

Members' Supporting Statements

To be considered in conjunction with Items 10 (a), (b), (e), (h), (n), (o), (p), (t) and 11(f)

Candidates were invited to provide information in support of their application to join the various bodies and the following were received:-

Where appropriate:

** Denotes a Member standing for re-appointment by the Court of Common Council.*

^ Denotes a Member who currently serves on the Committee in either an ex-officio capacity or as a representative of another Committee with appointment rights.

Item 10 (a) FIVE Members on the Policy and Resources Committee

Rehana Ameer

As a City-based SME business owner, my international business experience and skills will be instrumental in the policy formulation to help the sustainability of our SMEs post the pandemic. Further, my 25 years of IT background can be harnessed to identify new ways of working to serve better our residents and businesses.

My 3 key priorities:

1. Implementation of Sir Simon Fraser's recommendation of establishing a 'Competitiveness' sub under P&R to best utilise the talent pool of our Members.
2. Implementation of Diversity WP recommendations.
3. Promote The Global City campaign to attract talent, business and investment in the CoL.

Deputy David Bradshaw

Given my long service on the Court of Common Council and the number of different Committees on which I have served, plus my experience in helping to evolve various policies with the Boards of Whitbread and John Lewis, I believe I could provide a useful contribution to the important and critical work of the Policy & Resources Committee. Living in unprecedented times, emerging from the Covid-19 pandemic; adopting Brexit and executing the governance review findings, I stand ready with fresh thinking to undertake new approaches and to meet the challenges of the so called 'new norm'.

Simon Duckworth

I've focused on Policing, Finance and Investment, since election in 2000. Joining P&R in 2008, I've wide experience of our work and support working relationships with the Home Office, MoD and OGDs.

Past Chairman of Police, Gresham, a past DG of the Irish Society; I've helped lead many areas of activity. I'm our representative to the APCC and serve as DL for Southwark; experiences which enable me to make a genuine contribution to P&R.

Having served as the Committee's Deputy and Vice Chairman, I'm committed to exercising balanced judgment to develop its strategy and relationships, and help shape our City's future.

***Marianne Fredericks**

I am seeking re-election to the Policy and Resources Committee for a third term and would appreciate your support.

I've been an active member in my first two terms. As a City resident in a mixed business / residential ward, I have my ear to the ground! Since being elected to the Court in 2008, I've been involved in many Corporation committees, including chairing the Licensing Committee and Streets & Walkways Sub-Committee. I currently chair the Health & Wellbeing Board and the Homelessness & Rough Sleeping Sub-Committee, the work of which has completely transformed how we deal with homelessness.

Tracey Graham

I am an experienced businesswoman having been a CEO in the public and private sectors. I serve as a main Board Director of two listed companies, an insurance company in the City, and a major financial infrastructure company. I bring this significant business experience, strategic outlook and external insights to the critical debates involving our priorities, allocation of resources and the development of the City. I am an active member of the Establishment, Planning and Transportation and Culture Committees and a Governor of the Freemans School. I have learned a great deal already and am willing to do much more.

Paul Martinelli

I have 35 years of active business management in the City, as employer and owner, along with experience and detailed knowledge across some of our most ambitious projects.

Having served across a wide range of Committees, currently sitting on Finance, Audit & Risk, Efficiency & Performance, and Streets & Walkways as well as representing the City on the Museum Board, CoL Archaeology Trust and the City Bridge Trust, I will contribute a positive and broad perspective whilst always remaining cognisant of the City's values and heritage.

***Deputy Catherine McGuinness**

Covid19 presents an urgent need to support our City and wider stakeholders through recovery. As Policy Chair I have prioritised more joined-up working across our organisation, stronger relationships across London and with the FRPS sector, and more strategic links with key UK cities. Next priorities need to include how best to support Square Mile SMEs and communities towards the "new normal", while delivering our major projects in an affordable way which makes a lasting contribution to London. I hope that you will re-elect me to Policy so that we can work together on these challenges and opportunities.

Andrien Meyers

Since election, I've since served on ten committees, including the Property and Social Investment Boards, where I'm Deputy Chair. Serving on PIB, Finance and Audit has helped me gain a holistic view of our challenges and develop policies and strategies to address them.

