



ESTLIN, MAYOR

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL

10th October 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT

ALDERMEN

Nicholas Anstee
The Rt. Hon. the Lord Mayor, Alderman Peter Estlin
John Garbutt
Sir Roger Gifford
Alison Gowman

Prem Goyal
David Andrew Graves
Timothy Russell Hailes
Robert Picton Seymour Howard
Robert Charles Hughes-Penney
Gregory Jones QC

Vincent Thomas Keaveny
Alastair John Naisbitt King
Ian David Luder
Bronek Masojada
Sir Andrew Charles Parmley
Sir David Hugh Wootton

COMMONERS

George Christopher Abrahams
Deputy John David Absalom
Caroline Kordai Addy
Munsur Ali
Rehana Banu Ameer
Randall Keith Anderson
Douglas Barrow
Adrian Mark Bastow
Matthew Bell
Deputy John Bennett
Peter Gordon Bennett
Nicholas Michael Bensted-Smith
Christopher Paul Boden
Mark Bostock
Deputy Keith David Forbes
Bottomley
Deputy David John Bradshaw
Tijs Broeke
Deputy Michael John Cassidy
Deputy Roger Arthur Holden
Chadwick
John Douglas Chapman

Dominic Gerard Christian
Thomas Cowley Clementi
Graeme Doshi-Smith
Karina Dostalova
Simon D'Olier Duckworth
Peter Gerard Dunphy
Mary Durcan
John Ernest Edwards
Deputy Kevin Malcolm Everett
Anne Helen Fairweather
Marianne Bernadette Fredericks
Tracey Graham
Caroline Wilma Haines
Deputy The Revd Stephen Decatur Haines
Graeme Harrower
Sheriff Christopher Michael Hayward
Christopher Hill
Deputy Tom Hoffman
Ann Holmes
Michael Hudson
Deputy Wendy Hyde

Deputy Jamie Ingham Clark
Deputy Clare James
Deputy Henry Llewellyn Michael Jones
Shravan Jashvantrai Joshi
Angus Knowles-Cutler
Tim Levene
Vivienne Littlechild
Oliver Arthur Wynlayne Lodge
Deputy Edward Lord,
Paul Nicholas Martinelli
Andrew Paul Mayer
Jeremy Mayhew
Catherine McGuinness,
Deputy Andrew Stratton McMurtrie
Wendy Mead
Deputy Robert Allan Merrett,
Andrien Gereith Dominic Meyers
Deputy Brian Desmond Francis Mooney
Deputy Hugh Fenton Morris,
Deputy Alastair Michael Moss

Sylvia Doreen Moys
Benjamin Daniel Murphy
Dhruv Patel
Susan Jane Pearson
John Petrie
Judith Pleasance
Deputy James Henry George Pollard
Stephen Douglas Quilter
Deputy Richard David Regan
Deputy Elizabeth Rogula
James de Sausmarez
John George Stewart Scott
Oliver Sells QC
Jeremy Lewis Simons
Deputy Tom Sleight
Sir Michael Snyder
Deputy John Tomlinson
William Upton QC
Mark Raymond Peter Henry Delano Wheatley
Dawn Linsey Wright

*Hoffman, T.D.D.,
M.B.E., Deputy;
Mayhew, J.P.*

Resolved unanimously – That Christopher Hayward, one of the Sheriffs of the City, be invited to take his seat on the Dais.

1. Apologies The apologies of those Members unable to attend this meeting of the Court were noted.
2. Declarations There were none.
3. Minutes **Resolved** – That the Minutes of the last Court are correctly recorded.

4. Draft Vote of Thanks to the Lord Mayor Deputy Michael Cassidy, for the Ward of Coleman 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.

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

6. Resolutions *Resolved* – That the gratitude of this Court be extended to:-

Anstee, N.J.,
Alderman;
Hoffman, T.D.D.,
M.B.E., Deputy

Richard Peter Crossan

for his service to the Ward of Aldersgate and the City of London over the past two and a half years.

Although he only served for a relatively short period, we are grateful for his contributions since 2017 and wish him the very best for the future.

7. Mayoral Visits The Right Honourable The Lord Mayor reported on his recent overseas visits to Australia, India, Nepal, and the United States of America.

8. Election of Chief Commoner The Court proceeded to elect a Chief Commoner for 2020/21.

Two valid nominations had been received in accordance with Standing Order No. 18; namely, Ann Holmes 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 the votes had been counted, the results were as follows:-

Holmes, A.	-	35 votes
Mooney, B.D.F., Deputy	-	60 votes

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Deputy Brian Mooney to be elected to the office of Chief Commoner for 2020/21.

Deputy Mooney spoke to thank Honourable Members for their support.

