Item No: 3



BOWMAN, MAYOR

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL

18th October 2018 MEMBERS PRESENT

ALDERMEN

Nicholas Anstee
The Rt. Hon. the Lord Mayor, Charles Edward
Beck Bowman
Emma Edhem
John Garbutt
Alison Gowman

Prem Goyal OBE JP

David Andrew Graves Robert Picton Seymour Howard Robert Hughes-Penney Gregory Jones QC Sheriff Vincent Thomas Keaveny Alastair John Naisbitt King Ian David Luder JP Professor Michael Raymond Mainelli Matthew Richardson William Anthony Bowater Russell The Rt Hon the Baroness Patricia Scotland of Asthal, QC Sir David Hugh Wootton

COMMONERS

George Christopher Abrahams John David Absalom, Deputy Caroline Kordai Addy Munsur Ali Randall Keith Anderson Alexander Robertson Martin Barr **Douglas Barrow** Matthew Bell John Bennett, Deputy Nicholas Michael Bensted-Smith, JP Christopher Paul Boden Mark Bostock Keith David Forbes Bottomley, Deputy David John Bradshaw, Deputy Tijs Broeke Roger Arthur Holden Chadwick, **ÖBE**, Deputy John Douglas Chapman Henry Nicholas Almroth Colthurst Karina Dostalova

Simon D'Olier Duckworth, OBE, DL

Peter Gerard Dunphy Mary Durcan Kevin Malcolm Everett Anne Helen Fairweather Sophie Anne Fernandes John William Fletcher Marianne Bernadette Fredericks Caroline Wilma Haines The Revd Stephen Decatur Haines, Deputy Graeme Harrower Christopher Michael Hayward Tom Hoffman, Deputy, MBE Ann Holmes Michael Hudson Wendy Hyde, Deputy Jamie Ingham Clark, Deputy Clare James, Deputy Angus Knowles-Cutler Gregory Alfred Lawrence Vivienne Littlechild JP, MBE Natasha Lloyd-Owen

Oliver Arthur Wynlayne Lodge, TD Edward Lord, OBE, JP, Deputy Paul Nicholas Martinelli Andrew Paul Mayer Catherine McGuinness. Deputy Andrew Stratton McMurtrie, JP Wendy Mead, OBE Robert Allan Merrett, Deputy Andrien Gereith Dominic Meyers Brian Desmond Francis Mooney, Deputy Hugh Fenton Morris, Deputy Alastair Michael Moss, Deputy Sylvia Doreen Moys, MBE Benjamin Daniel Murphy Barbara Patricia Newman, CBE **Dhruv Patel OBE** Susan Jane Pearson John Petrie William Pimlott James Henry George Pollard, Deputy

Henrika Johanna Sofia Priest Jason Paul Pritchard Stephen Douglas Quilter, Richard David Regan, OBE, Deputy James de Sausmarez Ruby Sayed John George Stewart Scott, JP Ian Christopher Norman Seaton Oliver Sells QC Jeremy Lewis Simons Tom Sleigh, Deputy Graeme Martyn Smith Sir Michael Snyder James Michael Douglas Thomson, Deputy John Tomlinson, Deputy James Richard Tumbridge William Upton Mark Raymond Peter Henry Delano Wheatley Philip Woodhouse, Deputy

Scott, J.G.S., J.P.; Ingham Clark R.J. Deputy

Resolved Unanimously – That Liz Green, one of the Sheriffs of the City, be invited to take her seat on the Dais.

1. Introduction of Newly-Elected Member

Natasha Lloyd-Owen, lately elected to be of the Common Council for the Ward of Castle Baynard, was introduced to the Court and, having previously made the declaration prescribed by the Promissory Oaths Act, 1868, took her seat.

2. Apologies The apologies of those Members unable to attend this meeting of the Court were noted.

- 3. Declarations There were none.
- 4. Minutes Resolved That the Minutes of the last Court are correctly recorded.
- 5. Draft Vote of Thanks to the Lord Mayor

Henry Colthurst, for the Ward of Lime Street, read the draft terms of a vote of thanks to the Right Honourable The Lord Mayor, which was intended to be Moved formally at the next meeting of the Court.

The Lord Mayor was heard in reply.

