



WOOTTON, Mayor
COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL

THURSDAY, 8th MARCH, 2012

MEMBERS PRESENT

ALDERMEN

Wootton, D.H. The Rt. Hon. The Lord Mayor	Haines, G.W.	Redcliffe, N.G.M.
Anstee, N.J.	Hall, B.R.H.	Remnant, The Hon. P., C.B.E.
Evans, J. R.	Howard, Sir David, Bt., M.A., D.Sc.	Savory, Sir Michael
Garbutt, J.	Judge, Sir Paul	Walsh, S., M.A.
Gifford, M.R.	Lord Levene of Portsoken, K.B.E.	
	Luder, I.D., B.Sc.(Econ)	

COMMONERS

Abrahams, G.C.	Eskenzi, A.N., C.B.E., D.Sc., Deputy	James, Mrs C.	Pembroke, Mrs. A.M.F.
Absalom, J.D.	Eve, R.A., O.B.E., Deputy	Jones, H.L.M., Deputy	Priest, Ms H.J.S.
	Everett, K.M. D.Sc.	King, A.J.N., Deputy	Punter, C.
Bain-Stewart, A., M.Sc., J.P.	Fernandes, Miss S.A.	Knowles, S.K., M.B.E., Deputy	Quilter, S.D., B.Sc.(Hons)
Barker, J.A., O.B.E, Deputy	Fletcher, J.W.	Leck, P.	Regan, R.D., Deputy
Barrow, D., Deputy	Fraser, S.J.	Littlechild, Mrs V.	Regis, Miss D.
Bennett J. A., Deputy	Fraser, W.B., O.B.E., Deputy,	Lodge, O.A.W., T.D.,B.Sc.	Richardson, M.C.
Bird, J.L., O.B.E.	Fredericks, Ms, M.B.	Lord, C.E., O.B.E., J.P.	
Bradshaw, D.J.		Malins, J.H., Q.C., Deputy	Seaton, I.C.N.
Brewster, J.W.,O.B.E.	Gillon, G.M.F.	Mayhew, J.P., M.A., M.B.A.	Simons, J.L. , M.Sc
	Ginsburg, S., Deputy	Mead, Mrs. W. Sheriff	Snyder, Sir Michael, Deputy
Cassidy, M.J., C.B.E., Deputy	Graves, A.C., LL.B.	Merrett, R.A.	Spanner, J.H., T.D.
Catt, R.M.	Haines, Rev. Stephen, D., M.A. Deputy	Moore, G.W.	Starling, Mrs A.
Chadwick, R.A.H.	Halliday, Mrs. P.A., O.B.E., Deputy	Moys, Mrs. S.D.	
Challis, N. K.	Hardwick, Dr. P.B., Q.H.P.	Nash, Mrs, J.C., O.B.E., Deputy	Tomlinson, J., B.A., M.Sc.
Chapman, J.	Harris, B.N.	Newman, Mrs, B.P., C.B.E.	Tumbridge, J.R.
Cotgrove, D., B.A.	Hoffman, T.D.D., LL.B.		
Cressey, N.	Hudson, M.	Owen, Mrs. J., M.B.E., Deputy	
Currie, Miss S.E.M., M.B.E., Deputy	Hughes-Penney, R.C.	Owen-Ward, J.R., M.B.E., Deputy	
	Hunt, W.G., T.D.		
Deane, A.J.C.	Hyde, Ms W		
Dove, W.H., M.B.E., J.P., Deputy			
Duckworth, S.D'O. D.L.			
Dudley, Rev. Dr. Martin			
Dunphy, P.G.			

Minutes *Resolved* – That the Minutes of the last Court are correctly recorded.

Overseas visits The Right Honourable the Lord Mayor reported on his recent visits to Kuwait, Qatar and Saudi Arabia.

Barrow, D., Deputy Regan, R.D., Deputy *Resolved unanimously* – That, on his retirement from this Honourable Court, the Members wish to place on record their most sincere thanks to Lord Levene of Portsoken, KBE, for the service that he has given to the Corporation and to the City - as a Common Councilman for the Ward of Candlewick then as Alderman for Portsoken and, later, for Aldgate, as Sheriff, Lord Mayor and, more recently, as Senior Alderman.

It has been a remarkable record of service, spanning nearly thirty years and this Court could not have been more ably represented, at all levels in Government and in business.

It would be difficult for his colleagues to instance any one event, any one issue, to demonstrate the breadth of his involvement, his commitment, his leadership. Numerous examples spring to mind – whether that be the support that he gave to the reform of the franchise in the House, or, at the time of the introduction of the Euro, making it so clear that it was the City that was the European finance centre, even though the UK was not a part of the Euro, or, after the riots of 1999, going to see for himself the damage to the City's infrastructure and business – from the back of a motorcycle !

One event stands out in the minds of many. That is the event, borne out of his imagination, initiative and drive, to use the approach of the Millennium to celebrate achievement, by bringing together, in the presence of Her Majesty the Queen and His Royal Highness The Duke of Edinburgh, over 400 people from all walks of life; people who had one thing in common; that whether their work was known by many or by a few, they had achieved something special; they had made a difference. And that is also what the Members of this Honourable Court will remember; that Peter Levene really made a difference.

When he stands down from Office next month, The Lord Levene, so well supported throughout by Wendy, 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.

Lord Levene was heard in reply.

Hardwick, Dr P.B., Regan, R.D., Deputy *Resolved unanimously* – That the Members of this Court wish to place on record their deep appreciation for the legal advice and loyal service that Andrew Colvin, Comptroller and City Solicitor, has given to the City of London Corporation over the past 23 years – a remarkable record!

Andrew's guidance has not been restricted to legal affairs but has extended to a range of issues and his sound counselling, pragmatic advice and depth of knowledge will all be sorely missed.

It was not long after he arrived that Andrew took on the highly complex task of establishing the Association of London Government – now London Councils - winning plaudits from leading politicians across London.

Andrew has steered us through some arduous situations such as the creation of the City Bridge Trust, the Millennium Bridge "wobble" and was also instrumental in delivering the three City Academies, all of which were on time and within budget, a great achievement!

Andrew has been a strong advocate of the City Corporation's "outreach" work with our neighbouring boroughs and London Government generally by acting as legal adviser to various partnerships.

As he approaches retirement, Andrew leaves us on a high note. He has concluded his very successful career with the recent legal judgments supporting the City's stance on the camp at St Paul's Cathedral.

The Members of this Court, and especially those who have served on the Policy and Resources and Establishment Committees, have benefited from his advice and guidance and all are pleased to take this opportunity in expressing to Andrew their thanks and their very best wishes for the future.

The Comptroller and City Solicitor was heard in reply.

Hospital Seal Sundry documents were sealed with the Hospital Seal.

