

WOOTTON, Mayor

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL

THURSDAY, 24th MAY, 2012

MEMBERS PRESENT

ALDERMEN

Anstee, N.J.
Bear, Sir Michael D., B.Sc.(Eng) M.B.A.
Evans, J. R.
Garbutt, J.
Gifford, M.R.
Gowman, Miss A.J.
Graves, D. A.

Hall, B.R.H.
Hewitt, P
Howard, Sir David, Bt., M.A., D.Sc.
Judge, Sir Paul
Lewis, Sir David, M.A., D.L.
Luder, I.D., B.Sc.(Econ)
Parmley, Dr. A.C., Mus.M., Hon.
G.S.M.

Savory, Sir Michael Walsh, S., M.A. White, J., T.D. Woolf, Mrs F., C.B.E.

COMMONERS

Ayers, K.E. M.B.E., Deputy

Bain-Stewart, A., M.Sc., J.P. Barker, J.A., O.B.E, Deputy Barrow, D., Deputy Bennett J. A., Deputy Bird, J.L., O.B.E. Boleat, M.J. Bradshaw, D.J. Brewster, J.W.

Catt, R.M. Chadwick, R.A.H. Challis, N. K. Cressey, N. Currie, Miss S.E.M., M.B.E., Deputy

Deane, A.J.C.
Dove, W.H., M.B.E., J.P.,
Deputy
Duckworth, S.D'O. D.L.
Dudley, Rev. Dr. Martin
Dunphy, P.G.

Eskenzi, A.N., C.B.E., D.Sc., Deputy Eve, R.A., O.B.E., Deputy

Farr, M.C. Fletcher, J.W. Fraser, S.J. Fraser, W.B., O.B.E., Deputy, Fredericks, Ms, M.B.

Galloway, A.D., O.B.E. Gillon, G.M.F. Ginsburg, S., Deputy

Haines, Rev. Stephen, D., M.A. Deputy Halliday, Mrs. P.A., O.B.E., Deputy Hardwick, Dr. P.B., Q.H.P. Harris, B.N. Henderson-Begg, M. Hoffman, T.D.D., LL.B. Howard, R.P.S. Hunt, W.G., T.D. James, Mrs C.

King, A.J.N., Deputy Knowles, S.K., M.B.E., Deputy

Lawrence, G.A., Deputy Leck, P. Littlechild, Mrs V. Lodge, O.A.W., T.D.,B.Sc. Lord, C.E., O.B.E., J.P.

Malins, J.H., Q.C., Deputy Mayhew, J.P., M.A., M.B.A. McGuinness, Miss C.S., M.A., Deputy Mead, Mrs. W. Sheriff Merrett, R.A. Moore, G.W. Moys, Mrs. S.D.

Nash, Mrs, J.C., O.B.E., Deputy Newman, Mrs, B.P., C.B.E.

Owen, Mrs. J., M.B.E., Deputy Owen-Ward, J.R., M.B.E., Deputy Page, M., B.A. (Hons)
Pembroke, Mrs. A.M.F.
Pollard, J.H.G.
Priest, Ms H.J.S.
Pulman, G.A.G., J.P. Deputy

Quilter, S.D., B.Sc.(Hons)

Regan, R.D., Deputy Regis, Miss D. Rogula, Miss E. Rounding, Ms V

Punter, C.

Seaton, I.C.N. Scott, J.G.S., J.P Shilson, Dr. G.R.E., Deputy Simons, J.L. , M.Sc Snyder, Sir Michael, Deputy Starling, Mrs A.

Tomlinson, J., B.A., M.Sc. Tumbridge, J.R.

Welbank, M. Deputy

Minutes Resolved – That the Minutes of the last Court are correctly recorded.

Overseas visits The Right Honourable the Lord Mayor reported on his recent visit to China.

Richard David Regan, Deputy Hall, Benjamin Robert Hadley Hall, Alderman Resolved - That this Honourable Court wishes to extend to Robert Hughes-Penney its sincere gratitude for his much valued service as a Member for the Ward of Farringdon Within.

Elected as a Common Councilman in 2004, Robert was Chairman of both the Investment Committee and the Financial Investment Board in 2011 and the President of the Republic of South Africa Reception Committee in 2010. He served with distinction on the Policy and Resources, Finance and Police Committees together with the Markets and Libraries, Archives and Guildhall Art Gallery Committee; and was the City's representative on the City Parochial Foundation for five years.

