

RESOLUTION OF THE INVESTMENT COMMITTEE OF 21 JULY 2020

To: **Financial Investment Board**

23 September 2020

From: **Investment Committee**

21 July 2020

4. APPOINTMENT OF THE BOARDS AND FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS

The Committee considered a report of the Town Clerk seeking Members' approval on the composition, frequency of meetings, and co-option protocol for the Committee's Boards.

The Town Clerk read a list of names who had indicated their wish to serve on the Financial Investment Board. As there were 15 Members indicating their willingness to serve for 12 to 14 places, it was: -

RESOLVED – That the Financial Investment Board be expanded to 15 Members of the Investment Committee for the year ensuing; and that the following Members be appointed to the Financial Investment Board for the year ensuing:

Nick Bensted-Smith
Henry Colthurst
Anne Fairweather
Alderman Prem Goyal
Deputy Tom Hoffman
Alderman Robert Howard
Alderman Robert Hughes-Penney
Deputy Jamie Ingham Clark
Deputy Clare James
Tim Levene
Andrien Meyers
Deputy Henry Pollard
James de Sausmarez
Ian Seaton
Deputy Philip Woodhouse

Election of Chairman and Deputy Chairman to the Financial Investment Board

The Town Clerk invited Members of the newly-appointed Financial Investment Board to elect a Chairman in accordance with Standing Order 29. A list of Members eligible to stand was read out and Nick Bensted-Smith, being the only Member indicating his willingness to serve, was declared to have been elected for the year ensuing.

The Town Clerk invited Members of the newly appointed Financial Investment Board to elect a Deputy Chairman in accordance with Standing Order 30. A list of Members eligible to stand was read out and Henry Colthurst, being the only Member indicating his willingness to serve, was declared to have been elected for the year ensuing.

RESOLVED - That the Investment Committee:

- a) Approve the appointment of the Financial, Property and Social Investment Boards, and that the frequency of meetings, terms of reference and co-option protocol for the Committee's Boards be approved;
- b) Appoint Alderman Robert Hughes-Penney to the Social Investment Board;
- c) Delegate authority to the Town Clerk, in consultation with the Chair and Deputy Chairman of Investment Committee, to appoint Members of the Investment Committee to the Boards where there is a vacancy and where a Member of Investment Committee expresses a willingness to serve; and
- d) Note that the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Investment Committee are ex-officio Members of the following Committees:
 - Policy & Resources
 - Finance

(A) Financial Investment Board

Composition

- Chairman – To be determined by the Board
- 15 Members of the Investment Committee (expanded from 12-14 Members of the Investment Committee for the ensuing year)

Quorum

Any three Members of the Board.

Terms of Reference

- a) to approve the appointment of and to monitor the performance of investment managers of the following funds:
 - i. City's Cash
 - ii. Bridge House Estate
 - iii. Pension Fund
 - iv. Charities Pool
 - v. Hampstead Heath TrustTogether with such other funds as are under the City of London Corporation's control;
- b) to review the investment strategy for the securities investments of the Pension Fund, City's Cash, Bridge House Estates, Hampstead Heath Trust Fund and the Charities Pool;
- c) to authorise investments and approve the overall parameters within which the investment fund managers will be authorised to operate;
- d) to invest all new monies in respect of the Pension Fund and the Charities Pool;
- e) to invest such other sums as are from time to time allocated for this purpose;
and
- f) to monitor the activities of the Chamberlain in connection with his role as banker to the City of London Corporation.

There is provision within the Investment Committee's Terms of Reference to enable the Chairman of the Financial Investment Board to report on and speak to their activities and responsibilities in the Court of Common Council and to ensure that any decisions are taken without undue delay.

Financial Investment Board

Members appointed by Investment Committee 2020/21

Nick Bensted-Smith (Chairman)
Henry Colthurst (Deputy Chairman)
Anne Fairweather
Alderman Prem Goyal
Deputy Tom Hoffman
Alderman Robert Howard
Alderman Robert Hughes-Penney
Deputy Jamie Ingham Clark
Deputy Clare James
Tim Levene
Andrien Meyers
Deputy Henry Pollard
James de Sausmarez
Ian Seaton
Deputy Philip Woodhouse

Protocol for co-option to the Financial Investment Board, the Property Investment Board and the Social Investment Board

1. The Financial Investment Board, the Property Investment Board and the Social Investment Board are empowered to co-opt people with relevant expertise or experience, including non-Members of the Court of Common Council, to assist in their deliberations.
2. The arrangements for co-option and the co-opted membership of individuals to the Financial Investment Board, the Property Investment Board and Social Investment Board will be reviewed on an annual basis at the May meeting of the Investment Committee (and thereafter at the first meetings of the respective Boards).
3. Whilst being conscious of expertise and any required skill sets, Members should consider the gender (sex) and ethnic mix of the relevant Board when proposing co-options, and should seek to introduce new and talented people, from diverse backgrounds, who could make a contribution to the work of the Boards.
4. Members of the Court of Common Council can be co-opted to the Financial Investment Board, the Property Investment Board or the Social Investment Board by agreement of the relevant Board, following proposal of the co-option at a meeting of the Board.
5. When suggesting external individuals with relevant expertise or experience for co-option, Members of the Financial Investment Board, the Property Investment Board or the Social Investment Board will be required to:-
 - a. send a written request for co-option to the Town Clerk, specifying whom it is proposed should be co-opted to either the Financial Investment Board or the Property Investment Board or the Social Investment Board and the reasons for their co-option;
 - b. send a CV or supporting statement, for the individual being suggested for co-option, to the Town Clerk. Bearing in mind the Board's terms of reference, the letter and supporting statement or CV should demonstrate the individual's relevant skills and experience.
6. For the Standards Committee, is it considered inappropriate for past Members of the Court of Common Council or former City Corporation employees to be eligible to serve as [independent] outside members and Members will need to consider if the same conditions should apply in respect of co-option to the Financial Investment Board, the Property Investment Board and Social Investment Board. It would be inappropriate for a close friend or relative of any Member or officer to serve or indeed an employee of any organisation of which the City Corporation is a client.
7. The Town Clerk will consult the relevant Chief Officer to discuss the co-option request and will, if necessary, prepare a report for the next meeting of the

respective Board. Members of the respective Board will then be asked to consider the co-option request.

8. Unless co-option is time-banded or topic/project restricted, co-opted Members of the Financial Investment, the Property Investment Board and Social Investment Board will be entitled to attend all meetings of the respective Board for a maximum of 12 months (prior to the annual review in May) and to receive all committee-related documentation, including exempt papers, unless otherwise determined by the Town Clerk in consultation with the relevant Chief Officer.
9. The Financial Investment Board, the Property Investment Board and the Social Investment Board are empowered to approve their own co-opted membership (majority vote) without prior consultation with, or agreement by, the Investment Committee. The Town Clerk will inform the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Committee once a Board has agreed co-option of an individual.
10. Co-opted Members would not have voting rights.
11. Co-opted Members of the Financial Investment Board, the Property Investment Board and Social Investment Board will be required to complete a Register of Interest form and declare personal and prejudicial interests when in attendance at meetings.