Applications for the Freedom The Chamberlain, in pursuance of the Orders of this Court, presented a list of the under-mentioned persons who had made application to be admitted to the Freedom of this City by redemption:-

Claire Louise Wylie	a Public Relations Manager	Haslemere, Surrey
Roger Gordon Hanbury	a Charity Chief Executive	Highnam, Gloucestershire
Baron Roman Heinrich	a Military Historian	Vienna, Austria
Leo Gamotha		
Paul Norman	a Teacher	Knaphill, Surrey
Kate Elizabeth Norman	an Administration Co-ordinator	Knaphill, Surrey
Jonathan Simon Mansfield	a Computer Consultant	Aylestone, Leicestershire
Graham Edward Lawrence	a Sales Manager	Ware, Hertfordshire
Celia Gwendolyn Lawrence	a Teaching Assistant	Ware, Hertfordshire
John Phillip Jefford	a Head of Security	Braintree, Essex
David Mark Wood, OBE	a Charity Chief Executive	Westcliff on Sea, Essex
Antony Joseph Blake	an Information Technology Business Manager	Langley Vale, Epsom, Surrey
Tiffany Taylor Tia Cox	a Local Government Officer	Bexleyheath, Bexley
Robert Andrew Michie Hendrie	a Diplomat, retired	Stockwell, Lambeth
Charles Benjamin Joseph	a Student	Notting Hill, Kensington and Chelsea
Stephen Charles Bielby	a Health and Safety Consultant	York, North Yorkshire
Olga Bielby	a Health and Safety Consultant	York, North Yorkshire
Alison Kelly	a Nurse	Alexandria, Dunbartonshire
John Albert Howard Powell	an Asphalt Roofer, retired	Islington
Gregory Lloyd Wakefield	a Metropolitan Police Officer	Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire
Leslie Ernest Hulks	a Heating Engineer, retired	Leigh-on-Sea, Essex
Adrian Douglas Crispin Greenwood	a Housing Association Chief Executive, retired	Bermondsey, Southwark
Sarah Anne Shanks	a Teacher	Warminster, Wiltshire

Paul Anthony Crisp	a Teacher, retired	Knaphill, Surrey
Gareth Rhodri Vaughan Jones	a Charity Administrator	Tintinhull, Yeovil, Somerset
John Yaw Kpodo	a Local Government Officer, retired	Lee Green, Greenwich
Christopher James Campbell	a Student	Woodford Green, Redbridge
Diane Clare King	a Barristers Clerk	Wimbledon, Merton
Paul Minichiello	a City of London Police Officer	Northiam, Sussex
Donna Jeannette Joscelyne	a Lead Support Worker	Harlow, Essex
Ian Paul Garnham	an Aviation Duty Manager	Maidenbower, Crawley, Sussex
Lady Ghazala Hameed	a Consultant Psychiatrist	Hampstead, Camden
Sean McCarthy	a Heavy Goods Vehicle Driver	Orpington, Bromley
Pascal Hubert Auguste	a Diplomat	Westminster
Joseph Ghislain Gregoire		
Louise Victoria Barnard	an Assistant Lawyer	Eccles, Aylesford, Kent
Daniel James Salter	a Residential Care Home Proprietor	Bridgwater, Somerset
Peter Arthur Bradbury	a Private Tutor	Bradville, Milton Keynes, Buckinghamshire
Robin Neil Douglas	a Banker	Earlsfield, Wandsworth
Jeremy George Musselwhite	a Building Engineer and Surveyor	Winchester, Hampshire
Thomas Mark Bews Woodhouse	a Clerk in Holy Orders	Royal Wootton Bassett, Wiltshire
Catherine Elizabeth Woodhouse	a Psycho Dynamic Counsellor	Royal Wootton Bassett, Wiltshire
Hugo Hawksley	a Livery Company Clerk	Merton Park, Merton
Fitzthomas Summerson	Designate	
Lorraine Lauder, MBE	a Newspaper Administrator	Walworth, Southwark
John Richard Lauder	a Carer	Southwark
Gillian Wright Macbeth Baird, OBE	a Doctor of Medicine	Epsom, Surrey
Janice Margaret Liverseidge	a Marketing and Communications Director	Marylebone, Westminster
Sarah Elisabeth Davies	a Charity Chief Executive	Stansted, Essex
Mary Agnes Sinfield, OBE	a Civil Servant, retired	Wimbledon, Merton
Matthew Adrian Mountford	a City of London Police Officer	Basildon, Essex
Adrian Valentine William Rice	an Aluminium Motor Bodywork Restorer	Upper Beeding, Steyning, Sussex
Stanley Richard Jackson	an Energy Company Manager	Westminster
Geert Jos Jeanne Maria De Proost	a Diplomat	Westminster
Christopher Joseph Magro	a Harbour Master	Brighton, Sussex
John Richard Franklin	a Head Master	Horsham, Sussex
Annette Kim Gillespie-Franklin	a Teacher	Horsham, Sussex
Daniel Michael Kanan Subramaniam	a Technical Consultant	Farringdon, Islington
Anthony Howard Henson	a Mechanical Building Services Contractor	Brentwood, Essex
Nigel Christopher Best	an Electrical Building Services Contractor	Harpenden, Hertfordshire
Robert Ian Stephenson	a Teacher	Shepherds Bush, Hammersmith and Fulham
Harriet Katharine Aldridge	a Lecturer	Charlton, Greenwich
William Whitfield	a Clerk in Holy Orders	Marchwood, Southampton, Hampshire
Allan Peter Mornement	a Management Consultant	Ashted, Surrey

