

# KEAVENY, MAYOR

## **COURT OF ALDERMEN**

Tuesday, 18 October 2022

#### **PRESENT**

The Rt Hon. The Lord Mayor Vincent Keaveny Alderman Ian David Luder Alderman Sir Charles Bowman Alderman Sir William Russell Alderman Alison Gowman Alderman Timothy Hailes Alderman and Sheriff Alastair King DL Alderman Prem Goyal Alderman Professor Emma Edhem Alderman Robert Hughes-Penney Alderwoman Susan Langley Alderman Bronek Masojada Alderman Christopher Makin Alderwoman Susan Pearson

#### **Minutes**

Resolved: That the minutes of the Court of Aldermen held on 6<sup>th</sup> September 2022 and 10<sup>th</sup> September 2022 were correctly recorded.

Resolutions on Retirements, Congratulatory Resolutions, Memorials, etc

Vote of Thanks, The Rt Hon The Baroness Scotland of

**Asthal KC** 

(i) Resolved:- That in taking their leave of

#### THE RT HON THE BARONESS SCOTLAND OF ASTHAL KC

upon her retirement as Alderman for the Ward of Bishopsgate, this Court desires to place on record its most sincere appreciation of the service that she has given to the City Corporation and, in particular, to this Court, over the past eight years.

Patricia was first elected to the Court of Alderman for the Ward of Bishopsgate in December 2014, where she became the first black person and fourth woman in the Court's history to do so. She is certainly no stranger to trailblazing throughout both her civic and professional career but a passion for diversity has ensured that she has always been willing to pave the way for others and to not be the 'only' in many of these fields for long.

Bishopsgate has long held a special place in Patricia's heart, given that it was the first place in which she worked in the City, as a clerk in N.B. Smith & Co, at the age of just 16 in 1971. Little did she imagine then, as the 10th of 12 children, born in Dominica but growing up in Walthamstow, that this would be the beginning of such a remarkable journey.

Not long after her election as Alderman, international recognition of her significant talents followed, as she was elected as Secretary General of the Commonwealth in 2015 – yet more trailblazing as she became the first woman and first British citizen to hold this post - and was, in recent months, successfully elected for a second term. This has given us the opportunity to greet Patricia in a different guise and

hopefully we will continue to do so and to work alongside her as the City of London Corporation, through collaboration and links with Commonwealth institutions, seeks to continue to expand its capacity to promote UK trade and investment opportunities across Commonwealth member states.

Despite the obviously significant demands on her time elsewhere, during her tenure Patricia served on the City Corporation's Policy and Resources Committee (by virtue of being a life peer), as well as the then Standards Committee and was also appointed as a Trustee of Emanuel Hospital. She is also a Member of the Skinners Livery Company.

Finally, it would be remiss of me not to mention the significant role played by Patricia in this year's Platinum Jubilee celebrations and, more recently, in the Proclamation of King Charles III and the funeral of Her late Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II where she had the honour of addressing assembled guests at Westminster Abbey.

In taking their leave her colleagues would like to express to Baroness Scotland their sincere thanks for her years of service, with the hope that she, her husband, and their two sons will look back on her civic life with the greatest pleasure, pride and satisfaction for all that she has achieved with the wider City, the City Corporation and this Court.

Vote of Thanks, Alderman David Andrew Graves (ii) Resolved: - That in taking their leave of

### **DAVID ANDREW GRAVES**

upon his retirement as Alderman for the Ward of Cripplegate, this Court desires to place on record its most sincere appreciation of the service that he has given to the City Corporation and, in particular, to this Court, over the past fourteen years.

David was elected to the Court of Aldermen for the Ward of Cripplegate in 2008 and during his tenure, represented the views of businesses, small and large, as well as residents. A solicitor by trade and a member of the Worshipful Company of Solicitors, he served as Master Solicitor from 2017-2018. His active commitment to upholding the rule of law was also demonstrated in the performance of his duties as a magistrate since 2009: David has consistently demonstrated a professional and keen eye for detail, as well as an overwhelming sense of fairness.

