership of the Working Party is agreed by the JGGC from time to time.
 - (ii) The Clerk to the JGGC is the Clerk to the Working Party.
 - (iii) The Working Party deals with matters referred to it for detailed consideration and recommended by the JGGC (or exceptionally by the Chairman of the City Side and the Master of the Mercers' Company under the urgency procedure).
 - (iv) Where a matter is referred to the Working Party, authority is also given to consult and engage such professional advisers as the Working Party thinks appropriate and to agree fee arrangements with these advisers, using the urgency procedures as necessary.
 - (v) On completion of its investigations, the Working Party will report its conclusions to the JGGC together with its recommendations for further action. If time is of the essence, the recommended action may be reported directly to the Chairman of the City Side and the Master of the Mercers' Company for immediate action under the urgency procedures. The action taken will then be reported to the next meeting of the JGGC, for the record, in the usual way.
2. You are asked to note the Terms of Reference of the Gresham Working Party.

Working Party Membership

3. The four representatives of the City Side on the Working Party who were appointed in 2011 were:-
 - Chairman
 - Deputy Chairman
 - Alderman Sir Robert Finch
 - Brian Harris

4. The Working Party has not met since February 2009, following a series of meetings to draw up the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Mercers' Company and Gresham College. It is likely to meet again later this year/early next year as the Policy and Resources Committee, when approving the MoU, stated that it would be prudent in the current economic climate to undertake a comprehensive review at the end of the MoU's third year.
5. You are asked to appoint four representatives of the Committee to the Working Party for the ensuing year.

Delegated Authority Arrangements

6. In terms of executing the decisions of the Working Party, it should be noted that, while every effort is made by the Clerk to arrange meetings of the Working Party so that recommendations can be made to the JGGC, this is not always possible or practical. From the City Side's point of view, recommendations of the Working Party may need the early endorsement of not only this Committee, but other Committees and, on occasion, the Court of Common Council. For those reasons, it may be necessary to use Delegated Authority/Urgency Authority procedures in accordance with Standing Order No. 41.
7. Members are therefore asked to agree that delegated authority be given to the Town Clerk, in consultation with the Chairman and Deputy Chairman, to enable such other authorities as may be required in respect of Gresham Working Party matters to be obtained in an expeditious manner when necessary.

Conclusion

8. Members are asked to note the Terms of Reference for the Gresham Working Party and to appoint four Members to represent the City Side on it, as well as to confirm the existing delegated authority arrangements in place.
9. It would be helpful if any Member interested in serving as a representative on the Working Party would inform Gemma Goulding at gemma.goulding@cityoflondon.gov.uk (or on 020 7332 1427) of his or her interest before the Committee meeting. That information will be reported orally at the meeting before Members are asked to consider making the necessary appointment.

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Committee(s):	Date(s):	Item no.
Gresham (City Side)	25 May 2012	
Subject: Gresham College Council Membership		Public
Report of: The Town Clerk		For Decision
<u>Summary</u>		
<p>This report asks Members to consider the appointment of two of its four representatives on the Gresham College Council for the next four years.</p>		
Recommendation		
<p>Members are asked to consider and approve the appointment of four representatives onto the Gresham College Council for four-year terms which will commence on 31 August 2012 and expire in 2016.</p> <p>The Committee are also asked to approve arrangements for appointing its ‘voting Member’ and to agree that ‘in future, the City Side should be represented usually by its Chairman for the Time Being, or in the Chairman’s absence by the Deputy Chairman for the Time Being, and/or such other Member of the City Side as may be nominated by the Committee’ as was previously the case.</p>		

Gresham College Council - Appointments

1. The Gresham College Council meets approximately five times a year to approve financial matters relating to the academic programme that is proposed to it by the College’s Academic Board.
2. The Mercers’ and the City Side can each appoint up to four Directors to the Council of the Gresham College for a four-year term. The Council itself can then also appoint further Directors. The City Side’s current representatives are:
 - Deputy Anthony Eskenzi (first appointed in 2008)
 - Alderman Alison Gowman[†] (appointed in 2004)
 - Simon Duckworth (appointed in 2009 to serve the remainder of a four year term)

- Tom Hoffman (appointed in 2009 to serve the remainder of a four year term)

Background

3. The Court of Common Council agreed that City Side appointments to the College Council should be Members of the Court but they do not necessarily need to be Members of the Committee, and you will note that one representative, Alderman Alison Gowman, is no longer on this Committee. However, the Chairman has previously suggested that it might be preferable for new representatives to be Members of the Committee as dealing closely with the Committee's work may assist them in better representing its concerns.
4. The revised Articles provide that each Director, including all serving at the date of adoption of the Articles (i.e. 31 August 2004) shall be appointed for a term of four years ("first term"), and can then be re-appointed for a further four years at the discretion of the Mercers' or the City Side, as the case may be, subject only to where a Director reaches the age of 75 years, he or she can only complete their term of office if approved by the Gresham College Council on an annual basis.

Current Position

5. When your Committee last considered these appointments en bloc, in February 2008, the Comptroller and City Solicitor confirmed that the four City Side 'Directors' at the time (Archie Galloway, Tom Jackson, Patrick Roney and Alderman Gowman) were serving their "first term" of four years with effect from 31 August 2004, and the Academic Registrar at Gresham College confirmed that its Nominations Committee had requested an extension of the terms for Archie Galloway, Alderman Alison Gowman and Tom Jackson. Your Committee agreed to appoint those three Members to a second term in August 2008 and also agreed to appoint Deputy Anthony Eskenzi to his first four-year term, all of which would end on 31 August 2012.
6. Two vacancies were later created as two of those Members originally appointed in 2008 were not re-elected to the Court of Common Council in the 2009 elections. The Comptroller and City Solicitor at the time stated that it would be preferable for the newly appointed Members (Simon Duckworth and Tom Hoffman) to continue with the existing four-year terms so that all the terms expired at the same time, on 31 August 2012.

7. As Council members may serve a maximum term of eight years, Deputy Eskenzi, Simon Duckworth and Tom Hoffman would all be eligible for reappointment for a second four year term but Alderman Alison Gowman, first appointed with effect from 31 August 2004, is not.
8. You are now asked to consider nominating four Members to the Gresham College Council for four year terms.

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