Craig John Mills	a Teacher	Bethnal Green, Tower Hamlets
Eckart Wurzner	The Mayor of Heidelberg	Heidelberg, Germany
Wayne Jeffrey Smith	a Local Government Officer	Royal Wootton Bassett, Wiltshire
Ian David Wood	a Wax Attraction Head of Operations	Bethnal Green, Tower Hamlets
Peter James Twist	a Metropolitan Police Officer, retired	Camden
Marilyn Joy Botham	an Office Manager	Hornchurch, Havering
Richard Herman Driehaus	a Money Management Company Proprietor	Chicago, Illinois, United States of America
Rolf Achilles	an Art Historian	Chicago, Illinois, United States of America
Paul Raymond Richards	a College Lecturer, retired	King's Lynn, Norfolk
Roy Grace	a Carpenter and Joiner, retired	Greenhithe, Kent
Alison May Gifford	a Tourism Assistant	King's Lynn, Norfolk
Michael McCabe	a Local Government Officer, retired	Chiswick, Hounslow
Sarah Ann Waters	an Author	Lambeth
Darren Keith Nelson	a Financial Services Company President	Fort Worth, Texas, United States of America
Gerald Mark Almeroth	a Finance Director	Banstead, Surrey
Harlan Daniel Lunn	a Transformation Coach	Petts Wood, Bromley
David Whitlock Tanner, CBE	a Rowing Performance Director	Twickenham, Richmond upon Thames
Jane Dorothy West	a Finance Director	Warlingham, Surrey
Duncan Graham Whitfield	a Finance Director	Kenley, Surrey
Ian Francis George O'Donnell	a Resources Director	Muswell Hill, Haringey
Nathan Dominic Elvery	a Finance Director	Epsom, Surrey
Michael Angel Suarez	a Finance Director	Twickenham, Lambeth
Tracie Yvonne Evans	a Local Government Officer	Denham, Buckinghamshire
Michael John Curtis	a Finance Director	St. Albans, Hertfordshire
Jeffrey Anson Martin Fowler	a Carpenter and Joiner	Greenwich
Joanna Helen Chapman	a Financial Broker	Clapham, Lambeth
Anthony Peter Ridewood	a Sales Agent	Burton on the Wolds, Loughborough, Leicestershire
Marilyn Janet Fraser	a Teacher, retired	Bayswater, Westminster
Bryony Alexandra Fraser	a Photographic Curator	Bayswater, Westminster
Anthony John Paice	a Diplomat, retired	Ottershaw, Chertsey, Surrey
Mark Oliver Thompson	a Japanese Knotweed Removal Company Director	Ripley, Surrey
Vania Isabel De Andrade Gay	a Research Nurse	Harrow
Samantha Enstone	an Events Company Director	Weybridge, Surrey
John Ian Thomas	a Property Owner	Swalecliffe, Whitstable, Kent
Michael John Plant	a Printer, retired	Tunbridge Wells, Kent
Adrian John Olliver	a Royal Naval Officer	Mannamead, Plymouth, Devon
James Brooks Close	a Medical Practitioner	Ashted, Surrey
Sarah Marianna Chatham	a Pharmaceutical Company Director	Fleet, Hampshire
Belinda Mary Jane Bryan	a Science Technician	Ashted, Surrey
Andrew Christopher Teale	an Actuarial Consultant	Ashted, Surrey
Mandy Moore	a Livery Company Office Manager	Bocking, Essex

Read.

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 Mr. Chamberlain do admit them severally to their Freedom accordingly.

Appointment
of the Irish
Society

This day the Court proceeded to appoint the Irish Society for the year ensuing.

Resolved – In pursuance of His Majesty King James the First His Letters Patent under the Great Seal of England bearing the date of Westminster the 29th day of March, 1613, and in the 11th year of His said Majesty's reign, and also of His Majesty King Charles the Second His Letters Patent under the Great Seal of England bearing the date at Westminster of His said Majesty's reign, this Court doth elect and choose Ian Luder, Alderman and Cooper, to be the Governor of this City's Plantation in Ulster and Ireland, and George Gillon, Chartered Surveyor, to be Deputy to the said Governors, to continue until the ninth day of February 2013 and from thence until others shall be elected and admitted in their room and in further pursuance thereof this Court doth elect and choose:-

Nominations received:-

Of the Aldermen

Alison Jane Gowman, Alderman
The Hon Philip John Remnant CBE, Alderman

Of the Common Councilmen

Dr Giles Robert Evelyn Shilson, Deputy
Peter Gerard Dunphy
John Alfred Barker OBE, Deputy
John Tomlinson BA MSc
James Henry George Pollard
Richard Regan, Deputy, Chief Commoner
Anthony Noel Eskenzi CBE, DSc, Deputy
John David Absalom
Charles Edward Lord, O.B.E., J.P.

Ward

Bread Street
Cornhill
Cripplegate Within
Cripplegate Without
Dowgate
Farringdon Within (NS)
Farringdon Within (SS)
Farringdon Without (NS)
Farringdon Without (SS)

Together with those who remain on the Society:-

Of the Aldermen

John Garbutt, Alderman
David Andrew Graves, Alderman
Neil Graham Morgan Redcliffe, Alderman

Of the Common Councilmen

Michael Welbank, Deputy
Simon D'Olier Duckworth, M.A., D.L.
Anthony Colin Graves, LL.B.
Brian Nicholas Harris
John George Stewart Scott J.P., B.A.(Hons)
Stanley Keith Knowles, M.B.E., Deputy
Catherine McGuinness, M.A., Deputy
Ann Marjorie Francesca Pembroke
Matthew Charles Falco Lombardi Richardson
Elizabeth Rogula

Ward

Billingsgate
Bishopsgate Within
Bishopsgate Without
Bridge
Broad Street
Candlewick
Castle Baynard
Cheap
Coleman Street
Lime Street

who, having stood last year, are continued Assistants of the said Society until the ninth day of February, 2013, and from thence until they shall be removed according to the form and orders of the said Letters Patent.

Results of
Ballots

The Town Clerk reported the results of ballots taken at the last Court as follows:-

a) One Member on the Policy and Resources Committee for the balance of a term expiring in April 2014.

	Votes
Tom Hoffman	50
Hugh Fenton Morris	55

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Hugh Morris to have been appointed on the Policy and Resources Committee.

b) Three Members on the Guild Church Council of St. Lawrence Jewry for one year term to expire in January 2013.

	Votes
Roger Arthur Holden Chadwick	77
Simon D'Olier Duckworth, D.L.	75
Michael Page, B.A.(Hons.)	74
Michael Robin Castle Sherlock M.A., Deputy	52

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Roger Chadwick, Simon Duckworth and Michael Page to have been appointed on the Guild Church Council of St. Lawrence Jewry.

Appointments

The Court proceeded to make the following appointments in respect of which the Town Clerk reported that the following nominations had been received:-

a) One Member on the Barbican Residential Committee for the balance of a term to expire in April 2013.

Nomination received:-
Kevin Malcolm Everett, DSc

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Kevin Everett to have been appointed on the Barbican Residential Committee.

b) One Member on the Board of Governors of the City of London Freeman's School for the balance of a term to expire in April 2013.

Nomination received:-
John William Brewster, OBE

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared John Brewster to have been appointed on the Board of Governors of the City of London Freeman's School.

c) One Member on Bridewell Royal Hospital for a six year term to expire in January 2018.

Nomination received:-
Kevin Malcolm Everett, DSc

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Kevin Everett to have been appointed on Bridewell Royal Hospital.

d) One Member on the Mitchell City of London Charity & Educational Foundation for a five year term to expire in March 2017.

Nomination received:-
Dennis Cotgrove BA, Deputy

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Deputy Dennis Cotgrove to have been re-appointed on the Mitchell City of London Charity & Educational Foundation.

Questions

1) **Alex Deane** asked the **Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee** about guidance given to City businesses about the freedom to take photographs or film within the Square Mile.

In response, the **Chairman** stated that a booklet was being prepared, for circulation shortly, which would contain advice on a wide range of security matters and would address specifically the issue of photography and filming within the Square Mile. It would highlight advice given by the British Security Industry that most filming was legitimate and that anyone engaged in such activity should be approached in a courteous manner.

In answer to a supplementary question from **Alex Deane**, the **Chairman** confirmed that the booklet would be widely circulated and the information contained therein would be made available to other Local Authorities.

2) **John Spanner** asked the **Chairman of the Port Health and Environmental Services Committee** about the Community toilet Scheme.

