



KEAVENY, MAYOR

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL

16th June 2022
MEMBERS PRESENT

ALDERMEN

Alderman Alexander Barr
Sir Charles Edward Beck Bowman
Professor Emma Edhem
Sir Peter Estlin
Sheriff Alison Gowman
Prem Goyal
David Andrew Graves

Timothy Russell Hailes
Robert Picton Seymour Howard
The Rt Hon. The Lord Mayor Vincent Keaveny
Alastair John Naisbitt King DL
Susan Langley
Ian David Luder

Sheriff Nicholas Stephen Leland Lyons
Professor Michael Raymond Mainelli
Broniek Masojada
Sir Andrew Charles Parmley
Sir William Anthony Bowater Russell
Sir Alan Colin Drake Yarrow

COMMONERS

George Christopher Abrahams
John David Absalom, Deputy
Munsur Ali
Rehana Banu Ameer, Deputy
Randall Keith Anderson, Deputy
Shahnan Bakth
Jamel Banda
Brendan Barns
Alexander Robertson Martin Barr
(Alderman)
Matthew Bell
Nicholas Michael Bensted-Smith
Ian Bishop-Laggett
Christopher Paul Boden, Deputy
Mark Bostock, Deputy
Keith David Forbes Bottomley,
Deputy
Tijs Broeke
James Bromiley-Davis
Henry Nicholas Almroth
Colthurst, Deputy

Anne Corbett
Aaron Anthony Jose Hasan
D'Souza
Graeme Doshi-Smith, Deputy
Peter Gerard Dunphy, Deputy
Mary Durcan
John Ernest Edwards
Helen Lesley Fentimen
Anthony David Fitzpatrick
John William Fletcher, Deputy
John Foley
Marianne Bernadette Fredericks,
Deputy
Steve Goodman
Martha Grekos
John Griffiths
Jason Groves
Madush Gupta, Deputy
Caroline Wilma Haines
Christopher Michael Hayward,
Deputy

Jaspreet Hodgson
Ann Holmes, Deputy
Wendy Hyde
Henry Llewellyn Michael Jones
Shravan Jashvantrai Joshi,
Deputy
Frances Leach
Tim Levene (Alderman)
Natasha Maria Cabrera Lloyd-
Owen
Charles Edward Lord, OBE JP,
Deputy
Paul Nicholas Martinelli
Catherine McGuinness
Timothy James McNally
Wendy Mead
Andrien Gereith Dominic Meyers,
Deputy
Eamonn James Mullally
Judith Pleasance
Henrika Johanna Sofia Priest
Jason Paul Pritchard

Nighat Qureishi, Deputy
Anett Rideg
David Sales
Ruby Sayed
Ian Christopher Norman Seaton
Dr Giles Robert Evelyn Shilson,
Deputy
Alethea Silk
Paul Singh
Sir Michael Snyder, Deputy
Naresh Hari Sonpar
Luis Felipe Tilleria
James Richard Tumbridge
William Upton QC
Mark Raymond Peter Henry
Delano Wheatley
Ceri Edith Wilkins
Philip Woodhouse, Deputy
Dawn Linsey Wright
Irem Yerdelen

Introduction of
New Alderman

On behalf of the Chief Commoner and the Court of Common Council, Wendy Mead welcomed Alexander Barr following his recent election as Alderman for the Ward of Cordwainer. Alderman Barr was heard in reply.

1. Apologies The apologies of those Members unable to attend this meeting of the Court were noted.
2. Declarations There were no additional declarations.

3. Minutes *Resolved* – That, subject to the inclusion of Deputy Peter Dunphy in the list of those Members recorded as having been in attendance, the Minutes of the last Court are correctly recorded.
4. Mayoral Engagement
s The Rt Hon The Lord Mayor reported on his recent visits to Poland and the World Economic Forum at Davos, as well as reflecting on the magnificent Platinum Jubilee celebrations and the recent launch of Progress Together, the new membership body to promote socio-economic diversity in financial services.
5. Policy Statement There was no statement.

6. CIVIC AFFAIRS SUB (POLICY AND RESOURCES) COMMITTEE

(Deputy Charles Edward Lord, OBE, JP)

17 May 2022

Applications for Hospitality

(a) Early Evening Reception following a lecture by the Deputy President of the Supreme Court

It was proposed that the City Corporation host a lecture to be given by the Deputy President of the Supreme Court, the Rt Hon Lord Hodge, followed by an early evening reception and a small private dinner on Tuesday 4th October 2022.

