The Lord Mayor will take the Chair at TEN of the clock in the morning precisely.



COMMON COUNCIL

SIR/MADAM,

You are desired to be at a Court of Common Council, at **GUILDHALL**, on **THURSDAY** next, **the 9th day of March, 2023.**

Members of the public can observe the public part of this meeting by visiting the City of London Corporation YouTube Channel

IAN THOMAS, Town Clerk & Chief Executive.

Guildhall, Wednesday 1st March 2023

Sir Peter Estlin

Bronek Masojada

Aldermen on the Rota

1 Apologies

2 Declarations by Members under the Code of Conduct in respect of any items on the agenda

3 Minutes

To agree the minutes of the meeting of the Court of Common Council held on 12 January 2023.

For Decision (Pages 9 - 24)

4 Mayoral Visits

The Right Honourable The Lord Mayor to report on his recent engagements.

5 **Policy Statement**

To receive a statement from the Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee.

6 Finance Committee

To consider reports of the Finance Committee, as follows:-

(A) City Fund 2023/24 Budget Report and Medium-Term Financial Strategy To approve the budget for 2023/24.

For Decision (Pages 25 - 144)

(B) 2023/24 City's Cash Budgets and Medium-Term Financial Plan To approve the budget for 2023/24.

For Decision (Pages 145 - 160)

7 Bridge House Estates Board

To consider reports of the Bridge House Estates Board, as follows:-

(A) Bridge House Estates (BHE) Revenue Budget 2023/24 and Medium-Term Financial Plan

To approve the budget for 2023/24.

For Decision (Pages 161 - 172)

(B) Annual Report and Financial Statements 2021/22

To receive the Annual Report and Financial Statements for Bridge House Estates (BHE) for the year ended 31 March 2022.

For Information (Pages 173 - 208)

8 Bill for an Act of Common Council

To:-

Regularise Aldermanic qualification in respect of certain convictions.

(First and Second Reading).

Together with a report of the Policy and Resources Committee thereon.

For Decision

(Pages 209 - 222)

9 Policy and Resources Committee

To consider proposals for the introduction of an electronic voting system.

For Decision

(Pages 223 - 224)

10 Corporate Services Committee

To consider the draft Pay Policy Statement for 2023/24.

For Decision

(Pages 225 - 242)

11 Civic Affairs Sub (Policy and Resources) Committee

To consider recommendations concerning the provision of hospitality.

For Decision

(Pages 243 - 246)

12 Bridge House Estates Board

To consider a Conflicts of Interest Policy for Bridge House Estates.

For Decision

(Pages 247 - 258)

13 The Freedom of the City

To consider a circulated list of applications for the Freedom of the City.

For Decision

(Pages 259 - 266)

14 Appointments

To consider the following appointments:

Where appropriate:-

*denotes a Member seeking re-appointment

(A) Three Members on the **Board of Governors of the City of London Freemen's School.** One vacancy for the balance of the term expiring in July 2026; one vacancy for the balance of the term expiring in July 2024 and one

vacancy for the balance of the term expiring in July 2023.

(No Contest)

Nominations received:-

John Foley

(B) One Member on the **Capital Buildings Board** for the balance of the term expiring in April 2026.

(Contest)

Nominations received:-

Deputy Mark Bostock
Steve Goodman
Alderwoman Susan Pearson

(C) Two Members on the **Member Learning and Development Steering Group** for the remainder of 2022/2023 civic year.

(No Contest)

Nominations received:-

Eamonn Mullally

(D) Four Members on **The Honourable The Irish Society** for three year terms expiring in March 2026.

(Contest)

Nominations received:-

*Deputy John Absalom (eligible to serve one year of the three-year term). James Bromiley-Davis

James Diomiley

John Foley

John Griffiths

Tim McNally

Alpa Raja

Hugh Selka

(E) Four Members on the **Christ's Hospital**. One vacancy for the balance of the term expiring March 2026; two vacancies for the balance of the term expiring March 2025 and one vacancy for the balance of the term expiring in March 2024.