In response, the **Chairman** explained the merits of the Community Toilet Scheme, the increased Olympic provision and the City Corporation's cost effective strategic approach to service provision which had resulted in an award for innovation from the British Toilet Association. He confirmed that there were currently no plans to reduce the number of staffed public conveniences in the City.

In answer to a supplementary question from **John Spanner**, the **Chairman** confirmed that it was condition of the scheme that the businesses who made their toilets available for use displayed appropriate signage and, although this was monitored, Members should advise officers if they were aware of any lack of signage.

In answer to a supplementary question from **Alex Deane**, the **Chairman** stated that responsibility for disused toilet facilities was usually transferred to the Investment Committee's Property Board.

3) **John Spanner** asked the **Chairman of the Port Health and Environmental Services Committee** about the provision of litter bins in the City.

In response, the **Chairman** reported that a project to install 100 recycling bins was currently underway and was being carried out in conjunction with Renew your Streets Ltd. He outlined the current provision of litter, cigarette butt and chewing gum bins across the City and stated that a list of the locations of these bins was available upon request. He added that the Open Spaces department was considering reviewing the

provision of bins and was working with the Cleansing department to ensure that any changes would have a positive impact upon the environment and encourage recycling.

In answer to a supplementary question from **Alderman Bob Hall**, the **Chairman** agreed that a reduction in packaging would have a positive impact upon the amount of disposable litter. He referred to an initiative by a City company which issued mugs to their employees which coffee shops would fill, instead of disposable cups, giving the employees a small discount on the cost of the drink.

In answer to a supplementary question from **Deputy Stanley Ginsburg**, the **Chairman** reported that, in the light of new technology, options for facilitating the disposal of chewing gum were being considered.

Awards and Prizes

There was no report.

Motions

There were no Motions.

Finance, Policy, Establishment, Investment and Audit Committees – Reports

FINANCE COMMITTEE (Roger Arthur Holden Chadwick)

21 February 2012

Declarations of Interest

Ian Seaton and Jeremy Simons declared a personal interest in the following item.

(A) City Fund – 2012/13 Budget Report and Medium Term Financial Strategy including Non Domestic Rates and Council Taxes for the Year 2012/13

We have considered as to the Non-Domestic Rates and Council Taxes to be levied to meet the City Fund budget requirement during the year ensuing including the proposal to levy an unchanged premium multiplier of 0.004 on the Non-Domestic Rate and Small Business Rate multipliers to enable the City to continue to support the City of London Police, security and contingency planning activity within the Square Mile at an enhanced level. We submit a printed and circulated report thereon: City Fund – 2012/13 Budget Report and Medium Term Financial Strategy.

Matthew
Charles
Falco
Lombardi
Richardson,

Amendment – ‘That the Council Tax to be levied be reduced by 2% for the forthcoming year?’

Alexander
John
Cameron
Deane

Upon the Question being put, the Lord Mayor declared the amendment to be not carried.

Resolved - That the report be agreed to and that approval be given to a resolution in the following terms:-

Overall Financial Framework - Revenue

1. Approve the overall financial framework and the revised Medium Term Financial Strategy for the City Fund.
2. Approve the City Fund Revenue Budgets.
3. Note the following changes in assumptions from the previous forecast:
 - the impact of reduced rental and investment income on the financial position following asset sales needed to finance the capital programme;
 - lowering the anticipated interest rate to 2%; and
 - reducing the provision to cover one-off costs in securing the 12.5% savings programme to £1m.
4. Note that the Town Clerk and the Chamberlain will produce a savings plan to bring the City Fund back into balance, assuming no increase in Council Tax.

City Police

5. Continue the policy of allowing City Police to draw from its reserves over the medium term on a managed basis, subject to a minimum £4.5m being retained.
6. Allow the Police Committee to retain police procurement savings from the PP2P programme, net of the costs of achieving those savings.
7. The issue of whether the Police Committee should meet some, or all, of the revenue impact of its capital programme will be kept under review.

Council Tax

8. It be noted that at its meeting on 24 January 2012, the Finance Committee calculated the following amounts for the year 2012/13 in accordance with Section 31B of the Local Government Finance Act 1992:
 - (a) 6,067.44 being the amount calculated by the Finance Committee, in accordance with Regulation 3 of the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) Regulations 1992, as the City's Council Tax base for the year; and

- (b) Parts of Common Council's Area

Inner Temple	Middle Temple	City excl. Temples (special expense area)
80.16	67.83	5,919.45

being the amounts calculated by the Finance Committee, in accordance with Regulation 6 of the Regulations, as the amounts of the City's Council Tax base for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which one of the special items relate.

9. For the year 2012/13 the Common Council determines, in accordance with Section 35(2) (d) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, that any expenses incurred by the Common Council in performing in a part of its area a function

performed elsewhere in its area by the Sub-Treasurer of the Inner Temple and the Under Treasurer of the Middle Temple shall not be treated as special expenses, apart from the amount of £12,753,000 being the expenses incurred by the Common Council in performing in the area of the Common Council of the City of London the City open spaces, highways, waste disposal and street lighting functions.

10. The following amounts be now calculated by the Common Council for the year 2012/13 in accordance with Sections 31 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992:

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| (a) £350,601,677 | Being the aggregate of the amounts which the Common Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(2) (a) to (f) of the Act, including the local precepts issued by the Inner and Middle Temples; |
| (b) £345,400,000 | Being the aggregate of the amounts which the Common Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A(3) (a) to (d) of the Act; |
| (c) £5,201,677 | Being the amount by which the aggregate at 10(a) above exceeds the aggregate at 10(b) above, calculated by the Common Council, in accordance with Section 31A(4) of the Act, as its council tax requirement for the year; |
| (d) £857.31 | Being the amount of 10(c) above, divided by the amount at 8(a) above, calculated by the Common Council, in accordance with Section 31B of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year; |
| (e) £13,071,832.62 | Being the aggregate amount of all special items referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act, including the local precepts issued by the Inner and Middle Temples; |
| (f) £1,297.11 CR | Being the amount at 10(d) above less the result given by dividing the amount at 10(e) above by the amount at 8(a) above, calculated by the Common Council, in accordance with Section 34(2) of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which no special item relates; |

(g) Parts of Common Council's Area

Inner Temple	Middle Temple	City excl. Temples (special expense area)
£	£	£
857.31	857.31	857.31

being the amounts given by adding to the amount at 10(f) above the amounts of the special item or items relating to dwellings in those parts of the Common Council's area mentioned above divided in each case by the amount at 8(b) above, calculated by the Common Council, in accordance with Section 34(3) of the Act, as the basic amounts of its Council Tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which one of the special items relate; and

(h) Council Tax Valuation Bands

Valuation Bands	Inner Temple	Middle Temple	City excl Temples (special expense area)
	£	£	£
A	571.54	571.54	571.54
B	666.80	666.80	666.80
C	762.05	762.05	762.05
D	857.31	857.31	857.31
E	1,047.82	1,047.82	1,047.82
F	1,238.34	1,238.34	1,238.34
G	1,428.85	1,428.85	1,428.85
H	1,714.62	1,714.62	1,714.62

being the amounts given by multiplying the amounts at 10(g) above by the number which, in the proportion set out in Section 5(1) of the Act, is applicable to dwellings listed in a particular valuation band divided by the number which, in that proportion, is applicable to dwellings listed in valuation band D, calculated by the Common Council, in accordance with Section 36(1) of the Act, as the amounts to be taken into account for the year in respect of categories of dwellings listed in different valuation bands.

