

**COMMITTEE OF ALDERMANIC ALMONERS, COMMON COUNCIL GOVERNORS
AND DONATION GOVERNORS OF CHRIST'S HOSPITAL**

Friday, 22 November 2013

Minutes of the meeting of the Committee of Aldermanic Almoners, Common Council Governors and Donation Governors of Christ's Hospital held at Members Private Dining Room, Guildhall on Friday, 22 November 2013 at 12.15pm

Present

Members:

John Bird (External Member)
Deputy John Barker
Sophie Fernandes
Marianne Fredericks
Lucy Frew
Christopher Hayward
Ann Pembroke
Deputy Henry Pollard
Ian Seaton
Alderman Alan Yarrow

In Attendance

Officers:

Matthew Pitt - Town Clerk's Department

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from John Barker, Deputy Alex Deane, Vivienne Littlechild, Deputy Catherine McGuinness and Wendy Mead.

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

There were no declarations.

3. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

The Committee proceeded to elect a Chairman for the year ensuing.

The Town Clerk read a list of those eligible to stand and Deputy Henry Pollard being the only Member indicating his willingness to serve, was duly elected as Chairman for the ensuing year.

The Chairman thanked Members for their support and took the opportunity to welcome a number of new Members to the Committee. He highlighted what a rewarding role sitting on the Committee could be for Members.

4. **ELECTION OF DEPUTY CHAIRMAN**

The Committee proceeded to elect a Deputy Chairman for the year ensuing.

The Town Clerk read a list of those eligible to stand and Marianne Fredericks being the only Member indicating her willingness to serve, was duly elected as Deputy Chairman for the ensuing year.

The Chairman thanked Members for their support and took the opportunity to welcome a number of new Members to the Committee. He highlighted what a rewarding role sitting on the Committee could be for Members.

5. **MINUTES**

The public minutes and summary of the meeting held on 31 October 2012 were approved.

6. **MINUTES OF THE REFERENCE SUB-COMMITTEE**

The Committee noted the minutes of its Reference Sub-Committee meeting held on 31 October 2012.

7. **APPOINTMENT OF REFERENCE SUB - COMMITTEE**

Members proceeded to appoint a Reference Sub-Committee for the interviews that would be taking place later on the 22 November 2013.

The Town Clerk advised that in previous years the Reference-Sub Committee had the following composition: -

Chairman of the Committee
Deputy Chairman of the
Committee
One other Member of the
Committee

The Town Clerk asked Members to indicate their willingness to serve and Ian Seaton being the only Member present wishing to serve on the Reference Sub-Committee, was duly appointed.

RESOLVED – That the Reference Sub-Committee composition be approved with the following Membership: -

Deputy Henry Pollard (Chairman)
Marianne Fredericks (Deputy
Chairman)
Ian Seaton

8. **QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE**

In response to a Member's question, the Town Clerk advised that shortlisted candidates sent to the City Corporation to be considered for presentation must have met the following criteria: -

- Met Christ Hospital's own selection criteria to be eligible for presentation, including having a household income below £56,000 (assessed and verified by Christ's Hospital);
- A close City connection or with a City Fringe Borough; and
- Come from a family where the child may benefit from a boarding environment.

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

The Chairman used this opportunity to thank Ray Catt for his years on the Committee and for his role as a Donation Governor at Christ's Hospital, following his resignation from the Court of Common Council.

In response to the Chairman's question, the Town Clerk undertook to find out how many years Mr Catt's child had left at the school and what could be done about retaining a City link with that child given that her Donation Governor would no longer be resident in the UK.

10. **EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC**

RESOLVED - That under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items 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.

<u>Item No.</u>	<u>Exemption Paragraph(s)</u>
11 – 14	1, 2 & 3
15 & 16	-

11. **NON-PUBLIC MINUTES**

The non-public minutes of the meeting held on 31 October 2012 were approved.

12. **NON-PUBLIC MINUTES OF THE REFERENCE SUB-COMMITTEE**

The Committee received the non-public minutes of the Reference Sub-Committee held on 29 October 2012.

13. **PROGRESS ON CHILDREN PRESENTED IN THE LAST FIVE YEARS**

The Committee received updates from current Donation Governors on their respective Presentees.

14. **APPLICATIONS FOR PRESENTATION 2014**

The Committee received the application documentation for the short listed candidates for presentation in September 2014.

15. **ANY NON-PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE**

There were no questions.

16. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT WHILST THE PUBLIC ARE EXCLUDED**

There were two urgent items.
The meeting ended at 1.00pm

Chairman

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