The Members of this Honourable Court wish to take this opportunity to express their heartfelt appreciation not only for his efforts and achievements, but also for his kindness, courtesy and consideration and wish him good health and happiness long into the future.

Policy Statement

There was no Policy statement.

William Gilbert

Hospital Seal Sundry documents were sealed with the Hospital Seal.

Applications for the Freedom

The Chamberlain, in pursuance of the Orders of this Court, presented a list of the under-mentioned persons who had made application to be admitted to the Freedom of this City by redemption:-

Richard Charles Ashley Davies	a Business Development Director	Petersfield, Hampshire
Edward John Ward, BEM	a Local Government Officer, retired	Whetstone, Barnet
The Rt. Hon Lord Andrew Mawson, OBE	a Regeneration Company Director	Hackney
Maurice Edward Merrell	an Organ Builder	St. Marylebone, Westminster
Peter John Curle	a Civil Servant, retired	Barnwood, Gloucestershire
Rosemary Cecily Curle	a Nurse, retired	Barnwood, Gloucestershire
Andrew John Curle	a Lawn Care Operative	Churchdown, Gloucestershire
Tracey Jane Curle	a Receptionist	Churchdown, Gloucestershire
Liam Mark Davis	a Teacher	Tottenham, Haringey
John Ambrose	a Port Health Officer	Holbrook, Ipswich, Suffolk
Frederick Walter Frank		
Bruce	a Property Landlord	Coltishall, Norwich, Norfolk
Richard John Burch	a Laboratory Technician	High Street, Ingatestone, Essex
Kevin Little	a Maintenance Company Director	Buckhurst Hill, Essex
John David Alligan	an Advertising Company Director	Theydon Bois, Essex
Stephen Roger Wills	an Engineering Company Director, retired	Sheffield, South Yorkshire
Graham John Gilbert Jonathan Peter	a City of London Police Officer a City of London Police	Mottingham, Greenwich Rainham, Kent

Officer, retired

Andrew Christopher Penny	a Printing Company Director	Bovey Tracey, Newton Abbot, Devon	
Alan John White Rodney Lang Pell	a Telecommunications Company Manager, retired a Consultant Orthopaedic	Selsdon, Croydon Minster, Near Ramsgate,	
Rouney Lang Fell	Surgeon, retired	Kent	
Rita Bellamy-James	a Charity Chairman	Lambeth	
Barry David Palmer	a Bank Manager, retired	Billericay, Essex	
Raymond Derek Burn	a Traffic Department Foreman, retired	Dagenham, Barking and Dagenham	
Michael Quinn	a Publican	Wanstead, Redbridge	
Branislav Trajkovski	an Investment Banker	Canada Water, Southwark	
Janet Elizabeth Fortune	a Head of Human Resources and Business Services	Shoreham, Sussex	
Peter Frederick	a Garage Proprietor	Burgess Hill, Sussex	
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Timothy Charles	a Client Relationship	Harpenden, Hertfordshire	
Ledger Graham Colin	Manager, retired a Technical Business Analyst	Harold Hill, Havering	
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Dieter Roger	a Property Development	Welwyn, Hertfordshire	
Klostermann Allan Stokoe	Company Chairman an Accountant	Ingleby Barwick, Stockton	
Allah Stokoe	an Accountant	on Tees, Teesside	
Mavis White	a Laundry Assistant	Wormley, Surrey	
Siobhan Majella	an Education Officer	Mill Hill	
Bradley Liam John Browne	a Lecturer	Islington	
Mark Edward Newton	a Chartered Surveyor	Wantage, Oxfordshire	
Gillard	D	-	
Paul Edmund Harbord	a Pharmaceutical Company Director, retired	Fareham, Hampshire	
Hugh Edwin Henry	a Photographic Company	Putney, Wandsworth	
Hobson	Director	IZ. and a second section of	
Julie Anne Mills	a Barrister	Kensington, Kensington and Chelsea	
Michael William Heasman	a Business Development Manager	Sittingbourne, Kent	
Peter Frederick Sinden		Spitalfields, Tower Hamlets	
Gerald Mark Jones	an Education Manager	Sydenham, Bromley	
Steven Leonard Jordan	a Gemmologist and Valuer	Upper Caldecote, Bedfordshire	
lan Stuart Jeffery	a Chartered Accountant	Putney, Wandsworth	
Carolyn Julia Piper	a Sports Development Manager	Redhill, Surrey	
William John Edward Hill	a Fish Merchant, retired	Seven Kings, Ilford, Redbridge	
Leslie Thomas Lynn	a Fish Merchant, retired	Barking, Barking and	
Hill	. 1.7	Dagenham	
Glyn Charles Roberts Edward Patrick Parker	a Lifeguard an Accountant	Hilldrop Lane, Islington Horspath, Oxfordshire	
Joslin Yorath Lewis	a City of London Tour Guide	Barnet, Hertfordshire	
Carald John Duffatt	a Canatruation Company	Dutas Dadford	
Gerald John Puffett	a Construction Company Director	Putnoe, Bedford, Bedfordshire	
Daniel James	an Engineering Company	Billericay, Essex	
McDonald	Director	Cidoup Davies	
Walter Leonard Freeman	a Communications Company General Manager, retired	Sidcup, Bexley	
Dolan Allen Surratt	a Law Enforcement Officer,	Denton, North Carolina,	
	retired	United States of America	

