



RUSSELL, MAYOR

COURT OF ALDERMEN

Tuesday, 6 July 2021

PRESENT

The Rt Hon. the Lord Mayor,
Alderman William Russell
Alderman Ian Luder
Alderman Sir David Wootton
Alderman Sir Alan Yarrow
Alderman Sir Andrew Parmley
Alderman Sir Charles Bowman
Alderman Sir Peter Estlin

Alderman Vincent Keaveny
Alderman Alison Gowman
Alderman David Graves
Alderman John Garbutt
Alderman Timothy Hailes
Alderman & Sheriff Professor
Michael Mainelli
Alderman Robert Howard

Alderman Alastair King
Alderman Gregory Jones QC
Alderman Nicholas Lyons
Alderman Prem Goyal
Alderman Emma Edhem
Alderman Robert Hughes-Penney
Alderswoman Susan Langley
Alderman Bronek Masojada

**Pause for
Reflection –
Sir Roger
Gifford**

At the outset of the meeting, the Rt. Hon the Lord Mayor invited all members of the Court and those officers present to observe a short silence to mark the death of Sir Roger Gifford, Alderman for the Ward of Cordwainer.

Minutes

Resolved:- That the minutes of the Court of Aldermen held on 11th May 2021 were correctly recorded.

**Minutes –
Common
Council**

[The minutes of the Court of Common Council were accessible throughout the meeting.]

**Resolution of
Condolence –
Alderman Sir
Roger Gifford,
Ward of
Cordwainer**

Resolution of Condolence:

Resolved unanimously – That, upon his unexpected and melancholy death, the Members of this Honourable Court wish to place on record their most sincere condolences as well as their profound thanks to Sir Roger Gifford for the most distinguished service that he gave to the City Corporation as Alderman for the Ward of Cordwainer since 2004, as Sheriff of the City in 2008, as the 685th Lord Mayor of the City of London in 2012; and as a most respected and amiable Senior member of the Court.

Roger's distinguished career, as a highly respected and visible senior figure in international banking is well documented as is his impressive and inspirational role in embedding financial services in the climate action agenda. As Chair of the Green Finance Institute, and Chair of Her Majesty's Government's Green Finance

Taskforce, Roger provided vision and stewardship in this rapidly growing area. With his boundless energy and good humour- neither of which ever seemed to tire - he successfully brought people together to achieve significant long-term outcomes. Undoubtedly, Roger leaves a strong legacy in this area as the UK prepares to host the COP26 international climate summit in Glasgow later this year. As a proud Scot, Roger would have played a key role for the City and the UK at the summit and his valuable contributions will inevitably be missed.

Roger's Mayoral theme was "The City in Society", championing the role that business, and financial services in particular, can play in nurturing talent, supporting the wider economy, creating jobs and making a social contribution across society. In a world of increasing inequality, helping to improve social mobility is hugely important and Roger advocated the importance of this in many ways. His Mayoral Appeal in 2021 supported the City Music Foundation, which he co-founded with Clare, equipping young musicians with the skills, experience and opportunities needed to set them up for a professional career. Other recipients were children's charity Futures for Kids, the creation of Gifford Wood, a plantation of climate change resilient trees in Epping Forest, and the conservation and presentation of the Harold Samuel Collection of Dutch and Flemish pictures at Mansion House for which Clare wrote a new catalogue.

Aside from his prestigious professional activities and interests, the arts, and music especially, were Roger's abiding passion. He was a talented performer on the piano and the baroque recorder, and he was also an impressive songster. He was Chairman of the English Chamber Orchestra and the Tenebrae Choir, Chair of the St Paul's Cathedral Council and a Trustee of St Paul's Cathedral Choir School. Aquavit and carol singing were compulsory his annual Christmas lunch at SEB, where he brought together an array of guests that reflected his diverse interests and connections. Invitations to the lunches were highly sought after, thus demonstrating Roger's very real connectivity with people, their fondness of him and his wit.