- 6. Letter A letter of the Lord Mayor Elect, declaring his assent to take upon himself the Office of Lord Mayor, was received.
- 7. Resolutions There were none.
- 8. Mayoral Visits

Before providing his report, The Right Honourable The Lord Mayor first directed the Court of Common Council's attention to the 113 seated silhouettes within the Great Hall, explaining this was part of the *There But Not There* campaign. The figures represented the 112 City Corporation and City of London Police officers, together with the one Common Councilman, who had died on active service during the Great War.

The Right Honourable The Lord Mayor then reported on his recent overseas visits to Qatar, Turkey, Switzerland, India and advised that he would be travelling to the USA on a visit that would include Lake Havasu where, fifty years ago, the previous London Bridge had been transplanted.

The Right Honourable the Lord Mayor finished his update by thanking Members of the Court of Common Council for their enthusiastic engagement with the Members' Briefings held by the Lord Mayor and the Chairman of Policy and Resources. He also thanked Members for their support over the course of his Mayoral year.

9. Election of Chief Commoner

The Court proceeded to elect a Chief Commoner for 2019/20.

Three valid nominations had been received in accordance with Standing Order No. 18, for Deputy Roger Chadwick, Deputy Tom Hoffman, and Deputy Brian Mooney.

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

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

After all first preference votes were counted, the result was announced as follows:-

Chadwick, R.A.H., O.B.E., Deputy - 14 Votes Hoffman, T.D.D., M.B.E., Deputy - 46 Votes Mooney, B.D.F., Deputy - 39 Votes

With no candidate having obtained 50% of the vote, Deputy Chadwick (as the candidate with the fewest votes) was therefore eliminated and his votes reallocated

according to second preference votes (where indicated).

After the reallocation of second preference votes, the results were as follows:-

Hoffman, T.D.D., M.B.E., Deputy - 55 Votes Mooney, B.D.F., Deputy - 43 Votes

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Deputy Tom Hoffman to be elected to the office of Chief Commoner for 2019/20.

Deputy Hoffman was heard in response.

10. Policy Statement

The Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee spoke to update Members on her withdrawal from the Future Investment Initiative Conference taking place in Riyadh the following week.

11. Hospital Seal

There were no docquets for the seal.

Richard Leslie Springford

12. 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:-

Lydia Srebernjak <i>Mark Watson-Gandy James Alastair Christian Watson-Gandy</i>	a Solicitor, retired Citizen and Scrivener Citizen and Pattenmaker	Kensington, London
Michael Ciaran Wallace	a Technical Consultant	Rickmansworth, Hertfordshire
Donald Henry McGarr David Benjamin Morris	Citizen and Basketmaker Citizen and Solicitor	Heritordonile
lain Battenfeld Robertson The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor	a School Teacher	Deal, Kent
John Dominic Reid	Citizen and Grocer	
Emily Clare Bohdana Locke David Henry Clifton Griffiths Patrick John Marsland-Roberts, TD	a Graduate Citizen and Farrier Citizen and Carman	Earls Court, London
Roger Brian Lee	a Chartered Surveyor	Great Amwell, Hertfordshire
lain Reid	Citizen and Educator	
Richard Leslie Springford	Citizen and Carman	
Gary Stinson Karina Dostalova, CC	a Local Government Officer Citizen and Marketor	Dunstable, Bedfordshire
Anne Helen Fairweather, CC	Citizen and Common Councilman	
Benjamin Duke Broomfield Reginald Beer	a Photographer Citizen and Poulter	Hackney, London
Nicholas Rory Kemp	Citizen and Poulter	
Frances Ann Barron Richard Stuart Goddard	a Client Service Director Citizen and Shipwright	Glasgow, Scotland

