

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

**Thursday, 20 October 2016**

Minutes of the meeting of the Benefices Sub (Culture, Heritage & Libraries)  
Committee held at Guildhall on Thursday, 20 October 2016 at 12.00 pm

### **Present**

#### **Members:**

Nigel Challis  
Deputy Billy Dove  
Deputy Bill Fraser  
Tom Hoffman

Andrew McMurtrie (Chairman)  
Deputy Jamie Ingham Clark  
Patrick Streeter

### **In Attendance**

#### **Officers:**

Julie Mayer - Town Clerk's

#### **1. APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Gregory Jones, Vivienne Littlechild and Graham Packham.

#### **2. MEMBERS DECLARATIONS UNDER THE CODE OF CONDUCT IN RESPECT OF ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

Mr Jamie Ingham Clark declared a general non-pecuniary interest by virtue of his position as Lay Vice Chairman of the General Council of St Lawrence Jewry.

#### **3. MINUTES**

The public minutes and non-public summary of the meeting held on 8 June 2016 were approved as a correct record.

#### **4. TO ELECT A DEPUTY CHAIRMAN IN ACCORDANCE WITH STANDING ORDER 30**

At its last meeting, the Culture, Heritage and Libraries Committee agreed to amend the Benefices Sub Committee's Terms of Reference allow the Sub Committee to appoint a Deputy Chairman

Mr Gregory Jones had submitted a statement in support of his nomination and, despite having given his apologies for this meeting, was permitted to stand for election. Mr Challis also declared a willingness to stand and therefore a ballot was held.

RESOLVED, that - with a result of 4 votes to 3, Mr Gregory Jones be elected as Deputy Chairman of the Benefices Sub Committee for the ensuing year.

5. **QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE**

There were no questions.

6. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT**

The Chairman advised that the annual Benefices Supper would take place on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2017 at 7pm, for 7.30 pm. The Church Service would take place at 6.30 pm and the Benefices Sub Committee would meet at 4.30 pm. Members noted that invitations would have a plus one ticket.

7. **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.

Items 9-12	Paragraphs, 1,2 & 3
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8. **NON PUBLIC MINUTES**

The non-public minutes of the meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> June were approved.

9. **UPDATE ON MEMBERS VISITS TO THE VARIOUS BENEFICES**

Members received a report of the Town Clerk.

10. **SUSPENSION OF PRESENTATION: THE BENEFICE OF NORTH WOOLWICH WITH SILVERTOWN**

Members received a report of the Town Clerk.

11. **QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE**

There were no questions.

12. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS WHAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT AND WHICH THE COMMITTEE AGREE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED WHILST THE PUBLIC ARE EXCLUDED**

Members noted the recent successful Fish Harvest Festival in Billingsgate, which was available for viewing on YouTube.

**The meeting ended at 12.35 pm**

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Chairman

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