



PARMLEY, MAYOR

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL

27th April 2017
MEMBERS PRESENT

ALDERMEN

Nicholas Anstee
Sir Michael David Bear
Charles Bowman
Sheriff Peter Estlin
John Garbutt
Alison Gowman
David Andrew Graves

Timothy Russell Hailes, JP
Peter Lionel Raleigh Hewitt, JP
Gregory Jones QC
Vincent Thomas Keaveny
Alastair John Naisbitt King
Ian David Luder, JP
Professor Michael Raymond Mainelli

The Lord Mountevans, Jeffrey Evans
The Rt. Hon. the Lord Mayor, Dr Andrew
Charles Parmley
Sheriff William Anthony Bowater Russell
Dame Fiona Woolf
Sir David Hugh Wootton
Sir Alan Colin Drake Yarrow

COMMONERS

George Christopher Abrahams
John David Absalom, Deputy
Caroline Kordai Addy
Munsur Ali
Rehana Banu Ameer
Randall Keith Anderson
Alexander Robertson Martin Barr
Douglas Barrow, Deputy
Adrian Mark Bastow
Matthew Bell
John Bennett, Deputy
Peter Gordon Bennett
Nicholas Michael Bensted-Smith, JP
Christopher Paul Boden
Mark Boleat
Mark Bostock
Keith David Forbes Bottomley,
Deputy
David John Bradshaw, Deputy
Tijs Broeke
Roger Arthur Holden Chadwick,
Deputy
John Douglas Chapman, Deputy
Dominic Gerard Christian
Henry Nicholas Almroth Colthurst
Richard Peter Crossan

Karina Dostalova
Simon D'Olier Duckworth, OBE, DL
Peter Gerard Dunphy
Mary Durcan
Emma Edhem
Anne Helen Fairweather
Sophie Anne Fernandes
John William Fletcher
Marianne Bernadette Fredericks
Prem Babu Goyal, OBE, JP
Caroline Wilma Haines
The Revd Stephen Decatur
Haines, Deputy
Graeme Harrower
Christopher Michael Hayward
Christopher Hill
Tom Hoffman, Deputy
Ann Holmes
Michael Hudson
Wendy Hyde, Deputy
Jamie Ingham Clark, Deputy
Clare James, Deputy
Henry Llewellyn Michael Jones,
Deputy
Angus Knowles-Cutler
Gregory Alfred Lawrence

Tim Levene
Vivienne Littlechild JP
Oliver Arthur Wynlayne Lodge
Edward Lord, OBE, JP, Deputy
Paul Nicholas Martinelli
Andrew Paul Mayer
Jeremy Mayhew
Catherine McGuinness, Deputy
Andrew Stratton McMurtrie, JP
Wendy Mead, OBE
Robert Allan Merrett, Deputy
Andrien Gereith Dominic Meyers
Brian Desmond Francis
Mooney, Deputy
Hugh Fenton Morris
Alastair Michael Moss, Deputy
Sylvia Doreen Moys
Joyce Carruthers Nash, OBE,
Deputy
Barbara Patricia Newman, CBE
Graham David Packham
Dhruv Patel
Susan Jane Pearson
William Pimlott
Judith Pleasance
Henrika Johanna Sofia Priest

Jason Paul Pritchard
Stephen Douglas Quilter
Richard David Regan, OBE,
Deputy
Elizabeth Rogula, Deputy
James de Sausmarez
Ruby Sayed
John George Stewart Scott, JP
Ian Christopher Norman Seaton
Oliver Sells, QC
Dr Giles Robert Evelyn Shilson,
Deputy
Jeremy Lewis Simons
Tom Sleight, Deputy
Graeme Martyn Smith
Sir Michael Snyder
Pooja Suri Tank
James Michael Douglas
Thomson, Deputy
John Tomlinson, Deputy
James Richard Tumbridge
William Upton
Michael Welbank, MBE
Mark Raymond Peter Henry
Delano Wheatley
Philip Woodhouse

1. Introduction of Newly Elected Members

The following Members, lately elected to be of the Common Council, for the Wards mentioned, were introduced to the Court and having, previously made the declaration prescribed by the Promissory Oaths Act, 1868, took their seats, viz:

Name

Adrian Mark Bastow
Richard Peter Crossan
Andrien Gereith Dominic Meyers

Ward

Aldersgate
Aldersgate
Aldgate

Prem Babu Goyal
 Andrew Paul Mayer
 Pooja Suri Tank
 Timothy Levene
 Angus Knowles-Cutler
 Tijs Broeke
 Alexander Robertson Martin Barr
 Susan Jane Pearson
 William Pimlott
 Mark Bostock
 Joan Mary Durcan
 Matthew Bell
 Christopher Hill
 Caroline Kordai Addy
 Ruby Sayed
 Oliver Matthew Sells, Q.C.
 William Upton
 Munsur Ali
 Jason Paul Pritchard
 Caroline Wilma Haines
 Rehana Banu Ameer

Bishopsgate Within
 Bishopsgate Within
 Bishopsgate Without
 Bridge and Bridge Without
 Castle Baynard
 Cheap
 Cordwainer
 Cripplegate Within
 Cripplegate Within
 Cripplegate Without
 Cripplegate Without
 Farringdon Within (North Side)
 Farringdon Within (North Side)
 Farringdon Without (South Side)
 Farringdon Without (South Side)
 Farringdon Without (South Side)
 Farringdon Without (South Side)
 Portsoken
 Portsoken
 Queenhithe
 Vintry

2. Chief
 Commoner

Pursuant to the decision of the Court of 13 October 2016, the Lord Mayor invited Wendy Mead O.B.E. to take up the office of Chief Commoner for the ensuing year.

