

Committee:	Date:
Culture, Libraries and Heritage Committee	27 May 2014
Subject: Lord Mayors Gifts collection	Public
Report of: Director of Culture, Heritage and Libraries	For Information
Summary	
This report provides an update on items present to Lord Mayors since 2010 and received by London Metropolitan Archives for the Lord Mayors Gifts collection.	
Recommendation	
It is recommended that this report is noted.	

Main Report

Background

1. London Metropolitan Archives (LMA) holds on behalf of the City the Lord Mayors' Gifts collection which comprises a selection of items given to each Lord Mayor during their year of office either from guests visiting London or during Mayoral visits abroad. They are now presented at the Court of Common Council before being transferred for storage at LMA's premises in Clerkenwell.

Current Position

2. The attached list at Appendix A gives details of those Gifts presented to successive Lord Mayors since Nicholas Anstee in 2009-10 and subsequently transferred to LMA. It was in November 2009 that a report on this subject was last submitted to this Committee's predecessor, the Libraries, Archives and Guildhall Art Gallery Committee.

Consultees

3. Mansion House has been consulted in the preparation of this report.

Conclusion

4. The number of items added to the collection each year is not excessive in terms of LMA's storage capacity and the collection provides a useful addition to the more traditional archival record of a Lord Mayoral year.

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