Charles Julian Aldwyn Lyne-Pirkis	a Regular Army Officer, retired	Wilton, Wiltshire
James George Ronald Gardiner	a Store Keeper	Dagenham, Barking and Dagenham
Robert Clarke	a Porter	Birchington, Kent
Julian William Cartwright	an Account Director, retired	Tower Hamlets
Bryan Niel Savery	an Arts Producer	Walthamstow, Waltham Forest
Oliver Felix Vincent Hatch	a Public Affairs Manager	Brixton Hill, Lambeth
Peter Frederick Reed	an Engineering Company Vice President	Mississauga, Ontario, Canada
Thomas Joseph O'Carroll	a Director of Investigations	Mississauga, Ontario, Canada
Susan Ann Brissenden	a Scientific Officer, retired	Four Oaks, Sutton Coldfield, West Midlands
Charles Henry Wood	a Geologist	Battersea, Wandsworth
Caroline Mary Barron	a University Professor, retired	St. John's Wood, Westminster
David Robert Dodd	An Underwriting Member of Lloyds	Chigwell, Essex
John William Barfield	a Local Government Officer, retired	Canning Town, Newham
Douglas Alexander Luce Barrow	a Mortgage Consultant	Southampton, Hampshire
Jane Amanda Phillips	a Student	Great Totham, Maldon, Essex
Amreesh Andrew Chandra	an Educational Consultant	Goraukpur, India
Claire Tomalin	a Writer	Richmond, Richmond upon Thames

Read.

Resolved – That this Court doth hereby assent to the admission of the said persons to the Freedom of this City by redemption upon the terms and in the manner mentioned in the several Resolutions of this Court, and it is hereby ordered that Mr. Chamberlain do admit them severally to their Freedom accordingly.

Results of Ballots

The Town Clerk reported the result of ballots taken at the last Court viz:-

- ★ denotes appointment
- § denotes less than ten years' service on the Court
- # denotes less than five years' service on the Court
- ^ denotes a Member whose primary residence is in the City of London

(a) For appointments to the Policy and Resources Committee (five vacancies - at least one Member to have less than ten years' service on the Court).

	Simon D'Olier Duckworth, D.L.	67★
§	Robert William Duffield, B.A., M.Litt.(Oxon)	56≭
§	Marianne Bernadette Fredericks	52★
	Dr. Peter Bernard Hardwick, Q.H.P.	36
	Tom Hoffman	44
	Catherine McGuinness, M.A., Deputy	87★
8	Dr Giles Robert Evelyn Shilson, Deputy	54≭

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Simon Duckworth, Bob Duffield, Marianne Fredericks, Deputy Catherine McGuiness and Deputy Dr Giles Shilson to have been appointed on the Policy and Resources Committee.

(b) For appointments to the Hospitality Working Party of the Policy and Resources Committee (four vacancies).

