

Shrieval Plan 2021 – 2022

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Summary

This report outlines the proposed 2021 – 2022 Shrieval Plan which will be championed by the Sheriffs, Alderman Alison Gowman and Alderman Nick Lyons.

The 2021 – 2022 Shrieval Plan outlines how the Sheriffs will support the Lord Mayor of the City of London, uphold the rule of law as custodians of the Central Criminal Court (Old Bailey) and advance the City's engagement and influence across the three pillars of Community, Charity and Commerce.

Main Report

Shrieval Priorities

- 1. The Sheriffs will support the Lord Mayor in their role as a global ambassador for the UK financial and professional services (FPS) sector and in advancing key areas in the Competitiveness Strategy of the City of London Corporation and wider City of London Corporation Corporate Plan 2018-23.
- 2. The Sheriffs of the City of London uphold the rule of law as custodians of the Old Bailey, liaise with and support HM Judges, support and represent the Lord Mayor as part of the Civic Party and, through the hosting, facilitating and the promotion of lunches and events at the Old Bailey, advance the City's engagement and influence. (Utilising the Shrieval Events Budget).
- 3. The Sheriffs will support the judiciary, promote plans by the City Corporation for a new 'Justice Quarter' and support the profile and role of HM Judges. They will promote a thriving, innovative and growing legal sector and the role of the City of London Police as the national lead for economic and cyber-crime.
- 4. In support of the Lord Mayor, the Sheriffs will advance the 2021 2022 Mayoral Theme *People & Purpose* which will champion a purpose led and people focused UK FPS sector; growing the global competitiveness of the UK as a world leader in ESG and sustainable finance and home to the best and most diverse global talent; driving social mobility at all levels.
- 5. The 2021 2022 Shrieval Priorities will be brought together through three key pillars that will form the focus of the activity for the shrievalty, building on the experience and expertise of the Sheriffs in order to contribute to a flourishing society, shape outstanding environments and support a thriving economy:
 - A. Community: Build greater links between the Old Bailey and community groups and education establishments; recognising organisations and volunteers working to reduce knife crime; connecting the Old Bailey to City Schools and Academies; and hosting the Sheriffs' Challenge and the Sheriffs' Bravery Awards.
 - B. Charity: Promote the Lord Mayor's Appeal, City Giving Day, Lord Mayor's Big Curry Lunch and the Sheriffs' and Recorder's Fund and encourage the use of the Old Bailey for charitable events.
 - C. Commerce: Amplify the Corporation's Sustainable Finance Framework and Green Horizons Programme with events and lunches focusing on Green Finance, ESG and Impact Investing; promote the Corporation's Climate Action Strategy; engage the insurance, asset and investment management sectors and promote the role of the property sector in recovery, inward investment and greening the economy.

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- 6. The Sheriffs will continue to support the Recorder of London and the City Law Officers to promote the rule of law and raise the profile of the Old Bailey with events for the High Sheriffs, Central London Magistrates, High Court Judges, Inner and Middle Temple, International Bar Association and the new Justice Quarter as well as events to mark the 50th anniversary of the opening of the new part of the Old Bailey and the anniversary of the first female judge to sit at the Old Bailey.
- 7. Focusing on the rule of law and the three priority areas of Community, Charity and Commerce will ensure the Old Bailey continues to be at the heart of the criminal justice system, is connected to the communities it serves and that the Shrievalty continues to support the Lord Mayor in advancing the global competitiveness of the UK.

Delivery

- 8. In consultation with the Recorder, the Sheriffs propose to reduce the daily formal lunches to four days per week with Fridays reserved for Judges Only Lunches.
- 9. The Sheriffs will update the Guide to the Old Bailey and Feedback Forms.
- 10. Themed Lunches will continue with 12 to 15 Themed Lunches per year with approx. 12 guests per Lunch. The ambition of the Sheriffs is to host pre meetings with guests to achieve meaningful discussions prior to lunch and encourage visits to court post lunch to promote the rule of law and role of the judiciary at the Old Bailey. See Proposed Themed Lunches and Events at Appendix 1.
- 11. The Sheriffs will continue to promote the Old Bailey as a Commercial Venue and support the Old Bailey commercial income strategy.
- 12. The Sheriffs will work to increase the diversity and inclusion of guests received at the Old Bailey.

Measures of Success

13. Success will be measured through the support provided to the delivery of the Lord Mayor's Programme and Lord Mayor's Theme, the level of engagement with key markets and sectors in support of the Competitiveness Strategy and the Corporate Plan, the number of relationships established or strengthened with business, community and third sector leaders, an increase in the awareness and use of the Old Bailey, more diverse events and improved feedback from guests.

Conclusion

14. The Shrieval Plan 2021 – 2022 will support, promote or amplify the Corporate Plan, growing the global competitiveness of the UK, promoting the rule of law and advancing the City's engagement and influence across Community, Charity and Commerce.

Appendices

Appendix 1 – Proposed Theme Lunches and Events

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Alderman Gowman will host in host in November, January, March, May, July and September with Alderman Lyons hosting in in October, December, February, April and June. The aim is for approx. 12 people attending each with a short pre meeting to discuss issues around the relevant topic.

Potential Topics

- Sovereign Wealth Funds (NL)
- Property Industry (AG)
- Livery in Education (NL)
- Glove Industry (AG)
- Regulatory Framework and Emerging Trends (NL)
- Philanthropy Large City Funders (both)
- Hanseatic (AG)
- Stock Exchange (NL)
- Green Finance (AG)
- Livery Climate Action Group (AG)
- National Days
 - Brazil Colombia England Germany Norway USA (AG)
 - o USA, Switzerland, ASEAN, Ireland, Bermuda, Japan (NL)

Potential Events

- 50th anniversary of the opening of the new part of the Old Bailey
- Anniversary of the first female judge to sit at the Old Bailey.
- First 100 years Lecture
- Anniversary of Witness Care
- Magistrates Reception
- High Sheriffs' Reception
- Property Investment Board (Away Day)
- City Property Association
- Chartered Surveyors Livery
- London First
- International Business and Diplomatic Exchange
- 20:40 Young leaders
- Honourable Irish Society

Potential Fundraising

- Tour de City
- Sheriffs' Ball
- Sheriffs' and Recorder's Fund Dinner
- Guildhall School of Music and Drama Performance
- Prison Advice and Care Trust with High Sheriff