David is committed to London and its civic, cultural, sporting and charitable life and in recent months, participated in events to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee. Following this, he played a more sombre role at the passing of Her late Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II, being present at the Royal Exchange for the Proclamation of King Charles III.

David served on a wide number of Corporation Committees, including bringing his experiences to bear on the Magistracy & Livery Sub-Committee as its Deputy Chairman from 2016-2021. David also has a long-standing and deep involvement with the education sector, having served as a Governor of the City of London School, the City of London School for Girls and the Guildhall School of Music and

Drama. During his time on GSMD, he also served as its Chairman from 2012-2015 and was made Honorary Fellow in 2015. During his Chairmanship the School obtained degree-awarding powers, enhancing its prestige and allowing it to respond more effectively to the changing demands of the performing arts sector.

On taking their leave, his colleagues would like to express to David their most warm affection, together with the hope that he will long retain many happy memories of civic life and all he has achieved for the Corporation, the City and this Court.

Result of Wardmote, Ward of Bishopsgate

The Comptroller & City Solicitor reported the result of the Wardmote held on 15th September 2022 for the Election of an Alderman for the Ward of Bishopsgate.

Result of Wardmote, Ward of Cripplegate

The Comptroller & City Solicitor reported the result of the Wardmote held on 15th September 2022 for the Election of an Alderman for the Ward of Cripplegate.

Susan Pearson was then presented to the Court of Aldermen.

Presentation of new Alderman-Elect, Ward of Cripplegate

The
Bridgemasters,
Oath Taking –
Martin Howard
and Peter
Bennett

The Bridgemasters, Mr Martin Frank Howard and Mr Peter Gordon Bennett, made the prescribed declaration under the Promissory Oaths Act 1868 for the due execution of the Office.

# Applications for Freedom

The Chamberlain presented the names of ninety-three persons to be made free of this City, and it is Ordered that they be admitted into the Freedom of this City accordingly, as follows:-

Name Benjamin John Albrow		Occupation a Project Manager		Address Marden, Kent		<b>Company</b> Wheelwrights
Morgan Allen	Alexandra	a Surveyor	Chartered	Walthamstow, Waltham Fore		Chartered Surveyors
Sweyn Hamish Alsop		a Pilot		Penryn, Cornwall		Air Pilots
James Ellis Armstrong		a Plastic Recycling Company Director		County Meath, Ireland		Horners
Captain Paul Atkinson		an Airline Pilot, retired		Braintree, Essex		Air Pilots
Rollie Sebas	stian Attard	a Manufac Executive	Textile turer Chief e Officer	Manchester, Manchester	Greater	Furniture Makers

Jacob Philip Antony Ball	an Investment Company Project Manager	Deal, Kent	Plumbers
Orla Catherine Bance	an Accountant	Buckhurst Hill, Essex	Constructors
Andrew Douglas Banks	a Software Engineering Consultant	Farnborough, Hampshire	Information Technologists
Michelle Annette Batho	a Dispensing Optician	Wrexham, Wales	Spectacle Makers
George Richard Beach	a Wholesale Company Managing Director	Dunnington, Warwickshire	Fruiterers
Donna Louise Bellingham	a Furniture Making Company Director	Lower Broadheath, Worcester	Furniture Makers
Dr Jing Bian	a Senior Lecturer	Hornchurch, Essex	The Worshipful Company
Alexander Howard Bilbie	a Software Engineer and Entrepreneur	Beckenham, Kent	Educators Information Technologists
Thomas Paul Richard Bloxham, MBE	an Architecture Firm Chairman	Manchester, Greater Manchester	Chartered Architects
lan Jonathan Bond	a Police Chief Inspector	Sittingbourne, Kent	Security Professionals
Thomas Alick Brookes	a Managing Director	North Scarle, Lincoln	Firefighters
Sophie Nicole Alison Carragher	a Student Nurse	Clapham, Lambeth	Loriners
Richard John Chew	a National Sales Manager	Etwall, Derby	Carmen
James Robert Clifford Christopherson	a Management Consultant	Quainton, Buckinghamshire	Turners
Michael Kevin Stanley Clifford	a Chartered Fire Engineer	Titirangi, Auckland, New Zealand	Firefighters
Brian Cohen	a Distiller	Putney, London	Distillers
Timon Joseph Colegrove	a Print Company Director	Westerham, Kent	Stationers & Newspaper Makers
Jonathan Elwood Cook	an Investment Management Consultant	Roehampton, Wandsworth	Distillers
Daniel James Cooke	a Financial Services Executive Director	Great Dunmow, Essex	Information Technologists

