



Court of Common Council

Date: THURSDAY, 24 JULY 2025

Time: 1.00 pm

Venue: GUILDHALL

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Town Clerk and Chief Executive

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QUESTIONS SUMMARY

- 1. Deputy Nighat Qureishi to ask a question of the Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee concerning the City Corporation's US Office:-**

"In current geopolitics, our visible presence worldwide is very important and provides an advantage for square mile to leverage from. This is evident from the Lord Mayor's global visits.

Please can the Chair of Policy & Resources provide an update whether success of the US office has been achieved, the plans which have been delayed and the costs of the office? Will the US office be providing an annual statement to the Court?"

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- 2. Deputy John Fletcher to ask a question of the Chair of the Community and Children's Services Committee concerning the City Corporation's social housing stock:-**

"After the last meeting of this Honourable Court, a Motion proposed by Alderwoman Martha Grekos may have inadvertently left the impression that nothing was currently being done to improve the unacceptable state of some of our social housing stock, because required funding was not yet in place.

Could the Chair please correct this impression and reassure Members, constituents and especially our tenants, explaining how her committee is getting stuck into the problem now, rather than sitting back and waiting for full funding."

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- 3. Deputy Madush Gupta to ask a question of the Chair of the City of London Police Authority Board concerning the Police Efficiency, Effectiveness and Legitimacy (PEEL) inspection undertaken by HM Inspectorate:-**

"A key asset to the City of London for residents, businesses and visitors is that we have our own police service dedicated to keeping the Square Mile safe and leading the UK's fight against fraud, economic and cyber crime.

An important role of our Police Authority Board and indeed this Honourable Court is to scrutinise the City of London Police's performance. Could the Chair of the Police Authority Board update this Honourable Court on the outcome of the recent inspection by HM Inspectorate?"

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