My senior experience in Local Government and the Investment Industry allows me to understand our communities' needs and the challenges facing businesses.

Recently I've been appointed Tackling Racism Taskforce Co-Chair, whose work spans governance, education, policing and culture. This is a crucial moment - ensuring all people are treated fairly shouldn't be an afterthought, but the norm.

Ruby Sayed

My motivation and commitment to the wider City is reflected in the Committees upon which I serve. As a business entrepreneur, barrister, NED and Charity Trustee, I have extensive business, legal, analytical and advocacy skills. I am a results orientated strategist with the ability to provide practical solutions. Exercising good corporate governance and developing long and short term higher level policy in commercial and charitable sectors is a daily part of my professional life. I welcome your support to help me use my skills and experience to make a positive contribution to this important Committee.

***Deputy Dr Giles Shilson**

I have now served two terms on P&R. In each year, I have been (re-)elected by the Committee to its key subcommittee (RA Sub), which I take to be a sign that my strategic and management experience and skills are considered to be useful assets. Among other committee memberships, I am Chairman of the Gresham Committee (City Side) and have just finished three years as Chairman of the Barbican Centre. I have established excellent working relationships with colleagues and officers throughout the Corporation, and believe that I would have much to offer the Court by my continued membership of P&R.

***Deputy Tom Sleigh**

For two years I have served as a Vice Chair of P&R, supporting the Chair in a range of ways from chairing working parties to representing the City externally to key stakeholders. I believe I bring a useful perspective of 'both sides of the balance sheet' in Chairing Investment Committee and the Barbican Centre Board, which is useful as the City faces tough choices on what we do and how we fund it. I try to bring different perspectives to meetings, speaking my mind, whilst remaining collegiate. I am ever mindful of the importance increasing joined-up working across functions and committees.

Item 10 (b) ONE Member on the Hospitality Working Party of the Policy and Resources Committee

Tijs Broeke

The Corporation's convening power, our ability to bring people together, is a unique strength. HWP plays an important role in shaping this engagement. Covid19 allows for a fresh look at our events ensuring our approach remains relevant and effective, introducing new audiences to the City. Recent successful new events are our Volunteers Reception initiated by John Scott as Chief, and our Pride Flag Raising ceremony. It's important HWP considers a mix of different perspectives and ideas. With your support I'd like to bring my stakeholder engagement experience and commitment to the traditions and the future of the Corporation to this mix.

***Simon Duckworth**

In recent years I've been fortunate to serve on a number of Committees and Sub-Committees focussing on the hospitality the Corporation offers. A unique part of our key engagement activity, it adds to our reach but must always be balanced against our other competing priorities.

Hospitality evolves over time, HWP ensures that it is appropriate, reasonable and demonstrates genuine value for the resource allocated. Having real corporate memory of our hospitality allows for a much fuller contribution to our decision making in this area; I hope to continue making a major contribution to the work of this Working Party.

Jeremy Simons

During 2019 I regularly attended meetings of the Hospitality Working Party as an observer. I am already familiar with the responsibilities of the Working Party. I served for several years on the House Committee of the Guildhall Club, including when the decision was taken to "outsource" to The Cook and The Butler. This has been a great success. Having chaired two grand committees, I have worked with the Remembrancer's Department on events, both dinners and recently on more esoteric happenings on the River Thames. I provide feedback on City events attended. My experience should be useful to the Working Party.

Deputy Philip Woodhouse

As you may have guessed, my shape might be an indication to you as to the enormous pleasure over many years that I've gleaned from good hospitality. These well-honed skills could perhaps be of assistance to HWP. With plans for widening our engagement across The City being vital, the increasing need to provide more businesses with an insight into our operations will be even more important. The new working practices all businesses need to develop post-covid heightens the role we'll need to play. A common-sense approach about how we operate in future is I hope something I'll bring to the party.

Item 10 (e) THREE Members on the Investment Committee

***Nicholas Bensted-Smith**

I should very much like to be re-elected to the Investment Committee. I am currently Deputy Chairman of this committee and Chairman of the Financial Investment Board, and a member of the Social Investment Board. My entire working life has been focussed on the investment world and I am keen to continue to use this accumulated knowledge and experience for the benefit of the City.

