

TO: **POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

18 February 2021

FROM: **CAPITAL BUILDINGS COMMITTEE**

13 January 2021

4. **TERMS OF REFERENCE AND FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS: ANNUAL REVIEW**

The Sub-committee considered a report of the Town Clerk presenting Members with an opportunity to consider the Committee's terms of reference and to propose any changes to these in time for the annual re-appointment of Committees by Court of Common Council.

The Chairman remarked that there were no changes proposed to the Terms of reference.

A Member, also Deputy Chairman of Policy and Resources Committee, confirmed he was speaking on behalf of the Chair of Policy who was otherwise engaged with the Lord Mayor. The Committee were asked to consider putting forward a recommendation to Policy and Resources Committee and on to Court of Common Council that an exceptional circumstance be made for this Committee in allowing the term of its Chairman to be extended by one additional year.

The Member added that this Committee was at a critical stage in overseeing the Combined Courts and City of London Police Accommodation Strategy projects and that the Chair of Policy was of the view that maintaining continuity of leadership on this Committee would be crucial over the next year as the City Corporation works through the Lisvane Review recommendations relating Governance, which would ultimately establish where the City Corporation goes with all its committee structures.

The Member proposed a recommendation be put to Policy and Resources Committee and onto Court of Common Council that Standing Order 29 (2) be waived on this occasion and that the Chairman's term be extended by one additional year.

Members unanimously supported the recommendation and agreed it would be entirely appropriate given the review of Governance that was ongoing.

In response to questions from Members, it was clarified that the proposal was to waive the convention of standing order 29 (2) in allowing the Chairman to extend their term by one year into a fourth year. It was clarified that this change of term would be subject to the annual re-appointment process by Court of Common Council and the annual election of Chairman in the normal way.

Resolved, that

- the terms of reference of the Committee be approved for submission to Court of Common Council in April 2021 and,
- that a recommendation of this Committee be made to Policy and Resources Committee and Court of Common Council that the Chairman's term be extended by an additional year.