Mead, W., O.B.E.;
Mayhew, J.P.

Resolved unanimously – That this Honourable Court wishes to extend to,

Michael Welbank, M.B.E

its heartfelt gratitude for the manner in which he has undertaken the role of Chief Commoner over the past year.

Michael has a wonderful knowledge of how the Corporation works – and crucially, who to talk to to get things done. His charisma, approachability and his wicked sense of humour have meant that he has been a pleasure for both Members and Officers to work with.

Having enjoyed an extremely successful worldwide career in architecture, it is perhaps no surprise that his year in office saw him achieve success in another field of development – that of Member Development, which he has championed with aplomb, particularly the creation of the New Members' Induction Programme.

His successful past Chairmanships within the City Corporation, of the Planning & Transportation and the Hampstead Heath Highgate Wood & Queen's Park Committees, saw him develop significant expertise in navigating difficult and complex issues, such as flood management and road danger reduction – experience which stood him in good stead for this role.

He has been a charismatic host at a number of civic and hospitality events and we know that he will take away fond memories of his year, including high profile Freedom Ceremonies for iconic figures such as the actor Eddie Redmayne - and also perhaps of his exploits dancing around the maypole at the Pearly Kings and Queens event in October!

In taking leave of the Chief Commoner and in thanking him formally and sincerely, his colleagues wish to express their appreciation, not only for his enthusiasm and hospitality during the past year, but also for his consideration and courtesy and they wish him continued happiness and success in the future.

Michael Welbank was heard in reply and also took the opportunity to express the gratitude of the Court to the following Members, who had been unsuccessful in achieving re-election, for their service:

- John Alfred Barker, O.B.E.
- Alex Bain-Stewart, J.P.
- Alexander John Cameron Deane
- William Barrie Fraser, O.B.E.
- Stanley Ginsburg, J.P.
- Julian Henry Malins, Q.C.
- Gareth Wynford Moore
- Christopher Punter
- Ann Marjorie Francescia Pembroke
- Adam Fox McCloud Richardson
- Virginia Rounding

3. Apologies The apologies of those Members unable to attend this meeting of the Court were noted.
4. Declarations There were none.
5. Minutes *Resolved* - That the Minutes of the last Court are correctly recorded.
6. Resolutions There were none.
7. Mayoral Visits The Lord Mayor reported on his recent visits to Algeria, Estonia, Morocco, Tunisia, and Turkey.
8. Policy Statement There was no statement.
9. Hospital Seal There were no documents to be sealed.
10. Freedoms The Chamberlain, in pursuance of the Order of this Court, presented a list of the under-mentioned, persons who had made applications to be admitted to the Freedom of the City by Redemption:-

**Richard Peter Hugh
Hutchings**

*Susan Garland-Worthington, OBE
Hugh Terence Ivan West*

a Royal Naval Officer

*Citizen and Marketer
Citizen and Marketer*

Portsmouth, Hampshire

**Reverend Bruce Richard
Lawrence Kinsey**

*Frederick Joseph Trowman
Anthony Sharp*

a College Chaplain

*Citizen and Loriner
Citizen and Loriner*

Oxford, Oxfordshire

Catharine Mary Melville <i>George Alexander Bastin</i> <i>Col. Hamon Patrick Dunham</i> <i>Massey</i>	a Social Secretary <i>Citizen and Ironmonger</i> <i>Citizen and Loriner</i>	Fulham, London
Nicholas James Gargan, QPM <i>Alexander John Cameron Deane</i> <i>Matthew Charles Falco Lombardi</i> <i>Richardson, Ald.</i>	an Independent Management Consultant <i>Citizen and Currier</i> <i>Citizen and Wax Chandler</i>	Teddington, Middlesex
Paul Gareth Scourfield <i>Bryan Rosslyn Spearman</i> <i>Richard John Bratton</i>	an Engineering Company Director <i>Citizen and Firefighter</i> <i>Citizen and Firefighter</i>	Copthorne, West Sussex
Stephen Geoffrey Hall <i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i> <i>Jonathan Patterson Shiels</i>	a Government Statistician <i>Citizen and Musician</i> <i>Citizen and Joiner</i>	Raynes Park, London
Kevin Jones <i>Michael Peter Cawston</i> <i>David Robert Attwood</i>	an Oil and Gas Company Manager <i>Citizen and Tyler and Bricklayer</i> <i>Citizen and Plumber</i>	Gouze, France
Dr Anthony John Kemp <i>Jeffrey Charles Williams</i> <i>Colin James Bridgen</i>	a University Lecturer, retired <i>Citizen and Carmen</i> <i>Citizen and Carmen</i>	Downend, Bristol
Anthony Frederick Thomas <i>Jeffrey Charles Williams</i> <i>Colin James Bridgen</i>	a Chemical Shift Manager, retired <i>Citizen and Carmen</i> <i>Citizen and Carmen</i>	Stoke Gifford, Bristol
Peter Charles Coles <i>Jeffrey Charles Williams</i> <i>Colin James Bridgen</i>	a Customer Business Manager <i>Citizen and Carmen</i> <i>Citizen and Carmen</i>	Barrs Court, Bristol
Simon Edward John Walker, CBE <i>Peter Lionel Raleigh Hewitt, Ald.</i> <i>Sir David Wootton, Kt., Ald.</i>	a Director General <i>Citizen and Woolman</i> <i>Citizen and Fletcher</i>	Hammersmith, London
Dr Vivienne Cox, CBE <i>John Paul Rochford</i> <i>Bernard Reginald Trevor Williams</i>	a Steel Company Chairman <i>Citizen and Gardener</i> <i>Citizen and Gardner</i>	Flaunden, Hertfordshire
Katherine Ann Rochford <i>Bernard Reginald Trevor Williams</i> <i>David John Cole-Adams</i>	a Gardening Company Director <i>Citizen and Gardner</i> <i>Citizen and Chartered Architect</i>	Hertford, Hertfordshire
Professor Seamus Peter Perry <i>Frederick Joseph Trowman</i> <i>Anthony Sharp</i>	a Professor of English Literature <i>Citizen and Loriner</i> <i>Citizen and Loriner</i>	Wolvercote, Oxford
Roland John Martin <i>John Alfred Bennett, Deputy</i> <i>Roger Arthur Holden Chadwick,</i> <i>Deputy</i>	a Headmaster <i>Citizen and International Banker</i> <i>Citizen and Bowyer</i>	Ashted, Surrey
Kerri Corcoran Martin <i>John Alfred Bennett, Deputy</i> <i>Roger Arthur Holden Chadwick,</i> <i>Deputy</i>	an Outreach Officer <i>Citizen and International Banker</i> <i>Citizen and Bowyer</i>	Ashted, Surrey