^James de Sausmarez

I am an experienced City investment professional who heads Janus Henderson Investors' investment trust and investment company business, having been involved in the investment management business for over 30 years. I have experience of equities, bonds, loans, cash, property, derivatives and alternative investments. I have served on the Investment Committees of schools, charities, Livery Companies and the London Diocese and have served on the Corporation's Investment Committee and Financial Investments Board for the last five years.

Anne Fairweather

I am seeking election to this committee to broaden my contribution and to use my work skills further to the benefit of the City.

I have worked in pensions as well as my current role in a banking institution. In particular I am working on ESG issues – understanding the longer term environmental impacts on investments, assessing the social impact of investment and how good governance leads to better investment returns.

I am keen to support the City as a long term investor, in gaining sustainable long term returns.

^Michael Hudson

I seek election to the Investment Committee, where I am currently appointed by P&R. I have a good understanding of the City Corporation's property portfolio and actively participate in the PIB's work.

My father was a chartered surveyor and I have, and have had from my early days, an interest in property. I am a solicitor in private practice in the City. I understand investment risks, and am responsible for investing other people's money and accounting for decisions taken.

I believe I can make a useful and effective contribution to the work of the Committee and the Property Investment Board.

***Deputy Clare James**

I have a career of over 25 years in the pensions arena, firstly as an actuary and investment consultant and now as a professional independent trustee. Over the last 8 years, I believe I have made a valuable contribution to the work of this committee and would be very keen to continue to serve.

***John Chapman**

I've served on Investment and its Property Investment Board since 2014. The experience gained during that time from colleagues and officers, as well as the encouragement to offer my own contributions, has given me a great sense of achievement in being part of a team that's generated increasing development of the Property Portfolio and the subsequent benefits it has provided to the Corporation.

It's now my intention to serve on Financial Investment Board and to that end would offer my experience in running a successful SME for several years - including its financial oversight – which resulted in a valuable equity realisation.

John Petrie

I want to contribute my knowledge and skills to the Committee's work and bring a new perspective to its oversight and monitoring functions. I have worked for twelve years at the Bank of England in compliance and regulation, risk management and the production and sharing of statistical and regulatory data. My most recent role is as Senior Adviser in the Data and Analytics Directorate. And I represented the UK on the ECB's Statistics Committee till January 2020. I am starting a career break from the Bank which will allow me to get involved in the City's financial and investment affairs.

Item 10 (h) FOUR Members on the Police Authority Board

†Munsur Ali

As a City resident, I would like to see greater involvement and communication between the City Police, City residents and young people. I will contribute with my experience in key topics from diversity, community engagement and challenges so the police can work in greater harmony with the local community and young people including advising on culturally sensitive matters and hard to reach individuals and community members.

***Simon Duckworth**

A past Chairman, I've led Reviews of Asset Management and Counter-Terrorism for the City, and chaired the Economic Crime Board. Involved at a national level since 2006, I served on Police Reform and Strategic Policing Committees, the Olympic Security Board, chairing the Olympics Security Oversight Group.

I helped design the NCA, served on the Economic Crime Co-Ordination Board and was senior Non-Exec Director of the SFO. Having established the APCC on behalf of Government, I'm our current representative. With national policing constantly under review, I'm well placed to help support the City's Policing responsibility and its unique role.

†John Edwards

My family and I are residents of the Square Mile where we have built our family home from a converted warehouse. This will be our home for the rest of our lives, so I am interested to understand and make a contribution to all aspects of the City administration. Policing is a very important part of the interaction between the public and officialdom, and the style of police enforcement in the UK is renowned worldwide for being reasonable and fair. I wish to take this opportunity to be personally involved.

†Helen Fentimen

As a Common Councillor in a residential ward I'm frequently reminded of the importance of public safety. Throughout my public sector career, I've promoted fairness and equality and more recently as a magistrate have continued to apply those principles in court and judicial system.

As a member of the Police Authority Board, based on this experience, I can offer a strategic view to police operations, with a consciousness of constraints and the need to take opportunities pursuing initiatives which positively support effective policing. Through the application of scrutiny, I will ensure that public safety concerns and best interests are considered.

