



# RUSSELL, MAYOR

## COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL

13th May 2021

### MEMBERS PRESENT

#### ALDERMEN

Sir Charles Edward Beck Bowman  
Emma Edhem  
Sir Peter Estlin  
John Garbutt  
Sir Roger Gifford  
Alison Gowman  
Prem Goyal

David Andrew Graves  
Timothy Russell Hailes  
Robert Picton Seymour Howard  
Robert Charles Hughes-Penney  
Vincent Thomas Keaveny  
Alastair John Naisbitt King  
Susan Langley

Ian David Luder  
Nicholas Stephen Leland Lyons  
Sheriff Professor Michael Raymond Mainelli  
Bronek Masojada  
Sir Andrew Charles Parmley,  
The Rt Hon. The Lord Mayor, Alderman  
William Anthony Bowater Russell  
Sir David Hugh Wootton

#### COMMONERS

George Christopher Abrahams  
Deputy John David Absalom  
Caroline Kordai Addy  
Rehana Banu Ameer  
Randall Keith Anderson  
Alexander Robertson Martin Barr  
Douglas Barrow  
Matthew Bell  
John Bennett  
Peter Gordon Bennett  
Nicholas Michael Bensted-Smith  
Christopher Paul Boden  
Mark Bostock  
Deputy Keith David Forbes  
Bottomley  
Deputy David John Bradshaw  
Tijs Broeke  
Deputy Roger Arthur Holden  
Chadwick  
John Douglas Chapman  
Thomas Cowley Clementi  
Henry Nicholas Almoth Colthurst  
Graeme Doshi-Smith

Karina Dostalova  
Simon D'Olier Duckworth  
Deputy Peter Gerard Dunphy  
Mary Durcan  
John Ernest Edwards  
Deputy Kevin Malcolm Everett  
Anne Helen Fairweather  
Helen Lesley Fentimen  
Sophie Anne Fernandes  
John William Fletcher  
Marianne Bernadette Fredericks  
Tracey Graham  
Caroline Wilma Haines  
The Revd Stephen Decatur Haines  
Graeme Harrower  
Sheriff Christopher Michael  
Hayward  
Deputy Tom Hoffman  
Ann Holmes  
Michael Hudson  
Deputy Wendy Hyde  
Deputy Jamie Ingham Clark  
Deputy Clare James

Deputy Henry Llewellyn Michael  
Jones  
Shravan Joshi  
Tim Levene  
Vivienne Littlechild  
Oliver Arthur Wynlayne Lodge  
Deputy Edward Lord  
Andrew Paul Mayer  
Jeremy Mayhew  
Deputy Catherine McGuinness  
Andrew Stratton McMurtrie  
Wendy Mead  
Deputy Robert Allan Merrett,  
Deputy Andrien Gereith Dominic  
Meyers  
Deputy Brian Desmond Francis  
Mooney  
Deputy Alastair Michael Moss,  
Deputy Barbara Patricia Newman  
Graham Packham  
Dhruv Patel  
Susan Jane Pearson  
John Petrie

Judith Pleasance  
Henrika Johanna Sofia Priest  
Jason Paul Pritchard  
Stephen Douglas Quilter  
Deputy Elizabeth Rogula  
James de Sausmarez  
Ruby Sayed  
Deputy John George Stewart Scott  
Ian Christopher Norman Seaton  
Oliver Sells QC  
Deputy Dr Giles Robert Evelyn Shilson  
Jeremy Lewis Simons  
Deputy Tom Sleight,  
Sir Michael Snyder  
Deputy James Michael Douglas  
Thomson,  
Deputy John Tomlinson  
James Richard Tumbridge  
William Upton QC  
Mark Raymond Peter Henry Delano  
Wheatley  
Deputy Philip Woodhouse  
Dawn Linsey Wright