11. It be noted that for the year 2012/13 the Greater London Authority has proposed the following amounts in precepts issued to the Common Council, in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:

<u>Valuation Bands</u>	<u>Precepting Authority</u>
	Greater London Authority
	£
A	52.41
B	61.15
C	69.88
D	78.62
E	96.09
F	113.56
G	131.03
H	157.24

12. Having calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts at 10(h) and 11 above, the Common Council, in accordance with Section 30(2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, hereby proposes the following amounts as the amounts of Council Tax for the year 2012/13 for each of the categories of dwelling as shown below:

Council Tax Valuation Bands Inclusive of GLA Precept

Valuation Bands	Inner Temple	Middle Temple	City excl. Temples (special expense area)
	£	£	£
A	623.95	623.95	623.95
B	727.95	727.95	727.95
C	831.93	831.93	831.93
D	935.93	935.93	935.93
E	1,143.91	1,143.91	1,143.91
F	1,351.90	1,351.90	1,351.90
G	1,559.88	1,559.88	1,559.88
H	1,871.86	1,871.86	1,871.86

13. The Common Council of the City of London hereby determines that the amount of discount awarded to dwellings in Class B as defined in the Council Tax (Prescribed Classes of Dwellings) (England) Regulations 2003 prescribed by the Secretary of State under the provisions of Section 11A of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 (i.e. second homes) be 10% for the financial year beginning on 1st April 2012.
14. The Common Council of the City of London hereby determines that its relevant basic amount of Council Tax for 2012/13, calculated in accordance with Section

52ZX of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 is not excessive in accordance with The Referendums Relating to Council Tax Increases (Principles) (England) Report 2012/13.

Non Domestic Rates

15. The Common Council of the City of London being a special authority in accordance with Section 144(6) of the Local Government Finance Act 1988 hereby sets for the chargeable financial year beginning with 1st April 2012, a Non-Domestic Rating Multiplier of 0.462 and a Small Business Non-Domestic Rating Multiplier of 0.454 in accordance with Part II of the Schedule 7 of the said Act. (Both multipliers are inclusive of the City business rate premium of 0.004 which is unchanged from the current year.)
16. In addition, the levying by the Greater London Authority of a Business Rate Supplement in 2012/13 of 0.020 (i.e. 2.0p in the £) on hereditaments with a rateable value greater than £55,000, to finance its contribution to Crossrail, be noted.
17. A copy of the said Council Taxes and the Non-Domestic Rating Multipliers, signed by the Town Clerk, be deposited in the offices of the Town Clerk in the said City, and advertised within 21 days from the date of the Court's decision, in at least one newspaper circulating in the area of the Common Council.

Capital Expenditure and Financing for the Year 2012/13

Having considered the circulated report, we further **recommend** that your Honourable Court do pass a resolution in the following terms:-

18. The City Fund capital budget be approved and its final financing be determined by the Chamberlain, apart from in regard to any possible borrowing options.
19. The continued pursuit of the approved financing methodology for the Corporation's funding commitment towards the cost of Crossrail be noted, particularly that each future year's budget report will give a detailed update on funding progress.
20. For the purpose of Section 3(1) of the Local Government Act 2003, for the financial years 2012/13 to 2014/15, the Court of Common Council hereby determines that at this stage the amount of money (referred to as the "Affordable Borrowing Limit"), which is the maximum amount which the City may have outstanding by way of borrowing, shall be £0.
21. For the purpose of Section 21(A) of the Local Government Act 2003, for the financial year 2012/13, the Court of Common Council hereby determines that the prudent amount of Minimum Revenue Provision is £0, apart from any specific requirement arising from any property leases which have to be treated as finance leases.
22. Any potential borrowing requirement and associated implications will be subject to a further report to the Finance Committee and the Court of Common Council.

23. The Chamberlain be authorised to lend surplus monies on the basis set out in the Annual Investment Strategy, with an absolute limit of £300m for maturities in excess of 364 days.
24. The following Prudential Indicators be set:

Prudential indicators for affordability, prudence, capital expenditure and external debt.

	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15
Estimates of the ratio of financing costs to net revenue stream:			
HRA	0.23	0.24	0.24
Non-HRA	-0.32	-0.35	-0.35
Total	-0.28	-0.30	-0.30
Estimate of the incremental impact of capital investment decisions on the Council Tax	£ (5,195)	£ (5,272)	£ (5,088)
Estimate of the incremental impact of capital investment decisions on housing rents	£ 0.04	£ 0.99	£ 0.29
Estimates of Capital Expenditure	£m	£m	£m
HRA	7.941	6.773	2.202
Non-HRA	66.584	39.841	31.335
Total	74.525	46.614	33.537
Estimates of Capital Financing Requirement	£m	£m	£m
HRA	11.068	10.799	10.578
Non-HRA	(13.710)	(13.441)	(13.220)
Total	(2.642)	(2.642)	(2.642)
Net borrowing/(Net investments)	Period 2011/12 to 2014/15 £m		
Capital financing requirement	(149.432)		
	(2.642)		

Prudential Indicators for Treasury Management:

	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15
Operational Boundary for External Debt Borrowing	£m 0	£m	£m

<i>Other Long Term Liabilities</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>
		<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>
Authorised Limit Borrowing	£m <i>0</i>	£m <i>0</i>	£m <i>0</i>
<i>Other Long Term Liabilities</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>Upper Limit - Fixed Interest Rate Exposure</i>	<i>100%</i>	<i>100%</i>	<i>100%</i>
<i>Upper Limit-Variable Interest Rate Exposure</i>	<i>100%</i>	<i>100%</i>	<i>100%</i>
<i>Upper limit for Principal Sums Invested for > 364 days</i>	<i>£300m</i>	<i>£300m</i>	<i>£300m</i>
<i>Maturity Structure of New Fixed Rate Borrowing During 2011/12</i>	<i>Upper Limit</i>	<i>Lower Limit</i>	
	<i>%</i>	<i>%</i>	
<i>Under 12 months</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	
<i>12 months and within 24 months</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	
<i>24 months and within 5 years</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	
<i>5 years and within 10 years</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	
<i>10 years and above</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	

Local Indicators focusing on investment incomes and revenue reserves:

	<i>2012/13</i>	<i>2013/14</i>	<i>2014/15</i>
	<i>Estimate</i>	<i>Estimate</i>	<i>Estimate</i>
<i>Net investment income lost/(gained) due to capital disposals and capital expenditure in the period 2012/13 to 2014/15</i>	<i>(£4.4m)</i>	<i>(£0.2m)</i>	<i>(£0.3m)</i>
<i>Times cover on</i>			

<i>unencumbered revenue reserves (bracketed figures denote annual surpluses)</i>	(28.5)	(35.7)	109.0
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Other Recommendations

25. The Treasury Management Strategy Statement and Annual Investment Strategy 2012/13 be endorsed.
26. The Chamberlain's assessment of the robustness of budgets and the adequacy of reserves be endorsed.