Roger's Lord Mayor's Show will be remembered as the year in which the 300 year old Gold State Coach broke down, with Roger having to decant to an open top Range Rover, from which he waved at the crowds with typical, and perhaps even pontifical, equanimity. He conducted his ceremonial duties with characteristic flourish at all times and at the funeral at St Paul's Cathedral of Baroness Thatcher, the first Lord Mayor to bear the Black Mourning Sword since Churchill's funeral, some camera angles suggested that the Sword came treasonably close to clipping The Queen's head.

Through all that he did, professionally, whilst serving on City Corporation or Aldermanic Committees, or in the Mayoralty, Roger was never short of enthusiasm, energy and passion. In the area of Green Finance, he leaves a permanent mark on the industry. To all Members of this Honourable Court, he will always be remembered, with great fondness, as a remarkable and highly respected colleague and friend. So, whilst expressing its most sincere condolences to Clare and the family, Sir Roger's colleagues on the Court also join together to express heartfelt thanks for all that he did for the City Corporation, this Court, the City of London and beyond, and for all the laughter and music he generated along the way.

Applications
for Freedom

[Alderman Robert Hughes-Penney declared an interest in this item by virtue of his wife being an applicant for the Freedom of the City.]

Mr Chamberlain presented the names of one hundred and six persons to be made free of this City, and it is Ordered that they be admitted into the Freedom of this City accordingly, as follows:-

Name	Occupation	Address	Company
Marshall William Allender	a Wool Promotion and Marketing Manager	Putney	Woolmen
Andrew Andonis Andrea	a Brewing Company Chief Officer	Newborough, Staffordshire	Brewers
Rohan Arora	a Private Equity Investment Professional	Hammersmith	International Bankers
Yunus Marc Ascott	a Jewellery Design Company Director	Asthall, Oxfordshire	Goldsmiths
Robert Jeffrey Barnett	a Chartered Accountant	Bath, Somerset	Chartered Accountants
Professor Simon Everard Barton	a Physician	Merton Park	Cutlers
Professor James Bartram	a University Professor	Norwich, Norfolk	Plumbers
Kenneth Nicholas Adrian Macnair Beedle	a Chartered Engineer, retired	Wandsworth	Communicators
Sarah Louise Bender	a Head of Marketing	Fulham	Marketors
Robert John Billings	a Dispensing Optician	Titahi Bay, Porirua, New Zealand	Spectacle Makers
Tine Bladbjerg	a Jeweller and Shop Owner	Crystal Palace	Goldsmiths
Owen Blee	a Dispensing Optician	Dublin, Ireland	Spectacle Makers
Richard Anthony Bradbury	a Managing Director	Bolehill, Derbyshire	Brewers
Nigel Peter Brandon, OBE	a Professor and Dean of Engineering	Sutton, Surrey	Engineers
Vincenzo Brugaletta	a Marketing Director	Greenwich	Marketors
Simon Mark Bryant	a Film Editor	Margate, Kent	Mercers
Simon Frederick Carey	an IT Performance Manager	Coxheath, Kent	Plasterers
Paul Gurney Cattermull	an Investment Manager, retired	Balham	Weavers
Richard Paul Chapman	a Graphic Designer	Hammersmith and Fulham	Stationers & Newspaper Makers
Samantha Cindy Chapman	a Civil Servant	Petersfield, Hampshire	Communicators
Jane Chappell	a Cyber Security Operations Director	Elton, Cambridgeshire	Information Technologists
The Revd. Philip Anthony Edwin Chester	a Clerk in Holy Orders	Westminster	Musicians
David Philip Clarke	a Charity Director	Harpenden, Hertfordshire	Spectacle Makers
Harry Collins	a Technical Consultant	Canning Town	Makers of Playing Cards
Elizabeth Aurea Connolly	a Property Manager	Hardingham, Norfolk	Goldsmiths
James Radcliff Cooper	a Company Director	Maidenhead, Berkshire	Wax Chandlers
Michael Richard Cooper	a Chartered Building Surveyor	Pettis Wood, Kent	Constructors
Jonathan William Michael Crump	a Chartered Accountant	Sonning, Berkshire	Tax Advisers
Patrick Brian Joseph Curran	an Executive Chairman	Hatfield Hertfordshire	Heath, Security Professionals
Kelly Moran Spearman Rhodes Cushman	a Corporate Affairs Vice President	Alexandra, Virginia, USA	Tobacco Pipe Makers & Tobacco Blenders
David Norman Dade-McTigue	a Designer Goldsmith	Damerham, Hampshire	Goldsmiths
Major-General Edward Grant Martin Davis, CBE	a Charity Trustee	Chiswick	Plasterers
Anna Dighton	a Registered Jewellery Valuer	Saffron Walden, Essex	Goldsmiths
James Dougall	a Silversmith	Botolph Claydon, Buckinghamshire	Goldsmiths