Alderman Tim Hailes

I have practised the law as a Qualified Solicitor since 1995 and continue to actively serve as Magistrate in Central London (appointed in 2013) - notwithstanding the removal of that requirement for service as an Alderman (which I opposed at the time). I believe that the rule of law, an independent judiciary and an accountable police force are fundamental to our civil society and our success as a world class commercial city.

COLP are currently going through a period of significant transformation and change. I would like to offer my expertise and service to support that process at this critical juncture.

†*Alderman Ian Luder

This is a time of significant change for the City Police, with the major Transform Programme to be implemented, to enhance operational efficiency, deal with the serious financial constraints facing the service and finalise the overhaul of its financial controls. The ARM Committee which I have chaired for the past three years, has helped identify and monitor the elimination of control weaknesses. Two members of the Board are stepping down, and while change and refreshment is desirable, I am seeking re-election for a one year term, to help provide experience and continuity and support the new Chairman.

†Jeremy Mayhew

The Police Authority undertakes one of the City Corporation's most critical responsibilities. I would bring a relatively unusual combination of experience of:

- Governance roles for two Police Forces – as a non-executive on the Mayor of London's Office for Policing and Crime and a Member of the British Transport Police Authority;
- The CoLP's finances and funding – over the past 4 years, as Chairman of Finance, probably no subject has occupied more of my time!
- A City resident, for over 25 years, enormously appreciating the relative safety and security of the City, relative to almost all inner city areas in the world.

†Graham Packham

I have lived in the City since 2003, and was elected to serve as a member in 2013. I am keen to support the Police in all of their work, particularly addressing the Fraud and Economic crime epidemic which is causing untold misery and hardship, often to vulnerable victims. Given the extensive use of IT to commit cyber-crime, I believe that my background in IT would be helpful. I have the time, commitment and skills to operate as an effective member of the Board and would welcome your support.

†John Petrie

I want to support the Board's mission of ensuring that the Police runs an efficient and effective service for the communities it serves. Being on the Audit & Risk Committee, I am aware of the key challenges it faces. I have the knowledge and skills to make a difference. In previous compliance and risk management roles at the Bank of England, I worked closely with law enforcement professionals to the Bank's secure physical assets across the UK and implement robust systems to minimise financial and reputational risks. As a City resident, I can also bring specific insight into the Police's work.

†William Pimlott

It would be an honour to serve on the Police Authority Board and I thank members for their consideration of my candidacy. In these testing times for the police, I'd want to advocate for the highest possible level of scrutiny, particularly as concerns discrimination and violent policing. Most of all I'd want to scrutinise, and if possible suggest a move away from, stop and search and tasering. I would also want to put more focus on the powers the police have been given under the COVID crisis and how these may or may not have been used in a discriminatory fashion.

James Tumbridge

Fellow members I have now served on both the Police Authority's sub-committees, and I am a second term Police Tribunal Chairman. I would be honoured if you would support me in continuing to understand and support our police by appointing me to the main Board.

Dawn Wright

I believe that my background in Telecommunications, IT and Cyber Security, will, mean that I can add value to the committee. I am confident I would be able to understand the projects being discussed and know the appropriate questions to ask, especially important in view of the substantial capital investment in the police IT systems, the Secure City Project and the enormous rise in Cybercrime. I already sit on the subcommittee of the Resource Management Committee of the PAB. Additionally, being chair of the Equality Committee of the WCIT means I have a focus on inclusion and diversity, highly relevant.

Item 10 (n) THREE Members on the Gresham Committee (City Side)

Deputy Keith Bottomley

Gresham College is a much treasured 400-year-old independently funded educational institution which exists to provide widely accessed high quality free education to the public. This is an exciting time of development for the College. I contributed to the strategic review conducted over the 2018-2019 academic year. This led to the decision to create a CEO role to drive forward the realisation of a refreshed vision, mission, and objectives. I now put my name forward to serve on the Committee to play my part, with your support, in bringing fresh perspectives and my own educational experience to help drive the College forward.