John Alfred Barker, O.B.E., Deputy	15
Douglas Barrow, Deputy	58≭
William Harry Dove, M.B.E., J.P., Deputy	20
Simon D'Olier Duckworth, D.L.	36≭
Robin Anthony Eve, O.B.E., Deputy	20
William Barrie Fraser, O.B.E., Deputy	60≭
Dr. Peter Bernard Hardwick, Q.H.P.	21
Charles Edward Lord, O.B.E., J.P., Deputy	27
Julian Henry Malins, Q.C.	24
Janet Owen, M.B.E., Deputy	16
Ann Marjorie Francescia Pembroke	6
Richard David Regan, Deputy	55∗

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Deputy Bill Fraser, Deputy Doug Barrow, Simon Duckworth and Deputy Richard Regan to have been appointed on the Hospitality Working Party of the Policy and Resources Committee for terms of four, three, two and one year's respectively.

(c) For appointments to the Energy and Sustainability Sub, Policy and Resources Committee (four vacancies).

Archibald Duncan Galloway, O.B.E.	71∗
Alison Jane Gowman, Alderman	87≭
David Andrew Graves, Alderman	65≭
Sylvia Doreen Moys	55
Fiona Woolf, C.B.E., Alderman	91∗

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Archie Galloway, Alderman Alison Gowman, Alderman David Graves and Alderman Fiona Woolf to have been appointed on the Energy and Sustainability Sub, Policy and Resources Committee for terms of four, three, two and one year's respectively.

(d) For appointments to the Police Committee (eleven vacancies – at least one Member to have less than five years' service on the Court and a minimum of two Members must have their primary residence in the City of London).

٨	John Alfred Barker, O.B.E., Deputy	37
#	Douglas Barrow, Deputy	64★
	Mark John Boleat	66★
	Simon D'Olier Duckworth, D.L.	76≭
٨	Robert William Duffield, B.A., M.Litt.(Oxon)	57≭
^#	John Fletcher	49
٨	Alison Jane Gowman, Alderman	55≭
	Brian Nicholas Harris	53★
	Stanley Keith Knowles, Deputy	56≭
٨	Vivienne Littlechild	51
٨	Ian David Luder, B.Sc.(Econ.), Alderman	71∗
#	Robert Allan Merrett	24
٨	Joyce Carruthers Nash, O.B.E., Deputy	66≭
	James Henry George Pollard	65≭
	Richard David Regan, Deputy	60≭

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Deputy Doug Barrow, Mark Boleat, Simon Duckworth, Bob Duffield, Alderman Alison Gowman, Brian Harris, Deputy Keith Knowles, Alderman Ian Luder, Deputy Joyce Nash, Henry Pollard and Deputy Richard Regan to have been appointed on the Police Committee (for varying terms, based on the results of the ballot as follows:- Simon Duckworth, Alderman Ian Luder and Deputy Joyce Nash for four year terms; Deputy Doug Barrow, Mark Boleat and Henry Pollard for three year terms; Bob Duffield, Deputy Keith Knowles and Deputy Richard Regan for two year terms and Alderman Alison Gowman and Brian Harris for one year terms).

(e) For appointments to the Board of Governors of the City of London School (two vacancies).

Nigel Kenneth Challis	30
William Harry Dove, M.B.E., J.P., Deputy	64≭
Sylvia Doreen Moys	25
Joyce Carruthers Nash, O.B.E., Deputy	78≭

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Deputy Billy Dove and Deputy Joyce Nash to have been appointed on the Board of Governors of the City of London School.

(f) For appointments to the Gresham Committee (City Side) (three vacancies).

Robin Anthony Eve, O.B.E., Deputy	57★
Archibald Duncan Galloway, O.B.E.	56
Brian Nicholas Harris	95∗
Tom Hoffman	78≭

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Deputy Robin Eve, Brian Harris and Tom Hoffman to have been appointed on the Gresham Committee (City Side).

(g) For appointments to the Epping Forest & Commons Committee (two vacancies).

George Christopher Abrahams	78≭
John Alfred Barker, O.B.E., Deputy	56≭
John Leslie Bird, O.B.E.	51

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared George Abrahams and Deputy John Barker to have been appointed on the Epping Forest and Commons Committee.

(h) For appointments to the Barbican Centre Board (four vacancies).