9. Policy Statement There was no statement.

10. Hospital Seal There were no docquets to be sealed.

11. 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:-

Xiaoyu Wang <i>Martyn Wheatley</i> <i>John Caunt</i>	an Education Services Company Chairman <i>Citizen and Scientific Instrument Maker</i> <i>Citizen and Scientific Instrument Maker</i>	Dongcheng District, Beijing, China
Juvenal Joseph Muka Shiundu <i>Howard Andre Beber</i> <i>Brian John Coombe</i>	a United Nations Official <i>Citizen and Poulter</i> <i>Citizen and Poulter</i>	Surbiton, Surrey
Jonathan James Eade Foster <i>Stephen Nigel Mulliner</i> <i>Hamish Donaldson, MBE</i>	a Chartered Surveyor <i>Citizen and Glover</i> <i>Citizen and Information Technologist</i>	Hindhead, Surrey
Stefano Potorti <i>Simon Jon Roberts</i> <i>Serafino Manca</i>	a Consultancy Director <i>Citizen and Cook</i> <i>Citizen and Marketor</i>	Wembley, London
Brett Martin Benjamin <i>Kenneth Lewis Benjamin</i> <i>Richard Lionel Howroyd Price</i>	a Car Sales Manager <i>Citizen and Loriner</i> <i>Citizen and Loriner</i>	Laindon, Basildon, Essex
Lidiia Benjamin <i>Kenneth Lewis Benjamin</i> <i>Richard Lionel Howroyd Price</i>	a Health and Beauty Spa Director <i>Citizen and Loriner</i> <i>Citizen and Loriner</i>	Laindon, Basildon, Essex
Dr Andrew Hipolito Castello- Cortes <i>John Barnard Grantley Carpenter</i> <i>Alexandra Grantley Castello-Cortes</i>	a Medical Doctor <i>Citizen and Pavior</i> <i>Citizen and Pavior</i>	Northwood, Hertfordshire
Dr Christian Philip Hollier Turner, CMG <i>Ald. Timothy Russell Hailes, JP.</i> <i>Deputy Charles Edward Lord, OBE, JP</i>	a Diplomat <i>Citizen and Pewterer</i> <i>Citizen and Broderer</i>	Limpsfield, Surrey
Maighread Margaret Condon Simmonds <i>Timothy Richard Coleridge</i> <i>Matthew Roundell Palmer</i>	a Nurse <i>Citizen and Grocer</i> <i>Citizen and Mercer</i>	Chelsea, London
Graham Leonard Craker, MVO <i>Alan Leslie Warman</i> <i>Diane Irene Warman</i>	a Police Officer, retired <i>Citizen and Clockmaker</i> <i>Citizen and Clockmaker</i>	Ware, Hertfordshire
Paul John May <i>Martin Collins</i> <i>Issa Tahhan</i>	a Chartered Surveyor <i>Citizen and Educator</i> <i>Citizen and Environmental Cleaner</i>	Royal Docks, London
Joanne Marie Cresswell <i>Norman Edward Chapman</i> <i>Christopher John Otter</i>	a Local Government Facility & Venue Manager <i>Citizen and Glover</i> <i>Citizen and Poulter</i>	Dagenham, Essex
Christopher Peter Jeffs	a Barrister	Southwark, London

<i>Dr Anne Rosemary Haire</i> <i>Alan Frederick Graeme Groom</i>	<i>Citizen and Apothecary</i> <i>Citizen and Innholder</i>	
Simon Patrick Pollock <i>Deputy Robert James Ingham Clark</i> <i>John Petrie, CC</i>	a Director of Ceremonies <i>Citizen and Clothworker</i> <i>Citizen and Draper</i>	Battersea, London
Olivia Philomena English <i>Donald Howard Coombe, MBE</i> <i>David Peter Coombe</i>	an Artist <i>Citizen and Poulter</i> <i>Citizen and Poulter</i>	Manningtree, Essex
Stephen Richard Marlow <i>Martin Henry Charles Russell, TD</i> <i>Roderick Edmond Forbes Morriss</i>	a Data Analyst <i>Citizen and Farrier</i> <i>Citizen and Glover</i>	Greenwich, London
Richard Anthony Ralph Carman <i>David James Sales</i> <i>Nicholas James Redgrove</i>	a Risk Management Operations Director <i>Citizen and Insurer</i> <i>Citizen and Insurer</i>	Yateley, Hampshire
Derek John Bain <i>David O'Reilly</i> <i>Deputy Kevin Malcolm Everett</i>	a Consultant <i>Citizen and Educator</i> <i>Citizen and Fletcher</i>	Bothwell, Glasgow
Duncan James Lee <i>Ronald Samuel Jones, OBE</i> <i>John Keith Thomas</i>	a Student Nurse <i>Citizen and Farrier</i> <i>Citizen and Farriers</i>	Ingatestone, Essex
Rebecca Hannah Lee <i>Ronald Samuel Jones, OBE</i> <i>John Keith Thomas</i>	a Corporate Banker <i>Citizen and Farrier</i> <i>Citizen and Farriers</i>	Ingatestone, Essex
Sarah Charlotte Tayler <i>Ald. Timothy Russell Hailes, JP</i> <i>Rev. Canon David Parrott</i>	a Veterinary Surgeon <i>Citizen and Pewterer</i> <i>Citizen and Distiller</i>	Frilford, Oxfordshire
Judith Anne West <i>Mark Alastair Lane</i> <i>Keith Tozzi</i>	an Author <i>Citizen and Water Conservator</i> <i>Citizen and Water Conservator</i>	Bridport, Dorset
Dr Catherine Dyer Stevenson <i>Justin Giles Joseph Morin-Carpentier</i> <i>James Anthony Drabble</i>	a Psychiatrist <i>Citizen and Tyler & Bricklayer</i> <i>Citizen and Art Scholar</i>	Houston, Texas, United States of America
Alexis Adam Hira <i>Peter Michael</i> <i>Simon Jon Roberts</i>	a Senior Radiographer <i>Citizen and Scrivener</i> <i>Citizen and Cook</i>	Leicestershire
Patrick John Fitzpatrick <i>George Henry Capon</i> <i>Peter Ronald Elliott</i>	a Facilities Team Manager <i>Citizen and Blacksmith</i> <i>Citizen and Blacksmith</i>	Hackney, London
Gordon John Randell <i>Donald Howard Coombe, MBE</i> <i>David Peter Coombe</i>	a Furniture Fitter, retired <i>Citizen and Poulter</i> <i>Citizen and Poulter</i>	Beckenham, Kent
Anthony Neil Collard <i>Donald Howard Coombe, MBE</i> <i>Richard Howard Coombe</i>	a Sales Director <i>Citizen and Poulter</i> <i>Citizen and Poulter</i>	Haverhill, Suffolk
Thomas Adams McLaughlin	a Project Manager	Leighton Buzzard, Buckinghamshire