Michael Anthony Carabini <i>Lord Robert George Alexander Lingfield, Kt., DL Nigel Anthony Chimmo Branson, JP</i>	a Financial Services Executive <i>Citizen and Goldsmith Citizen and Haberdasher</i>	Corona Del Mar, California, United States of America
The Revd. Andrew David Norwood <i>Alan Leslie Warman Diane Irene Warman</i>	a Priest in Holy Orders <i>Citizen and Clockmaker Citizen and Clockmaker</i>	Hammersmith, London
Roy Francis Ashby <i>Roy Nottage Paul George Mason</i>	a Transport Manager <i>Citizen and Basketmaker Citizen and Basketmaker</i>	Daventry, Northants
Barry Layton-Smith <i>Brian Derek Francois Christopher Thomas Albrow</i>	a Carpenter, retired <i>Citizen and Environmental Cleaner Citizen and Wheelwright</i>	Maresfield, East Sussex
Darren Rawnsley <i>Antony Richard O'Hagan, TD Martin William Lindsay Dodd, TD</i>	a School Teacher <i>Citizen and Fan Maker Citizen and Vintner</i>	Stamford, Lincolnshire
Manfred Wilhelm Hetznegger <i>Frederick Joseph Trowman David Robert Boston</i>	a Car Company Director <i>Citizen and Loriner Citizen and Gold and Silver Wyre Drawer</i>	Regensburg, Germany
Silvia Roswitha Therosia Gross <i>Frederick Joseph Trowman David Robert Boston</i>	a Theologian and Journalist <i>Citizen and Loriner Citizen and Gold and Silver Wyre Drawer</i>	Beratzhausen, Germany
Katrina Marie Bradley <i>Revd. Canon David Parrott Robert James Ingham Clark, Deputy</i>	a Parish Administrator <i>Citizen and Distiller Citizen and Clothworker</i>	Spitalfields, Tower Hamlets
John Anthony Michael Parrish <i>Karl James Flanagan Walter Balmford</i>	a Farmer <i>Citizen and Baker Citizen and Lightmonger</i>	Navestock, Romford, Essex
Adam Lee Goldstone <i>Mervyn Doreen Redding Lawrence John Day</i>	a Snooker & Pool Club Director <i>Citizen and Basketmaker Citizen and Maker of Playing Cards</i>	Newcastle-upon-Tyne
Harsimran Singh Bahra <i>Anne Elizabeth Holden Joseph Larry Herzberg</i>	a Student <i>Citizen and Basketmaker Citizen and Apothecary</i>	Frome, Somerset
Marcus Ramsay Wigan <i>John Anthony Hayton, TD John Graham Eacott</i>	a Professor <i>Citizen and Bowyer Citizen and Air Pilot</i>	Eaglemont, Victoria, Australia
Philip Anthony Hewitt <i>Nigel John Palmer David John Schofield</i>	a Construction Manager, retired <i>Citizen and Lightmonger Citizen and Lightmonger</i>	Selborne, Hampshire
John Peter Latchford <i>Peter Hubert William Ruddy Melvyn Stuart Davis</i>	an Administrator <i>Citizen and Bowyer Citizen and Bowyer</i>	Stanford-le-Hope, Essex