Citizen and Carman

Ann-Marie Jefferys

Donald William Charles Lovatt a Fire Officer, retired Bromley, Kent Simon Phillip Bannister Citizen and Blacksmith Anthony Leonard Wright Citizen and Blacksmith **Christopher Joseph Simmins** an Electrical Engineer Twickenham, Middlesex Mark Roderick Winton Griffiths Citizen and Carmen David John Inker Citizen and Carman **Peter Banastre Tarlton** a Chief Technology Officer Pangbourne, Berkshire Citizen and Loriner Graham John Peacock Richard Eaglesfield Floyd Citizen and Basketmaker a Biomedical Scientist, **Rodney Strong** Bothamsall, Nottinghamshire retired Citizen and Loriner John Edwin Hughes Cyrus Soleiman Poteratchi Citizen and Skinner Stephen Anthony Martell a Teacher Loxwood, West Sussex Peter Francis Clark Citizen and Mason Martin Victor Edwards Citizen and International Banker **Dr Andrew Peter Tyrrell** a Chartered Engineer, retired Epsom, Surrey Citizen and Bowyer Roger Arthur Holden Chadwick, OBE, Deputy Philip Woodhouse, Deputy Citizen and Grocer Sally Elizabeth Beck a Hotelier Bledlow, Buckinghamshire David Alastair Morgan-Hewitt Citizen and Innholder Philippe Roland Rossiter Citizen and Innholder **Penelope Margaret Harley** a University Professor Maida Vale Citizen and Clockmaker Patricia Muriel Snell, OBE Timothy Edward Statham Citizen and Clockmaker **lain Michael Stanford** a Welcome Host Hornchurch, Essex James George Williams Citizen and Builders Merchant Keith David Forbes Bottomley, Deputy Citizen and Wheelwright Besserat Abraha Atsebaha a Superintendent Registrar Ilford, Essex Graham Edward Barnes. JP Citizen and Clockmaker Citizen and Distiller Alan Grainger Fairbrass **Mary Anne Barnes** a Registrar Westminster Citizen and Clockmaker Graham Edward Barnes, JP Alan Grainger Fairbrass Citizen and Distiller a Police Officer, retired **Philip Charles Summers** Mill Hill, Barnet Robert James Ingham Clark, Deputy Citizen and Clothworker Matthew Damian Hampson Citizen and Information **Technologist Richard Harvey Smith** a Civil Servant Lee, Lewisham Citizen and Vintner Guy Fairbank Wg Cdr Michael Greville Dudgeon, OBE Citizen and Mercer **Peter Allen Michael Perry** a Tax Adviser Banbury, Oxon Citizen and Educator Iain Reid Richard Leslie Springford Citizen and Carman **Lucy Jane Horswill** an Equine Instructor Lingfield, Surrey Anne Elizabeth Holden Citizen and Basketmaker

Citizen and Glover

Dennis Conrad William Barrie Fraser, OBE	an Information Technology Consultant <i>Citizen and Gardener</i>	Fetter Lane, London
lan Kelly	Citizen and Butcher	
Clifford Hutchison Bowen Keith David Forbes Bottomley, Deputy Christopher Michael Hayward, CC	a Union Council Member Citizen and Wheelwright Citizen and Pattenmaker	Grangemouth, Scotland
Sophie Jane Jordan Michael Woolston Jordan Ronald Douglas Mortlock Jordan	an Education Officer Citizen and Plaisterer Citizen and Plaisterer	Great Bookham, Surrey
Ernest William Bristow	a Telecommunications	Farningham, Kent
Dominic Charles How Price John Paul Tobin	Company Director Citizen and Carmen Citizen and Carmen	
Fyona Elizabeth Knight James Henry George Pollard, Deputy Mark Ian Henderson	a Credit Risk Analyst Citizen and Skinner Citizen and Currier	Wimbledon, London
Philip John Clark Mark Ian Henderson John Garbutt, JP, Ald.	an Investment Manager Citizen and Currier Citizen and Weaver	Cambridge, Cambridgeshire
George Bradburn	a Motor Trade Managing	Chandlers Cross,
Gerald Albert George Pulman, JP Richard Neil Thomas Coles	Director, retired Citizen and Basketmaker Citizen and Carman	Hertfordshire
Robert Charles Pepper, MBE Lord Robert George Alexander Lingfield, Kt., DL.	a Teacher Citizen and Goldsmith	Harpenden, Hertfordshire
Nigel Anthony Chimmo Branson, JP	Citizen and Haberdasher	
Peter Christopher Wilson	a Local Government Officer, retired	Donnington, West Sussex
Alison Jane Gowman, Ald. David Andrew Graves, Ald.	Citizen and Glover Citizen and Solicitor	
Wenli Song	a Business Association Chairman	Putney, London
Wendy Mead, OBE, CC Christopher Michael Hayward, CC	Citizen and Glover Citizen and Pattenmaker	
Colin George Bird Timothy Peter Dumenil Roderick Rudd Caxton Spencer	a Non-Executive Chairman Citizen and Butcher Citizen and Art Scholar	Brentwood, Essex
Andre Mannini Mervyn Doreen Redding Christopher Tristan Churcher	an Operations Director Citizen and Basketmaker Citizen and Basketmaker	Wandsworth, London
Blaise William Sadler Evelyn Elizabeth Guest Roger Arthur Holden Chadwick, OBE, Deputy	a Student Citizen and Educator Citizen and Bowyer	Ashtead, Surrey
Dr Louise Otter Peter Claude Cave	a Senior Risk Specialist Citizen and Insurer	Stock, Ingatestone, Essex