Charles Cooper	a Chartered Accountant	Southwold, Suffolk	Tylers & Bricklayers	
Philip James Cotton	a Chartered Accountant, retired	Poole, Dorset	Coachmakers & Coach Harness	
Thomas George Alan Cowling	an Actuary	Belsize Park	Makers Merchant Taylors	
Michael David Darley	an Equestrian Sales Agent	Chessington, Surrey	Saddlers	
Vivienne De Chermont	a Solicitor	Orpington, Kent	Solicitors	
Michael Heriot De La Fargue	a Tobacco Company Chief Executive	Ascot, Berkshire	Tobacco Pipe Makers & Tobacco Blenders	
Dr. Henry Peter Doble	a Physician	Idaho, United States of America	Clockmakers	
Professor Richard England	an Architect	St Julians, Malta	Chartered Architects	
Rosemarie Fantom	an Actuary	Woking, Surrey	Actuaries	
Joaquin Antonio Flores	an Engineering Company Associate Director	West Malling, Kent	Paviors	
Edward George Fox	a Dispensing Optician	Maidstone, Kent	Spectacle Makers	
Kim Fraser	a Fashion Display Company Director, retired	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Spectacle Makers	
Rachel Elizabeth Fryers		Barnoldswick, Lancashire	Builders Merchants	
James Thomas Charles Godden	a Chartered Accountant	Broadstairs, Kent	Painter-Stainers	
Brett Anthony Gordon	a University Professor	Pembroke Pines, Florida, United States of America	Fletchers	
Shona Margaret Goulds	an Accredited Pensions Trustee	Winchester, Hampshire	Nurses	
Patricia Ann Grant	a Learning and Development Head Officer	South Nuffield, Surrey	Plumbers	
Captain Stephen Geoffrey Gudgeon	a Master Mariner, retired	Malvern, Worcestershire	Master Mariners	
Wayne Richard Harber, OBE	A Regular Army Officer	Walthamstow, Waltham Forest	Drapers	

Robert Daniel Fergus Hartley	a Spirits Company Chief Commercial Officer		Distillers
Roger Anthony Frederick Heath, MBE		Holborn, Camden	Glovers
Christopher John Hildrey	an Architect	South Norwood, Lambeth	Merchant Taylors
Joanne Teresa Holmes	a Dispensing Optician	Exeter, Devon	Spectacle Makers
Paul Stephen Richard Howley	a Project Controls Manager	Farnham, Surrey	Painter-Stainers
Dale Hughes	a Spectacle Lens Marketing Manager	Wrexham, Wales	Spectacle Makers
Ifan James Jenkins	a Distilling Company Marketing Director		Distillers
Simon Richard Johns	an Engineering Consultant	St Albans, Hertfordshire	Engineers
The Very Reverend Doctor Gareth Adrian Jones	a Catholic Priest and Canon Lawyer	Cardiff, Wales	Spectacle Makers
Hassan Abdul Karim	an Insurance Head of Strategy	Singapore	Insurers
Professor Hans-Ulrich	a Radiologist	Stockport, Greater	Turners
Laasch Peter Terence Le Manquais	a Lighting Company Director, retired	Manchester Didcot, Oxfordshire	Lightmongers
Anthony John Lee	an Author	Ebbsfleet Valley, Kent	Stationers & Newspaper Makers
Jane Elizabeth Ann Masojada	a Portrait Artist	Woldingham, Surrey	Feltmakers
Stuart Rainey McDonald, MBE	an Actuary	Bromley, Kent	Actuaries
Andrew James McKenzie Smith	an Executive Chairman of a Distillery	Newburgh, Fife, Scotland	Distillers
Anistatia Renard Miller	a Consultancy Company Director	Chippenham, Wiltshire	Distillers
Ann Margaret O'Flynn	a Veterinary Surgeon	Richmond, North Yorkshire	Farriers
Amanda Louise Parker	a Registered Nurse, retired	East Grinstead, West Sussex	Nurses

