# **BENEFICES SUB (CULTURE, HERITAGE & LIBRARIES) COMMITTEE**

# Monday, 9 November 2020

Minutes of the meeting of the Benefices Sub (Culture, Heritage & Libraries) Committee held virtually on Monday, 9 November 2020 at 3.00 pm

### Present

### Members:

Alderman Gregory Jones QC (Chairman) Simon Duckworth (Deputy Chairman) Deputy the Revd Stephen Haines Ann Holmes Deputy Wendy Hyde (Ex-Officio Member) Deputy Jamie Ingham Clark Deputy Edward Lord Stephen Quilter James de Sausmarez Ian Seaton Jeremy Simons (Ex-Officio Member)

### In Attendance

Officers:		
Chloe Rew	-	Town Clerk's Department
Joseph Anstee	-	Town Clerk's Department
Ellen Wentworth	-	Chamberlain's Department

### 1. APOLOGIES

It was moved by Deputy Edward Lord and seconded by Alderman Gregory Jones that Stephen Quilter takes the chair.

Apologies were received from Caroline Haines and Deputy Richard Regan.

# 2. DECLARATIONS BY MEMBERS OF ANY PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS IN RESPECT OF ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA

Members made the following declarations:

- Ian Seaton declared an interest as a church warden and member of the church council for St. Lawrence Jewry;
- Deputy Jamie Ingham Clark declared an interest as a church warden for St. Lawrence Jewry; and,
- Alderman Gregory Jones declared an interest as a member of the church council for St Lawrence Jewry.

### 3. TERMS OF REFERENCE

RESOLVED, that – the Sub-Committee's Terms of Reference be received.

# 4. ELECTION OF A CHAIRMAN

Members elected a Chairman in accordance with Standing Order 29.

RESOLVED, that – being the only Member willing to serve, Alderman Gregory Jones be elected as Chairman for the ensuing year.

### 5. ELECTION OF A DEPUTY CHAIRMAN

Members elected a Deputy Chairman in accordance with Standing Order 30.

RESOLVED, that – being the only Member willing to serve, Simon Duckworth be elected as Deputy Chairman for the ensuing year.

#### 6. **MINUTES**

RESOLVED, that – the public minutes and non-public summary of the previous meeting held on 24 February 2020 be agreed as a correct record, subject to one amendment at item 4.

### 7. COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Members discussed the new Sub-Committee membership and confirmed the following partnerships with the Benefices:

St John North Woolwich with Silvertown – Stephen Quilter, Deputy Kevin Everett St Peter Upon Cornhill – Ian Seaton St Matthias Stoke Newington – Deputy Edward Lord St Lawrence Jewry – Alderman Gregory Jones St George the Martyr, Southwark – Stephen Haines St John the Evangelist – Alderman Gregory Jones St Mark, Clerkenwell – Deputy Jamie Ingham Clark St John Bethnal Green – Ann Holmes St Alban with St Augustine, Fulham – James De Sausmarez St Peter with St Thomas Bethan Green – Caroline Haines

#### 8. QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE

The Chairman encouraged Members to reach out to their Benefices to offer support, and to see how they were engaging with their communities and associated schools. The Sub-Committee should encourage more connectedness between the Benefices with the wider work of the City that would be beneficial to the Benefices, including the work of City Bridge Trust and schools that offered boarding education to those in need.

### 9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT

The Chairman recorded his thanks to Andrew McMurtrie for his work as Chairman and his contributions to the Sub-Committee.

### 10. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

RESOLVED, that – under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act.

#### 11. NON-PUBLIC MINUTES

RESOLVED, that – the non-public minutes of the meeting held on 24 February 2020 be agreed as a correct record.

- 12. VISITS/ COMMUNICATION WITH THE VARIOUS BENEFICES Members were invited discuss their recent engagement with City Benefices.
- 13. **BENEFICES WINTER SURVEY** Members discussed the responses to the Benefices Winter Survey.
- 14. QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE

There were no questions.

15. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT AND WHICH THE COMMITTEE AGREE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED WHILST THE PUBLIC ARE EXCLUDED

There were no items of urgent business.

The meeting ended at 3.55 pm

-----

Chairman

Contact Officer: Chloe Rew tel. no.: 020 7332 1427 chloe.rew@cityoflondon.gov.uk