Citizen and Glover

Daphne Edwina Cave

John Edward Simpson	a London Fire Brigade Borough Commander	East Dulwich, London
Alison Jane Gowman, Ald. James Henry George Pollard, Deputy	Citizen and Glover Citizen and Skinner	
Samantha Carol Logue	an Electrical Engineer	Windsor, Connecticut, United States of America
Houston Putnam Lowry Derek Ross	Citizen and Arbitrator Citizen and Arbitrator	Child Claice of Amonda
Charles Albert Logue III	a Financial Adviser	Enfield, Connecticut, United States of America
Houston Putnam Lowry Derek Ross	Citizen and Arbitrator Citizen and Arbitrator	
Dr Dilan Dipak Joshi <i>Mark John Herbage</i>	a Medical Doctor Citizen and Cook	Bushey, Hertfordshire
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Sarah Jane Fletcher Harris	Citizen and Basketmaker	Hamaka I. E
William John Phillips	a Professional Boxing Referee	Hornchurch, Essex
John Stuart Foster	Citizen and Farrier	
John Alan Rodford	Citizen and World Trader	
David Raymond Van Beveren	a Property Development Company Director	Beckenham, Kent
Trevor James Brignall	Citizen and Marketor	
Trevor Ford	Citizen and Security	
	Professional	
James Douglas Wheeler	a Brick Company Director	Benington, Hertfordshire
George David Hare Armitage	Citizen and Tyler & Bricklayer	G ,
Jeffrey David Fuller	Citizen and Tyler & Bricklayer	
Vincent Marie L Camerlynck	a Financial Services Director	Sydenham Hill
John Garbutt, JP, Ald.	Citizen and Weaver	
Mark lan Henderson	Citizen and Currier	
Noil Eropoio Didlov	a Chartered Curreyer	Danbury Facey
Neil Francis Ridley Michael Steele Keith Grant	a Chartered Surveyor Citizen and Information	Danbury, Essex
Wilchael Steele Keith Grant	Technologist	
Richard John Hopkinson-Woolley	Citizen and Goldsmith	
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Edmund Douglas Pearson	a Civil Servant	Watchet, Somerset
Mark John Herbage	Citizen and Cook	,
Sarah Jane Fletcher Harris	Citizen and Basketmaker	
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Christopher James Rothery	an Investment Manager,	Piltdown, East Sussex
Michael Steele Keith Grant	retired Citizen and Information	
Wilchael Steele Keith Grant	Technologist	
Patrick Ernest Cooper	Citizen and Vintner	
Anne Marie Lomas	a Restaurant General Manager	Greenwich, London
Frederick Joseph Trowman	Citizen and Loriner	
Anthony Sharp	Citizen and Loriner	
Julian Anderson Bowman	an Oil Broker	Battersea, London
Michael Steele Keith Grant	Citizen and Information	•
	Technologist	
Charles Verriour Marment	Citizen and Draper	
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Robert Patrick Quain, TD	a Director	Freshwater Bay, Isle of Wight
Michael Steele Keith Grant	Citizen and Information Technologist	ŭ
Patrick John Marsland-Roberts, TD	Citizen and Carman	
Lee Gavin Henry David James Sales Nicholas James Redgrove	an Insurance Underwriter Citizen and Insurer Citizen and Insurer	Rochford, Essex
Simon Jocelyn Enoch Michael Steele Keith Grant	a Solicitor Citizen and Information Technologist	Fulham, London
Patrick John Marsland-Roberts, TD	Citizen and Carman	
Barry Matthews Donald Howard Coombe, MBE Richard Howard Coombe	a Chief Executive Officer Citizen and Poulter Citizen and Poulter	Eltham, London
David Samuel Jones Michael Steele Keith Grant	an Insurance Broker Citizen and Information Technologist	Putney, London
David Bilsland Cobb, CBE	Citizen and Shipwright	
Andrew Buchanan McGregor	an Engineering Company Director	St Albans, Hertfordshire
Michael Steele Keith Grant	Citizen and Information Technologist	
Patrick John Marsland-Roberts, TD	Citizen and Carman	
Simon Mark Watson	a Telecommunications Consultant	King's Lynn, Norfolk
Michael Steele Keith Grant	Citizen and Information Technologist	
Charles Justin Hugheston-Roberts	Citizen and Cook	
Martin Kenneth Kerslake	an Energy Consultancy Director	West Wickham, Cambridgeshire
Michael Steele Keith Grant	Citizen and Information Technologist	Cambridgestine
David Henry Clifton Griffiths	Citizen and Farrier	
Derek Mackinlay Michael Steele Keith Grant	a Financial Adviser Citizen and Information Technologist	Reigate, Surrey
Richard George Clerk Thornton, TD	Citizen and Leatherseller	
Victor Graham Annells	The Executive Director of Mansion House	Harold Wood, Essex
The Rt Hon. The Lord Mayor Peter Kenneth Estlin, Ald.	Citizen and International Banker	
His Excellency Muyeba Shichapwa Chikonde Mark Watson-Gandy James Alastair Christian Watson-Gandy	The High Commissioner of Zambia Citizen and Scrivener Citizen and Pattenmaker	Kensington, London
Sir Thomas Richard Troubridge, Bt The Rt Hon. The Lord Mayor	a Chartered Accountant	Fulham, London
Peter Kenneth Estlin, Ald.	Citizen and International Banker	