<i>Gerald Albert George Pulman, JP</i> <i>Glynn Humphreys</i>	<i>Citizen and Basketmaker</i> <i>Citizen and Carman</i>	
Geraldine Stephanie Bil <i>Iain Reid</i> <i>Richard Leslie Springford</i>	a Marine Engineering Company Partner <i>Citizen and Educator</i> <i>Citizen and Carman</i>	Pangbourne, Berkshire
Susannah Clare Tarlton <i>Graham John Peacock</i> <i>Richard Eaglesfield Floyd</i>	a Textile Artist <i>Citizen and Loriner</i> <i>Citizen and Basketmaker</i>	Pangbourne, Berkshire
Peter Charles Kinder <i>Derek Alfred Buswell</i> <i>John Alexander Smail</i>	an Adhesive Manufacturing Company Chief Executive <i>Citizen and Framework Knitter</i> <i>Citizen and Distiller</i>	Loughborough, Leicestershire
Hugh Victor Feldman <i>John George Stewart Scott, CC</i> <i>Margaret Claire Scott</i>	an Electronic Instrumentation Director, retired <i>Citizen and Arts Scholar</i> <i>Citizen and Stationer & Newspapermaker</i>	Saffron Walden, Essex
Susan Ruth Feldman <i>John George Stewart Scott, CC</i> <i>Margaret Claire Scott</i>	a State Registered Dietician, retired <i>Citizen and Arts Scholar</i> <i>Citizen and Stationer & Newspapermaker</i>	Saffron Walden, Essex
Simon Andrew Walker <i>Ald. Timothy Russell Hailes, JP</i> <i>Deputy Robert Allan Merrett</i>	a Regular Army Officer <i>Citizen and Pewterer</i> <i>Citizen and International Banker</i>	Camberley, Surrey
Mary Teresa Narvell <i>John Leslie Barber</i> <i>Dean Hollington</i>	an Interior Designer, retired <i>Citizen and Blacksmith</i> <i>Citizen and Blacksmith</i>	Belgravia, London
Andrew Charles Waddington <i>Gordon William Sinclair Davie</i> <i>Paul Holmes</i>	a Police Officer, retired <i>Citizen and Wheelwright</i> <i>Citizen and Security Professional</i>	Sunbury-on-Thames
Daniel William Kenny <i>Graham John Peacock</i> <i>Richard Eaglesfield Floyd</i>	a Training Manager <i>Citizen and Loriner</i> <i>Citizen and Basketmaker</i>	West Horsley, Surrey
John Peter Histed <i>Christopher Tristan Churcher</i> <i>Sir Frank Davies, CBE</i>	a Civil Servant <i>Citizen and Basketmaker</i> <i>Citizen and Basketmaker</i>	Eltham, London
Martyn Jay Holloway-Neville <i>Deputy Roger Arthur Holden</i> <i>Chadwick, OBE</i> <i>Deputy Philip Woodhouse</i>	a Civil Servant <i>Citizen and Bowyer</i> <i>Citizen and Grocer</i>	Epsom, Surrey
Henry Alasdair Roberts <i>Alan John Roberts</i> <i>Neil John Mather</i>	an Accountant <i>Citizen and Cooper</i> <i>Citizen and Cooper</i>	Jersey
Hugh Douglas Roberts <i>Alan John Roberts</i> <i>Neil John Mather</i>	a Land Manager <i>Citizen and Cooper</i> <i>Citizen and Cooper</i>	York, North Yorkshire
Eric Henry Buckmaster	a Councillor	Hertfordshire

