

**COMMITTEE OF ALDERMANIC ALMONERS, COMMON COUNCIL GOVERNORS  
AND DONATION GOVERNORS OF CHRIST'S HOSPITAL**  
Friday, 16 April 2021

**Minutes of the meeting of the Committee of Aldermanic Almoners, Common  
Council Governors and Donation Governors of Christ's Hospital held virtually  
on Friday, 16 April 2021 at 11.00 am**

**Present**

**Members:**

Nicholas Bensted-Smith (Chairman)  
Marianne Fredericks (Deputy Chairman)  
Randall Anderson  
Peter Bennett  
Tijs Broeke  
John Chapman  
Deputy Kevin Everett  
Alderman Prem Goyal  
Shravan Joshi  
Wendy Mead  
Deputy Henry Pollard  
Deputy John Scott  
Deputy Dr Giles Shilson  
Ian Seaton

**Officers:**

Lorraine Brook	- Town Clerk's Department
Sarah Clifton	- Christ's Hospital
Sarah Phillips	- Town Clerk's Department

**1. APOLOGIES**

The Town Clerk noted that Tijs Broeke and Giles Shilson had been appointed to the Committee in January and March 2021, but their names had been omitted from the agenda in error.

Apologies for absence were received from Deputy Edward Lord, Vivienne Littlechild and Sir Andrew Parmley.

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

There were no declarations.

**3. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

The Committee proceeded to elect a Chairman for the year ensuing.

The Town Clerk read a list of those eligible to stand and Nick Bensted-Smith, being the only Member indicating their willingness to serve, was duly elected as Chairman for the ensuing year.

4. **ELECTION OF DEPUTY CHAIRMAN**

Marianne Fredericks exercised her right to be Deputy Chairman for the year ensuing in accordance with the Standing Orders of the Committee.

The Chairman and Deputy Chairman also took the opportunity to announce Wendy Mead's resignation from the Committee and thanked her for her hard work.

5. **MINUTES**

**RESOLVED** – That the public minutes and summary of the meeting held on 13 March 2020 be approved as an accurate record.

**MATTERS ARISING**

**Correction to date (item 13) –**

The Chairman identified that the minutes recorded at the last meeting stated that the Annual Luncheon would take place in August 2022. This was inaccurate and the Luncheon had in fact been agreed for 2021.

**MOTION:** - The minutes be corrected to reflect the 2021 date.

6. **CHRIST'S HOSPITAL IMPACT REPORT**

The Committee received a report of Christ's Hospital regarding the Impact Report.

The Partnership Manager of Christ's Hospital introduced the item explaining that usually the purpose of the report would be to show the impact the school has had on the students throughout the year. However, due to the pandemic this year was slightly different and would instead have a stronger focus on mental health and wellbeing and surveys of the students' progress over a longer period.

The Chair commented on the fantastic work of Christ's Hospital and asked if there were more opportunities for future partnerships.

The Partnership Manager replied that Christ's Hospital were currently exploring options with the COLAT academy and other CoL Schools to help ease the transition from primary to secondary education. Additionally, the Safeguarding leads at Christ's Hospital were looking to open further lines of communication with other schools to assist those with difficult backgrounds prior to arrival.

The Deputy Chairman asked if the Annual Maths Challenge had gone ahead.

The Partnership Manager explained that the Maths Challenge had taken place virtually with 36 primary schools in attendance. There was an abundance of positive feedback and they hope to hold it physically in Guildhall when possible.

Christ's Hospital continue to work with charities such as the Richard Reeves Foundation, Diocese of London, John Lyon's Charity, and primary school headteachers to help identify children in need across London.

**7. QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE**

There were no questions.

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

There was no other business.

**9. 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.

**10. NON-PUBLIC MINUTES**

**RESOLVED** – That the non-public minutes of the meeting held on 13 March 2020 be approved as an accurate record.

**11. UPDATE ON PRESENTEES**

The Committee provided updates on the presentees.

**12. APPLICATIONS FOR PRESENTATIONS IN 2021**

The Committee received and discussed the applications of the potential Corporation Presentees for 2021.

**13. ANNUAL SAFEGUARDING REPORT 2021**

The Committee noted the Annual Safeguarding Report for 2021.

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

Three questions were raised from Members of the Committee.

**15. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT WHILST THE PUBLIC ARE EXCLUDED**

There was no other business.

**The meeting ended at 12:06pm**

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Chairman

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