*This meeting was held as an informal one, with the views reached by the Court approved formally by the Town Clerk after the meeting, in accordance with the Court of Common Council's Covid Approval Procedure. This process reflects the current position in respect of the holding of formal Local Authority meetings and the Court's decision of 15 April 2021 to continue with virtual meetings, with formal confirmation of decisions provided through a delegation to the Town Clerk after the informal meeting has taken place and the will of the Court is known.*

1. Apologies      The apologies of those Members unable to attend this meeting of the Court were noted.
2. Declarations    There were no additional declarations.
3. Minutes        *Resolved* – That the Minutes of the last Court, together with those of the special meeting held immediately thereafter, are correctly recorded.
4. Mayoral Engagements      The Right Honourable the Lord Mayor took the opportunity to update the Court on his recent engagement programme.
5. Policy Statement      The Chair of Policy and Resources Committee provided the Court with an update on the arrangements in respect of Members' return to Guildhall, on the roll-out of the COVID Business Recovery Fund, and on the ongoing implementation of the Climate Action Strategy.
6. Appointments      The Court proceeded to consider the following appointments:-  
*Where appropriate:-*  
*\* denotes a Member standing for re-appointment*

- (A) One Member on the **Barbican Residential Committee**, for the balance of a term expiring in April 2023.

**Nominations received:-**

Jeremy Lewis Simons

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Jeremy Simons to be appointed to the Barbican Residential Committee, for the balance of a term expiring in April 2023.

- (B) Three Members on the **Hampstead Heath, Highgate Wood & Queen's Park Committee**, two vacancies being for four-year terms expiring in April 2025 and one vacancy being for the balance of a term expiring in April 2024

**Nominations received:-**

Jason Paul Pritchard

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Jason Pritchard to be appointed to the Hampstead Heath, Highgate Wood & Queen's Park Committee for a four-year term expiring in April 2025.

- (C) One Member to the Licensing Committee, for a four-year term expiring in April 2025.

**Nominations received:-**

Jason Paul Pritchard

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Jason Pritchard to be appointed to the Licensing Committee for a four-year term expiring in April 2025.

(D) Three Members on **Christ's Hospital**, for four-year terms expiring in April 2025.

**Nominations Received:-**

\*Peter Gordon Bennett

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Peter Bennett to be appointed to Christ's Hospital for a four-year term expiring in April 2025.

(E) One Member on the **City & Guilds of London Institute**, for a five-year term expiring in April 2026.

**Nominations received:-**

Henry Nicholas Almroth Colthurst

\*Deputy Kevin Malcolm Everett

Read.

*Resolved* – That, in accordance with the outcomes of the indicative ballot process, the appointment to the City & Guilds of London Institute of Henry Colthurst, for a five-year term expiring in April 2026, be confirmed.

(F) One Member on the **Mitcham Common Conservators** for a four-year term expiring in May 2025.

**Nominations received:-**

\*Anne Fairweather

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Anne Fairweather to be appointed to the Mitcham Common Conservators for a four-year term expiring in May 2025.

## 7. **INDEPENDENT PERSONS APPOINTMENT PANEL**

**(Alderman Sir David Wootton)**

26 April 2021

### **Appointment of Independent Persons**

The Court proceeded to consider recommendations concerning the appointment of Independent Persons of the new standards regime, pursuant to the resolution of the Court of 14 January 2021.

*Resolved* – That Ms Miranda Carruthers-Watt, Mr Robert Coyle, Ms Christine Fraser, Mr Tom Ketteley, Ms Amanda Orchard, Mr Gary Rogers and Ms Atiyyah

Younis, be appointed as Independent Members of the City of London Corporation and that once the remaining two Independent Members have been appointed, the Town Clerk be authorised to draw lots to ensure that five of the nine be appointed for an initial two year term and the remaining four for an initial one year term.

8. **CITY OF LONDON POLICE AUTHORITY BOARD**

**(Deputy James Michael Douglas Thomson)**

2 July 2020

**Appointment of Independent External Member**

The constitution of the City of London Police Authority Board allowed for the recruitment of four external individuals (i.e. not Members of the Common Council) to the Board, through an open process. In August 2017, a selection panel recommended one candidate for appointment to the position – Andrew Lentin. Mr Lentin was subsequently appointed by the Court to the City of London Police Authority Board (then Police Committee) for a four-year term, commencing 21 September 2017.

