

BENEFICES SUB (CULTURE, HERITAGE & LIBRARIES) COMMITTEE

Monday, 9 November 2020

Minutes of the meeting of the Benefices Sub (Culture, Heritage & Libraries)
Committee held virtually on Monday, 9 November 2020 at 3.00 pm

Present

Members:

Alderman Gregory Jones QC (Chairman)	Deputy Edward Lord
Simon Duckworth (Deputy Chairman)	Stephen Quilter
Deputy the Revd Stephen Haines	James de Sausmarez
Ann Holmes	Ian Seaton
Deputy Wendy Hyde (Ex-Officio Member)	Jeremy Simons (Ex-Officio Member)
Deputy Jamie Ingham Clark	

In Attendance

Officers:

Chloe Rew	- Town Clerk's Department
Joseph Anstee	- Town Clerk's Department
Ellen Wentworth	- Chamberlain's Department

1. APOLOGIES

It was moved by Deputy Edward Lord and seconded by Alderman Gregory Jones that Stephen Quilter takes the chair.

Apologies were received from Caroline Haines and Deputy Richard Regan.

2. DECLARATIONS BY MEMBERS OF ANY PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS IN RESPECT OF ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA

Members made the following declarations:

- Ian Seaton declared an interest as a church warden and member of the church council for St. Lawrence Jewry;
- Deputy Jamie Ingham Clark declared an interest as a church warden for St. Lawrence Jewry; and,
- Alderman Gregory Jones declared an interest as a member of the church council for St Lawrence Jewry.

3. TERMS OF REFERENCE

RESOLVED, that – the Sub-Committee's Terms of Reference be received.

4. ELECTION OF A CHAIRMAN

Members elected a Chairman in accordance with Standing Order 29.

RESOLVED, that – being the only Member willing to serve, Alderman Gregory Jones be elected as Chairman for the ensuing year.

5. **ELECTION OF A DEPUTY CHAIRMAN**

Members elected a Deputy Chairman in accordance with Standing Order 30.

RESOLVED, that – being the only Member willing to serve, Simon Duckworth be elected as Deputy Chairman for the ensuing year.

6. **MINUTES**

RESOLVED, that – the public minutes and non-public summary of the previous meeting held on 24 February 2020 be agreed as a correct record, subject to one amendment at item 4.

7. **COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

Members discussed the new Sub-Committee membership and confirmed the following partnerships with the Benefices:

St John North Woolwich with Silvertown – Stephen Quilter, Deputy Kevin Everett
St Peter Upon Cornhill – Ian Seaton
St Matthias Stoke Newington – Deputy Edward Lord
St Lawrence Jewry – Alderman Gregory Jones
St George the Martyr, Southwark – Stephen Haines
St John the Evangelist – Alderman Gregory Jones
St Mark, Clerkenwell – Deputy Jamie Ingham Clark
St John Bethnal Green – Ann Holmes
St Alban with St Augustine, Fulham – James De Sausmarez
St Peter with St Thomas Bethan Green – Caroline Haines

8. **QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE**

The Chairman encouraged Members to reach out to their Benefices to offer support, and to see how they were engaging with their communities and associated schools. The Sub-Committee should encourage more connectedness between the Benefices with the wider work of the City that would be beneficial to the Benefices, including the work of City Bridge Trust and schools that offered boarding education to those in need.

9. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT**

The Chairman recorded his thanks to Andrew McMurtrie for his work as Chairman and his contributions to the Sub-Committee.

10. **EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC**

RESOLVED, that – under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act.

11. **NON-PUBLIC MINUTES**

RESOLVED, that – the non-public minutes of the meeting held on 24 February 2020 be agreed as a correct record.

12. **VISITS/ COMMUNICATION WITH THE VARIOUS BENEFICES**
Members were invited discuss their recent engagement with City Benefices.
13. **BENEFICES WINTER SURVEY**
Members discussed the responses to the Benefices Winter Survey.
14. **QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE**
There were no questions.
15. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT AND WHICH THE COMMITTEE AGREE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED WHILST THE PUBLIC ARE EXCLUDED**
There were no items of urgent business.

The meeting ended at 3.55 pm

Chairman

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