Deputy Kevin Everett

In asking Honourable Members to support me for one of vacancies on the Gresham Committee, I would like you to consider my experience in education, having served on an educational foundation for 30 years and twelve years as its Chair, nine years on City University Council and am currently serving on the British Accreditation Council. I believe the experience gained enables me to serve on behalf of members on the Gresham Committee a make a meaningful contribution.

Sophie Fernandes

As a theme, education has always featured strongly in my voluntary work. I could talk about holding relevant titles and roles, but suspect other applicants are equally as impressive.

So instead let me concentrate on the core of why I want to be elected : I believe access to education through free lectures that feed inquisitive minds is crucial to fighting inequality and poverty across all ages. I want to ensure Gresham continues with its successes. Building on its rich history by also looking to its future, and evolving to serve the needs of our changing society for its next 400 years.

***Deputy Tom Hoffman**

The Gresham Committee is responsible for ensuring that Gresham College is adequately funded and attracts the very best professors to deliver free lectures to Londoners. I have a long-standing involvement in adult and higher education having served on the governing councils of the University of Exeter, Birkbeck University of London, and the GSMD. I have been a Member of the Gresham Committee since 2005 and have throughout been totally engaged, serving as Chairman 2011-2014, and as a Member and Vice-Chairman of Gresham College Council 2009-2020. I would be very glad to be re-elected for another term on the Gresham Committee.

***Deputy Edward Lord**

It has been a privilege to serve on the Gresham Committee for the past three years, during which time I have been a member of the working party undertaking a review of the strategy and funding of Gresham College, which is based at Barnard's Inn in my Ward of Farringdon Without. I have built good relationships with the Mercers' Company and with the Gresham College Provost and Professors and would hope, if re-elected to the Committee, to serve on the College Council when a vacancy next arises.

Jeremy Mayhew

Every year, Gresham's world-class professors deliver 160 lectures; Gresham's historic mission is aligned perfectly to the contemporary belief in "continuing education". Education is one my main interests - I have served: on the ESRC's Evaluation Committee; as Chairman, City's Education Committee; Governor, City Literary Institute and London Metropolitan University; and am, currently, a GSMD Governor. Gresham deploys digital technologies to increase its reach; making the best use of new technologies will remain a strategic challenge. Strengthening links between the College and other City institutions will be important, e.g., thinking how it could contribute to and benefit from the Cultural Hub.

Item 10 (o) THREE Members on the Establishment Committee

Henry Colthurst

Since 1991 I have been involved in senior management of various businesses whether as managing director or chairman. Those roles have involved the setting of policy for pay, pensions and remuneration, dealing first hand with staff matters and resolving problems as well as provision of strategic via the remuneration committee. I hope that members might feel that my resulting knowledge and practical expertise may prove helpful to the deliberations and direction of the Establishment committee in order to ensure that staff are fairly rewarded and properly incentivised. My position generally is to pursue what works best.

Karina Dostalova

I would like to stand for Establishment committee as I believe that I have the right skills to support it through the upcoming Target Operating Model programme. I have spent 17 years in Change Management and Communications roles, often working on organisation design, culture change, and HR related programmes. I believe that this professional experience will be key in the coming months to support the Chair and the Establishment team on reaching the best outcomes for the organisation.

^Jamie Ingham Clark

Whist my candidature has not been starred as a member seeking reappointment, I have in fact served on the Establishment for the last 6 years as Finance Committee nominee. It that time I have been fully involved in the work of the committee serving on the JCC and chairing Appeals hearings. I instigated influenza vaccinations to be available for all staff and members, which is now in place. I have also been a champion for our volunteers as we have a duty of care to them. If elected I will be able to build on these themes.

***Jeremy Mayhew**

Establishment is rightly regarded as one of the City's most senior Committees – for the obvious reason that “our people are our greatest asset”; but they are, also, responsible for our biggest expenditure line. In many organisations, for governance purposes, Finance and HR responsibilities are often brought together in a Resources Committee – this is not the place to advocate such a City Committee! It is, however, unarguable that thinking about our financial and human resources in a joined-up manner is essential – never more so than in tough financial times; I hope I can continue to help with that “joining up”.