Wg Cdr John Ian Chappell, MBE The Rt Hon. The Lord Mayor	a Royal Air Force Officer	Elton, Cambridgeshire
Peter Kenneth Estlin, Ald.	Citizen and International Banker	
Charlotte Louise Benham Crosswell The Rt Hon. The Lord Mayor	a Finance Industry Membership Body CEO	Fulham, London
Peter Kenneth Estlin, Ald.	Citizen and International Banker	
Alastair David Lukies, CBE The Rt Hon. The Lord Mayor	an Entrepreneur	Bermondsey, London
Peter Kenneth Estlin, Ald.	Citizen and International Banker	
The Rt Hon. The Lord Geidt, Christopher Edward Wollaston Mackenzie Geidt, GCB, GCVO, OBE, QSO The Rt Hon. The Lord Mayor	a Member of the House of Lords	Isle of Lewis, Scotland
Catherine Sidony McGuinness, Deputy	Citizen and Solicitor	
Grace Elizabeth Kemball Bowman	a Student	Tostock, Suffolk
The Rt Hon. The Lord Mayor Timothy Russell Hailes, JP, Ald.	Citizen and International Banker	
Omar Ali	a Management Consultant	Richmond, Surrey
The Rt Hon. The Lord Mayor Peter Kenneth Estlin, Ald.	Citizen and International Banker	
Air Marshal Michael Wigston, CBE	a Royal Air Force Officer	High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire
The Rt Hon. The Lord Mayor		J

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 the Chamberlain do admit them severally to their Freedom accordingly.

Citizen and International Banker

13. Legislation The Court received a report on measures introduced by Parliament which might have an effect on the services provided by the City Corporation as follows:-

Statutory Instruments

Peter Kenneth Estlin, Ald.

Date in Force

The Police and Firefighters' Pensions (Amendment) 8 October 2018 Regulations 2018 S.I. No. 997

The Regulations make amendments to various instruments relating to pensions payable in respect of police officers, including the removal of the requirement for a deceased member and the surviving partner of that member to have completed a nomination form before a survivor's pension can be paid. This requirement was held by the Supreme Court to constitute unjustified discrimination giving rise to a breach of the European Convention on Human Rights. The Regulations apply

to the Common Council in its capacity as a police authority.

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

14. Ballot Results

The Town Clerk reported the result of a ballot taken at the last Court, as follows:-

One Member to the Investment Committee.

	Votes
*John Douglas Chapman	49
Michael Hudson	40

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared John Chapman to be appointed to the Investment Committee.

15. Appointments

The Court proceeded to consider appointments to the following Committees and outside bodies:-

(A) One Member on the **Culture, Heritage and Libraries Committee**, for the balance of a term expiring in April 2019

Nominations received:-

Mary Durcan

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Mary Durcan to be appointed to the Culture, Heritage and Libraries Committee.

(B) Four Members on the **Community and Children's Services Committee** for the balance of terms expiring in April 2019.