The lecture would focus on the contribution of UK courts to commercial life, the City and international commerce, by their upholding of the rule of law. Guests at the reception would include members of the Supreme Court and other UK Courts, the legal profession, Government and legal sector organisations and commercial firms and Members with relevant interests.

Resolved - That hospitality be granted for a lecture, early evening reception and small private dinner and that arrangements be made under the auspices of the Policy and Resources Committee; the costs to be met from City's Cash within approved parameters.

(b) High Sheriffs' Association of England and Wales Early Evening Reception

It was proposed that the City Corporation host an early evening reception in the Grand Hall at the Central Criminal Court for the High Sheriffs' Association of England and Wales in May 2023.

The City Corporation had hosted an annual reception for the High Sheriffs' Association at the Old Bailey since 2018. The reception aimed to further relations between the Sheriffs of the City of London and the Sheriffs of England and Wales.

Resolved - That hospitality be granted for an early evening reception and that arrangements be made under the auspices of the Policy and Resources Committee; the costs to be met from City's Cash within approved parameters.

(c) Commonwealth High Commissioners' Banquet

It was proposed that the City Corporation host the Commonwealth High Commissioners' Banquet at Guildhall on Monday 5th December 2022.

The City Corporation had hosted an annual dinner for the Commonwealth High Commissioners since 2015. The banquet provided an opportunity to engage further with the Commonwealth and build on the relationships established with the Royal Commonwealth Society and Commonwealth Enterprise Investment Council.

Resolved - That hospitality be granted and that arrangements be made under the auspices of the Policy and Resources Committee; the costs to be met from City's Cash within approved parameters.

7. Appointm
s

The Court proceeded to consider the following appointments:

Where appropriate:-

** denotes a Member standing for re-appointment*

- (A) Four Members on the **Hampstead Heath, Highgate Wood & Queen's Park Committee**, for the balance of varying terms.

Nominations received:-

Deputy John Absalom

Jason Groves

Deputy Madush Gupta

Wendy Mead

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Deputy John Absalom, Jason Groves, Deputy Madush Gupta, and Wendy Mead to be appointed to the Hampstead Heath, Highgate Wood & Queen's Park Committee.

- (B) One Member on the **Port Health & Environmental Services Committee**, for the balance of a term expiring April 2023.

Nominations received:-

Henrika Priest

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Henrika Priest to be appointed to the Port Health & Environmental Services Committee.

- (C) Two Members on the **Community & Children's Services Committee**, for the balance of terms expiring April 2023.

Nominations received:-

Frances Leach

Natasha Lloyd-Owen

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Frances Leach and Natasha Lloyd-Owen to be appointed to the Community & Children's Services Committee.

- (D) Two Members on the **Health & Social Care Scrutiny Committee**, for the balance of varying terms.

Nominations received:-

Alderman Christopher Makin

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Alderman Christopher Makin to be appointed to the Health & Social Care Scrutiny Committee.

- (E) Two Members on the **Pension Committee**, for terms expiring April 2024.

Nominations received:-

Deputy Madush Gupta

Deputy Andrien Meyers

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Deputy Madush Gupta and Deputy Andrien Meyers to be appointed to the Pension Committee.

- (F) One Member on the **Epping Forest & Commons Committee**, for the balance of a term expiring April 2025.

Nominations received:-

Ian Bishop-Laggett

Deputy Madush Gupta

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Ian Bishop-Laggett and Deputy Madush Gupta to be appointed to the Epping Forest & Commons Committee.

- (G) One Member on the **Board of Governors of the City of London School**, for the balance of a term expiring July 2025.

Nominations received:-

Shahnan Bakth

Luis Tilleria

Read.

- (H) One Member on the **Board of Governors of the City of London School for Girls**, for the balance of a term expiring July 2023.

Nominations received:-

Martha Grekos
Jaspreet Hodgson
Anett Rideg

Read.

- (I) One Member on the **Education Board**, for the balance of a term expiring April 2024.

Nominations received:-

Steve Goodman
Deputy Madush Gupta

Read.

- (J) Two Members on the **Audit & Risk Management Committee**, for the balance of a term expiring April 2025.