The Revd. Dr. Martin Dudley	28
Kevin Malcolm Everett D.Sc.	26
Wendy Marilyn Hyde	34
Vivienne Littlechild J.P.	38≭
Charles Edward Lord, O.B.E., J.P., Deputy	30
Catherine McGuinness, M.A., Deputy	95≭
Richard David Regan, Deputy	51≭
Jeremy Lewis Simons M.Sc.	48≭

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Vivienne Littlechild, Deputy Catherine McGuinness, Deputy Richard Regan and Jeremy Simons to have been appointed on the Barbican Centre Board.

(i) For appointments to The City Bridge Trust Committee (three vacancies – at least one Member to have less than five years' service on the Court.)

	Raymond Michael Catt	69★
	William Harry Dove, M.B.E., J.P., Deputy	71★
#	John Fletcher (WITHDRAWN)	-
#	Michael Hudson	24
#	Oliver Arthur Wynlayne Lodge, T.D, B.Sc.	48
#	Ian Christopher Norman Seaton	64≭

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Ray Catt, Deputy Billy Dove, and Ian Seaton to have been appointed on The City Bridge Trust Committee.

(j) For appointments to the Standards Committee (two vacancies).

Nigel Kenneth Challis	36
The Revd. Dr. Martin Dudley	36
Robin Anthony Eve, O.B.E., Deputy	54∗
Julian Henry Malins, Q.C.	66≭

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Deputy Robin Eve and Julian Malins to have been appointed on the Standards Committee.

Appointments

The Court proceeded to make the following appointments in respect of which the Town Clerk reported that the following nominations had been received:-

- * denotes a Member standing for re-appointment;
- § denotes less than ten years' service on the Court;
- # denotes less than five years' service on the Court; and
- < denotes a Member who served on the original Governance Review Working Party.
- One Member on the Board of Governors of the Museum of London for the balance (a) of a term expiring in November 2013;

Nominations received:-Michael Henderson-Begg Wendy Marilyn Hyde Jeremy Paul Mayhew, M.A., M.B.A. Ann Marjorie Francescia Pembroke Neil Graham Morgan Redcliffe, Alderman John George Stewart Scott, J.P., B.A.(Hons) Jeremy Lewis Simons M.Sc.

Read.

Six Members on the Post Implementation Governance Review Working Party, of (b) which not more than three Members shall have served on the original Governance Review Working Party, at least one Member shall have less than ten years' service on the Court and one Member shall have less than five years' service on the Court;

Nominations received:-

John Alfred Barker, O.B.E., Deputy

- Douglas Barrow, Deputy
- Raymond Michael Catt

Robin Anthony Eve, O.B.E., Deputy

Dr. Peter Bernard Hardwick, Q.H.P.

- § Michael Hudson
 - Sylvia Doreen Moys
 - Joyce Carruthers Nash, O.B.E., Deputy
- Jeremy Lewis Simons M.Sc.
- James Richard Tumbridge

Read.

(c) One Member on the Port Health & Environmental Services Committee to fill a Ward vacancy;

Nominations received:-John Alfred Barker, O.B.E., Deputy Gregory Alfred Lawrence Peter Leck Chris Punter

Read.

The Court proceeded, in accordance with Standing Order No. 10, to ballot on the foregoing vacancies.

The Lord Mayor requested the Chief Commoner and the Chairman of the Finance Committee, or their representatives, to be scrutineers of the ballots.

Resolved – That the votes be counted at the conclusion of the Court and the results printed in the Summons for the next meeting.

(d) One Member on the Bridewell Royal Hospital for the balance of a term to expire in November 2016;

Nomination received:-Wendy Marilyn Hyde

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Wendy Hyde to have been appointed on the Bridewell Royal Hospital.

(e) One Member on the Trust for London for a five year term to expire in May 2017;

Nomination received:-

Archibald Duncan Galloway, O.B.E.

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Archie Galloway to have been appointed on the Trust for London.

Questions

a) Dr Peter Hardwick asked the Chief Commoner about the instructions regarding the flying of flags from the Guildhall.

In response, the Chief Commoner reported that guidance was given to all public buildings by the Department of Culture, Media and Sport as to the days on which flags should be flown at Guildhall. Discretion was given to fly the Union Flag each day and there were certain days, fixed flying days, when the Union Flag should be flown. Currently there were 18 of these fixed flying days in England including St.

George's Day, Her Majesty The Queen's birthday and Remembrance Day. He added that it was usual practice for the City's flag to be flown on days that were not fixed flying days.