Nicholas Charles Ravenhall	a Beverage Company Managing Director	Edinburgh, Newhaven, Scotland	Distillers
Sharon Helen Reason	a Packaging Solutions Company Director		Pattenmakers
Stuart Baird Revill	a Textile Company Managing Director	•	Butchers
James Alexander Ritchie	a Drinks Company Chairman	New York, United States of America	Distillers
Jonathan James Duckworth Roberts	a Wine and Spirits Company Managing Director	Stebbing, Essex	Distillers
Kathleen Seddon	an E-Learning Specialist	Penarth, Vale of Glamorgan	Pewterers
Nylesh Shah	an Actuary	Woodside Park, London, Barnet	Actuaries
Oleg Shaulko	a Solicitor	Sevenoaks, Kent	Solicitors
Alexander Charles Benjamin Singleton	a Public Relations Practitioner	Woodley, Berkshire	Communicators
Helen Mary Steel	a Pharmaceutical Consultant, retired	Blackheath, Lewisham	Apothecaries
Jennifer Margaret Stockwell	a Police Officer	Sittingbourne, Kent	Security Professionals
Reverend Christopher Barry Stoltz	a Chaplain	Hertford, Hertfordshire	Merchant Taylors
Edwin Charles Laybourne Stott	a Luxury Packaging Company Director	Midlothian, Scotland	Distillers
Digby Summerhill	a Furniture Maker Company Director	Victoria, Westminster	Furniture Makers
Sean Benjamin Vize Symons	a Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon	Leigh-on-Sea, Essex	Carpenters
David Stephen Thompson	an Artist	Herne Hill, Lambeth	Chartered Architects
Aaron Martin Lawrence Todd	a Scientific Researcher	Swansea, Wales	Salters
Kate Emily Lillie a Student Toogood		Bristol, Avon	Framework Knitters

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Application, Freeman in the Company

named

Application of the following to be recorded as a Freeman of the City in the Company named:-

Queensland, Australia

Name Company Judith Pleasance Upholders

Read and Agreed to.

Reports – General Purposes Committee of Aldermen

## Aldermanic Qualifications - Foreign Convictions

**Operating Officer** 

The Court of Aldermen considered a recommendation of the General Purposes Committee concerning options and issues in relation to the risk of an Alderman with a relevant foreign conviction being elected.

**Resolved Unanimously: -** That the second qualification for the office of Aldermen be amended to add not having been convicted of an imprisonable offence in the Republic of Ireland as well as in the UK, Channel Islands and the Isle of Man and

that the Comptroller and City Solicitor be instructed to now undertake such further work as appropriate to action this.

#### Quorum

The Court of Aldermen considered a recommendation of the General Purposes Committee of Aldermen relative to the quorum for meetings of this Court.

It was reported that the present quorum is the Lord Mayor or their locum tenens, together with 10 Aldermen. On reflection, the General Purposes Committee were of the view that this seemed like a large percentage of the Court and was not always conducive to the need to call special meetings at relatively short notice.

**Resolved Unanimously: -** That the quorum for future Court of Aldermen meetings be amended to the Lord Mayor or their locum tenens, together with 7 Aldermen with immediate effect and that the Town Clerk be instructed to amend and republish the Court of Aldermen's Standing Orders accordingly. The quorum for the General Purposes Committee to also be revised with immediate effect to mirror that of the Court of Aldermen.

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