Nominations received:-

*Alderman Alexander Barr
James Bromiley-Davis
Aaron D'Souza
Naresh Sonpar
Luis Tilleria
Shailendra Umradia

Read.

- (K) One Member on the **Gresham Committee (City Side)**, for the balance of a term expiring April 2025.

Nominations received:-

Brendan Barns
Sophie Fernandes
Deputy Madush Gupta
Deputy Henry Pollard
Deputy Nighat Qureishi

Read.

- (L) Five Members on **Christ's Hospital**, for the balance of varying terms.

Nominations received:-

John Foley
Jaspreet Hodgson
Alpa Raja

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared John Foley, Jaspreet Hodgson, and Alpa

Raja to be appointed to Christ's Hospital.

- (M) One Member on **Mitchell City of London Charity & Educational Foundation**, for the balance of a term expiring March 2023.

Nominations received:-

Deputy Susan Pearson

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Deputy Susan Pearson to be appointed to the Mitchell City of London Charity & Educational Foundation.

- (N) Two Members on **City of London Archaeological Trust**, for terms expiring May 2026.

Nominations received:-

Deputy Peter Dunphy

Alderman and Sheriff Alison Gowman

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Deputy Peter Dunphy and Alderman & Sheriff Alison Gowman to be appointed to the City of London Archaeological Trust.

The Court proceeded, in accordance with Standing Order No.10, to ballot on each of the foregoing contested vacancies.

The Lord Mayor appointed the Chief Commoner and the Chairman of the Finance Committee, or their representatives, to be the scrutineers of the ballots.

Resolved – That the votes be counted at the conclusion of the Court and the results printed in the Summons for the next meeting.

8. Freedoms

The Chamberlain, in pursuance of the Order of this Court, presented a list of the under-mentioned persons, who had made applications to be admitted to the Freedom of the City by Redemption:-

Ashid Ali

Ann-Marie Jefferys

Anne Elizabeth Holden

an Academy Principal

Citizen and Glover

Citizen and Basketmaker

Ilford, Redbridge

**Michael James Bracken,
MBE**

Ivor Macklin

Peter Rupert David Wood

a Wine Company Director

Citizen and Painter Stainer

Citizen and Feltmaker

Kemble, Gloucestershire

Sir Andrew John Cash, Kt, OBE, KStJ <i>Robert James Ingham Clark John Petrie</i>	an Eye Hospital Group Chairman <i>Citizen and Clothworker Citizen and Draper</i>	Doncaster, South Yorkshire
Katharine Fiona Richfield Chadd <i>Louise Starling Sarah Jane Fletcher Harris</i>	an Education Officer <i>Citizen and Educator Citizen and Basketmaker</i>	Bethnal Green
David William Chenery <i>Ald. Timothy Russell Hailes, JP. Christopher Bell</i>	a Police Staff Investigator <i>Citizen and Pewterer Citizen and Playing Card Maker</i>	Southwark
Caroline Anne Cooke <i>Richard George Turk Anna Marie Phelps, CBE OLY</i>	a Civil Servant <i>Citizen and Shipwright Citizen and Goldsmith</i>	Surbiton, Surrey
David Cyril Coombes <i>Peter Leonard Spalding Anthony Sharp</i>	an Electrician, retired <i>Citizen and Loriner Citizen and Loriner</i>	Ashted, Surrey
Richard Corrigan <i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor Amanda Josephine Keaveny</i>	a Chef <i>Citizen and Fletcher</i>	Haringey
Tara Marie Cronin <i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor Amanda Josephine Keaveny</i>	a Fundraising Events Manager <i>Citizen and Fletcher</i>	Kensington
Andrew David Darwin <i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor Amanda Josephine Keaveny</i>	a Solicitor <i>Citizen and Fletcher</i>	Southwark
Oliver Jo Davies <i>Timothy Levene Adam James Crockatt</i>	a Teacher <i>Citizen and Carman Citizen and Dyer</i>	Hayward's Heath, West Sussex
Neil Peter Dunn <i>Les Chapman Richard Leslie Springford</i>	a Marine Pilot <i>Citizen and Master Mariner Citizen and Carman</i>	Gosport, Hampshire
Vladimir Petev Georgiev <i>Ann-Marie Jefferys Anne Elizabeth Holden</i>	a Financial Engineer and Consultant <i>Citizen and Glover Citizen and Basketmaker</i>	Isle of Dogs, Tower Hamlets
Nigel Graham Heath, KStJ <i>Robert James Ingham Clark John Petrie</i>	a Prior <i>Citizen and Clothworker Citizen and Draper</i>	Ross, California, United States of America
Ronan Malachy Herity <i>Vincent Dignam John Paul Tobin</i>	a Machinery Company Director <i>Citizen and Carman Citizen and Carman</i>	Lyne, Surrey