Nominations received:-

Natasha Lloyd-Owen

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Natasha Lloyd-Owen to be appointed to the Community and Children's Services Committee.

(C) Three Members on the **Bridewell Royal Hospital**, for the balance of terms expiring in October 2024.

Nominations received:-

Richard Regan, O.B.E, Deputy

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Deputy Richard Regan to be appointed to the Bridewell Royal Hospital

16. Questions

Hughes-Penney, R, Ald. to the Chairman of the Investment Committee

Management of Financial Investments

Alderman Robert Hughes-Penney asked a question of the Chairman of the Investment Committee concerning the level of engagement with the City Corporation's fund managers to ensure best practice was being adopted and followed.

Responding, the Chairman explained that the Financial Investment Board of the Investment Committee had been actively engaged in developing a Responsible Investment Policy and a Statement of Commitment to the UK Stewardship Code, with guidance from the City Corporation's investment consultant, Mercer. The UK Stewardship Code sought to ensure that assets owners held their managers to account for their activities and best practice would look for this to be reported on an annual basis. The Board had also signed up to the Principles of Responsible Investment which focused on incorporating Environmental, Social and Governance issues into investment practice. A review of the current fund managers had taken place and would be repeated on an annual basis, which would serve as a reminder to the fund managers that this area was a priority for the City Corporation.

In response to a supplementary question from Alderman Hughes-Penney concerning the implementation of the United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals, the Chairman explained that the City Corporation had already contributed by launching its Sustainable Development Capital Initiative at the recent UN General Assembly Conference. This would have the benefit of encouraging increased private investment in developing markets and in strengthening the City of London's position as a hub for initiatives and transactions. The Investment Committee would, as the UN's Sustainable Goals started to take shape, endeavour to absorb these and encourage the investment managers to incorporate them into their approach.

Mead, W., O.B.E.; to the Chairman of the Planning and Transportation Committee.

Construction works and the impact on traffic

Wendy Mead asked a question of the Chairman of the Planning and Transportation Committee requesting an update on the construction work taking place in relation to the Thames Tideway Tunnel and its impact on traffic movement along the Embankment.

In response, the Chairman advised Members that Tideway had previously proposed a full closure of the Embankment for six months to carry out gas works. However, following pressure from both Members and Officers regarding the consequences of this approach, Tideway had made significant changes to their design which would no longer require the closure of the Embankment. Whilst their decision required final confirmation, Tideway had suspended all advance work planned for the diversion.

Wendy Mead thanked the Chairman for his response and his efforts on this issue, noting that this was good news for residents and businesses. In reply to a supplementary question from Mrs Mead, the Chairman confirmed that the Bloomberg building had been awarded the 2018 RIBA Stirling Prize, partly in

recognition of it being is the world's most sustainable office with a host of features for reducing water, energy consumption, and CO2 emissions. The development's success illustrated the contribution made by City Corporation's Officers drawing on the District Surveyors' experience of large commercial projects, from inception to occupation, and the Chairman congratulated all those involved.

Harrower, G.; to the Chairman of the Standards Committee

Standards Committee proceedings

Graeme Harrower asked a question of the Chairman of the Standards Committee which made reference to a memorandum which he had circulated to all Members of the Court of Common Council. The memorandum had highlighted his concerns relating to a number of elements of the Standards Regime and suggested the submission of a Motion seeking their amendment.

The Chairman, replying, explained that the City Corporation had a statutory duty to promote and maintain high standards of conduct by Members and co-opted Members and must have a Code of Conduct and arrangements in place under which allegations could be investigated and decisions made. The Standards Committee, through its various sub-committees, had the duty to fulfil these responsibilities on behalf of the Court of Common Council.

With regard to the particular case referred to, the Chairman stated that he had no doubt it had been properly and fairly handled in line with the arrangements laid down by the Court of Common Council. He added his belief that the Members of the Sub-Committees which had considered the case had fulfilled their responsibilities and exercised their judgement with integrity. The Chairman also suggested that he did not consider it appropriate, nor equitable, for a decision made under such delegated arrangements to be discussed by the full Court.

The Chairman noted that new arrangements had recently been introduced by the Court of Common Council for cases considered by the Standards Committee, but the referred to case, due to timings, had been dealt with under the old procedures.