As the expiry of that first term approached and with the unanimous support of Members of the Police Authority Board, the Court's approval was now sought for Mr Lentin's re-appointment.

The Court was now **recommended** to approve the re-appointment of Andrew Lentin to the City of London Police Authority Board for a four-year term, commencing on 21 September 2021.

*Resolved* – That Andrew Lentin be re-appointed to the City of London Police Authority Board for a four-year term, commencing on 21 September 2021.

9. **HOSPITALITY WORKING PARTY OF THE POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

**(Deputy Brian Desmond Francis Mooney, Chief Commoner)**

22 April 2021

**Applications for Hospitality**

**(a) Emergency Services Day Flag Raising 2021**

It was proposed that the City Corporation host a flag raising and breakfast reception on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2021 to mark Emergency Services Day. Emergency Services Day was a nationally recognized annual event to show public support for those who work and volunteer in the emergency services.

It was, therefore, **recommended** that hospitality be granted for a flag-raising ceremony followed by light refreshments and that arrangements be made under the auspices of the Hospitality Working Party; the costs to be met from City's Cash within agreed parameters.

*Resolved* – that hospitality be granted for a flag-raising ceremony followed by light refreshments and that arrangements be made under the auspices of the

Hospitality Working Party; the costs to be met from City's Cash within agreed parameters.

**(b) Reverend Canon David Parrott Retirement Reception**

It was proposed that the City Corporation host a late afternoon reception in the Old Library in Autumn 2021 to mark the retirement of the Reverend Canon David Parrott.

The Reverend Canon David Parrott was to retire as Guild Vicar of St Lawrence Jewry Church this autumn. He was appointed in 2009 and throughout his tenure in office had played an active role in the City and supported both the City Corporation and Livery. In recognition of his service, it was proposed a reception be held to mark his retirement.

It was, therefore, **recommended** that hospitality be granted and that arrangements be made under the auspices of the Hospitality Working Party; the costs to be met from City's Cash within agreed parameters.

*Resolved* – that hospitality be granted for a reception and that arrangements be made under the auspices of the Hospitality Working Party; the costs to be met from City's Cash within agreed parameters.

**(c) Launch of EY report on the impact of major sporting events on soft power, trade and investment**

It was proposed that the City Corporation host a presentation and panel discussion on Wednesday 9 June 2021 to launch the EY report on the impact of major sporting events on soft power, trade and investment. The intention would be for the event to be delivered in a hybrid (in person and virtual) format.

In November 2020, the City Corporation had commissioned EY to carry out a study to analyse how major sporting events can produce soft power, trade and investment benefits. A key aim of the report was to make recommendations about how such events might be better harnessed in the future by Government, business and event organisers.

It was, therefore, **recommended** that hospitality be granted and that arrangements be made under the auspices of the Policy and Resources Committee; the costs to be met from City's Cash within agreed parameters.

*Resolved* – that hospitality be granted for a presentation and panel discussion and that arrangements be made under the auspices of the Policy and Resources Committee; the costs to be met from City's Cash within agreed parameters.

**(d) The Royal Hospital of St Bartholomew – 900<sup>th</sup> Anniversary reception**

It was proposed that the City Corporation hosts an early evening reception at Guildhall on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2023 following a service at St Paul's Cathedral to celebrate the 900<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Royal Hospital of St Bartholomew.

It was **recommended** that hospitality be granted and that arrangements be made under the auspices of the Hospitality Working Party; the costs to be met from City's Cash within agreed parameters.

*Resolved* – that hospitality be granted for an early evening reception and that arrangements be made under the auspices of the Hospitality Working Party; the costs to be met from City's Cash within agreed parameters.