In response to a supplementary question from **Dr Hardwick**, the **Chief Commoner** confirmed that he would enquire about the viability of having a second flag pole to allow the flying of the St George's flag on St George's Day and would report back to the Member concerned. He noted the possibility of the City of London branch of the Society of St George defraying the cost of any additional flagpole.

In response to a further question from **Deputy Lord** the **Chief Commoner** confirmed that the proposals under the Guildhall Area Strategy to have an additional three flagpoles may provide an opportunity for the St George's flag to be flown on fixed flying days.

Motion

There were no motions.

Awards and Prizes There were no reports.

Policy, Finance, Establishment, Investment and Audit Committees – Reports

POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE (Mark John Boleat)

11 April 2012

(A) Recruitment of Independent Person/s – New Standards Regime – Report of action taken under urgency procedures

The Localism Act 2011 received Royal Assent on 15 November 2011 and, once fully brought into force, will abolish the current standards regime under the Local Government Act 2000.

The Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG) envisages that the new standards regime provided for in the Act will come into force on 1 July 2012. In line with the requirements of the Act, the Court of Common Council must adopt and publicise a code dealing with the conduct that is expected of Members and Co-opted Members. Under the Act, the City Corporation is required to appoint at least one Independent Person whose views:

- (i) must be sought, and taken into account, by the City Corporation before it makes its decision on an allegation that it has decided to investigate;
- (ii) may be sought by the City Corporation in relation to an allegation in other circumstances; and
- (iii) may be sought by a member against whom an allegation has been made.

The Independent Person/s must not have been a Member, Co-opted Member or Officer of the City Corporation in the last five years, nor be a relative or close friend of a Member, Co-opted Member or Officer. The current legal advice obtained by the Association of Council Secretaries and Solicitors (ACSeS) is that the Independent Members of the existing Standards Committee are not eligible.

The selection procedure, as below, will be followed for the appointment of all future Independent Person/s to support the City Corporation's new standards arrangements:

- (a) The placing of an advert to be consistent with other appointment processes that are followed by the City Corporation when appointing independent external representatives to formal decision-making bodies.
- (b) The Selection Panel is authorised to shortlist and interview applicants for the role of Independent Person/s, and shall comprise of the Chairman of the General Purposes Committee of Aldermen, the Chief Commoner and the Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee, or their representatives.
- (c) Following any recommendations by the Selection Panel, the Policy and Resources Committee shall consider the appointment and make a recommendation to the Court of Common Council. Approval of any recommended appointments, in advance of the anticipated 1 July 2012 implementation date, will take place following consideration of a report to the Court of Common Council on 21 June 2012.

In order to ensure that the City Corporation can continue to fulfil its statutory responsibilities as of 1 July 2012, urgent approval of the recruitment process in respect of appointments to the role of Independent Person/s was required.

We therefore report action taken as a matter of urgency pursuant to Standing Order No.19.

Received.

(B) Applications for the Use of Guildhall

3 May 2012

In accordance with the arrangements approved by the Court on 21 June 2001 for the approval of applications for the use of Guildhall, we now inform the Court of the following applications which have been agreed to:-

Name King's Holidays	Date Saturday 9 June 2012	Function Dinner
Lord Mayor's Appeal 2012	Monday 9 July 2012	Concert
Government of Gibraltar	Monday 15 October 2012	Reception
St John Ambulance	Wednesday 24 October 2012	Dinner
Guildhall School of Music & Drama	Friday 2 November 2012	Graduation
Wine & Spirit Education Trust (WSET)	Monday 21 January 2013	Graduation
American School in London	Saturday 16 March 2013	Dinner

Received.

(C) Social Investment Fund

Your Policy and Resources Committee recently approved, in principle, the establishment of a £20 million Social Investment Fund (SIF) from within the Bridge House Estates Fund. Events in the social investment arena are moving fast and the time appeared to be right for the City Corporation to establish such a Fund.

Whilst the progression of the initiative is subject to settling the management arrangements and any other necessary approvals, it presented a significant opportunity to maximise the social impact of the City Corporation's investments by making the capital work harder to achieve a social, as well as a financial, return. It is also a demonstration of our commitment to the social investment agenda.

A printed and circulated report thereon has therefore been submitted for your information.