Philip Neil South <i>Catherine Sidony McGuinness, Deputy</i> <i>Wendy Mead, OBE, CC</i>	a Mechanical Engineering Company Director <i>Citizen and Solicitor</i> <i>Citizen and Glover</i>	Chatham, Kent
Peter Davies <i>Geoffrey Douglas Ellis</i> <i>Wesley Val Hollands</i>	a Royal Navy Officer, retired <i>Citizen and Joiner</i> <i>Citizen and Loriner</i>	Locks Heath, Hants
Michael Alfred Wren <i>Charles Barry Scrutton</i> <i>Patricia Agnes Campfield, MBE</i>	a Principal Buyer, retired <i>Citizen and Basketmaker</i> <i>Citizen and Wheelwright</i>	Ilford, Essex
Toby James Symes Briggs <i>Timothy Russell Hailes, Ald., JP</i> <i>Michael Raymond Mainelli, Ald.</i>	a Payment Fraud Disruption Executive <i>Citizen and International Banker</i> <i>Citizen and World Trader</i>	Battersea, London
John Robert Styles, MBE <i>Andrew Michael Williams</i> <i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i>	an Entertainer <i>Citizen and Information Technologist</i>	Sidcup, Kent
Gary Robinson <i>Michael Peter Cawston</i> <i>Thomas John Dean</i>	a Financial Services Managing Director <i>Citizen and Tyler and Bricklayer</i> <i>Citizen and Glover</i>	Weaverham, Cheshire
David Sodey <i>Stanley Brown, QGM, TD</i> <i>Michael Richard Adkins</i>	a Mortgage Broker, retired <i>Citizen and Loriner</i> <i>Citizen and Water Conservator</i>	Saffron Walden, Essex
Veronica Anne Spofforth <i>David Mark Spofforth, OBE</i> <i>Jonathan Grosvenor</i>	a Restaurateur, retired <i>Citizen and Horner</i> <i>Citizen and Chartered Accountant</i>	Slindon, Sussex
Niall Lalith Wijetunge <i>Timothy John Delano Cunis</i> <i>Richard Cawton Cunis</i>	a Financial Adviser <i>Citizen and Merchant Taylor</i> <i>Citizen and Mercer</i>	Frimley, Camberley, Surrey
Lt. Col. Michael George Taylor, MBE <i>Susan Garland-Worthington, OBE</i> <i>Hugh Terence Ivan West</i>	a Regular Army Officer <i>Citizen and Marketor</i> <i>Citizen and Marketor</i>	Biggin Hill, Kent
Nigel Stuart Dix <i>Christopher Nigel Bilsland</i> <i>Jeremy Paul Mayhew, CC</i>	a Support Worker <i>Citizen and Farrier</i> <i>Citizen and Loriner</i>	Caerphilly, Wales
Philip Michael Whatmough <i>Audrey Jean Smith</i> <i>Rowena Dorothy Patrick</i>	a Medical Practitioner, retired <i>Citizen and Glass Seller</i> <i>Citizen and Glass Seller</i>	Aldershot, Hants
Peter Derek Brookes, CBE <i>Jeremy Paul Mayhew, CC</i> <i>Catherine Sidony McGuinness, Deputy</i>	a Cartoonist <i>Citizen and Loriner</i> <i>Citizen and Solicitor</i>	Blackheath, London
Hans Torbjorn Sohlstrom <i>Vivian Michael Sternberg</i> <i>Jonathan Lionel Cohen, QC</i>	The Ambassador of Sweden <i>Citizen and Horner</i> <i>Citizen and Skinner</i>	Marylebone, London

Rt. Hon. Lord Christopher Smith <i>Thomas Gerald Christopherson</i> <i>Alastair Pinckard Leslie</i>	The Master of Pembroke College <i>Citizen and Tyler & Bricklayer</i> <i>Citizen and Clothworker</i>	Clerkenwell, London
Steven Paul Summers <i>Charles Edward Beck Bowman, Ald.</i> <i>Mark John Boleat, CC</i>	The Lord Mayor of Westminster <i>Citizen and Grocer</i> <i>Citizen and Insurer</i>	Westminster, London
His Excellency Daniel Gerard Mulhall <i>Mark John Boleat, CC</i> <i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i>	The Irish Ambassador <i>Citizen and Insurer</i>	Belgravia, London
Philip Dewey Bryant <i>Mark John Boleat, CC</i> <i>Matthew Charles Falco Lombardi</i> <i>Richardson, Ald.</i>	The Governor of Mississippi <i>Citizen and Insurer</i> <i>Citizen and Wax Chandler</i>	Jackson, Mississippi, United States of America

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 the Chamberlain do admit them severally to their Freedom accordingly.

11. Legislation

The Court received a report on measures introduced by Parliament which might have an effect on the services provided by the City Corporation as follows:-

Bills

Prisons and Courts Bill

The Bill will, amongst other things, pave the way for the extension of the use of video links and 'virtual' court hearings (with consequent implications for the way the Courts' estate is used) and the abolition of local justice areas, which currently substantially govern the disposal of magistrates' courts business.

Statutory Instruments

Date in force

The Non-Domestic Rating (Alteration of Lists and Appeals) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2017, S.I. No. 155
The Valuation Tribunal for England (Council Tax and Rating Appeals) (Procedure) (Amendment) Regulations 2017, S.I. No. 156

1 April 2017

The Regulations introduce a new 'check, challenge, appeal' procedure for making appeals against rating valuations, intended to ensure that only meritorious challenges receive a full hearing.

The Equality Act 2010 (Gender Pay Gap Information) Regulations 2017, S.I. No. 172

6 April 2017

The Regulations require employers with more than 250 employees to publish annual information about pay differences between male and female employees. They apply to the Common Council other than in its capacity as a local authority and port health authority (but see S.I. No. 353 below).

The Housing Benefit and Universal Credit (Size Criteria) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2017, S.I. No. 213

1 April 2017

The Regulations amend the under-occupancy charge ('bedroom tax') to provide exceptions where bedrooms are required by overnight carers or severely disabled children, following an adverse court judgment last year.

The Trade Union (Facility Time Publication Requirements) Regulations 2017, S.I. No. 328

1 April 2017

The Regulations set out details of the information which public sector employers (including the Common Council) must publish about paid 'facility time' afforded to trade union officials for union business, under statutory requirements introduced last year.

The Equality Act 2010 (Specific Duties and Public Authorities) Regulations 2017, S.I. No. 353

31 March 2017

The Regulations require public sector bodies to publish annual information about pay differences between male and female employees and about their compliance with the public sector equality duty, and to set public objectives to advance equality aims. They apply to the Common Council in its capacity as a local authority and port heath authority.