10. 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:-

<b>Steven Andrew Aspinall</b> <i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor Hilary Ann Russell</i>	a Financial Company Director  <i>Citizen and Farmer</i>	Marylebone, London
<b>Nicholas James Austin</b>  <i>David Frank Newman Christopher John Livett</i>	an Estate Agent and Boat Broker <i>Citizen and Carpenter Citizen and Shipwright</i>	Putney, London
<b>Katie Victoria Banks</b> <i>Ald. Sir David Wootton, Kt. Matthew Legh Preston Bell, CC</i>	an Academic Skills Tutor <i>Citizen and Fletcher Citizen and Common Councillor</i>	Poplar, London
<b>Baroness Falkner of Margravine</b>  <i>Catherine Sidony McGuinness, Deputy The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i>	a Member of the House of Lords <i>Citizen and Solicitor</i>	Chelsea, London
<b>Richard Charles Frank Bowdidge</b> <i>Ann-Marie Jefferys Anne Elizabeth Holden</i>	an Insurance Broker <i>Citizen and Glover Citizen and Basketmaker</i>	Colchester, Essex
<b>Lauren Clark</b> <i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor Hilary Ann Russell</i>	a Sports Television Producer  <i>Citizen and Farmer</i>	Mortlake, London
<b>Daniel Cope</b>  <i>Ann-Marie Jefferys Anne Elizabeth Holden</i>	an Information Technology Company Director <i>Citizen and Glover Citizen and Basketmaker</i>	Maidenhead, Berkshire
<b>Nigel Christopher St John Cross</b> <i>Jeremy Christopher Charles Cross Ann-Marie Jefferys</i>	an Insurance Director. <i>Citizen and Insurer Citizen and Glover</i>	Singapore
<b>Michael Flatley</b> <i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor Hilary Ann Russell</i>	an Entertainer  <i>Citizen and Farmer</i>	County Cork, Ireland
<b>Olivia Ruth Garfield, CBE</b>  <i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor Hilary Ann Russell</i>	a Water Services Company Chief Executive Officer  <i>Citizen and Farmer</i>	Wandsworth, London

<b>Edward Patrick Jordan, OBE</b> <i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor Hilary Ann Russell</i>	an Entrepreneur & Former F1 Team Owner  <i>Citizen and Farmer</i>	Monaco, Principality of Monaco
<b>Amanda Mackenzie, OBE</b> <i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor Catherine Sidony McGuinness, Deputy</i>	a Charity Chief Executive  <i>Citizen and Solicitor</i>	Wandsworth, London
<b>Lt. Col. Anthony Charles Emmanuel Marinos</b> <i>David Laxton Ian David Spring</i>	a Regular Army Officer  <i>Citizen and Bowyer Citizen and Bowyer</i>	Warminster, Wiltshire
<b>Shirley Patricia Maud Meyers</b> <i>Deputy Andrien Meyers Ald. Prem Babu Goyal, OBE</i>	a Marketing and Events Specialist <i>Citizen and Common Councillor Citizen and Plumber</i>	Sutton, Surrey
<b>John Gerard O'Brien</b> <i>Catherine Sidony McGuinness, Deputy Sir David Wootton, Kt., Ald.</i>	The Chief Executive of London Councils <i>Citizen and Solicitor  Citizen and Fletcher</i>	Brentwood, Essex
<b>Nicholas Robson Owen</b> <i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor Catherine Sidony McGuinness, Deputy</i>	a Professional & Business Services Chairman  <i>Citizen and Solicitor</i>	Haslemere, Surrey
<b>Charlotte Elizabeth Radcliffe</b> <i>Ann-Marie Jefferys Anne Elizabeth Holden</i>	a Nutritionist  <i>Citizen and Glover Citizen and Basketmaker</i>	Buntingford, Hertfordshire
<b>Charles David Randell, CBE</b> <i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor Catherine Sidony McGuinness, Deputy</i>	The Chair of the Financial Conduct Authority  <i>Citizen and Solicitor</i>	Dulwich, London
<b>Helen Louise Von Trotsenburg</b> <i>Jeremy Christopher Charles Cross Ann-Marie Jefferys</i>	a Charity Fundraiser <i>Citizen and Insurer Citizen and Glover</i>	Tonbridge, Kent
<b>William Joel Waldock</b> <i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor Ashley Silverton</i>	a Medical Student  <i>Citizen and Butcher</i>	Cambridge, Cambridgeshire
<b>Richard Watts</b> <i>Catherine Sidony McGuinness, Deputy The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i>	The Leader of Islington Council <i>Citizen and Solicitor</i>	Holloway, London