(B) Revenue and Capital Budgets 2011/12 and 2012/13

We submit a printed and circulated report which summarises the revenue and capital budgets for each of the City's three main funds, City Fund, City's Cash and Bridge House Estates together with the budgets for central support services within Guildhall Administration (which initially 'holds' such costs before these are wholly recharged). The report accompanies the Strategic Budget Book which includes all the City's budgets at a summary level in a single document.

Having considered the circulated report we **recommend** approval of the following:-

- (i) the revenue and capital budgets for City's Cash, Bridge House Estates and Guildhall Administration for the financial year 2012/13 (the budgets for City Fund having already been considered under part A above);
- (ii) the budget transfers to the Culture, Heritage and Libraries Committee; and
- (iii) the Chamberlain determining the final methods of financing capital expenditure.

Read and agreed to.

Regan,
R.D.,
Deputy
Tomlinson,
J., B.A.,
M.Sc.

Resolved unanimously – That the thanks of the Court be given to the Chairman of the Finance Committee for his introduction to the budget reports and that a copy of the Chairman's speech be circulated to Members in the usual way.

POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE (Stuart Fraser)

26 January 2012

(A) Corporate Plan 2012-2016

The Corporate Plan is the City of London Corporation's main strategic planning document, providing a framework for the delivery of our services. The Plan, a copy of which has been separately circulated, is a clear statement of our vision and strategic aims and sets out the key policy priorities for the next four years.

Members are consulted on the Plan on a three-yearly basis and all Members had the opportunity to contribute to the Corporate Plan during its development last year. The Plan has since been refreshed, requiring a few minor changes to the wording of some of the Key Policy Priorities only. No changes have been made to the Vision, Strategic Aims or Core Values.

We **recommend** that approval be given to the Corporate Plan 2012-2015.

Read and agreed to.

(B) Early Evening Reception to mark the unveiling of a Memorial to Bomber Command

On Thursday, 28th June 2012, a Memorial will be dedicated in London's Green Park in the presence of Her Majesty The Queen to honour the 55,573 aircrew who died serving in "Bomber Command" during World War II.

To mark this occasion and to provide an opportunity for veterans and their families to meet socially prior to the dedication ceremony, it is **recommended** that a number of guests including a member of the Royal Family, the Chief of the Air Staff, members representing the Bomber Command Association, veterans from around the world, representatives from the RAF Benevolent Fund, the Royal Parks, and the Heritage Foundation, and supporters, politicians and representatives from Livery Companies with appropriate connections be invited to attend a reception on the eve of the unveiling; it being referred to this Committee to make arrangements out of City's Cash within the approved cost parameters.

Read and agreed to.

(C) Early Evening Reception to coincide with a Brazilian Business Delegation Visit

During the London 2012 Olympic Games, a Brazilian business delegation will be visiting London in light of that nation's status as the hosts of the 2016 Games.

Given the increasing economic importance of the relationship with Brazil for the United Kingdom, as well as providing an opportunity for the City to reinforce business contacts ahead of The Rt. Hon. The Lord Mayor's visit to Brazil in October 2012, it is **recommended** that a number of guests including federal, state and City politicians of Rio de Janeiro, the Mayor of Rio de Janeiro, leaders of key businesses, and representatives from the Rio 2016 sponsors be invited to attend an early evening reception on 9 August 2012 with a view to forming specific relationships and partnerships as well as providing an educational platform to publicise the Brazilian market's potential for investment; it being referred to this Committee to make the arrangements out of City's Cash within the approved cost parameters.

Read and agreed to.

(D) Early Evening Reception to coincide with the Commonwealth Economic Forum in London

Members may recall that in October 2010 the City welcomed the first Commonwealth Economic Forum, a body which seeks to intensify economic cooperation between the member countries of the Commonwealth, to London. In 2012 it is envisaged that the Forum will return to London and take place at Mansion House in June, timed to coincide with Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee celebrations in order to enable senior Commonwealth figures, who are anticipated to be in London at that time, to attend.

The theme of the 2012 Forum will be "Reshaping Capitalism for Global Prosperity and Sustainable Growth", and the agenda will include policy issues of key current interest to the City, such as support for small and medium enterprises. It is anticipated that a message from the Lord Mayor on the work and positioning of the City will be included in the Conference literature, and that the Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee will address the Forum. Guests will include various Heads of Government, trade, financial and economic affairs ministers, senior officials, and private sector leaders.

Given the City's involvement and interest in the event, it is **recommended** that a number of delegates be invited to attend a reception in order to afford them the opportunity to meet senior figures from the City and other areas of business; and that, at its conclusion, some of those attending be also invited to a dinner, on 6 June 2012; it being referred to this Committee to make the arrangements out of City's Cash within the approved cost parameters.

Read and agreed to.

(E) Applications for the Use of Guildhall

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

Name	Date	Function
Banks Sadler Ltd	Tuesday 29 May 2012	Graduation Ceremony
Save the Children	Monday 18 June 2012	Dinner
First Protocol	Tuesday 19 June 2012 Wednesday 20 June 2012	Conference
The Chartered Institute for Securities and Investment (CISI)	Thursday 6 September 2012	Dinner
Banks Sadler Ltd	Tuesday 20 November 2012 Wednesday 21 November 2012	Graduation Ceremonies
Financial Services Forum	Thursday 22 November 2012	Dinner
World Jewish Relief	Monday 26 November 2012	Dinner
Metropolitan Grand Lodge of London	Thursday 14 November 2013	Banquet

Received.

(F)

London Boroughs Grants Scheme 2012/2013 – Levy on the London Local Authorities – Report of action taken under urgency procedures

The Common Council is the designated body responsible for issuing the levies to all the constituent Local Authorities for their contributions to the London Councils' Grants Scheme, once the total expenditure to be incurred under the Scheme (i.e. the budget) is approved by at least two thirds of constituent councils each year.

This total budget proposed for 2012/13 amounted to £12,500,000, which was made up of £11,500,000 from Local Authority subscriptions (calculated on the basis of resident population) and a European Social Fund grant of £1,000,000.

London Councils advised us that the budget had been approved by over two thirds of constituent Councils (including the City of London, which agreed the budget and its own contribution of £17,194 at its January Court meeting) by 31 January 2012.

Following the receipt of this confirmation, the City Corporation, as levying body, was required to issue the levies before the statutory deadline of 15 February 2012.

