MAGISTRACY AND LIVERY SUB-COMMITTEE (GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE OF ALDERMEN)

Wednesday, 6 March 2019

EXTRACT Minutes of the meeting of the Magistracy and Livery Sub-Committee (General Purposes Committee of Aldermen) held at the Guildhall EC2 at 1.45pm

Present

Members:

Alderman Prem Goyal OBE JP
Alison Gowman (Chair)
Alderman David Graves (Deputy Chairman)
Alderman Timothy Hailes
Alderman Ian Luder
Alderman Sir David Wootton

Officers:

Lorraine Brook

Rhiannon Leary - Town Clerk's Department
Paul Double - Town Clerk's Department
Murray Craig - The Remembrancer

Clerk to the Chamberlain's Court, Chamberlain's

Department

5. COMBINED COURTS FACILITY UPDATE

The Chair updated the Sub-Committee on the ongoing work in relation to the Courts Service. A Police accommodation working party had undertaken a scrutiny role and it was anticipated that HM Courts and Tribunals Service (HMCTS) would perform a similar role. Comment was made on the attractive nature of the design, which had in part motivated the interest of the architect, Eric Parry. The City of London Corporation now owned the building at the front of the site and discussions were underway to ascertain when the Government departments currently based there would vacate their location. Members heard that the move had been agreed in principle and agreement would be reached regarding timings.

The Sub-Committee heard that the International Dispute Resolution Centre (IDRC) were on site, with work underway to relocate them having been delayed due to a recent court ruling. It was unanimously agreed that relocation *within* the City was the preferred option for the relocation of this organisation.

One member of the Sub-Committee sought further details in relation to the specification for the Magistracy, highlighting its importance to the Court of Aldermen. The Remembrancer acknowledged the relevance of this issue and advised that an update would be forthcoming from the Capital Buildings Committee.

It was noted that the design specification for the building intended to house the City of London Police had been planned to help ensure the building would be relevant and fit for purpose upon the intended completion date in 2027.

RESOLVED:-

that due to the constitutional importance of the Magistracy to the City Corporation and in particular the Court of Aldermen, that the Capital Buildings Committee be asked to keep this subcommittee fully informed of the progress of the works to provide the facilities for the Central London Magistrates' Bench.