## BENEFICES SUB (CULTURE, HERITAGE & LIBRARIES) COMMITTEE

# Monday, 25 October 2021

Minutes of the meeting of the Benefices Sub (Culture, Heritage & Libraries) Committee held at Guildhall, EC2 on Monday, 25 October 2021 at 3.00 pm

#### Present

#### Members:

Alderman Gregory Jones QC (Chairman) **Deputy Kevin Everett** Caroline Haines Deputy Wendy Hyde (Ex-Officio Member) Deputy Jamie Ingham Clark

**Deputy Edward Lord** 

Stephen Quilter (Deputy Chairman)

Deputy Richard Regan James de Sausmarez

Ian Seaton

Jeremy Simons (Ex-Officio Member)

#### Officers:

Ben Dunleavy - Town Clerk's Department

James Gibson - Chief Operating Officer's Department Charlie Pearce - Chief Operating Officer's Department

#### 1. **APOLOGIES**

It was moved by Stephen Quilter and seconded by Deputy Richard Regan that Deputy Kevin Everett take the Chair.

Apologies for absence were received from Simon Duckworth and Ann Holmes.

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

Members made the following declarations:

- Deputy Jamie Ingham Clark declared an interest as a church warden for St. Lawrence Jewry (appointed in his own right and not by a livery company or the Court) and member of the Guild Church Council;
- Ian Seaton declared an interest as a warden and member of the church council for St. Lawrence Jewry (appointed by his livery company) 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, Stephen Quilter be elected as Deputy Chairman for the ensuing year.

### 6. MINUTES

RESOLVED, that – the public minutes of the meeting held on 2 June 2021 be agreed as a correct record.

### 7. OUTSTANDING ACTIONS

Member's noted the Sub-Committee's list of outstanding actions.

#### 8. **COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

There were no changes to the Sub-Committee membership, and no changes in the partnerships with the Benefices.

Members discussed possible upcoming vacancies on the Sub-Committee due to the elections in 2022, and that it was important to think about how to maintain the relationships with the Benefices.

### 9. **PROPERTY BRIEFING**

Members discussed the proposed engagement session with the Benefices priests. The Town Clerk undertook to consult with the City Surveyor's Department and return to Members with potential dates for the session.

# 10. QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE

There were no questions.

# 11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT

The Chairman updated Members that he was looking to arrange the Sub-Committee supper for February 2022.

### 12. 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.

#### 13. NON-PUBLIC MINUTES

RESOLVED, that – the non-public minutes of the meeting held on 2 June 2021 be agreed as a correct record.

### 14. VISITS TO THE VARIOUS BENEFICES

Members were invited to discuss their engagements with City Benefices.

### 15. UPDATE ON ST ALBAN'S FULHAM

The update on St Albans with St Augustine Fulham was provided in section 14 of the agenda.

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

There were no questions.

17. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT AND WHICH THE COMMITTEE AGREE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED WHILST THE PUBLIC ARE EXCLUDED

There were no items of urgent business.

The meeting closed at 3.55 pm	
Chairman	

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