We therefore report action taken as a matter of urgency pursuant to Standing Order No.19 in approving the issue of levies as set out below:-

	ONS Mid-2010 Estimate of Population ('000)	%	2012/13 Borough Contribution (£)
Inner London			
Camden	235.4	3.01%	345,942
City of London	11.7	0.15%	17,194
Greenwich	228.5	2.92%	335,802
Hackney	219.2	2.80%	322,135
Hammersmith and Fulham	169.7	2.17%	249,390
Islington	194.1	2.48%	285,248
Kensington and Chelsea	169.5	2.17%	249,096
Lambeth	284.5	3.64%	418,099
Lewisham	266.5	3.41%	391,646
Southwark	287.0	3.67%	421,773
Tower Hamlets	237.9	3.04%	349,616
Wandsworth	289.6	3.70%	425,594
Westminster	253.1	3.23%	371,954
	2,846.7	36.38%	4,183,488
Outer London			
Barking and Dagenham	179.7	2.30%	264,086
Barnet	348.2	4.45%	511,712
Bexley	228.0	2.91%	335,067
Brent	256.6	3.28%	377,097
Bromley	312.4	3.99%	459,101
Croydon	345.6	4.42%	507,891
Ealing	318.5	4.07%	468,065

Enfield	294.9	3.77%	433,383
Haringey	225.0	2.88%	330,658
Harrow	230.1	2.94%	338,153
Havering	236.1	3.02%	346,971
Hillingdon	266.1	3.40%	391,058
Hounslow	236.8	3.03%	347,999
Kingston upon Thames	169.0	2.16%	248,361
Merton	208.8	2.67%	306,851
Newham	240.1	3.07%	352,849
Redbridge	270.5	3.46%	397,525
Richmond upon Thames	190.9	2.44%	280,545
Sutton	194.2	2.48%	285,395
Waltham Forest	227.1	2.90%	333,744
	4,978.6	63.62%	7,316,512
Totals	7,825.3	100.00%	11,500,000

Received.

(G) Presentation of a Loyal Address to Her Majesty The Queen - Report of action taken under urgency procedures

In early February 2012, the City Corporation learned that there would be an opportunity to present a Loyal Address to Her Majesty The Queen on behalf of the City on the occasion of Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee. The ceremony would take place at Buckingham Palace on the morning of 27th March 2012.

The wording of an Address was considered by the Hospitality Working Party, circulated to all Honourable Members as a draft and the opportunity was taken to read the revised version during a private meeting of Members (held on 9 February 2012).

Having been advised by the Palace that the deputation to deliver the Address should not exceed 12 people, consideration was given to the composition, which will be the Lord Mayor, the Sheriffs, the Chief Commoner, the Chairman of this Committee, Alderman The Lord Levene of Portsoken, four Members whose names were drawn by ballot, viz. Ray Catt, Kevin Everett, Deputy Julian Malins and John Tomlinson, together with the Town Clerk and the Remembrancer.

In the absence of a meeting of this Court prior to the Palace's deadline for receipt of the necessary information, approval was sought as a matter of urgency, pursuant to Standing Order No.19, to the wording of the text of the Loyal Address and to the composition of the deputation, with the details subsequently being confirmed to the Palace. We now report the action taken.

Received.

(H) Celebrate the City: Four Days in the Square Mile

Celebrate the City: four days in the Square Mile is a programme planned to take place over the weekend of 21 - 24 June 2012. These four days aim to bring together partners from the City's churches and Livery Companies and from all parts of the art, retail, heritage and leisure sectors and are planned to be a major celebration of all

things City, with buildings across the Square Mile including venues, churches, livery halls and attractions opening their doors to the public. There will also be events and activities and it is planned that the celebrations should culminate with an 'open day' on Cheapside. Highlights are expected to include a number of exhibitions celebrating the riches of the City and its institutions, including *Butcher, Baker, Candlestick-Maker - 850 Years of London Livery Companies* at Guildhall Art Gallery, gold art and artifacts at Goldsmiths' Hall and an installation showcasing the history of gold at the Bank of England. Both the Museum of London and the Barbican have a series of events planned to coincide and augment the four days of activities, including major projects such as *Our Londinium 2012* which is part of the London 2012 Festival.

To mark the event, it is **recommended** that guests including Livery Masters, Church Representatives, senior representatives of corporate partner organisations, press, members of the 2012 Sub-Committee and the Culture, Heritage and Libraries Committee, in addition to Members and officers with relevant interests, be invited to attend a reception on Thursday, 21 June 2012 immediately prior to the launch ceremony of the *Celebrate the City* weekend; it being referred to this Committee to make the necessary arrangements out of City's Cash within the approved cost parameters.

Read and agreed to.

Declaration of Interest

Deputy Doug Barrow and Alderman Jeffrey Evans declared a personal and prejudicial interest in the following item and they left the meeting during its consideration.

(I) City Maritime Dinner

The Port of London and the River Thames have always been at the heart of Britain's commerce and industry and since Roman times the port has been a driving force in the growth of London's commercial institutions. Today, the City of London is a major hub for the maritime sector with approximately 4,000 firms in and around London alone and it is estimated that the sector contributes £1.5 billion to the UK's GDP, as well supporting 64,000 jobs directly and indirectly in 2009.

The City Corporation enjoys strong links with the sector, having supported the collective interest of the maritime sector in various ways including the commissioning of research and lobbying HM Government for appropriate infrastructure provision for the new "London Gateway" container port being built by Dubai interests; each Lord Mayor is, ex officio, the Admiral of the Port of London and the City has major responsibilities as the Port Health Authority; and representatives of the sector have accompanied the Lord Mayor on overseas business visits, most recently to Turkey, India, China and the Gulf, promoting the UK's capacity to deliver maritime services including the development of port capacity.

Given these links and to help demonstrate the City's message of support for the Government's focus on international trade and investment as a generator of recovery and growth, it is **recommended** that a number of Government Ministers and officials, representatives from Embassies and High Commissions, senior City business practitioners including representatives from the maritime sector and the supporting services, and major 'customers' of the industry, including oil and gas producers along with bulk ore and grain shippers, be invited to attend a dinner in on a date to be

arranged in Winter 2012 to publicly acknowledge the importance of the maritime sector; it being referred to this Committee to make the necessary arrangements out of City's Cash within the approved cost parameters.

Read and agreed to.

The Members returned to the room.

(J) Armed Forces Flag Day

The annual Armed Forces Flag Day ushers in a week of activities across the nation to raise public awareness of the contribution made by those currently serving in Her Majesty's Armed Forces. This year's 4th annual Armed Forces Flag Day raising will be held on Monday, 25th June 2012. To mark this occasion, and in line with the established precedent of the City supporting the Armed Forces, we propose that the City of London Corporation hosts a flag raising in Guildhall Yard during the afternoon, followed by light refreshments in the Crypts. As in previous years, a brief overview of current service operations will take place in the Livery Hall to conclude the event.