Responding to a supplementary question from Mr Harrower asking whether a new approach should be considered at the December meeting of the Court of Common Council, the Chairman explained that he did not think this would be helpful.

In response to a further supplementary question from Deputy Brian Mooney concerning the handling of the particular case in question, the Chairman reiterated his earlier comments and belief that the proper procedures had been followed.

17. Motions
Scott, J.G.S.,
J.P.; Ingham
Clark R.J. Deputy

Resolved – That James de Sausmarez be appointed to the Culture Heritage and Libraries Committee for the Ward of Candlewick, in the room of Kevin Everett; and that Kevin Everett be appointed to the Finance Committee, also for the Ward of Candlewick, in the room of James de Sausmarez.

Scott, J.G.S., J.P.; Ingham Clark R.J. Deputy Resolved – That Natasha Lloyd-Owen be appointed to the Planning and Transportation Committee for the Ward of Castle Baynard, in the room of Alderman Emma Edhem (who no longer represented the Ward).

Scott, J.G.S., Resolved - That Christopher Hill be appointed to the Finance Committee for the

J.P.; Ingham Clark R.J. Deputy

Ward of Farringdon Within, in the room of Karina Dostalova.

18. Awards & Prizes

The Court received a report of the Chairman of the City Bridge Trust advising of the receipt by the Trust of a Charity Times Award for its Stepping Stones Fund, which provided grants to charities and social enterprises seeking to explore the social investment market.

19. HOSPITALITY WORKING PARTY OF THE POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

(John George Stewart Scott, J.P., Chief Commoner)

11 September 2018

(A) Local Government Association – Culture, Tourism and Sports Conference Dinner

The Local Government Association (LGA) is the national membership body for over 400 local authorities in England and Wales. The City Corporation had been a member of the LGA since its inception in 1997, with it being a valuable source of information and best practice and all Members of Common Council having access to its services.

The LGA was holding a conference on Culture, Tourism and Sport in London on 5-6 March 2019 and it was proposed that the City Corporation host a dinner at the end of the first day of the conference. The second day of the conference was to take place at Guildhall.

It was therefore **recommended** that hospitality be granted for a dinner and that arrangements are made under the auspices of the Policy and Resources Committee; the costs to be met from City's Cash and within approved parameters.

Resolved – That hospitality be granted for a dinner with arrangements to be made under the auspices of the Policy and Resources Committee; the costs to be met from City's Cash and within the approved parameters.

(B) Report of Urgent Action Taken: Breakfast for the King and Queen of the Netherlands

At the invitation of Her Majesty The Queen, His Majesty King Willem-Alexander of the Netherlands, accompanied by Her Majesty Queen Maxima, was to pay a two-day State Visit to the United Kingdom in October 2018. The Visit was to be much shorter than previous State Visits; however, notwithstanding this, the City Corporation had sought to make a substantial contribution to the programme.

Following the decision of Hospitality Working Party to recommend hospitality, it became evident that waiting until the meeting of the Court of Common Council on 18 October 2018 for a decision would not allow sufficient time for arrangements to be put in place for this event. Approval was therefore sought and obtained under urgency procedures for hospitality to be granted for a breakfast at Mansion House with arrangements to be made under the auspices of the Hospitality Working Party; the costs to be met from City's Cash and within the approved parameters.

Resolved – That the action taken under urgency procedures be noted.

(C) Report of Urgent Action Taken: Tokyo Metropolitan Government Dinner A delegation from Tokyo Metropolitan Government was due to visit the UK between 30 October and 1 November 2018. The purpose of the visit was to further engagement between Japan and the UK, focusing on developing trading and business relations. In December 2017, the City Corporation signed a MoU with the Tokyo Metropolitan Government to support Tokyo's ambition to become a global financial centre and it was proposed that the delegation be invited to attend a dinner coinciding with the visit.

Following the decision of the Hospitality Working Party to recommend hospitality, it became evident that waiting until the meeting of the Court of Common Council on 18 October 2018 for a decision would not allow sufficient time for arrangements to be put in place for this event. Approval was therefore sought and obtained under urgency procedures for hospitality to be granted with arrangements to be made under the auspices of the Public Relations and Economic Development Sub Committee; the costs to be met from City's Cash and within the approved parameters.

Resolved – That the action taken under urgency procedures be noted.