<p>Kevin Gareth Hill <i>David James Sales, CC</i> <i>Shailendra Umradia</i></p>	<p>an Aircraft Technical Director <i>Citizen and Insurer</i> <i>Citizen and Information</i> <i>Technologist</i></p>	<p>Rochford, Essex</p>
<p>Jonathan Lewis Hooley <i>Mark John Herbage</i> <i>James Nicholas Bromiley-Davis</i></p>	<p>a Soldier <i>Citizen and Cook</i> <i>Citizen and Gardener</i></p>	<p>Littleborough, Lancashire</p>
<p>Anamul Hoque <i>Ald. Sir David Wootton, Kt.</i> <i>Brian David Francis Mooney,</i> <i>Deputy</i></p>	<p>a Youth Work Training and Development Consultant <i>Citizen and Fletcher</i> <i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i></p>	<p>Stepney</p>
<p>Mohammed Iqbal <i>Sir David Wootton, Kt., Ald.</i> <i>Brian David Francis Mooney,</i> <i>Deputy</i></p>	<p>a Trainee Solicitor <i>Citizen and Fletcher</i> <i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i></p>	<p>Bow</p>
<p>Shirazul Islam <i>Sir David Wootton, Kt., Ald.</i> <i>Brian David Francis Mooney,</i> <i>Deputy</i></p>	<p>an NHS Commissioning Support Officer <i>Citizen and Fletcher</i> <i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i></p>	<p>Bow, Tower Hamlets</p>
<p>Simon Andrew Peter Jones <i>Graeme Martyn Doshi-Smith,</i> <i>CC</i> <i>Henry James Arthur Smith</i></p>	<p>a Communications Company Director <i>Citizen and Information</i> <i>Technologist</i> <i>Citizen and Constructor</i></p>	<p>Limehouse</p>
<p>Agron Krasniqi <i>Daniel Mark Benham</i> <i>Nikolaos Kotrozos</i></p>	<p>a Racing Company Director <i>Citizen and Feltmaker</i> <i>Citizen and Feltmaker</i></p>	<p>Fitzrovia</p>
<p>Joséphine Émilie Charlotte Macintosh <i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i> <i>Ald. Sir William Anthony</i> <i>Bowater Russell</i></p>	<p>a Solicitor <i>Citizen and Haberdasher</i></p>	<p>Pimlico</p>
<p>Thomas Frederick Brian McCormack <i>Donald Henry McGarr</i> <i>Timothy John Macandrews,</i> <i>TD JP</i></p>	<p>a Photographic Services Franchisee <i>Citizen and Basketmaker</i> <i>Citizen and Gold & Silver Wyre</i> <i>Drawer</i></p>	<p>Coulsdon, Surrey</p>
<p>Denise Alicia Mills <i>Timothy Charles Mills</i> <i>John Edward Mills</i></p>	<p>a Teacher <i>Citizen and Pavior</i></p>	<p>Teddington, Middlesex</p>
<p>Abul Hyat Nurujjaman <i>Ann-Marie Jefferys</i> <i>Anne Elizabeth Holden</i></p>	<p>an Accountancy Company Director <i>Citizen and Glover</i> <i>Citizen and Basketmaker</i></p>	<p>Chigwell, Essex</p>

