Report – City Remembrancer

Measures introduced into Parliament which may have an effect on the work and services provided by the City Corporation

To be presented on Thusday, 23rd May 2019

To the Right Honourable The Lord Mayor, Aldermen and Commons of the City of London in Common Council assembled.

Statutory Instruments

The Tenant Fees Act 2019 (Commencement No. 3) Regulations 2019 S.I. No. 857

The Regulations bring the Tenant Fees Act 2019 into force in part from 15 April and in full from 1 June 2019. The Act prohibits landlords and letting agents from charging tenants letting fees. The Act will be enforced by the Court of Common Council acting in its capacity as a weights and measures authority.

The European Parliamentary Elections (Returning Officers' and Local Returning Officers' Charges) (Great Britain and Gibraltar) Order 2019 S.I. No. 886

The Order enables payments to be made for the services and expenses of returning officers and local returning officers in connection with the 2019 European Parliamentary elections and specifies the maximum recoverable amount in respect of the City of London as £22,206.

The Town and Country Planning (Permitted Development, Advertisement and Compensation Amendments) (England) Regulations 2019 S.I. No. 907

The Regulations make amendments to the definition of transport undertakers, make permanent certain temporary permitted development rights to enlarge dwelling houses, and impose standards for electric charging points used to recharge vehicles. New permitted development rights are created by the Regulations to allow for the change of use of a building from shops, financial and professional services, betting shops, and launderettes, to be converted to offices. Additionally, a new permitted development right is created to allow buildings used for hot food takeaways to be converted to a dwelling house. Of additional City relevance is the removal of the permitted development right to install or adapt public phone boxes, which were frequently installed to enable advertisements that would otherwise have been prohibited.

The Regulations apply to the Common Council in its capacity as a local planning authority.

Date in force 15th April 2019

26th April 2019

25th May 2019

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