(No contest)

Nominations received:-

James Bromiley-Davis

(F) Two Members on the **Mitchell City of London Charity and Educational Foundation.** One vacancy is for a five-year term expiring in March 2028; one vacancy is for the balance of a term expiring March 2025.

(Contest)

Nominations received:-

Steve Goodman *Alderwoman Susan Pearson Ruby Sayed

(G) Two Members on the City of London Reserves Forces and Cadets Association for three-year terms expiring March 2026.

(Contest)

Nominations received:-

*Deputy Simon Duckworth Deputy Nighat Qureishi Alpa Raja

(H) Three Members on the **Guild Council of St Lawrence Jewry** for a one year term expiring March 2024.

(No Contest)
Nominations received:James Bromiley-Davis
*Alderman Gregory Jones
Deputy Charles Edward Lord

For Decision

15 **Motions**

To note one motion relating to Ward Committee appointments taken under urgency procedures since the last meeting in accordance with Standing Order 19 and 23(5).

By Deputy Graham Packham

"That Mary Durcan be appointed to Planning & Transportation Committee for the Ward of Castle Baynard in the room of Martha Grekos."

In view of the scheduled timings for the meetings of these committees, and in the interests of ensuring the continued right of representation for the Ward of Castle Baynard, the appointment of Mary Durcan was granted by the Court under urgency procedures outlined in Standing Order 19 following the resignation of Martha Grekos from the Court of Common Council.

16 Questions

17 Policy and Resources Committee

To note action taken under urgency procedures in relation to the London Councils Grants Scheme 2023/24 Levy.

For Information (Pages 267 - 268)

18 Policy and Resources Committee and Finance Committee

To note action taken under urgency procedures in relation to the Eight Authority Pool.

For Information (Pages 269 - 272)

19 **Legislation**

To receive a report setting out measures introduced into Parliament which may have an effect on the services provided by the City Corporation.

For Information (Pages 273 - 274)

- 20 Ballot Results
- 21 Resolutions on Retirements, Congratulatory Resolutions, Memorials.
- 22 Awards and Prizes
- 23 **Docquets for the Hospital Seal.**

MOTION

24 By the Chief Commoner

That the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business below on the grounds that they either involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 1, 3, and 7 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act, 1972, or relate to functions of the Court of Common Council which are not subject to the provisions of Part VA and Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

For Decision

25 Non-Public Minutes

To agree the non-public minutes of the meeting of the Court held on 12 January 2023.

For Decision (Pages 275 - 278)

26 Civic Affairs Sub (Policy and Resources) Committee

To consider a matter pertaining to the Members' Code of Conduct.

For Decision

(Pages 279 - 314)

27 City of London Police Authority Board and Fraud and Cyber Crime Reporting and Analysis Procurement Committee

To consider the business case for the City of London Police Fraud and Cyber Crime Reporting and Analysis Service.

For Decision

(Pages 315 - 322)

28 City of London Police Authority Board and Finance Committee

To consider proposals relating to the award of a contract.

For Decision

(Pages 323 - 328)

29 Property Investment Board

To consider reports of the Property Investment Board, as follows:-

(A) Lease Disposal - To consider the disposal of a 150-year lease within the City Estate Portfolio.

For Decision

(Pages 329 - 336)

(B) Lease Disposal - To note action taken under urgency procedures in relation to the disposal of City's Estate Freehold Property.

For Information

(Pages 337 - 338)

(C) Freehold Disposal - To note action taken under urgency procedures in regard to the disposal of two City's Estates properties.

For Information

(Pages 339 - 340)

30 Corporate Services Committee

To note action taken under urgency procedures in relation to the creation Grade I Posts and one Grade J post.

For Information

(Pages 341 - 344)

31 Policy and Resources Committee

To note action taken under urgency procedures in relation to the Loyal Address.

For Information

(Pages 345 - 348)