

Committee:	Date:
Culture, Heritage and Libraries Committee	14 May 2018
Subject: Appointment of the Benefices Sub Committee and appointments to the Keats House Consultative Committee 2018/19	Public
Report of: Town Clerk	For Decision
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Summary

The purpose of this report is to ask the Culture, Heritage and Libraries Committee to:

- a) Appoint the Benefices Sub-Committee, which receives nominations from the whole Court of Common Council, and approve its composition and Terms of Reference; and
- b) appoint two of its Members to serve on the Keats House Consultative Committee and approve its composition and Terms of Reference.

Details of the composition and Terms of Reference of the Benefices Sub-committees are set out in **Appendix A**. Details of the composition and Terms of Reference of the Keats House Consultative Committee and the representatives which the Committee is requested to appoint are set out in **Appendix B**.

Recommendations

The Committee is asked to:

- 1 Agree the appointment, composition and Terms of Reference of the Benefices Sub-Committee. *(Up to 8 Members, with the Chairman and Deputy Chairman as ex-officio)*
2. Appoint two representatives to the Keats House Consultative Committee. *(With the Chairman an Deputy Chairman as ex-officio)* and approve its composition and Terms of Reference.

Main Report

1. The purpose of this report is to consider the appointment of the Benefices Sub-Committee for 2018/19 and to approve its composition and Terms of Reference. In addition, the Culture, Heritage and Libraries Committee is asked to appoint two of its Members to serve on the Keats House Consultative Committee.

Benefices Sub Committee

2. At the Culture, Heritage and Libraries Committee on 2 March 2015, Members agreed to widen the field of nominees to the Benefices Sub Committee, in order to build a pool of Members who would be able and willing to make a *Declaration of Membership**, should the need arise. **(Please see Appendix A)**
3. This arrangement has worked well and, over the past 3 years, Sub-Committee Members have undertaken at least one visit a year/attendance of a service at each of the City's Benefices. All Members of the Court have been canvassed for nominations, and the names of those expressing an interest will be circulated before the meeting of the Culture, Heritage and Libraries Committee on 14th May 2018. The Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Culture, Heritage and Libraries Committee serve as ex-officios:

Keats House Consultative Committee

4. The Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Grand Committee (as ex-officio), together with 2 other Members of this Committee, are usually appointed to serve on the Keats House Consultative Committee. Members are invited to indicate whether they wish to serve. **(Please see Appendix B)**

Conclusion

Members are asked to note the contents of this report and consider the appointments, compositions and Terms of Reference as set out in the recommendations.

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2. **Benefices Sub Committee: Current Membership 9**

Up to 8 Members of the Court to be appointed by the Committee - the total membership being 10, including the Chairman and Deputy Chairman as Ex-officio Members).

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2.1 **The Chairman of this Sub Committee is elected from amongst its membership. In 2017/18 the Membership comprised:**

Chairman of the Grand Committee (Ex-officio)
Deputy Chairman of the Grand Committee (Ex-officio)
1. Andrew McMurtrie – Chairman (2016)
2. Alderman Gregory Jones QC – Deputy Chairman (2016)
3. Lord Mountevans
4. Jamie Ingham Clark
5. Tom Hoffman
6. Ann Holmes
7. James de Sausmarez
8. vacancy

2.2 **Terms of Reference:**

To consider matters relating to the City's obligations for its various Benefices.

**The Patronage (Benefices) Measure 1986 and The Patronage (Benefices) Rules 1987, seek to confine the exercise of Church of England Patronage; i.e. the right to present Clergy, to a responsible person who is an actual Communicant Member of the Church of England or of a church in communion with it. On receiving notice of a vacancy, the City of London Corporation, as patron, is required to appoint an individual who is 'willing and able to make the Declaration of Membership and act as its representative to discharge its functions as registered patron'. In practice, the Chairman of the Sub-Committee, being a person able and willing to make the declaration, is usually appointed as the City of London Corporation's representative and this practice has worked well.*

APPENDIX B

Keats House Consultative Committee

2 Members to be appointed by the Grand Committee (in addition to the Chairman and Deputy Chairman as ex-officio appointments).

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1.1 The current composition is as follows:

Name	Representing
Graham Packham	Chairman (Ex-officio)
Vivienne Littlechild	Deputy Chairman (Ex-officio)
Graeme Harrower	Culture, Heritage and Libraries Committee
Jeremy Simons	Culture, Heritage and Libraries Committee
Karina Dostalova	Hampstead Heath, Highgate Wood and Queen's Park Committee
Bob Hall	Keats Foundation
Jim Burge	Heath Hurst Road Residents' Association
Stephen Bobasch	Keats Community Library
Vacant	South End Green Association
Harriet Cullen	Keats-Shelley Memorial Association
Martin Humphery	Hampstead Conservation Area Advisory Committee/Heath and Hampstead Society

1.2 Meetings are to be chaired by the Chairman of the Grand Committee who attends (ex-officio) together with the Deputy Chairman (also ex-officio) and two other Members of the Committee.

Terms of Reference:-

To make representations to the Culture, Heritage and Libraries Committee about any matter which, in the opinion of the Consultative Committee, affects or is likely to affect Keats House.