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.  
Resolutions

*Ingham Clark,  
R.J., Deputy;  
Mooney, B.D.F.,  
Deputy*

*Resolved unanimously* – That Members of this Court wish to place on record their appreciation for the exemplary service that:-

Dr Peter Kane

the City of London's 80th Chamberlain, has given to the City of London Corporation over the last 7 years. As Chamberlain, Peter has served in a successive line dating back to 1237, and in accordance with the requirements in 'A New History of London', published in 1773, has fulfilled the role with trust and fidelity.

He leaves the City Corporation with a sustainable medium-term financial plan, enabling financing of the City's three ambitious projects for a vibrant and thriving city. This plan has been delivered during an extremely challenging time for the City Corporation's finances with reductions in Government funding, alongside economic uncertainty; and most recently pressures from the pandemic. Possibly even more importantly, Peter has delivered a financial plan that is understandable to non-finance people.

Peter's expertise has extended beyond City financial and ceremonial matters; he is also a Trustee and a member of CIPFA's Council and serves as a non-executive at the Institute of Fiscal Studies.

Peter has always been a firm believer in leading by example and he was instrumental in embedding responsible business throughout the organisation; signing up our financial investment portfolio to the UN Principles of Responsible Investment. Indeed, the City Corporation's award from Public Finance in 2017 for an outstanding procurement initiative, relating to the cleaning contract which had social responsibility and environmental awareness at the heart, as well as saving £1.5m over four years, is a measure of the tenacity with which he pursued both savings and social responsibility.

Under his leadership, there has been a step change in IT provision, especially the remote working functionality on which we have depended so heavily during the pandemic; the visibility of both Internal Audit and Risk Management has increased and internal governance functions have strengthened.

Peter has performed his ceremonial duties with great panache, a highlight of which were the Honorary Freedoms; awarded to Tim Berners-Lee in 2014 and Professor Stephen Hawking in 2017.

The Members of this Court, and particularly those who have served on the Finance and Audit and Risk Management Committees, have benefitted tremendously from his advice and guidance. His successful management of the City Corporation's finances, through turbulent times, has helped to ensure that we are better prepared to meet the challenges likely to be faced in the coming years. We wish Peter a long and happy retirement and both he and Jan every good wish for the future.



## 12. Motions

*Newman, B.P.,  
C.B.E., Deputy;  
Mooney,  
B.D.F., Deputy*

*Resolved* – That, for the Ward of Aldersgate, Randall Keith Anderson be appointed to the Barbican Residential Committee and Deputy Barbara Patricia Newman be appointed to the Markets Committee, both in the room of Adrian Mark Bastow.

## 13. Questions

*Scott, J.G.S.,  
J.P., Deputy to the  
Chair of the  
Policy &  
Resources  
Committee*

**City Corporation participation at COP26**

Deputy John Scott asked a question of the Chair of the Policy and Resources Committee concerning the 26th UN Climate Change Conference (COP26) in Glasgow, seeking confirmation as to the City Corporation's participation in view of its high profile among local authorities in promoting a green agenda.

Responding, the Chair noted the global importance of COP26, which represented a crucial opportunity to agree ambitious targets to check global warming. The City of London Corporation, in partnership with the Green Finance Institute (GFI), would be looking to take a proactive role at this event, mobilising private finance to support Net Zero and provide a strong platform for the Financial and Professional Services industry, and working very closely with Mark Carney (the UN climate finance envoy), Her Majesty's Government, and business stakeholders from all the key City sectors.