Richard John Edwards	a Consultant	Bristol	Plumbers
Terry Folkman	a Neurosurgeon		
Jaynette Celia Francis	a Security Consultant	Didcot, Oxfordshire	Security Professionals
Fionnuala Mary French	a Specialist Nurse	Cheam, Sutton, Surrey	Nurses
Margaret Claire Gapper	a Financial Services Director	Farnham Common, Buckinghamshire	Makers of Playing Cards
Professor Simon James Gaskell	an Architectural Historian	Chatham, Kent	Plasterers
Christian Noel Frank Green	a University Professor, retired	Lewes, Sussex	Drapers
Hilary Jane Guise	a Diplomat, Retired	Karlstad, Sweden	Fletchers
Simon David Hart	a Farmer	Chippenham, Wiltshire	Butchers
Andrew James Hawes	a Chief Technology Innovation Officer	Welshpool, Powys, Wales	Engineers
Ruth Anna Heal	a Wine and Spirit Distributor	Greatham, Hampshire	Distillers
James George Samuel Hendry	a Registered Nurse	Littlehampton, West Sussex	Nurses
Eliza Grace Higginbottom	a Plumbing Lecturer	Inverness, Invernesshire, Scotland	Plumbers
Timothy John Hillier	a Jewellery Company Director	Asthall, Oxfordshire	Goldsmiths
Elspeth Joanna Hughes-Penney	a Clerk in Holy Orders	Chertsey, Surrey	Haberdashers
Marina Inoue	a Housewife	Gerrards Cross, Buckinghamshire	Goldsmiths
Barbara Jayson	a Curatorial Assistant	Lewisham	Mercers
Henri John-Baptiste	a Specialist Community Public Health Nurse	Penrith, Cumbria	Nurses
Henry Graham Lake	a Silversmith	Holloway	Goldsmiths
Jeremy Nigel Lamond	a Registered Nurse	Malton, Yorkshire	Nurses
Professor Paola Lettieri	a Fine Art Auctioneer	Salisbury, Wiltshire	Arts Scholars
Martin Lewis	a University Professor	Fulham	Plumbers
Kirsty Helen Lockwood	a Bank Manager, retired	Caythorne, Grantham, Lincolnshire	Loriners
Hayleigh Lupino	an Upholsterer	Shepperton, Surrey	Upholders
Anna Jane Alexandra Macdonald	a Finance Director	Great Saredon, Wolverhampton	Brewers
Andrew John McConnell	a Marketing Director	Harpenden, Hertfordshire	Brewers
Andrew Mark Meacham	a Head of Media	Greenwich	Communicators
Captain Andrew Bruce Millar	a Company Director	Hartley Wintney, Hampshire	Engineers
David Mitchell Mills	a Head of Sales	Maidenhead, Berkshire	Master Mariners
Sarah-Louise Mitchell	a Communications Director	Islington	Goldsmiths
John Hamilton Murray	a University Lecturer	Frilford, Oxfordshire	Marketors
Jane Lillian Naismith	a Water Engineer	Hull, East Yorkshire	Plumbers
Darius David Henry Namdar	a Nurse	Hazlemere, Buckinghamshire	Nurses
David William Nelson	an Operations Director	Hammersmith	Tobacco Pipe Makers & Tobacco Blenders
Anthony Ross Norton	a Sales Manager	Standon, Hertfordshire	Butchers
Professor Sheila Mary O'Donnell	a Chief Executive	Banbury, Oxfordshire	Marketors
Teri Vivienne Daphne Okoro	an Architect	Rathmines, Dublin, Ireland	Chartered Architects
Benjamin George Olins	an Architect	Winchmore Hill	Chartered Architects
Quentin Murray Padgett	a Managing Director.	Cricklewood.	Fruiterers
Simon Geoffrey Parsons	a Facilities Manager	Kennington	Pattenmakers
Stacey Anne Parsons	a Sales Consultant	Bromley, Kent	Fuellers
George Edward Delabere Peters	a Financial Trader	Dartford, Kent	International Bankers
Alexander Aidan John Pitt	a Management Consultant	Clapham	Tallow Chandlers
Mark James Pollard	an Investment Director	Cobham, Surrey	Armourers & Brasiers
James William Potts	a Horticulturist	Bromley, Kent	Gardeners
Anthony Pratt	an Investment Banker	Blackheath	Ironmongers
	an Engineer	Brixworth, Northamptonshire	Engineers

