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 6th day of March, 2025.** 

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 26th February 2025

Bronek Masojada

Tim Levene

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 9 January 2025.

For Decision (Pages 7 - 20)

#### 4 Mayoral Engagements

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 **Appointments**

To consider the following appointments:

Where appropriate:

(A) One Member on the **Hampstead Heath, Highgate Wood & Queens Park Committee** 

(No contest)

Nominations received:-

**David Williams** 

(B) One Member on the Mitchell City of London Charity and Educational Foundation

(No contest)

Nominations received:-

Alderwoman Elizabeth King

(C) Three Members on the **Guild Church Council of St Lawrence Jewry** (No Contest)

Nominations received:-

\*Charles Edward Lord OBE JP

\*Alderman and Sheriff Gregory Jones KC

\*James St John Davis

For Decision

<sup>\*</sup> Denotes a Member standing for re-appointment by the Court of Common Council.

#### 7 Finance Committee

(A) City Fund 2025/26 Budget and Medium-Term Financial Plan To approve the budget for 2025/26.

For Decision

(Pages 21 - 164)

**(B) City's Estate 2025/26 Budget and Medium-Term Financial Plan** To approve the budget for 2025/26.

For Decision

(Pages 165 - 190)

## 8 City Bridge Foundation Board

(A) City Bridge Foundation – 2025/26 Budget and Financial Forecasts To approve the budget for 2025/26.

**For Decision** 

(Pages 191 - 206)

**(B) City Bridge Foundation: Annual Report and Financial Statements 2023/24** To receive the Annual Report and Financial Statements City Bridge Foundation for the Year Ended 31 March 2024.

For Information

(Pages 207 - 244)

## (C) City Bridge Foundation: Future Funding Policy

To consider proposals relating to the City Bridge Foundation's funding policy.

For Decision

(Pages 245 - 264)

#### 9 Policy and Resources Committee

### (A) Standing Orders

To approve revisions to the Standing Orders.

NB – Appendices circulated separately.

For Decision

(Pages 265 - 270)

## (B) City of London Corporation: Members' Code of Conduct

To consider revisions to the Members' Code of Conduct.

**For Decision** 

(Pages 271 - 288)

#### (C) Strategic Branding Review outcome and proposals

To consider proposals for the City of London Corporation's brand identity and strategy.

**For Decision** 

(Pages 289 - 306)

## 10 Corporate Services Committee

To consider the 2025/26 Pay Policy Statement.

For Decision

(Pages 307 - 326)

#### 11 Motions

#### 12 The Freedom of the City

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

For Decision

(Pages 327 - 332)

#### 13 Questions

### 14 Policy and Resources Committee

## (A) Markets Food Study

To receive a report relating to the independent research into the wholesale food markets.

For Information

(Pages 333 – 336)

# (B) Report of Urgent Action Taken: London Councils Grant Scheme 2025/26 Levy

To receive a report setting out action taken under urgency procedures.

For Information

(Pages 337 - 340)

#### 15 **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 341 - 342)

#### 16 Ballot Results

There were no ballots at the last Court.

## 17 Resolutions on Retirements, Congratulatory Resolutions, Memorials.

## 18 **Docquets for the Hospital Seal**

#### 19 Awards and Prizes

#### **MOTION**

## 20 By the Chief Commoner

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 Paragraphs 2 and 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act, 1972, or they otherwise 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

#### 21 Non-Public Minutes

To agree the non-public minutes of the meeting of the Court held on 9 January 2025.

For Decision

(Pages 343 - 346)

### 22 Policy and Resources Committee

To consider proposals relating to the City of London Academies Trust.

For Decision

(Pages 347 - 352)

### 23 City Bridge Foundation Board

To consider a headlease variation.

**For Decision** 

(Pages 353 - 358)

#### 24 Civic Affairs Sub-Committee

### (A) Applications for Hospitality

To consider applications for hospitality.

For Decision

(Pages 359 - 360)

#### **(B) City Events Programme**

To consider recommendations concerning the annual City Events Programme.

For Decision

(Pages 361 - 368)

## 25

Corporate Services Committee

To receive a report setting out action taken under urgency procedures.

For Information (Pages 369 - 370)