

PLEASE BRING THIS AGENDA WITH YOU

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The Lord Mayor will take the Chair at ONE
of the clock in the afternoon precisely.



COMMON COUNCIL

SIR/MADAM,

You are desired to be at a Court of Common Council, at **GUILDHALL**, on
THURSDAY next, the **12th day of October, 2023**.

Members of the public can observe the public part of this meeting by visiting the
[City of London Corporation YouTube Channel](#)

IAN THOMAS CBE,
Town Clerk & Chief Executive.

*Guildhall,
Wednesday 4th October 2023*

Alexander Barr

Vincent Keaveny CBE

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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 7 September 2023.

For Decision
(Pages 7 - 26)

4 **Election of Chief Commoner**

To elect a Chief Commoner for 2024/25.

Two nominations have been received in accordance with Standing Order No. 18, as follows:

- Deputy Peter Dunphy
- Deputy Andrien Meyers

The candidates' supporting statements are the subject of a printed and circulated report.

(N.B. A notice listing the candidates and their nominators is on display in the Members' Reading Room).

For Decision
(Pages 27 - 28)

5 **Vote of thanks to the Lord Mayor**

To read the draft terms of a Vote of Thanks to The Right Honourable The Lord Mayor.

6 **Letter**

The Right Honourable The Lord Mayor to lay before the Court a letter of the Lord Mayor Elect declaring his assent to take upon himself that Office.

7 **Mayoral Engagements**

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

8 **Policy Statement**

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

9 **Appointments**

To consider the following appointments:

Where appropriate:-

** denotes a Member standing for re-appointment*

- (A) One Member on the **Markets Board** for a term expiring in April 2027
(No Contest)
Nominations received:-
Deputy Madush Gupta
- (B) One Member on the **Natural Environment Board and West Ham Park Committee** for a term expiring in April 2025
(No Contest)
Nominations received:-
Deputy Alpa Raja
- (C) One non-residential Member on the **Barbican Residential Committee** for a term expiring in April 2026
(No Contest)
Nominations received:-
Deputy Madush Gupta
- (D) One Member on **Bridewell Royal Hospital** for a term expiring in October 2029
(No Contest)
Nominations received:-
*Caroline Haines

For Decision

10 **Policy and Resources Committee****(A) Standing Orders Revision (Ward Pairing Arrangements)**

To consider proposed revisions to the Standing Orders relating to Ward Pairing.

For Decision
(Pages 29 - 36)

(B) Appointment of Independent Persons

To consider recommendations concerning the appointment of Independent Persons.

For Decision
(Pages 37 - 42)

11 **Petitions**

To consider a petition submitted by Deputy Marianne Fredericks pursuant to Standing Order No.20, relative to an officer post at a City Corporation housing estate.

For Decision
(Pages 43 - 44)

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12 **The Freedom of the City**

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

For Decision
(Pages 45 - 50)

13 **Motions**

14 **Questions**

15 **Civic Affairs Sub (Policy and Resources) Committee**

To note action taken under urgency procedures in relation to hospitality provision.

For Information
(Pages 51 - 52)

16 **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 53 - 54)

17 **Ballot Results**

The Town Clerk to report the outcome of the several ballots taken at the last Court:

Where appropriate:-

** denotes a Member standing for re-appointment;*

★ denotes appointed.

(A) ONE Member to the **City of London Police Authority Board**.

| | Votes |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Jason Groves | 52 ★ |
| James Tumbridge | 35 |

(B) ONE Member to the **Natural Environment Board** and **West Ham Park Committee**.

| | Votes |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Eamonn Mullally | 57 ★ |
| Alpa Raja | 35 |

(C) TWO Members to the **Board of Governors of the Museum of London**

| | Votes |
|----------------------------|--------------|
| Matthew Bell | 47 ★ |
| *Tijs Broeke | 47 |
| John Foley | 50 ★ |
| Deputy Charles Edward Lord | 33 |

Tijs Broeke and Matthew Bell received an equality of votes in respect to the second vacancy. Tijs Broeke withdrew his nomination and Matthew Bell was duly appointed.

For Information

18 **Resolutions on Retirements, Congratulatory Resolutions, Memorials.**

19 **Awards and Prizes**

To receive a report of the Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Guildhall School of Music & Drama, advising of a recent achievement.

For Information

(Pages 55 - 56)

20 **Docquets for the Hospital Seal.**

MOTION

21 **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 3 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

22 **Non-Public Minutes**

To agree the non-public minutes of the meeting of the Court held on 7 September 2023.

For Decision

(Pages 57 - 60)

23 **City Bridge Foundation Board**

(A) Appointment of Co-Opted Members

To consider recommendations concerning the co-option of Members.

For Decision

(Pages 61 - 64)

(B) Events Management Contract

To consider proposals concerning a contract award.

For Decision

(Pages 65 - 70)

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- 24 **Policy and Resources Committee**
To consider proposals concerning the creation of a post.

For Decision
(Pages 71 - 72)

- 25 **Barbican Centre Board**
To consider proposals concerning the creation of two posts.

For Decision
(Pages 73 - 76)

- 26 **Investment Committee**
To note action taken under urgency procedures in relation to the disposal of a freehold.

For Information
(Pages 77 - 78)