The Rent Repayment Orders and Financial Penalties (Amounts Recovered) (England) Regulations 2017, S.I. No. 367

6 April 2017

The Regulations specify how local housing authorities (including the Common Council acting in that capacity) are to use proceeds of rent repayment orders or financial penalties issued to private sector landlords under powers introduced last year. The proceeds must be used to meet costs of functions to do with the private rented sector or paid to the Government.

The Social Security (Restrictions on Amounts for Children and Qualifying Young Persons) Amendment Regulations 2017, S.I. No. 376

6 April 2017

The Regulations amend various social security rules, including those on housing benefit, to reflect the two-child limit on tax credits introduced by the Government.

The Town and Country Planning (Permission in Principle) Order 2017, S.I. No. 402

16 April 2017

The Town and Country Planning (Brownfield Land Register) Regulations 2017, S.I. No. 403

The Regulations require local planning authorities (including the Common Council acting in that capacity) to establish registers of brownfield land in their areas which is suitable and available for housing development. The Order grants planning permission in principle for such development.

The Licensing Act 2003 (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2017, S.I. No. 411

6 April 2017

The Regulations amend certain licensing forms in order to reflect recent changes to licensing law, such as the abolition of the need to renew personal licences.

The Income Tax (Pay As You Earn) (Amendment) Regulations 2017, S.I. No. 414

6 April 2017

The Regulations amend the PAYE income tax collecting system in order that it can be used to collect the new apprenticeship levy payable by large

employers.

The Childcare (Provision of Information About Young Children) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2017, S.I. No. 461

1 September 2017

The Regulations extend the classes of information which early-years childcare providers may be obliged to provide to the Government and local authorities.

The Local Authorities (Public Health Functions and Entry to Premises by Local Healthwatch Representatives) (Amendment) Regulations 2017, S.I. No. 505

1 April 2017

The Regulations require ongoing provision by local authorities (including the Common Council acting in that capacity) of 'health and development assessment and reviews', carried out by family nurses, to pregnant mothers and children up to the age of 5. They replace a time-limited duty to like effect.

The Public Sector Apprenticeship Targets Regulations 2017, S.I. No. 513

31 March 2017

The Regulations set out the public sector apprenticeship target for public bodies (including the Common Council in its capacity as a local authority, police authority or port health authority). The target is to employ 2.3% of the workforce as apprentices on average between 2017 and 2021.

The Local Authorities (Capital Finance and Accounting) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2017, S.I. No. 536

1 May 2017

The Regulations revise elements of the formula used to calculate the proportion of capital receipts from the sale of housing land which local authorities (including the Common Council acting in that capacity) must pay into the Government pool.

(The text of the measures and the explanatory notes may be obtained from the Remembrancer's office.)

12. Ballot
Results

The Town Clerk reported the results of a ballot taken at the last Court, as follows:-

Five Members to The Honourable The Irish Society.

	Votes
Peter Gerard Dunphy	64
Ann Holmes	43
Wendy Hyde, Deputy	59
Vivienne Littlechild, J.P.	48
Jeremy Paul Mayhew	30
Hugh Fenton Morris	52
Jeremy Lewis Simons	45

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Peter Dunphy, Deputy Wendy Hyde, Vivienne Littlechild, Hugh Morris and Jeremy Simons to be appointed to The Honourable The Irish Society for three year terms expiring March 2020.

13. White Paper:
Appointment of

The Court proceeded to make the annual appointment of Committees. Members received an addendum to the report, highlighting those amendments required to the

Committees

White Paper since its publication with the agenda.

Resolved – That the several Committees as set out in the White Paper be appointed until the first meeting of the Court in April 2018, and that the terms of reference and constitutions be also approved, subject to the circulated amendments to the Community & Children's Services and Freedom Applications Committees, as well as the Board of Governors of the City of London School.

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

Nominations received for vacancies of varying terms:-

Where appropriate:-

* denotes a Member standing for re-appointment;

denotes a Member with fewer than five years' service on the Court; and

^ denotes a Member whose primary residence is in the City.

a) Policy and Resources Committee (six vacancies).

(Contest)

Nominations received:-

Keith David Forbes Bottomley, Deputy

Roger Arthur Holden Chadwick, Deputy

Peter Gerard Dunphy

Emma Edhem

Kevin Malcolm Everett, Deputy

Anne Helen Fairweather

Sophie Anne Fernandes

*Stuart John Fraser, C.B.E.

Christopher Michael Hayward

Ann Holmes

Clare James, Deputy

Gregory Alfred Lawrence

Vivienne Littlechild, J.P.

Andrew Stratton McMurtrie, J.P.

*Joyce Carruthers Nash, O.B.E., Deputy

John George Stewart Scott, J.P.

*Sir Michael Snyder

*John Tomlinson, Deputy

James Richard Tumbridge

Michael Welbank, M.B.E.

Mark Raymond Peter Henry Delano Wheatley

Philip John Woodhouse, Deputy

Read.

b) Hospitality Working Party of the Policy and Resources Committee (three vacancies).