<i>Alan Leslie Warman</i> <i>Diane Irene Warman</i>	<i>Citizen and Clockmaker</i> <i>Citizen and Clockmaker</i>	
Dominic Crispin Dudley Coombes <i>Ald. Sir Andrew Charles Parmley</i> <i>Jonathan Patterson Shiels</i>	a Regular Army Officer <i>Citizen and Musician</i> <i>Citizen and Joiner & Ceiler</i>	Treknow, Cornwall
Nohaad Jari Alothmani <i>Martin Collins</i> <i>Richard Evans</i>	a Business Processing Officer <i>Citizen and Educator</i> <i>Citizen and Educator</i>	Barnet, London
Graham Michael Hill-Howgate <i>Paul Frank Basson</i> <i>Peter Richard Cowland</i>	a Trade Association General Security <i>Citizen and Firefighter</i> <i>Citizen and Firefighter</i>	Elsenham, Essex
Peter Thomas Frederick Coyte <i>Alan Robert Brumwell</i> <i>Christopher James Caine</i>	a Funeral Director and Music Composer <i>Citizen and Plumber</i> <i>Citizen and Maker of Playing Cards</i>	Tankerton, Kent
Peter Thompson Tweddle <i>Gerard John Cornwallis Sweeting</i> <i>Donald Harold Lyons</i>	a Venture Capital Sourcing Agent <i>Citizen and Merchant Taylor</i> <i>Citizen and Cooper</i>	Chansfield, Suffolk
Melissa Frances Rose Longley <i>Mark Ian Henderson</i> <i>Dr Stefan Frederick Fafinski</i>	an Investment Manager <i>Citizen and Currier</i> <i>Citizen and Information Technologist</i>	Putney, London
Penelope Ann Fahie <i>Clive Albert Francis Lambert</i> <i>Richard John Francis Conneely</i>	a Beauty Therapist <i>Citizen and Carman</i> <i>Citizen and Carman</i>	Paulton, Bristol
Monique St. Claire Lorraine Conneely <i>Richard John Francis Conneely</i> <i>Clive Albert Francis Lambert</i>	a Supply Chain Consultancy Director, retired <i>Citizen and Carman</i> <i>Citizen and Carman</i>	Bishopsworth, Bristol
William Jerome Myers <i>Frederick Joseph Trowman</i> <i>David Robert Boston</i>	a Minister of Religion <i>Citizen and Loriner</i> <i>Citizen and Gold & Silver Wyre Drawer</i>	Gosheniky, Kentucky, USA
Michelle Mary Catherine Wall <i>John Gavin</i> <i>Guy Leppard</i>	a Nurse <i>Citizen and Information Technologist</i> <i>Citizen and Information Technologist</i>	Woodside, Croydon
Peter Adam <i>Norman Edward Chapman</i> <i>Christopher John Otter</i>	a Product and Sales Manager <i>Citizen and Glover</i> <i>Citizen and Poulter</i>	Bad Salzuflen, Germany
William James Owen <i>Deputy Kevin Malcolm Everett</i> <i>David O'Reilly</i>	a Freight Company Director <i>Citizen and Fletcher</i> <i>Citizen and Educator</i>	Sidcup, Kent
Elmaze Pireva <i>Rehana Banu Ameer, CC</i>	a Head of Economic and Commercial Affairs <i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i>	Islington, London

<i>John Douglas Chapman, CC</i>	<i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i>	
Charles Gavin McGregor <i>Deputy Roger Arthur Holden Chadwick, OBE Graham Norman Charles Ward</i>	a Hospitality CEO, retired <i>Citizen and Bowyer Citizen and Chartered Accountant</i>	Fulham, London
Jennifer Ann Edmonds <i>Wendy Mead, OBE, CC Patricia Agnes Campfield, MBE</i>	a Nurse, retired <i>Citizen and Glover Citizen and Wheelwright</i>	Arundel, Sussex
Gerald Gardiner <i>Peter Michael Barry John Frederick Theobald- Hicks</i>	a Police Sergeant, retired <i>Citizen and Scrivener Citizen and Scrivener</i>	Epsom, Surrey
Dr Keith Thomas Dakin-White <i>Stephen John Sanders Steven William Tamcken</i>	a University Lecturer <i>Citizen and Firefighter Citizen and Basketmaker</i>	Leatherhead, Surrey
Gary Allan Pettit <i>Ald. William Anthony Bowater Russell Hilary Ann Russell</i>	a Broker <i>Citizen and Haberdasher Citizen and Farmer</i>	Loughton, Essex
Mary Winifred Barrow <i>Bernard Courtney Living Iain Reid</i>	a Personal Assistant <i>Citizen and Tallow Chandler Citizen and Educator</i>	Islington, London
Jody Clinton Baker <i>Sir David Brewer, Kt., CMG CVO John Leslie Barber</i>	a Clerk To The Greater London Lieutenancy <i>Citizen and Merchant Taylor Citizen and Blacksmith</i>	Tebworth, Bedfordshire
Dean Anthony Floyd <i>Robert Michael John Benham Christopher James Caine</i>	a Construction Company Managing Director <i>Citizen and Plumber Citizen and Maker of Playing Cards</i>	Chigwell, Essex
Daniel O'Sullivan <i>Deputy Henry Llewellyn Michael Jones Vincent Dignam</i>	a Trades and Labour Infrastructure Chairperson <i>Citizen and Common Councillor Citizen and Carman</i>	Dollis Hill, London
H.E. Libor Secka <i>Karina Dostalova, CC Mark Raymond Peter Henry Delano Wheatley, CC</i>	a Diplomat <i>Citizen and Marketor Citizen and Draper</i>	Hampstead, London
His Excellency Sheikh Abdulla Bin Saoud Al-Thani <i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor Ald. Sir David Wootton, Kt.</i>	a Banker <i>Citizen and Fletcher</i>	Qatar
Guoli Tian <i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor Deputy Catherine Sidony McGuinness</i>	a Bank Chairman <i>Citizen and Solicitor</i>	Beijing, China
Maria Del Pilar Landaluce De Alvarez <i>Carlotta Josefina Wigglesworth Jack Wigglesworth</i>	a Pharmacist, retired <i>Citizen and World Trader Citizen and World Trader</i>	Kensington, London

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.

