

## **CULTURE, HERITAGE AND LIBRARIES COMMITTEE**

**Wednesday, 12 January 2022**

Minutes of the meeting of the Culture, Heritage and Libraries Committee held at Committee Room 4, 2nd Floor, West Wing, Guildhall on Wednesday, 12 January 2022 at 11.30 am

### **Present**

#### **Members:**

Deputy Wendy Hyde (Chair)	Vivienne Littlechild
Jeremy Simons (Deputy Chairman)	Deputy Edward Lord
Munsur Ali	Alderman Professor Michael Mainelli
Randall Anderson	Wendy Mead
Matthew Bell	Deputy Barbara Newman
Peter Bennett	John Petrie
Mary Durcan	Judith Pleasance
Deputy Kevin Everett	Henrika Priest
Graeme Harrower	Deputy Dr Giles Shilson
Ann Holmes	Mark Wheatley

### **In Attendance**

#### **Officers:**

Ben Dunleavy	- Town Clerk's Department
Damian Nussbaum	- Director of Innovation & Growth
Sarah Phillips	- Town Clerk's Department

#### **1. APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Jeremy Mayhew, James Tumbridge and Mark Wheatley.

#### **2. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS UNDER THE CODE OF CONDUCT IN RESPECT OF ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

There were none.

#### **3. QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE**

A Member raised a question on whether it was appropriate for the Director of Innovation and Growth (I&G), as the only officer present with authority from the Town Clerk to agree Committee decisions under the Covid-19 Approval Process, to have responsibility for approving the report which was the substantial item of business on agenda. Their concern was that the Director of I&G was the Report Author and would therefore be approving recommendations they had brought to the Committee. The Member suggested

that the Town Clerk should be responsible for approving any decisions reached by the Committee.

The Chair agreed with the Member's concerns and asked the Committee Clerk to look into an alternative method of having the recommendations approved.

4. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT**

There was none.

5. **EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC**

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

6. **NON-PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE**

There were none.

**The meeting ended at 12.45 pm**

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Chairman

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