James Tumbridge

I have now served over 10 years as a Common Councilman and have a good understanding of our Corporation, so that I feel able to help support our key committee that oversees our officers and all staff of the Corporation. The Establishment Committee oversees the City Solicitor and Comptroller, and I believe I can be of help and service to the committee thanks to my understanding of our legal system and employment law, from my professional experience. I would be honoured if you would appoint me to the committee.

Item 10 (p) TWO Members on the Open Spaces & City Gardens and West Ham Park Committees

^Karina Dostalova

I have spent 7½ years on the Hampstead Heath, Highgate Wood, and Queens Park committee, serving as Deputy Chairman and Chairman. This has demonstrated my passion and commitment to the Open Spaces that I would now like to bring to this committee. As Chairman of Hampstead I worked very closely with members and officers to see through some landmark changes. Our Open Spaces offering has always been important to London, but never more important than during Covid which saw a huge demand – I believe we need to ensure that Open Spaces remains a key priority for the City of London.

Andrew McMurtrie

As the Chair of the Benefices Sub Committee I have developed a strong partnership with the Archdeacon of London and would like to build on this by supporting the improvement of City Churchyards, such as St Peter Cornhill and St Katharine Cree. When churchwarden of St Olave Hart Street I was involved in the improvement of their churchyard and similarly when Treasurer of St Botolph Aldersgate. As Parish Clerk of St Olave Hart Street I have strong links with the Parish Clerks of other City Churches.

***Oliver Sells**

The last few months have demonstrated the importance of our open spaces as never before. To millions of Londoners they have been a vital source of physical and mental wellbeing. It has been very hard work keeping every one of our parks, gardens and spaces open as usual but with the extraordinary dedication of our staff we have done so.

Many challenges lie ahead, both financial and structural but while I chair this committee I shall spare no effort to overcome them.

I very much hope to be afforded the opportunity to serve another term as a member.

***Jeremy Simons**

The City's Open spaces provide the green lungs of the capital, a vital resource for nine million people. I have served on all the City's open spaces committees, including chairing the Hampstead Heath Management Committee, a period dominated by the "Ponds Project". This ensured residents of Gospel Oak were safe from flooding during extreme rainfall. Prior to my term starting, a visualization of concrete dams on the Heath was published, causing considerable anger locally. After three years of extensive engagement with the community, plans were agreed, with works starting just prior to the end of my term. Mission accomplished.

^Deputy Philip Woodhouse

Having chaired Epping Forest for three years (ex-officio on Open Spaces) my passion for our Open Spaces is well known. The safeguarding and support we provide for these vital green spaces will continue to increase in importance.

If elected, a key area I'd champion is our fight against fly-tipping. I also see the development of corporate sponsorship across our 23 acres of green space in the Square Mile needing strategic focus particularly with our Corporation finances under significant pressure.

With a new 'normal' for working practices, public access to all our sites will need sympathetic thought, which I can provide.

Item 10 (t) THREE Members on the Barbican Centre Board

Munsur Ali

I have over 10 years of experience in arts and film events from setting up projects to fund raising and audience engagement. I'm also an active 'BAME' film maker and distributor, working in the film and communication industry with over 15 years of experience. I offer a young and energetic approach by appealing to young people, hard-to-reach and under-represented communities with the goal to offer participation and engagement as a team leader, role model and a successful film entrepreneur. I already work with different communities and young people, therefore understand both their ambitions and the objectives for organisations to attract a wider audience.

Randall Anderson

I've had a deep interest in the arts for most of my life. I studied technical theatre at University, along with economics and worked as a lighting designer for dance before studying law, later going on to represent art galleries. In the City, I serve on the GSMD board and Audit & Risk Committee so am familiar with the significant challenges faced by the Barbican. I note the Board has expressed a desire to strengthen itself, inter alia, in commercial activity, legal and innovation. Having represented start-ups for the last 25 years, I have extensive knowledge in each of these areas.

Deputy David Bradshaw

My connection with the City began when I joined Whitbread specifically to redevelop their 7-acre Brewery site next to the Barbican Centre, a project much acclaimed that I saw through from start to finish.

Subsequently, I have used my proven expertise in most of the stated skills required including, running companies in the film and video industry, being involved in market research and live events and latterly with the John Lewis Group as a councillor, working with the Board and advising on customer service.

Already being on GSMD's Board, I believe serving on both committees would be an additional benefit.