<p>Caroline Valerie Pidgeon, MBE <i>Catherine Sidony McGuinness, CC</i> <i>Christopher Michael Hayward, Deputy</i></p>	<p>a London Assembly Member <i>Citizen and Solicitor</i> <i>Citizen and Pattenmaker</i></p>	<p>East Dulwich</p>
<p>Eamon Thomas Quail <i>John Edmund Maccabe</i> <i>Catherina Anastasia Leonia Maccabe</i></p>	<p>a Financial Account Director <i>Citizen and Horner</i> <i>Citizen and Farrier</i></p>	<p>Gresford, Wrexham</p>
<p>Hayden Luke Ralph <i>Richard Gary Stephen Miller</i> <i>Norman Edward Chapman</i></p>	<p>a Key Account Manager <i>Citizen and Glover</i> <i>Citizen and Glover</i></p>	<p>Regents Park</p>
<p>Pranav Kumar Sood <i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i> <i>Ald. Sir William Anthony Bowater Russell</i></p>	<p>a General Manager <i>Citizen and Haberdasher</i></p>	<p>Islington</p>
<p>Jonathan Stewart <i>Annmarie Hanlon</i> <i>Mark Timothy John Sismey Durrant</i></p>	<p>a Chief Marketing Officer <i>Citizen and Marketor</i> <i>Citizen and International Banker</i></p>	<p>Silsoe, Bedfordshire</p>
<p>James Malcolm Swallow <i>Reginald Beer</i> <i>Donald Howard Coombe, MBE</i></p>	<p>a Chartered Accountant <i>Citizen and Poulter</i> <i>Citizen and Poulter</i></p>	<p>South Woodford</p>
<p>Jace Tyrrell <i>Shravan Joshi, Deputy</i> <i>Alastair Michael Moss, Deputy</i></p>	<p>a Business Partnership Company C.E.O. <i>Citizen and Fueller</i> <i>Citizen and Goldsmith</i></p>	<p>Ealing</p>
<p>Charles Veale <i>John Welch</i> <i>Robert Andrews</i></p>	<p>an Army Officer <i>Citizen and Pattenmaker</i> <i>Citizen and Gold & Silver Wyre Drawer</i></p>	<p>Georgetown, Ontario, Canada</p>
<p>Christopher William Tveitan Von Eckhoff <i>Daniel Mark Benham</i> <i>Nikolaos Kotrozos</i></p>	<p>a Consultant <i>Citizen and Feltmaker</i> <i>Citizen and Feltmaker</i></p>	<p>Westminster</p>
<p>Dale Glynne Williams <i>Andrew Francis Phillips</i> <i>Daniel Mark Heath</i></p>	<p>a Banker <i>Citizen and Firefighter</i> <i>Citizen and Hackney Carriage Driver</i></p>	<p>Saffron Walden, Essex</p>
<p>His Excellency Mr Jean Alfred Olinger <i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i> <i>Catherine Sidony McGuinness, CC</i></p>	<p>a Diplomat <i>Citizen and Solicitor</i></p>	<p>Belgravia, London</p>

Read.

Resolved – That this Court doth hereby assent to the admission of the said persons, as amended, to the Freedom of this City by Redemption upon the terms and in the manner mentioned in the several Resolutions of this Court, and it is hereby ordered that the Chamberlain do admit them severally to their Freedom accordingly.

9. Legislation

The Court received a report on measures introduced by Parliament which might have an effect on the services provided by the City Corporation as follows:-

Bills

Date in force

Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022

28 April 2022

The Act makes provision for the protection and wellbeing of police and other emergency workers and grants the police further powers to address crime and disorder. The Act encountered controversy directed at its public order provisions, which strengthen police powers to restrict public processions and assemblies. The Act also includes provision repealing the Vagrancy Act 1824, which made rough sleeping and begging criminal offences in England and Wales. This repeal will not come into force for up to 18 months, during which time the Government plan to have replacement legislation passed.

Subsidy Control Act 2022

28 April 2022

The Act implements a domestic subsidy control regime in the United Kingdom, in place of EU state aid rules to which the UK is no longer subject. The Act provides a legal framework within which public authorities may make subsidy decisions, setting out the principles, prohibitions and requirements that apply to the giving of subsidies, as well as the transparency requirements of the new regime.

Statutory Instruments

**The Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022
(Commencement No. 1 and Transitional Provision)
Regulations
2022 No.520**

12 May 2022

These are the first commencement regulations made under the Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022. They bring into force provisions which increase the maximum penalty for the offence of wilful obstruction of a highway to 51 weeks' imprisonment, via amendments to the Highways Act 1980. This increase will only apply to offences committed on or after 12th May 2022. The Regulations provide for the vast majority of the Act's provisions, including the public order provisions, to come into force on 28th June 2022.

The text of the measures and the explanatory notes may be obtained from the Remembrancer's Office.

Read.

10. Ballot
Results

The Town Clerk reported the results of ballots taken at the last Court, as follows:-

Where appropriate:-

* denotes a Member standing for re-appointment;

★ denotes appointed.

