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 9th day of October, 2025.**

Members of the public can observe the public part of this meeting by visiting

<u>The City of London Corporation YouTube Channel</u>

IAN THOMAS CBE, Town Clerk & Chief Executive.

Guildhall, Wednesday 1st October 2025

Alexander Barr

Michael Mainelli

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 11 September 2025.

For Decision (Pages 7 - 28)

4 Election of Chief Commoner

To elect a Chief Commoner for 2026/27.

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

- Charles Edward Lord, OBE JP
- Philip Woodhouse

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 29 - 30)

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 Lady Mayor Elect declaring her assent to take upon herself 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:

(A) One Member on the **Board of Governors of the City of London Freeman's School**, for a three-year term expiring in July 2028.

(No contest)

Nominations received:-

Tessa Marchington

(B) Eight Members on the **Housing Governance Working Party**. (Contest)

Nominations received:-

Matthew Bell

Nick Bensted-Smith

Deputy John Fletcher

Mercy Haggerty

Stephen Hodgson

Adam Hogg

Sandra Jenner

Charles Edward Lord

James Tumbridge

Jacqui Webster

Mark Wheatley

Deputy Ceri Wilkins

(C) Two Members on the **Board of Governors of the London Museum**, for four-year terms expiring in December 2029.

(No contest)

Nominations received:-

Alderman Gregory Jones

Deputy Paul Martinelli

For Decision

10 Policy and Resources Committee

(A) Scheme of Delegations – Managing Director of City Bridge Foundation

To consider proposed changes to the Officer Scheme of Delegations.

For Decision

(Pages 31 - 46)

(B) Investment Property Governance Update

To consider proposed changes to the Standing Orders.

For Decision

(Pages 47 - 50)

(C) Panel of Independent Persons Report

To note the activities undertaken by the Panel of Independent Persons since May 2024.

For Information (Pages 51 - 60)

11 Finance Committee

To consider proposals relating to a Central London Forward programme.

For Decision

(Pages 61 - 66)

12 The Freedom of the City

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

For Decision

(Pages 67 - 72)

13 Motions

(A) by Deputy Ann Holmes

"That Matthew Bell be appointed to the Culture, Heritage & Libraries Committee for the Ward of Farringdon Within, in the room of Florence Keelson-Anfu."

For Decision

(B) by Deputy John Edwards

"That David Williams be appointed to Planning & Transportation Committee for the Ward of Farringdon Within, in the room of Matthew Bell."

For Decision

(C) by Deputy Henry Colthurst

"That the Ward of Lime Street twin its representation on Planning & Transportation Committee with the Ward of Langbourn following Anthony Fitzpatrick's resignation from the Committee."

For Decision

(D) by Leyla Boulton

To consider a Motion submitted under Standing Order 12(2), concerning the introduction of Rolling Registration at the City of London Corporation.

For Decision

(Pages 73 - 74)

14 Questions

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 75 - 76)

- 16 Ballot Results
- 17 Resolutions on Retirements, Congratulatory Resolutions, Memorials
- 18 Awards and Prizes
- 19 **Docquets for the Hospital Seal**

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 Paragraph 3 and 5 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act, 1972; or, they relate to functions of the Court of Common Council that 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 11 September 2025.

For Decision (Pages 77 - 78)

22 Corporate Services Committee

To consider a Gateway 4b report concerning the 'Ambition 25: My Contribution, My Reward' Project.

For Decision (Pages 79 - 94)

23 Finance Committee

(A) Continuation of Waste Management Service Contract

To consider proposals relating to a Waste Management Service Contract.

For Decision (Pages 95 - 100)

(B) Extension of Waste Collection, Street Cleansing and Ancillary Services Contract

To consider proposals relating to a Waste Collection, Street Cleansing and Ancillary Services Contract.

For Decision

(Pages 101 - 110)

(C) Central London Works Programme

To consider proposals relating to the growth of the Central London Works Programme.

For Decision

(Pages 111 - 114)

24 Audit and Risk Management Committee

To consider the procurement approach for the appointment of an External Auditor for City Fund.

For Decision

(Pages 115 - 118)