Tijs Broeke

Culture helps the City to be competitive. As we re-emerge from Covid-19 this competitive edge is more important than ever. Cultural venues are facing difficult times. The Barbican is reopening in a new context, the Board will need to respond energetically these challenges and shape the future of this cultural gem. This is a crucial time: tough financial decisions and need to enhance digital outreach and education. The Barbican is looking for Members with specific expertise. I offer a professional background in marketing/communications within commercial and consumer sectors. With your support I would bring my governance experience, links to Education and commitment through the Culture Mile Working Party to the Board.

Deputy Kevin Everett

In asking for your support, I'd like to outline my experience which I believe will be of assistance to the work of the Board. I served as Chairman of the Development Board of the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art (RADA) during the Chairmanship of the Academy of Lord Richard Attenborough. Also as a member of the Appeals Committee of the Unicorn Children's Theatre which raised in excess of £14m to build the new theatre in Tooley Street in London. As an experienced member of the Court, I wish to support the work of the Board to the benefit of the Corporation and City.

Anne Fairweather

As a lover of the arts I am keen to get involved with our premier cultural destination. I will use my experience in the management of the open spaces, where we welcome millions every year, in the management of the centre.

I'm keen to support greater commercial use of the space, where appropriate, taking into account the views of residents and the need not to cheapen our brand. This is with the aim of supporting the Barbican as a crucial component of the culture mile.

***Judith Pleasance**

Resident in the Barbican, with a background in the Arts, relevant expertise and experience includes marketing in both commercial and charitable sectors. Utilised innovative promotional methodologies in the fields of sponsorship and membership, (both acquisition and retention). Examples include Royal Opera House, Service Charities with events at Buckingham Palace in presence of HRH The Prince of Wales. More recently obtaining headline sponsors for Annual London Bridge Sheepdrive.

I'd like to continue my contribution in serving the Board, as I have during the last 6 years, with pleasure and enthusiasm, particularly in aiding recovery from the financial difficulties caused by Covid.

Henry Pollard

I have long recognised and valued the exceptional cultural contribution that the Barbican centre makes to London and the nation. Having unsuccessfully stood before, I would like to be elected to this committee so I can contribute to its future, especially as we ease out of lockdown. The centre is excellent, educational and challenging in so many ways and with the development of the cultural hub, the access that the Elizabeth line will bring and the importance of outreach to the surrounding communities it will remain and become a greater asset for us all.

***Deputy Dr Giles Shilson**

I have just stood down after three years as Chairman of the Barbican Centre and now wish to serve the Board for one final year before retiring from it altogether. You may recall that in March 2020 this honourable Court agreed to waive the nine-year-maximum-service rule, specifically to allow me to serve as Deputy Chairman for 2020–21 in accordance with Standing Order No. 30, and I now seek re-election to the Board in order to do so, and thereby to support the new Chair—and the rest of the Board—at this extremely challenging time for the Barbican Centre.

James Tumbridge

The Board asked for candidates with expertise and I'm pleased to say I have much of what they seek. As an intellectual property lawyer I deal with creative arts, copyright and licensing for performances, and have experience of marketing and its regulations. I have had a broad litigation practice and so can offer support they seek in legal and HR matters, and innovation is at the heart of my legal practice with its focus on intellectual property and the protection of innovation. I would be delighted to support the Board if you will appoint me.

Item 11 (f) ONE Member to Thames 21

John Edwards

I live near the Thames and make good use of the Thames Path to run and the Millennium Bridge suspension cables to hang my athletics rings. Because I enjoy the river it is right that I should make a contribution. My civil engineering qualifications include fluid dynamics and loose boundary hydraulics which I hope will prove relevant.

Andrew McMurtrie

Having pulled shopping trolleys out of River Pool Linear Park in Sydenham for 15 years, I have worked in partnership (in chest waders!) with Thames 21 and Lewisham council to regenerate that stretch of river. I passionately believe in respecting the natural environment, protecting a haven for wildlife and providing valuable green spaces for people to relax in. My work with the City Academies and the City YMCA hostel has reinforced my belief that the Corporation can be a powerful partner, with its neighbouring authorities, to improve life for the Citizens of London.