12. 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

The Food Information (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2019 S.I. No. 1218 **Date in force**
1st October 2021

The Regulations introduce a requirement for food businesses to label food, which is prepacked on the same premises from which it is sold to consumers, with a full list of ingredients with allergens emphasised. The Regulations are enforced by the Common Council acting in its capacity as a food authority.

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

Read.

13. Ballot Results The Town Clerk reported the result of the ballots taken at the last Court, as follows:-

One Member to the **Board of Governors of the Museum of London**.

	Votes
Randall Keith Anderson	16
Mark Bostock	16
Tijs Broeke	25
John Petrie	21
Jeremy Lewis Simons	19

With no candidate obtaining 50% of the first preference votes, the candidates with fewest first preference votes were eliminated and second (and further) preference votes (as appropriate and where indicated) were transferred. With no candidate receiving more than 50% of the vote, this process continued until only two candidates remained. Tijs Broeke was subsequently elected with a total of 35 votes.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Tijs Broeke to be appointed to the Board of Governors of the Museum of London.

14. Appointments The Court proceeded to consider appointments to the following Committees and Outside Bodies:-

(A) Two Members on the **Board of Governors of the City of London School for**

Girls, one vacancy for the balance of a term expiring in July 2022 and one vacancy for the balance of a term expiring in July 2021.

Nominations received:-

Mark Bostock

Mary Durcan

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Mark Bostock and Mary Durcan to be appointed to the Board of Governors of the City of London School for Girls.

- (B) Two Members on the **Standards Appeals Committee**, for the balance of a term expiring in April 2020.

Nominations received:-

Simon D'Olier Duckworth, O.B.E., D.L.

Tracey Graham

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Simon Duckworth and Tracey Graham to be appointed to the Standards Appeals Committee.

- (C) One Member on the **Homerton University Hospital NHS Foundation Trust**, for the balance of a term expiring in March 2021.

Nominations received:-

Randall Keith Anderson

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Randall Anderson to be appointed to the Homerton University Hospital NHS Foundation Trust.

- (D) One Member on the **Central Foundation Schools of London**, for a term expiring in September 2023.

Nominations received:-

*Alderman Robert Picton Seymour Howard

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Alderman Robert Howard to be appointed to the Central Foundation Schools of London.

15. Questions

*Lord, C.E., O.B.E.,
J.P., Deputy to the
Chair of the
Policy and*

Policing of Protests at Smithfield Market

Deputy Edward Lord asked a question of the Chair of the Policy and Resources Committee concerning the recent Animal Rebellion protests at Smithfield Market.

Resources
Committee

Responding, the Chair agreed that City of London Police and City Corporation officers involved should be commended for the professional manner in which they dealt with the protests and took the opportunity to express her gratitude on behalf of the organisation. She also paid tribute to the traders at Smithfield Market for their patience and cooperation in dealing with the situation.

It was noted that further protests were expected across the City in the coming week.

16. Motions

Nash, J.C., O.B.E.,
Deputy; Mayhew,
J.P.

(A) *Resolved* – That Adrian Bastow be appointed to the Planning and Transportation Committee for the Ward of Aldersgate, in the room of Barbara Newman.

Sleigh, T.C.C.,
Deputy; Hailes,
T.R., J.P., Alderman

(B) *Motion* – “That this Honourable Court, in:

- a) recognising that the continued success of the City of London as a world financial and professional services centre is underpinned by a strong, trusted and independent judicial system, as expressed by the Lord Chief Justice of England and Wales in July 2018 at the Lord Mayor’s Dinner for HM Judges that ‘the rule of law and a well-functioning justice system underpin the prosperity and stability of the nation’ and affirming that those principles and sentiments are as relevant now as they were then;
- b) valuing the City’s deeply rooted connections with the justice system and support of our constitutional settlement over many centuries, including as one of only two guarantors of the Magna Carta of 1215 and, in more modern times, the provision of the Central Criminal Court, the Mayor’s and City Court, and City of London Magistrates’ Court;
- c) agreeing with the then Lord Chancellor’s remarks at the Lord Mayor’s Banquet in 2018 that *‘together with our expert, independent judiciary, [the Rule of Law] has been – and will continue to be – the solid foundation for our status as a financial and legal global centre. The trust and confidence the Rule of Law provides means that businesses feel they can invest and traders can engage in contracts...’*;
- d) noting the unanimous decision of the United Kingdom Supreme Court on 24th September 2019 in exercising its supervisory jurisdiction over the lawfulness of acts of government, in asserting the sovereignty of Parliament and the accountability of Ministers of the Crown to Parliament as it was the Supreme Courts duty to do; and
- e) endorsing its prior decision to continue to invest in Court provision in London through the development of a new combined courts centre on Fleet Street.

Expresses deep concern:

At repeated attacks on the independent judiciary by figures in the media and public life and concurs with the remarks of the then Lord Chancellor at last year’s Lord Mayor’s Banquet that:

“Our institutions have become guardians of our democratic ideals. They

ensure that the right checks and balances exist for us and they promote the inherent sense of fairness that exists in our country. They do not work against the people, they share power in the best interests of everyone.