(Contest)

Nominations received:-

Roger Arthur Holden Chadwick, Deputy

*Simon D'Olier Duckworth, O.B.E., D.L.
Jamie Ingham Clark, Deputy
Charles Edward Lord, O.B.E., J.P., Deputy
Wendy Mead, O.B.E.
James Richard Tumbridge

Read.

c) Members' Privileges Sub (Policy and Resources) Committee (four vacancies).
(Contest)

Nominations received:-

Simon D'Olier Duckworth, O.B.E., D.L.
Kevin Malcolm Everett, Deputy
*Charles Edward Lord, O.B.E., J.P., Deputy
Jeremy Lewis Simons
Richard David Regan O.B.E., Deputy

Read.

d) Courts Sub (Policy and Resources) Committee (one vacancy).
(Contest)

Nominations received:-

Emma Edhem
Alison Gowman, Alderman

Read.

e) Investment Committee (five vacancies).
(Contest)

Nominations received:-

Alexander Robertson Martin Barr
Christopher Paul Boden
James De Sausmarez
*Simon D'Olier Duckworth. O.B.E., D.L.
Joan Mary Durcan
Alison Gowman, Alderman
Christopher Hill
Tom Hoffman, Deputy
*Robert Picton Seymour Howard, Alderman
Michael Hudson
The Hon. Tim Levene
Andrien Gereith Dominic Meyers
*James Henry George Pollard, Deputy

Read.

f) Audit and Risk Management Committee (four vacancies).
(No contest)

Nominations received:-

Randall Keith Anderson
*Nicholas John Anstee, Alderman
Christopher Paul Boden
Paul Nicholas Martinelli

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Randall Anderson, Alderman Nick Anstee, Chris Boden and Paul Martinelli to be appointed to the Audit and Risk Management Committee.

g) Police Committee (four vacancies).

N.B. One vacancy must be filled by a Member whose primary residence is in the City.

(Contest)

Nominations received:-

*Keith David Forbes Bottomley, Deputy
*Nicholas Michael Bensted-Smith, J.P.
^Joan Mary Durcan
Emma Edhem
^*Alison Gowman, Alderman
Robert Allan Merrett, Deputy

Read.

h) Board of Governors of the City of London School (five vacancies)

(No contest)

Nominations received:-

Alexander Robertson Martin Barr
*Keith David Forbes Bottomley, Deputy
Caroline Wilma Haines
Timothy Levene
*Charles Edward Lord, O.B.E., J.P., Deputy

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Alexander Barr, Deputy Keith Bottomley, Caroline Haines, Timothy Levene and Deputy Edward Lord to be appointed to the Board of Governors of the City of London School.

i) Board of Governors of the City of London School for Girls (five vacancies).

(No contest)

Nominations received:-

Emma Edhem
*Clare James, Deputy

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Emma Edhem and Deputy Clare James to be appointed to the Board of Governors of the City of London School for Girls.

j) Board of Governors of the City of London Freeman's School (six vacancies).
(No contest)

Nominations received:-

- *Roger Arthur Holden Chadwick, Deputy
- *Vivienne Littlechild, J.P.
- *Hugh Fenton Morris

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Deputy Roger Chadwick, Vivienne Littlechild and Hugh Morris to be appointed to the Board of Governors of the City of London Freeman's School.

k) Board of Governors of the Guildhall School of Music & Drama (three vacancies).

N.B. One vacancy must be filled by a Member with fewer than five years' service on the Court.

(Contest)

Nominations received:-

- #Randall Keith Anderson
- #Mark Bostock
- Michael Cassidy, C.B.E., Deputy
- #Andrew Paul Mayer
- *William Anthony Bowater Russell, Alderman & Sheriff
- #Graham David Packham
- #Oliver Sells, Q.C.

Read.

l) Gresham Committee (City Side) (three vacancies).

N.B. One vacancy must be filled by a Member with fewer than five years' service on the Court.

(Contest)

Nominations received:-

- #Peter Gordon Bennett
- #Nicholas Michael Bensted-Smith, J.P.
- Kevin Malcolm Everett, Deputy
- #Graeme George Harrower
- #Christopher Michael Hayward
- Charles Edward Lord, O.B.E., J.P., Deputy
- #Andrew Paul Mayer
- Jeremy Paul Mayhew

Read.

m) Establishment Committee (five vacancies).
(Contest)

Nominations received:-

- *Mark Boleat
- Keith David Forbes Bottomley, Deputy
- Sophie Anne Fernandes
- *Michael Hudson

*Sylvia Doreen Moys
Ruby Sayed

Read.

n) Open Spaces, City Gardens and West Ham Park Committees (three vacancies on each Committee).
(Contest)

Nominations received:-

Thomas Cowley Clementi
*Barbara Patricia Newman, C.B.E.
Susan Jane Pearson
Oliver Sells, Q.C.
John Tomlinson, Deputy

Read.

o) Epping Forest & Commons Committee (three vacancies).
(No contest)

Nominations received:-

Peter Gordon Bennett
Caroline Wilma Haines
Gregory Alfred Lawrence

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Peter Bennett, Caroline Haines and Greg Lawrence to be appointed to the Epping Forest & Commons Committee.

p) Hampstead Heath, Highgate Wood & Queen's Park Committee (six vacancies).
(No contest)

Nominations received:-

Ruby Sayed
Oliver Sells, Q.C.
William Upton

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Ruby Sayed, Oliver Sells and William Upton to be appointed to the Hampstead Heath, Highgate Wood & Queen's Park Committee.

q) Barbican Residential Committee, in the category of non-resident (seven vacancies).
(No contest)

Nominations received:-

Adrian Mark Bastow
*Christopher Paul Boden
Susan Jane Pearson

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Adrian Bastow, Chris Boden and Susan Pearson to be appointed to the Barbican Residential Committee.

r) Barbican Centre Board (three vacancies).

(Contest)

Nominations received:-

*Tom Hoffman, Deputy

Wendy Hyde, Deputy

*Judith Pleasance

*Dr Giles Robert Evelyn Shilson, Deputy

Read.

s) The City Bridge Trust Committee (four vacancies).

(Contest)

Nominations received:-

Matthew Bell

*Stuart John Fraser, C.B.E.

Christopher Hill

*Vivienne Littlechild, J.P.