The Chairman undertook to look into the structure of the fund to ensure that it would allow the best opportunities for funding

Received.

(D) Appointment of High Officers

Following the discussion which took place at the Court in January about the appointment process at the time of the appointment of the Comptroller and City Solicitor, your Policy and Resources Committee has reviewed the appointment of the City Corporation's High Officers and, in particular, their election by the Court of Common Council.

The current arrangements were considered in detail. This included a suggestion on the possibility of involving more Members in the recruitment process and whether a presentation and set questions from the floor was a satisfactory means of assessing candidates.

A printed and circulated report on the outcome of the review has been submitted and we **commend** the recommendations to you.

Motion – To agree with the Committee in their report?

Hardwick, Dr. P.B., Q.H.P. Luder, I.D., B.Sc.(Econ), Alderman Amendment – 'that a fourth recommendation be added stating that 'on a trial basis, provision be made in the appointment process for a specified number of Members to participate in the assessment of candidates, acting in an advisory capacity and that they informally meet with the candidates and be given the opportunity to suggest questions which the Appointment Panel may wish to use in the interview process?'

Upon the Question being put, the Lord Mayor declared the amendment to be not carried.

The original Motion being before the Court.

Resolved - That the report be read and agreed to.

(E) London 2012 Paralympic Games: Opening Ceremony Reception

2012 will be the first time the modern Paralympic Games has returned to London since the first Games for disabled athletes, then known as the Stoke Mandeville Games, were staged here in conjunction with the 1948 Olympic Games.

Both the City and the UK have a large reputational and financial investment in both the Olympic and Paralympic Games. Members will recall the City has already hosted a reception at Guildhall during the fact-finding visit to London by the National Paralympic Committees' Chefs de Mission, whose job is to ensure that participating athletes enjoy a stress-free and successful experience during the Games.

With this in mind and the fact that the International Paralympic Committee will also be staying in the City throughout the Paralympic Games, it is **recommended** that a number of guests be invited to attend a reception to be held on Wednesday 29 August 2012 at the Guildhall immediately prior to the Paralympic Games Opening Ceremony; it being referred to this Committee to make the necessary arrangements out of City's Cash within the approved cost parameters. This would provide a unique opportunity for the City of London to support and engage with this prestigious global event. Guests would include senior UK government figures, senior overseas representatives, Sports Ministers, members of the International Olympic and Paralympic Executive Committees, and other prominent personalities and representatives from the international sports, cultural and creative communities.

This would be a Committee event.

Read and agreed to.

City's Cash Committees – Reports

THE CITY BRIDGE TRUST COMMITTEE (William Harry Dove M.B.E., J.P., Deputy)

8 May 2012

Freedom Applications

On Thursday 17 May 2012, The City Bridge Trust plans to launch 'Growing Localities', the one-off £2m grants programme, previously agreed, to mark Her Majesty The Queen's Diamond Jubilee. 'Growing Localities' will promote the use of green spaces and encourage people to grow their own food through community involvement and volunteering. It is hoped that the programme will help reduce social isolation, teach the value of biodiversity and provide horticultural work training for young unemployed people and those with special needs.

The programme is to be launched by Raymond Blanc, chef and Joanna Lumley, actress at a green pop-up space in the Guildhall Yard. Planting workshops will be hosted by the City of London's Open Spaces department demonstrating how easy it is to grow your own food, while several City Farms will sell their locally grown produce.

In acknowledging their assistance and in appreciation of their efforts, applications for the Freedom of the City of London were duly proposed and seconded for both Mr Blanc and Ms Lumley and as there was no meeting of the Court scheduled to take place before the launch day, it was necessary to approve the applications using urgency procedures.

In accordance with Standing Order No.19, we now report the action taken.

Regan, R.D.Deputy Chadwick,R.A.H. Resolved - That the public be excluded from the meeting for one item of business concerning a recommendation of the Policy & Resources Committee on an application for hospitality on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Section 100(4) of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act, 1972 as it has been conveyed to the City Corporation in confidence by Her Majesty's Government.

DUFFIELD

The meeting commenced at 1 p.m. and ended at 1.40pm

ERRATA

Court of Common Council on Thursday 19th April, 2012

Omitted from the Remembrancer's list of Members present at that Court of Common Council:-

John William Brewster