That view ... is under attack. Rather than recognising the challenges of a fast-changing society require sometimes complex responses, that we live in a world of trade-offs, that easy answers are usually false answers, we have seen the rise of the simplifiers. Those grappling with complex problems are not viewed as public servants but as engaged in a conspiracy to seek to frustrate the will of the public. They are 'enemies of the people'.

In deploying this sort of language, we go to war with truth; we pour poison into our national conversation."

And therefore resolves:

1. To express its full and unequivocal support for the United Kingdom's independent, highly professional and experienced judiciary and their role in upholding the Rule of Law in accordance with their Oath to "do right to all manner of people after the laws and usages of this realm, without fear or favour, affection or ill will";
2. To reaffirm its commitment to promoting the Rule of Law and provision of Court facilities as core elements of the Corporation's wider commitment to the national community;
3. To ask that the Chair of the Policy & Resources Committee writes to express our support of the judiciary and the Rule of Law to:
 - i. The President of the Supreme Court
 - ii. The Lord Chief Justice of England & Wales
 - iii. The Lord President of the Court of Session of Scotland
 - iv. The Lord Chief Justice of Northern Ireland

copied to the Attorney General, the Lord Chancellor, and the Speakers of the Houses of Commons and Lords."

Deputy Tom Sleight spoke to introduce the Motion, following which, a number of Members spoke either in support or to express their reservations and oppose the Motion as currently worded.

Those speaking in opposition argued that the Motion was unnecessary, with the City Corporation's long-standing support for the judiciary being well-known and the Motion being, as a consequence, superfluous. It was also suggested that the judiciary had not requested the City Corporation's involvement in this matter and that this Motion could be seen to be politically motivated or otherwise seeking to admonish the Government, which would be undesirable and contrary to the City Corporation's politically neutral position.

A number of Members also spoke to support the Motion, arguing that the mood of public discourse, particularly in the media, had altered in such a way as to be of significant concern and require a statement of public support for the judiciary.

Reference was made to previous occasions when the City Corporation had taken public positions in defence of the rule of law, as well as the fundamental importance of the rule of law to business and commerce. The inability of the judiciary to speak out publicly was also noted, as were the efforts that had been made, together with the support of several Members, to ensure the wording of the Motion was apolitical.

It was suggested that the deletion of paragraph (d) from the Motion might ease any concerns that the Motion might be construed as political and, therefore, facilitate the support of the majority of the Court.

Martinelli, P.N.;
Mayer, A.P.

Amendment – That paragraph (d) of the Motion be deleted.

Upon the Amendment being put, the Lord Mayor declared it to be carried.

Upon the substantive Motion as amended being put, the Lord Mayor declared it to be carried.

Resolved – That “That this Honourable Court, in:

- a) recognising that the continued success of the City of London as a world financial and professional services centre is underpinned by a strong, trusted and independent judicial system, as expressed by the Lord Chief Justice of England and Wales in July 2018 at the Lord Mayor’s Dinner for HM Judges that ‘the rule of law and a well-functioning justice system underpin the prosperity and stability of the nation’ and affirming that those principles and sentiments are as relevant now as they were then;
- b) valuing the City’s deeply rooted connections with the justice system and support of our constitutional settlement over many centuries, including as one of only two guarantors of the Magna Carta of 1215 and, in more modern times, the provision of the Central Criminal Court, the Mayor’s and City Court, and City of London Magistrates’ Court;
- c) agreeing with the then Lord Chancellor’s remarks at the Lord Mayor’s Banquet in 2018 that *‘together with our expert, independent judiciary, [the Rule of Law] has been – and will continue to be – the solid foundation for our status as a financial and legal global centre. The trust and confidence the Rule of Law provides means that businesses feel they can invest and traders can engage in contracts...’*; and
- d) endorsing its prior decision to continue to invest in Court provision in London through the development of a new combined courts centre on Fleet Street.

Expresses deep concern:

At repeated attacks on the independent judiciary by figures in the media and public life and concurs with the remarks of the then Lord Chancellor at last year’s Lord Mayor’s Banquet that:

“Our institutions have become guardians of our democratic ideals. They ensure that the right checks and balances exist for us and they promote the

inherent sense of fairness that exists in our country. They do not work against the people, they share power in the best interests of everyone.

That view ... is under attack. Rather than recognising the challenges of a fast-changing society require sometimes complex responses, that we live in a world of trade-offs, that easy answers are usually false answers, we have seen the rise of the simplifiers. Those grappling with complex problems are not viewed as public servants but as engaged in a conspiracy to seek to frustrate the will of the public. They are 'enemies of the people'.

In deploying this sort of language, we go to war with truth; we pour poison into our national conversation."

And therefore resolves:

1. To express its full and unequivocal support for the United Kingdom's independent, highly professional and experienced judiciary and their role in upholding the Rule of Law in accordance with their Oath to "do right to all manner of people after the laws and usages of this realm, without fear or favour, affection or ill will";
2. To reaffirm its commitment to promoting the Rule of Law and provision of Court facilities as core elements of the Corporation's wider commitment to the national community;
3. To ask that the Chair of the Policy & Resources Committee writes to express our support of the judiciary and the Rule of Law to:
 - i. The President of the Supreme Court
 - ii. The Lord Chief Justice of England & Wales
 - iii. The Lord President of the Court of Session of Scotland
 - iv. The Lord Chief Justice of Northern Ireland

copied to the Attorney General, the Lord Chancellor, and the Speakers of the Houses of Commons and Lords."

