

## Report – Hospitality Working Party of the Policy and Resources Committee

### Applications for Hospitality

*To be presented on Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> May 2018*

*To the Right Honourable The Lord Mayor, Aldermen and Commons  
of the City of London in Common Council assembled.*

**(a) Early Evening reception for the Central London Bench**

The City has a long history of association with the administration of justice and, in particular, with the City Magistracy. The City of London Magistrates' Court is housed at 1 Queen Victoria Street, which is owned by the City Corporation and provided to the Ministry of Justice and HM Courts and Tribunal Service (HMCTS). The City Corporation is currently working with HMCTS on a proposal for a new combined court centre in the City of London that would enable all existing Courts in the Square Mile (except the Central Criminal Court) to be consolidated into a new multi-purpose flagship centre with a primary focus on fraud, economic crime and cyber-crime.

It is proposed that the City Corporation hosts an early evening reception for the Central London Bench. The reception would provide an opportunity to build on the longstanding relationship the City Corporation has with the Central London Bench and to highlight the contribution made by the City Corporation to the administration of justice in London including the proposal for the combined court centre.

Guests would include representatives from the Central London Bench, Government and legal sector organisations such as the Law Society and Bar Council and Members with relevant interests.

It is therefore **recommended** that hospitality be granted for an early evening reception for the Central London Bench and that arrangements be made under the auspices of the Hospitality Working Party; the costs to be met from City's Cash and within approved parameters.

The host element would be the Hospitality Working Party, Chairman and Deputy Chairman of Police Committee, Members who are Magistrates on the Central London Bench and Members with relevant interests.

**(b) Early evening reception to celebrate the success of ParalympicsGB at the 2018 Winter Paralympic Games**

The PyeongChang 2018 Paralympic Winter Games were the most successful in ParalympicsGB's history with one Gold, four Silver and two Bronze medals being awarded.

The City Corporation has been approached by Disability SnowSport UK (DSUK) to host a reception to mark the success of ParalympicsGB in the Winter Paralympic Games. DSUK is the UK national governing body for disabled snow sports.

DSUK aims to provide access to snow sports for disabled people across the UK through activities such as the delivery of adaptable lessons, residential activity weeks throughout Europe and the USA, and the training of instructors and volunteer helpers.

It is proposed that the City Corporation hosts an early evening reception to celebrate the achievements of ParalympicsGB at the Winter Paralympic Games. The occasion would provide an opportunity for the City Corporation to demonstrate its continuing commitment to sport following the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games. The reception would also be an opportunity to mark DSUK's renewed focus on grass roots level initiatives.

Guests would include Winter Paralympians, representatives from DSUK, sponsors and partners of ParalympicsGB, representatives from relevant sporting organisations and bodies such as UK Sport, Sport England, the British Paralympic Association and the International Paralympic Committee, Government, GLA and Members with relevant interests.

It is therefore **recommended** that hospitality be granted for an early evening reception to celebrate the success of ParalympicsGB and that arrangements be made under the auspices of the Policy and Resources Committee; the costs to be met from City's Cash and within approved parameters.

The host element would be the Public Relations and Economic Development Sub (Policy and Resources) Committee, Hospitality Working Party and Members with relevant interests.

All of which we submit to the judgement of this Honourable Court.

DATED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of April 2018.

SIGNED on behalf of the Working Party.

**Wendy Mead, OBE**  
Chief Commoner and Chairman, Hospitality Working Party