It is anticipated that this event will provide the opportunity for the City to show its support for the Armed Forces, whilst raising awareness of the contribution made to our country by those who are currently serving, as well as cadets and veterans. It is accordingly **recommended** that guests including serving and retired military personnel, cadets, City residents who are veterans, Masters and Clerks of Livery Companies, school children from the City's Schools, and members of the general public be invited to attend; it being referred to this Committee to make the arrangements out of City's Cash within the approved cost parameters.

Read and agreed to.

(K) Early Evening Reception to launch the City's 2012 Cultural Offering Programme

As part of the City's preparations for the Olympic and Paralympic Games in 2012 and to highlight the City of London Corporation's contribution to the Games and London's cultural programme for the year, a programme of events taking place in the City during 2012 has been compiled, celebrating in particular the new lighting scheme at Tower Bridge, the re-opening of Golden Lane Leisure Centre, Open Spaces' *Green to Gold* programme and *Celebrate the City* (the City's focal event for its cultural calendar in 2012) and the cultural calendar more generally.

To showcase the proposed cultural programme, it is accordingly **recommended** that participants in "*Celebrate the City*", representatives from the Department of Culture, Media and Sport, LOCOG, the Cultural Olympiad Board, the IPC, GLA, Visit London, Visit Britain, tourist agencies, neighbouring boroughs, corporate partner organisations, foreign and British press, Livery Companies, Cultural Attaches, members of the 2012 Sub-Committee and the Culture, Heritage and Libraries Committee, in addition to Members and officers with relevant interests, be invited to attend a reception designed to raise the profile of the events and help to focus attention on the City's offerings on Thursday 19 April 2012; it being referred to this Committee to make the necessary arrangements from City's Cash within the approved cost parameters.

Read and agreed to.

(L) The City of London Corporation and the London Living Wage

The London Living Wage is gaining increasing support from public bodies, politicians and major companies and the City Corporation needs to review its position accordingly. Various legal, financial and reputational issues need to be considered in relation to this before deciding on a way forward. The matter has been given a great deal of consideration by various Committees and we submit a printed and circulated report thereon, which we **recommend** for your approval.

Read and agreed to.

**ESTABLISHMENT COMMITTEE
(Dr. Peter Hardwick QHP)**

16 February 2012

Draft Pay Policy Statement

The Localism Act 2011 requires the City of London Corporation to prepare and publish a Pay Policy Statement setting out its approach to pay for the most senior and junior members of staff. This must be agreed by the full Court of Common Council.

A draft pay policy statement, which has been separately circulated has been approved by both the Establishment and the Policy and Resources Committees and, with your agreement, will be published by 31st March 2012.

We have considered how best to implement this and we submit a printed and circulated report thereon **recommending** that a) the Court agree the separately circulated draft Pay Policy Statement to ensure that the City Corporation meets its requirements under the Localism Act 2011 and b) the Court also agree that your Establishment Committee be authorised to vote before salary packages of £100,000 or more are offered in respect of new appointments to existing posts, with us bringing any proposed salary packages over £100,000 for new appointments to this Court for approval.

Read and agreed to.

City's Cash Committees - Reports**BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE CITY OF LONDON FREEMEN'S SCHOOL
(Deputy John Bennett)**

30 January 2012

Chairmanship of the Board of Governors of the City of London Freeman's School

The Chairman is due to complete his third year in office this April. It is fair to say that our expectation had been that the Deputy Chairman would succeed to the Chairmanship after then, but in the event he was elected as Chairman of your Finance Committee.

The Chairmanship of the Board requires a high degree of commitment, not just in the

Board meetings and meetings of sub committees, but in supporting the School in its activities down in Surrey. That can take a bit of planning around other work commitments and when we discussed the matter we were of the unanimous view that it would be helpful for the Standing Order that limits a Chairman's term to three years to be suspended to enable our current Chairman to be elected for a fourth term if we wish, to give a successor sufficient time to prepare. This would have the added advantages of providing continuity at a key time for the School during the first construction phase of the Master Plan and in light of a full inspection of the School in the next academic year, when governance arrangements are examined in detail.

This is an unusual request and because it involves the Corporation's governance arrangements, we took the issue to your Policy and Resources Committee and they support the matter coming before the Court as it is only the Court that can suspend the Standing Order to enable us to exercise the preference for electing our Chairman for a fourth term.

We would welcome the Court's support; it will give us the flexibility we need to do what is referred to as 'succession planning' and, accordingly, we **recommend** that Standing Order No. 29(2) be suspended for the purpose of your Board's election of a Chairman for the year 2012/13.

Read and agreed to.

Rates Committees - Reports

PORT HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE (John Tomlinson BA MSC)

Delegation of Powers to Officers

In December 2011, the Court approved a number of revisions to the delegations to Officers which were required largely as a result of the transfer of functions between departments. Since then, it has become clear that there are some amendments or deletions to the list of delegations to the Director and Officers of the Port Health and Public Protection Division of the Department of Markets and Consumer Protection and the opportunity can also be taken to delete reference to delegations that are no longer required as the legislation has changed in some way.

The delegations sought will help with a wide range of enforcement powers in the areas of Environmental Health, Trading Standards, Animal Health and Port Health as detailed in a separately printed and circulated report, and we therefore **recommend** approval thereof.

Read and agreed to.

POLICE COMMITTEE
(Simon D'Olier Duckworth MA DL)

27 January 2012

Policing Governance

Arrangements have been put in place by the Government to replace police authorities in England and Wales with directly elected Police and Crime Commissioners (PCCs). Whilst the new arrangements elsewhere do not apply to the City, we have looked to strengthen the City Corporation's existing governance structures in the light of the national reforms taking place and to recognise the increasing demands in our policing activity. We have also looked to provide a greater emphasis on the Chairman's position to reflect national changes in a way that is consistent with the City's overall governance arrangements and given a greater focus on the Force's national responsibilities, particularly economic crime, through the creation of a dedicated Board. There is also a proposal to reduce the size of the Police Committee.

A printed and circulated report has been prepared which sets out a summary of the reforms and our proposals in response to them.

Read and agreed to.

Regan, R.D.,
 Deputy
 Chadwick,
 R.A.H

Resolved - That the public be excluded from the meeting for the four items of business concerning a luncheon in honour of HRH The Duke of York following his Freedom of the City of London, the revised outline arrangement with E.ON and Citigen, proposals relating to 100 Cheapside; and the Highways Repairs and Maintenance Term Contract Tender 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.

Summary of exempt items considered whilst the public were excluded

The Court:-

- A) received action taken under urgency procedures on behalf of the Court approving a luncheon in honour of HRH The Duke of York following his Freedom of the City of London;
- B) agreed recommendations of the Policy and Resources Committee on the revised outline arrangement with E.ON and Citigen;
- C) received action taken under urgency procedures relative to proposals relating to 100 Cheapside; and
- D) agreed recommendations of the Planning and Transportation Committee on the Highways Repairs and Maintenance Term Contract Tender

DUFFIELD

The meeting commenced at 1 p.m. and ended at 2.25pm.