Luciana Florence Randall	an Auction House Sales Coordinator	Cuddington, Buckinghamshire	Vintners
Oliver George Woodburn Rose	a Writer	Crowborough, East Sussex	Ironmongers
Alexei John Rosin	a Drinks Company Managing Director	Mayfield, Kent	Vintners
Richard David Scothorn	an NHS Non-Executive Director	Durham, County Durham	Masons
Catherine Jean Seers	a Professor of Health Research	Oxford, Oxfordshire	Barbers
David Cymerman Matias Serra	a Plastering Company Director	Wandsworth	Plasterers
Neil Rajnikant Shah	a Drinks Brand Head Manager	Wanstead	Brewers
Susan Elizabeth Sheridan, O.B. E	a Nurse, Retired	Stockwell	Nurses
Suraj Shinde	a Chief Information and Digital Officer	Col Lazaro Cardenas Metepec, Mexico City, Mexico	Engineers
Ian John Skeffington	a Licensed Taxi Driver	Windsor, Berkshire	Hackney Carriage Drivers
Commodore James Mark Slawson, OBE	a Director of Marine Engineering	Bradford On Avon, Wiltshire	Shipwrights
Graham Smith	an Electrical Association Chief Executive Officer	Goring-by-Sea, Sussex	Lightmongers
Pamela Statham	a Jewellery Designer	St. Leonards On Sea, East Sussex	Goldsmiths
Paul Joseph Thomas	a Soldier	Fulham	Tobacco Pipe Makers & Tobacco Blenders
Sheena Thomson	a Crisis Management Company Director	Rustington, West Sussex	Communicators
Octavia Tidswell-Norrish	a Jewellery Designer	Maida Vale	Goldsmiths
David Toman	a Chartered Engineer	Brackley, Northamptonshire	Engineers
Professor John David Tuomey	an Architect	Rathmines, Dublin, Ireland	Chartered Architects
Carol Ann Wallace	a Public Relations Consultant	Bracknell, Berkshire	Communicators
Claire Jane Wallbridge	a Training Manager	Stogursey, Bridgwater, Somerset	Masons
Steven Ward	a Technology Board Adviser	Balham	Plumbers
Vincent James Warner	an Investment Director	Denton, Norfolk	Glovers
Alan Henry Clarke Wilkinson	a Property Company Director	Weybridge, Surrey	Coopers
James Michael Henry Willcox	a Seafarer	Southampton, Hampshire	Master Mariners
David John Winters	a Tobacco Company CEO	Boca Raton, Florida, United States of America	Tobacco Pipe Makers & Tobacco Blenders
Michael William Wolfe	a Marketing Director	Ipswich, Suffolk	Marketors