*Charles Edward Lord, O.B.E., J.P., Deputy

Paul Nicholas Martinelli

Judith Pleasance

Dr Giles Robert Evelyn Shilson, Deputy

Read.

t) Standards Committee (four vacancies).

(Contest)

Nominations received:-

Caroline Kordai Addy

Christopher Paul Boden

Ann Holmes

Kevin Malcolm Everett, Deputy

Michael Hudson

*Oliver Arthur Wynlayne Lodge

Read.

u) Licensing Committee (six vacancies).

(No contest)

Nominations received:-

*Keith David Forbes Bottomley, Deputy

*Peter Gerard Dunphy

Joan Mary Durcan

*Jamie Ingham Clark, Deputy

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Deputy Keith Bottomley, Peter Dunphy, Mary Durcan and Deputy Jamie Ingham Clark to be appointed to the Licensing Committee.

v) Health & Wellbeing Board (one vacancy).

(Contest)

Nominations received:-

Thomas Alexander Anderson

Matthew Bell

Susan Jane Pearson

Read.

w) Education Board (three vacancies).

(Contest)

Nominations received:-

*Henry Nicholas Almroth Colthurst

Roger Arthur Holden Chadwick, Deputy

Kevin Malcom Everett, Deputy

Caroline Wilma Haines

Christopher Michael Hayward

*The Lord Mountevans, Alderman

Philip John Woodhouse, Deputy

The Court agreed a request from Deputy Philip Woodhouse to withdraw his nomination.

Read.

x) Health and Social Care Scrutiny Committee (one vacancy)

(No contest)

Nominations received:-

Emma Edhem

y) Livery Committee (two vacancies).

(Contest)

Nominations received:-

Henry Nicholas Almroth Colthurst

Jamie Ingham Clark, Deputy

Robert Allan Merrett, Deputy

*Ian Christopher Norman Seaton

Philip John Woodhouse, Deputy

Read.

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

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

14.
Appointments to
Vacancies on
Ward
Committees

The Court proceeded to consider appointments to vacancies on Ward Committees.

a) Planning & Transportation Committee (one vacancy).
(Contest)

Nominations received:-

David John Bradshaw, Deputy
Paul Nicholas Martinelli

Read.

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

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

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

b) Markets Committee (three vacancies).
(No contest)

Nominations received:-

Joyce Carruthers Nash, O.B.E., Deputy
Ruby Sayed
Oliver Sells, Q.C.

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Deputy Joyce Nash, Ruby Sayed and Oliver Sells to be appointed to the Markets Committee.

c) Community & Children's Services (nine vacancies).
(No contest)

Nominations received:-

Randall Keith Anderson
Joan Mary Durcan
David Andrew Graves, Alderman
Catherine McGuinness, Deputy
Barbara Patricia Newman, C.B.E.
Susan Jane Pearson
William Pimlott
Jason Paul Pritchard

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Randall Anderson, Mary Durcan, Alderman David Graves, Deputy Catherine McGuinness, Barbara Newman, Susan Pearson, William Pimlott and Jason Pritchard to be appointed to the Community & Children's Services Committee.

15. Questions

City-wide Elections

Deputy Brian Mooney asked a question of the Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee concerning the recent City-wide elections and seeking details as to the level of turnout and postal voting compared to the 2013 elections.

Responding, the Chairman advised that the total turnout figure for the recent City-wide elections was 33.41%, representing some 4779 votes cast. Of these 4779 votes, 2803 (just under 59%) were postal votes.

This compared to an overall turnout of 24.93% at the previous 2013 City-wide election, which also saw just over 57% of voters use postal votes. However, it was important to bear in mind that the figures did not represent a like-for-like comparison, as the electoral register was now smaller and much more accurate as a consequence of an exercise to "clean up" the register following the last election.

In response to a supplementary question from Deputy Mooney concerning the possibility of introducing electronic voting, the Chairman reminded Members of the response he had previously provided on this issue at the December 2016 meeting of the Court. He confirmed that the legal and practical barriers outlined at the time were still in play and cautioned that acting in isolation would be unwise. He reiterated his agreement that e-voting was, in principle, the obvious next step in terms of democratic engagement, but that until the technology was in place, it would not be something the City of London Corporation was in a position to pursue. However, the City Corporation would continue to monitor developments and engage as appropriate with Government and others on this issue.

Reference was also made to the hard work and professionalism of the City Corporation's electoral team during the City-wide elections.

Business Rate Reform

Henry Colthurst asked a question of the Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee regarding action being taken by the City Corporation to promote a fundamental review of business rates.

The Chairman agreed that there was a clear need to look into a tax that was more representative of the way business was now conducted, especially with growing online trading operations; indeed, this was a challenge faced not just by UK local and central government, but one recognised by colleagues in other major global cities.

Detailed work on suggestions for a replacement tax had not yet been started by the City Corporation however, as the focus of work on the business rates system had changed in recent months in response to the Chancellor's budget announcement of a London pilot for fiscal devolution. Notwithstanding this however, he assured

Members that the City Corporation would be proactively monitoring the development of central government policy following the forthcoming General Election, particularly any developments in business rates policy.

16. Motions

There were no motions.

17. Awards & Prizes

The Court received a report of the Chairman of the Planning and Transportation Committee, advising that the City of London Corporation had been awarded the Mayor of London's Award for Planning Excellence.

18.

POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

(Mark Boleat)

19 January 2017

(A) Review of the appointment process for Deputy Chairmen of the Policy and Resources Committee

In 2012, as part of the post-implementation review of the City Corporation's governance arrangements, the Court of Common Council agreed to the appointment of three Deputy Chairmen for the Policy and Resources Committee to support and assist the Chairman on matters of policy and strategy.