17. Awards &
Prizes

There was no report.

18.

POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

(Deputy Catherine McGuinness

(19 September 2019)

Governance Review

At its meeting on 14 March 2019, the Policy and Resources Committee had agreed to a fundamental review (FR) of the allocation of the City of London Corporation's resources being undertaken. The purpose of this review was to ascertain how resources were being distributed against Corporate Plan priorities, to ensure that the City Corporation was operating within agreed priorities, and that the organisation's financial plans were sustainable in the medium term.

With the nature of the City Corporation's funding and service provision being

diverse, good governance was essential in ensuring that the organisation functioned effectively. Supporting the governance structures also incurred a significant part of the Corporation's expenditure and, furthermore, any changes proposed through the Fundamental Review were likely to have implications for governance. Therefore, the Policy and Resources Committee, as the Committee responsible for the review and co-ordination of the governance of the City of London Corporation, had agreed that a review of governance arrangements should be undertaken in parallel with the FR, particularly given that a comprehensive governance review had not taken place since 2010/11. Acknowledging the difficulties that may be associated with doing this internally, it had also determined that the review should be undertaken independently. The Court was **recommended** to endorse this approach.

Resolved – That Members endorse a comprehensive, independent review of the City Corporation's governance arrangements being undertaken, with the terms of reference of the review being "to review the governance arrangements of the organisation by undertaking a comprehensive examination of the City Corporation's Code of Corporate Governance to ensure that the arrangements are efficient, fair, transparent and accountable."

19.

HOSPITALITY WORKING PARTY OF THE POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

(Deputy Tom Hoffman, M.B.E., Chief Commoner)

18 September 2019

Applications for Hospitality

(a) 150th Anniversary of United Synagogue

It was proposed that the City Corporation host a reception to mark the 150th anniversary in 2020 of the Jewish United Synagogues Act which formally established the United Synagogue as the union of British Orthodox Jewish synagogues. There is a long association between the City and the Jewish community dating back to shortly after the Norman Conquest. The United Synagogue, which began with three synagogues in the City of London, remained the largest UK Jewish synagogue body and the London Metropolitan Archives held one of the most important collections of Jewish archives in the country.

It was **recommended** that hospitality be granted for an early evening reception to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the United Synagogue with arrangements being made under the auspices of the Hospitality Working Party; the costs to be met from City's Cash and within the agreed parameters.

Resolved – That hospitality be granted for an early evening reception to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the United Synagogue with arrangements being made under the auspices of the Hospitality Working Party; the costs to be met from City's Cash and within the agreed parameters.

(b) 101 (City of London) Engineer Regiment Reception

It was proposed that the City Corporation host a reception following a parade at Guildhall to mark the return of the 101 (City of London) Engineer Regiment

(Explosive Ordnance and Search) to London. The Regiment had a long and distinguished history, as well as a close connection with the City of London. In 1997 the then Lord Mayor, Sir Richard Nichols, granted permission for the Regiment to change its title to 101 (City of London) Engineer Regiment (Explosive Ordnance Disposal) to reflect its links with the City.

It was **recommended** that hospitality be granted for an early evening reception following a Parade in Guildhall Yard in Summer 2020 with arrangements being made under the auspices of the Hospitality Working Party; the costs to be met from City's Cash and within the agreed parameters.

Resolved – That hospitality be granted for an early evening reception following a Parade in Guildhall Yard in Summer 2020 with arrangements being made under the auspices of the Hospitality Working Party; the costs to be met from City's Cash and within the agreed parameters.

(c) The Enchanted Interior exhibition private view

It was proposed that the City Corporation host a private view to mark the opening of the first of Guildhall Art Gallery's major exhibitions for 2020, *The Enchanted Interior*, which was to be on display from 13th March to 14th June. The exhibition was to explore female empowerment during the 19th century, with a focus on Pre-Raphaelite and orientalist artists, as well as contemporary artworks by female artists to offer a current perspective.

It was **recommended** that hospitality be granted for an early evening private view to mark the opening of the exhibition with arrangements being made under the auspices of the Culture, Heritage and Libraries Committee; the costs to be met from City's Cash and within the agreed parameters.

Resolved – That hospitality be granted for an early evening private view to mark the opening of the exhibition with arrangements being made under the auspices of the Culture, Heritage and Libraries Committee; the costs to be met from City's Cash and within the agreed parameters.

(d) Queen Elizabeth Prize for Engineering lunch

It was proposed that a lunch be hosted by the City Corporation the day prior to the award ceremony for The Queen Elizabeth Prize. The Prize, first given in 2013, was awarded for ground-breaking innovation in engineering, supported by a group of leading British and international manufacturing companies, and had received the personal endorsement of Her Majesty The Queen, who was to present the 2019 Prize at Buckingham Palace.

It was **recommended** that hospitality be granted for a lunch with arrangements being made under the auspices of the Policy and Resources Committee; the cost to be met from City's Cash and within the agreed parameters.

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

20.

PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**(Deputy Alastair Moss)**

(1 October 2019)

Dockless Vehicle Hire Byelaw

The Court was **recommended** to delegate to London Councils' Transport & Environment Committee (TEC) the authority to exercise the City Corporation's byelaw-making function for the purpose of regulating dockless vehicles on the highway and/or public places by way of an addition to the existing TEC constitution.

Dockless Cycle hire schemes fell outside existing legislative frameworks and the City Corporation did not have powers to prevent dockless cycle hire schemes from operating in the City. The lack of powers to manage dockless cycle hire operators had been recognised by TEC and Transport for London (TfL). In response, and following legal advice, TfL and London Councils had proposed a pan-London byelaw supported by an updated Dockless Vehicle Hire Operator Code of Practice.

TEC did not consider it practicable for the same Byelaw to be made independently by 33 London Local Authorities and was, therefore, seeking authority from all London Local Authorities and TfL to amend TEC's constitution to enable TEC to make a pan-London byelaw on the authorities' behalf.

Resolved – That authority be delegated to London Councils' Transport and Environment Committee to exercise the following functions by way of an addition to the Part 3(D) Functions in the LC TEC agreement, inserting a new paragraph 2(c) as follows:

“(c)(i) the making of byelaws under section 235 of the Local Government Act 1972 (and, in respect of the City of London Corporation, under section 39 of the City of London (Various Powers) Act 1961) for the purpose of regulating dockless vehicles on the highway and/or public places (including by making it an offence for a dockless vehicle operator to cause or permit their dockless vehicle to be left on the highway or public place other than in an approved location), including taking all related steps to promote, make, amend and revoke any such byelaw.

(c)(ii) The exercise of powers under Section 1 of the Localism Act 2011 for the purposes of giving effect to (i) above, including but not limited to oversight and management of the arrangements (but excluding prosecution or other enforcement).”

21.

PORT HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE**(Jeremy Lewis Simons)**

23 July 2019

Signor Pasquale Favale's Marriage Portions Charity

The Signor Favale Marriage Portions Charity (206949) (the Favale Charity) was established in 1882 by the Will of Italian-born Pasquale Favale, with the intent of funding dowries for 'poor, honest young women', aged 16-25, who were born in the City of London and who had recently been, or were about to be, married. The Port Health and Environmental Services Committee had, for some time, been responsible for administering the Favale Charity.

The objects of this very small charity were now considered to be outmoded and most likely discriminatory, with the costs of administration significantly disproportionate to the funds available for distribution. Furthermore, the Charity Commission had written to the City Corporation, under its Revitalising Trusts Programme, to remind the City Corporation of its legal obligations to ensure that, as Trustee, it was administering the Charity and spending its funds effectively, or otherwise to consider transferring its funds or updating its objects.

Having considered this matter, the Port Health and Environmental Services Committee now **recommended** that the Court of Common Council, acting as Trustee of the Favale Charity, resolve to close the Charity by updating the objects to reflect those of the receiving charity, by releasing the restrictions on expenditure of the permanent endowment, and then transferring the charity's funds free of restrictions to the City of London Corporation Combined Relief of Poverty Charity (1073660), subject to Charity Commission consent. The Community and Children's Services Committee, acting for the City Corporation as Trustee of that charity, had subsequently resolved that it was in that charity's interests for it to take receipt of the funds on the basis proposed. The Court of Common Council was now asked to take the necessary decisions to close the Favale Charity as it allowed for the most effective use of the charitable funds.

Resolved – That the Court of Common Council, acting as Trustee of the Signor Favale's Marriage Portions Charity (206949):

1. Agrees to exercise the applicable statutory powers contained in the Charities Act 2011 (as outlined in the report) to close the Signor Favale's Marriage Portions Charity (206949) by resolving to amend the Charity's objects to reflect those of the City of London Corporation Combined Relief of Poverty Charity (1073660), to release the restrictions on the permanent endowment funds held, and to transfer all the Charity's funds free of any restrictions to the City of London Corporation Combined Relief of Poverty Charity (1073660) with an expression of wish that Signor Favale's name be retained in some way in future grant-giving, subject to Charity Commission consent.
2. Authorises the Town Clerk to undertake any actions, to take any decisions and sign any documents required to make such arrangements as may be required for the closure of the Signor Favale's Marriage Portions Charity (206949) and seeking Charity Commission consent to the resolutions and transfer of its funds to the City of London Corporation Combined Relief of Poverty Charity (1073660).

22.

COMMUNITY AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES COMMITTEE

(Randall Keith Anderson)

(19 September 2019)

Amendment to the Committee's Terms of Reference

The Community and Children's Services Committee had suggested that the Terms of Reference might benefit from being widened to reflect more accurately the large amount of development underway on the City of London Corporation's housing estates, which the Committee was responsible for overseeing. A proposed change

was subsequently endorsed by your Policy and Resources on 19 September 2019 and the Court was now **recommended** to approve the suggested amendment to section 4(b) of the Committee's terms of reference.

Resolved – That the proposed amendments to the Terms of Reference of the Community and Children's Services Committee, as set out in Appendix A (marked using italics and capitals), be approved.

23. *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. **Finance Committee**

The Court noted recommendations concerning the award of a contract.

The meeting commenced at 1.00 pm and ended at 1.50 pm

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