**Reports –
General
Purposes
Committee of
Aldermen**

**Extension to
waiver –
conduct of
business**

(i) Extension to the waiver for Guilds and Livery Companies

The Court was advised that, in accordance with the Court of Aldermen's Standing Orders (urgency provisions), on 28th April 2021, the General Purposes Committee of Aldermen approved an extension to the waiver for Guilds and Livery companies to conduct their business virtually due to on-going Coronavirus-related restrictions. The Court noted that the Guilds and Livery companies had been advised of the decision in April and it was anticipated that, subject to a review by the General Purposes Committee of Aldermen in October, the conduct of all Guild and Livery company business shall revert to normal practice as the 2021/2022 Mayoral year commences.

NOTED.

General
Purposes
Committee of
Aldermen –
Access to
meetings

(ii) General Purposes Committee of Aldermen – access to meetings and meeting-related documentation

The Court of Aldermen considered a recommendation of the General Purposes Committee of Aldermen following its consideration on 5th July 2021 of a proposal to provide public access to meetings of the Committee and the public disclosure of Committee related documentation (agendas, reports, minutes). It was recommended that the business of the General Purposes Committee of Aldermen should be accessible to the public henceforth subject to where exemptions to disclose could be reasonable, as directed by a Disclosure Arrangement to be adopted by the Court of Aldermen and with relevant revisions made to the Court's Standing Orders. In approving the recommendations, it was recommended that the Disclosure Arrangement should be appended to the revised Standing Orders and placed on the City Corporation's webpages; and the new arrangement should apply to all future meetings and future business of the General Purposes Committee of Aldermen, but not that which was historic.

Resolved: - That –

- (i) as of 7th July 2021, a Disclosure Arrangement be adopted by the Court of Aldermen and all relevant revisions be made to the Court of Aldermen's Standing Orders to reflect the arrangements in respect of access to meetings of the General Purposes Committee of Aldermen and the disclosure of meeting-related information;
- (ii) as of 7th July 2021, all meetings of the General Purposes Committee of Aldermen and all documentation (agendas, reports, minutes) in relation to those meetings shall be accessible to the public except where any of the exemptions set out in the Disclosure Arrangement can be reasonably applied;
- (iii) the Disclosure Arrangement shall be appended to the Court of Aldermen's revised Standing Orders and placed on the City Corporation's webpages; and
- (iv) the new arrangement shall apply to all future meetings and future business of the General Purposes Committee of Aldermen, but not that which was historic.

Notice of
Death – Ward
of Cordwainer

(iii) Notice of Death – Ward of Cordwainer

The Town Clerk reported, formally, the death of Alderman Sir Roger Gifford, Alderman for the Ward of Cordwainer, on 25th May 2021 and gave notice of the arising vacancy in the Ward.

NOTED.

Act of
Common
Council –
postponement
of Aldermanic
Elections

(iv) Act of Common Council – postponement of Aldermanic elections where vacancies arise from death in Office

The Court was advised that, following the death of Sir Roger Gifford, a Bill for an Act of Common Council was sought in accordance with the Court of Common Council's Standing Orders. The new Act of Common Council, which was approved by the Town Clerk under delegated authority in accordance with the

Court of Common Council's Standing Order No.19 on 1st July 2021, shall postpone any election to fill a vacancy in the Office of Alderman, arising from the death of the incumbent, until a date to be determined in accordance with these provisions and no earlier than March 2022.

NOTED.

BARRADELL.