The arrangements having subsequently been reviewed by the Policy and Resources Committee, it was felt that greater clarity should be provided as to which of the Deputies would undertake the statutory role (e.g. dealing with requests for decisions under the urgency procedures or delegated authority and chairing meetings of the Committee). Consequently it was agreed that, other than in the first or fifth year of a chairmanship, one of the appointments should be designated as the Deputy Chairman and the remaining two as Vice Chairmen. Deciding which of the three appointees would exercise the formal responsibilities of Deputy Chairman for the coming year would be settled by the Chairman, in consultation with the three appointees.

The Court of Common Council was therefore **recommended** to approve the amendment of Standing Orders and the Protocol for the election of Deputy Chairmen of the Policy and Resources Committee to reflect these revised arrangements.

Resolved – That:-

- i) with the exception of the first and fifth year of a chairmanship, the Policy and Resources Committee shall elect three Deputies, with one of the appointments being designated as the Deputy Chairman to exercise the formal responsibilities and the remaining two as Vice Chairmen;
- ii) in the fifth year of a chairmanship, all three appointments shall be made at the same meeting, starting with the election of the "Chairman in waiting"; and
- iii) Standing Order No.30 be amended accordingly.

6 April 2017

(B) Board of Guarantors for Innovate Finance – Appointment of Alderman William Russell as Guarantor and Co-Chair

Innovate Finance, an independent not-for-profit membership association representing the UK's global FinTech community, had invited the City of London Corporation to nominate a Guarantor and Co-Chair to their Board of Guarantors. The Outside Bodies Sub (Policy and Resources) Committee and Policy and Resources Committee, having considered the request, subsequently **recommended** to the Court of Common Council that Alderman William Russell be nominated to the position based on his skills and experience.

Resolved – That Alderman William Russell be nominated to be Guarantor and Co-Chair of the new Board of Guarantors for Innovate Finance, subject to the Alderman being satisfied with the role once it is defined in Innovate Finance's new governance documentation.

19.

HOSPITALITY WORKING PARTY OF THE POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

(Wendy Mead, O.B.E.)

6 April 2017

Applications for the Use of Guildhall

In accordance with the arrangements approved by the Court on 21 June 2001 for the approval of applications for the use of Guildhall, the Court was informed of the following applications which had been agreed to:-

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Function</u>
Black British Classical Foundation	Thursday 15 June 2017	Dinner
British Film Institute	Monday 2 October 2017 Tuesday 3 October 2017	Dinner
Reward Gateway	Thursday 5 October 2017	Awards Ceremony and Dinner
St Christopher's Hospice	Sunday 8 October 2017	Dinner
Standard Chartered Bank Pensioners' Association	Friday 27 October 2017	Lunch
British Red Cross	Sunday 26 November 2017 Monday 27 November 2017 Tuesday 28 November 2017 Wednesday 29 November 2017	Christmas Market
Rothschild & Co	Thursday 7 December 2017	Reception
ESS Productions Ltd	Friday 8 December 2017	Dinner
Private Drama	Friday 15 December 2017	Performance

Wine and Spirit Education Trust	Monday 22 January 2018	Awards Ceremony
The Royal Anniversary Trust	Wednesday 21 February 2018	Dinner
City Food Lecture Organising Committee	Wednesday 28 February 2018	Lecture
CoL International Women's Day Group	Friday 9 March 2018 Friday 8 March 2019	Conference
The London Platinum and Palladium Market	Tuesday 15 May 2018 Tuesday 14 May 2019	Reception
AT Kearney Limited	Friday 7 September 2018	Dinner
WIZO UK	Wednesday 21 November 2018	Dinner

Resolved – That the several applications be noted.

20. **PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

(Christopher Michael Hayward)

14 February 2017

Shoe Lane Quarter Public Realm Enhancements – Phase 2

The Court considered a Gateway 4c report concerning the Shoe Lane Quarter Public Realm Enhancement project, which involved a wide range of measures on the highway around the London Development Project at Shoe Lane. The intent of the project was to enhance the public realm on Stonecutter Street, Shoe Lane and Plumtree Court to provide an improved environment for the high number of workers, residents and visitors expected in the area. The key features of the project were:

- enhancing provision for pedestrians by providing widened footways, trees and raised carriageways;
- enabling access to the new building for people and vehicles;
- providing a secure line of building protection measures on the footway

The Court was **recommended** to approve the continuation of the project at an estimated cost of £8,087,054, to be funded entirely from Section 278 and Section 106 contributions related to building projects in the area.

Resolved – That approval be given to the continuation of the project at an estimated cost of £8,087,054, to be funded entirely from Section 278 and Section 106 contributions related to building projects in the area.

21. *Resolved* – that the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business below on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 1 and 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act, 1972.

Summary of exempt items considered whilst the public were excluded:-

22. Non-public
Minutes

Resolved – that the non-public Minutes of the last Court are correctly recorded.

23.

Property Investment Board

The Court:-

- (A) noted action taken under urgency procedures concerning the sale of a property; and
- (B) noted action taken under urgency procedures concerning the purchase of a property.

Hospitality Working Party of the Policy and Resources Committee

The Court:-

- (A) approved an urgent item concerning the award of an Honorary Freedom to Her Excellency Daw Aung San Suu Kyi on 8 May 2017; and
- (B) approved an urgent item concerning the proposed terms of an Address of Welcome to be presented to His Majesty, King Felipe VI of Spain, upon the occasion of his State Visit to this country in July 2017.

The meeting commenced at 1.00 pm and ended at 2.00 pm

BARRADELL.