20. FINANCE COMMITTEE

(Jeremy Mayhew)

13 August 2018

Report of Urgent Action Taken: Provision of Energy (Electricity and Gas) Supplies – Contract Award

The Court received a report advising of action taken under urgency procedures concerning the award of a contract for the provision of electricity and gas supplies.

Following the Finance Committee's approval of a procurement strategy for the tender of electricity and gas supplies for all City of London Corporation sites, a procurement exercise was undertaken. Through this process, Total Gas and Power was identified as the preferred supplier for all areas of supply, at an approximate total cost of £15.5m per annum. As the existing contract was due to expire in September 2018, approval was sought and obtained under urgency procedures to:-

- Awarding a three-year contract for Lot 1 (Supply of Electricity, Half Hourly and Non-Half Hourly, Flexible Purchase), commencing 1st October 2018, to Total Gas and Power Ltd at an estimated cost of £10.9m per annum.
- Awarding a three-year contract for Lot 2 (Supply of Gas, Flexible Purchase), commencing 1st October 2018, to Total Gas and Power Ltd at an estimated cost of £1.11m per annum.
- Awarding a two-year contract for Lot 3 (Supply of Electricity, Half Hourly and Non-Half Hourly, Fixed Price term), commencing 1st October 2018, to Total Gas and Power Ltd at an estimated cost of £3.12m per annum.

- Awarding a two-year contract for Lot 4 (Supply of Gas, Fixed Price term), commencing 1st October 2018, to Total Gas and Power at an estimated cost of £370k per annum.
- Delegating to the Procurement Sub-Committee, on behalf of the Finance Committee, the right to exercise options to extend the contract by up to two years as permitted in the contract terms.

Resolved – That the action taken under urgency procedures be noted.

21. PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

(Christopher Hayward)

11 September 2018

(A) Adoption of the City Lighting Strategy

The Court considered a report which **recommended** the adoption of a City Lighting Strategy following a public consultation process. The Strategy was intended to improve the quality, efficiency, sustainability and consistency of lighting for the whole City, providing a holistic approach to lighting and helping to ensure a safe, vibrant and pleasant night environment for businesses, residents and visitors.

In response to a question from Sir Michael Snyder concerning costs, the Chairman of the Planning and Transportation Committee explained that it would cost £2m to deliver the technical upgrades and a further £5m to implement the Lighting Strategy. He also took the opportunity to add that it would cost £15-20m over ten years to deliver the Culture Look and Feel Strategy set out at Item 21(B) in the agenda.

Resolved – That the City Lighting Strategy document be approved and the development of a Planning guidance document to contribute to the achievement of the Strategy's vision be noted.

11 September 2018

(B) Culture Mile Look and Feel Strategy: Adoption of the Strategy

The Court considered a report which **recommended** the adoption of a Culture Mile Look and Feel Strategy following a public consultation process. The Strategy proposed a series of environmental enhancements and other projects and approaches to improve the area, in support of the Culture Mile initiative.

Resolved – That the Culture Mile Look and Feel Strategy, and the Detailed Delivery Plan, be adopted.

22. AUDIT AND RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

(lan David Luder, J.P., Alderman)

25 September 2018

Re-appointment of External Member

At its meeting of 16 January 2014, the Court agreed to vary the procedure for the appointment of External Members to the Audit and Risk Management Committee in order to allow them to be appointed for three terms, with two being the norm. Ms Hilary Daniels has served on the Committee as an External Member since its

inception in 2011, and her contributions to the Committee and the Auditor Appointment Panel have been invaluable, furthermore, Ms Daniels was appointed as the Audit and Risk Management's Committee first External Chairman, the Court is therefore **recommended** to re-appoint Ms Daniels for a third three-year term to the Audit and Risk Management Committee.

Resolved – That approval be given to the appointment of Ms Hilary Daniels to the Audit and Risk Management Committee for a third term, expiring in 2022.

23. Scott, J.G.S., J.P.; Ingham Clark R.J. Deputy Resolved – that the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business below on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act, 1972.

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

- 24. *Resolved* That the non-public minutes of the last Court are correctly recorded.
- 25. **Policy and Resources Committee**

The Court considered action taken under urgency procedures relating to a first stage bid for the Barking Power Station site as part of the Markets Consolidation Programme.

26. **Property Investment Board**

The Court considered action taken under urgency procedures relating to a disposal of a 150 year lease for Bridge House Estates, 1-5 London Wall Buildings.

The meeting commenced at 1.00 pm and ended at 1.55 pm

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