The Corporation was also building on last year's highly successful Green Horizon Summit and would be launching a Green Horizon Summit at COP26 (GHS@COP26). This would be an ambitious hybrid event over 5-7 days which would be held at and alongside COP26, with a link back to Mansion House and Guildhall and also virtual connections to other global financial centres. This would aim to touch on the big questions facing sustainable finance, key sectors across Financial and Professional Services, and the main themes of COP.

In the lead-up to COP26, the Corporation would also be running a series of online business-facing events and, underpinning all its activities was the Corporation's continuing work on green finance, ESG, and its own Climate Action Strategy. In parallel, a Green Horizon Steering Board would be established, chaired by the Lord Mayor with myself as vice-chair, to provide strategic direction to the Green Horizon programme up to and beyond COP26, working with the GFI, Government and key business partners.

Deputy John Scott asked a supplementary question concerning "Pre-COP26", an event in Milan which offered a chance for young people to express themselves on climate change, querying whether the City's schools and academies were aware of this opportunity and would be encouraged to participate.

The Chair confirmed that the City's family of schools and academies were indeed being made aware of the opportunities, adding that the recent Head Teacher's Forum for all of the Family of Schools had had a specific item on youth-led climate action and channels for engaging young people.

Additionally, as part of the GHS@COP26 programme, consideration was being given to a public-facing debate on Green Finance, at which it was intended to reserve a number of seats for pupils from City Schools. This debate, as well as all

the other content for GHS@COP26, would also be made available online for the schools and academies.

### **Anti-social Behaviour**

*Priest, H.J.S to  
the Chair of the  
Police Authority  
Board*

Henrika Priest asked a question of the Chair of the Police Authority Board, in which she highlighted the prevalence of a group of people committing anti-social behaviour over recent months in the Stonecutter Street/Shoe Lane and Ludgate Circus areas, much of which presented a serious risk to traffic, and asked what action was being taken to address this.

Responding, the Chair touched on the priorities within the Policing Plan and the Force's embedding a new 'sector policing' approach to policing the Square Mile, intended to enhance the Force's accountability and response to local policing priorities, including roads policing, vulnerability, public disorder and anti-social behaviour.

In relation to this particular issue, he noted that in the previous four months there had been ten relevant incidents recorded for the area in question, in which two Section 34 Dispersal Orders had been implemented under the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014. The police had also introduced an intelligence-led operation to try and tackle the issue and the Local Policing team had also engaged with local Metropolitan Police Service boroughs in order to understand the issue, tactics, and persons involved in the anti-social behaviour. Social media platforms had been utilised to seek to engage the groups causing the problems.

The Force had advised that the individuals causing the disturbances typically dispersed on the arrival of police and, from an operational standpoint, it would not be proportionate for police in vehicles to pursue individuals involved as it was often their objective to be chased and then engage in risky behaviour when approached by police officers.

The Chair added that this was not simply a policing matter and a partnership meeting was taking place on the 14 May to address anti-social behaviour, at which the City of London Corporation would also be represented in its local authority capacity across various relevant functions. In the meantime, the City of London Police would continue to engage with community groups and partners to identify and address the anti-social behaviour concerns of communities in the City.

Noting the Police's view that it would not be proportionate to pursue offenders, Alderman Ian Luder asked a supplementary question seeking clarity as to the number of serious accidents and injuries that would need to occur before the Force felt it would be appropriate to take action.

The Chair, responding, reflected on the importance of road safety as a priority and the ongoing partnership efforts to improve matters, noting that tackling these issues was not simply a policing matter. He undertook to speak further with the City Police and follow-up with the Member following the meeting.

(Deputy James Thomson)

25 March 2021

### **Refreshed City of London Policing Plan 2020-23**

The City of London Policing Plan 2020-23 informs the community, stakeholders and staff how the City area is to be policed. The Force and Court of Common Council (in its capacity as a police authority) were required to continue to publish a policing plan by the Police Act 1996 due to being exempt from the legislative requirement to publish a police and crime plan.

Policing plans must have regard to any national strategic policing priorities stipulated by the Home Secretary. Such priorities were currently articulated by the Strategic Policing Requirement; the Force's approach to this appears in the Plan. Additionally, the Plan took account of Government policy statements regarding reducing crime, addressing antisocial behaviours, supporting the vulnerable, accountability and value for money.

The original 2020-23 Plan was approved by the Police Authority Board in March 2020, but there was a requirement to review and republish the Plan annually. In order to inform this year's version, wide ranging consultation was undertaken, including a Court of Common Council Member Briefing held on 8 March 2021, and the annual community survey. The Plan was refreshed in response to this consultation and was hereby submitted to the Court for information.

*Resolved* – That the report be received and its content noted.

15. Ballot  
Result

The Court noted the outcome of an indicative ballot in respect of a vacancy on the Bridge House Estates Board, which had been held on the instruction of the Court at its last meeting and resulted in the appointment of Paul Martinelli for a two-year term.

Read.

16. 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**

#### **Date in force**

##### **Non-Domestic Rating (Lists) Act 2021 c. 8**

15 March 2021

This Act sets the date of the next business rate revaluation at 1 April 2023 and moves the latest date for publishing the draft rating list from 30 September to 31 December in the year preceding the revaluation.

#### **Statutory Instruments**

##### **The Corporate Insolvency and Governance Act 2020 (Coronavirus) (Change of Expiry Date) Regulations 2021 No. 441**

1 April 2021

Section 20 of the Corporate Insolvency and Governance Act 2020 (the 2020 Act) grants the Secretary of State powers to amend or modify the effect of specified corporate insolvency or governance legislation in Great Britain by Regulations. Under the 2020 Act, the power to make Regulations under section 20 was due to expire on 30 April 2021. These

Regulations substitute the date so that Regulations made using that power may not be made after 29th April 2022.

**The Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (Steps and Local Authority Enforcement Powers) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 No. 455** 12 April 2021

These Regulations amend the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (Steps) (England) Regulations 2021, to relax Coronavirus restrictions by moving England from the Step 1 area to the Step 2 area. The change took effect on 12th April 2021. The Regulations also make minor amendments to the definition of “linked household” and clarify that customers may enter premises serving alcohol to pay for their food and drink, in addition to other minor amendments.

**The Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) (Amendment) (Coronavirus) Order 2021 No. 467** 16 April 2021

This Order amends the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (GPDO). The GPDO provides for the granting of permission for certain classes of development without the requirement for a planning application to be made. This Order is intended to support hospitality businesses and historic visitor attractions to utilise outdoor space as coronavirus restrictions are lifted, by introducing a new temporary permitted development right in force from 16 April 2021 until 1 January 2022 to allow, subject to specified limitations and restrictions, for the provision of moveable structures on land within the curtilage of cafes, restaurants and drinking establishments including where these are listed buildings, and historic visitor attractions only where they are listed buildings.

**The Town and Country Planning (Consultation) (England) Direction 2021** 21 April 2021

This Direction replaces The Town and Country Planning (Consultation) (England) Direction 2009 and requires local planning authorities in England to consult the Secretary of State before granting planning permission for Green Belt development, development outside town centres, World Heritage Site development, playing field development, flood risk area development or commemorative object development, where the application is received on or after 21 April 2021.

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

Read.

17. Hospital Seal

There were no docquets to be sealed.

18. Awards & Prizes

There was no report.

19.  
*Mooney, B.D.F.,  
Deputy; Ingham  
Clark, R.J., Deputy*

*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 Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act, 1972.

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

- 20. *Resolved* – That the non-public minutes of the last Court are correctly recorded.
- 21. **Planning and Transportation Committee**  
The Court approved recommendations relating to a project to re-paint and refurbish Blackfriars Bridge.

**The meeting commenced at 1.00pm and ended at 1.47pm.**

**BARRADELL.**