1 One Member to the **Policy and Resources Committee.**

	Votes
Natasha Lloyd-Owen	- 33
Deputy James Thomson	- 63 ★

2 Three Members on the **Culture, Heritage and Libraries Committee.**

	Votes
Brendan Barns	- 46 ★
Matthew Bell	- 73 ★
Elizabeth King	- 38
Eamonn Mullally	- 62 ★

3 Four Members on the **Civic Affairs Sub (Policy and Resources) Committee.**

	Votes
Emily Benn	- 66 ★
Nicholas Bensted-Smith	- 39
James Bromiley-Davis	- 46 ★
Sophie Fernandes	- 49 ★
Ian Seaton	- 33
Deputy Giles Shilson	- 44 ★
James Tumbridge	- 30

4 Two Members on the **Capital Buildings (Policy and Resources) Board.**

	Votes
Martha Grekos	- 73 ★
Judith Pleasance	- 22
Oliver Sells	- 35 ★
Ian Seaton	- 19
Deputy Philip Woodhouse	- 29

5 One Member on the **City of London Reserve Forces and Cadets Association.**

	Votes
Emily Benn	- 55 ★

Alpa Raja - 42

6 One Member on the **Board of Governors of the Museum of London.**

		Votes					
		First Round	Second Round	Third Round	Fourth Round	Fifth Round	Final Round
Graeme Doshi-Smith	-	6	-	-	-	-	-
Alderman Gregory Jones ★	-	28	30	32	34	40	45
Deputy Ann Holmes	-	21	21	21	22	27	29
Wendy Mead	-	7	8	-	-	-	-
Alpa Raja	-	11	11	11	-	-	-
Anett Rideg	-	16	16	17	18	19	-
Deputy Giles Shilson	-	8	9	12	15	-	-

With no candidate obtaining 50% of the first preference votes, the candidate with fewest first preference votes was eliminated and next preference votes (as appropriate and where indicated) were transferred. This step was repeated and, following the sixth round of counting, Alderman Gregory Jones received a majority of votes cast.

7 Two Members on **The Honourable The Irish Society.**

	Votes
Anne Corbett	- 35 ★
Jaspreet Hodgson	- 18
Tim McNally	- 33
Eamonn Mullally	- 35 ★
Alpa Raja	- 20
James Tumbridge	- 27

Read.

11. Questions

Meyers, A.G.D.,
Deputy to the
Chairman of
Planning &
Transportation

Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)

Deputy Andrien Meyers asked a question of the Chairman of the Planning and Transportation Committee, concerning the governance and utilisation of Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) funds.

Responding, the Chairman explained the obligations around s106 planning obligations and that, separate to this, the CIL is a levy charged on most new development and is intended to fund the provision of infrastructure to support the development of the City's area. There is much greater freedom in legislation on how the City Corporation can spend CIL receipts.

The City Corporation is required to publish an annual report setting out how much CIL and s106 it has received and how this has been spent or will be spent. This report, known as the Infrastructure Funding Statement (IFS).

The City of London CIL came into effect on 1 July 2014 and requires developers to contribute to infrastructure funding in accordance with the City's CIL Charging Schedule. Contributions are calculated on the amount of new floorspace that is delivered, with contribution rates varying between land uses. The responsibility for setting CIL charge rates, and ultimately the amount of CIL a developer is required to contribute, rests with the Planning & Transportation Committee.

However, governance of how the City Corporation spends CIL receipts is the responsibility of Policy & Resources Committee, consistent with its wider resources remit.

The Mayor of London also charges a London-wide CIL, which is collected by the City Corporation on behalf of the Mayor and is used to help fund Crossrail and other strategic transport infrastructure.

City CIL expenditure has to have regard to national legislation which requires 15% of CIL funds to be used to meet local community infrastructure priorities. The City Corporation has established a CIL Neighbourhood Fund, which is administered by the Central Grants Unit and provides generally small-scale grants to local communities across the City. National legislation also allows up to 5% of CIL receipts to be used to fund administration of the CIL process.

For the bulk of City CIL funds, 80% of receipts, the decision on expenditure is the responsibility of the Resource Allocation Sub-Committee. Since the end of 2019, CIL funding decisions have been aligned to the annual capital bids process, which allows for greater alignment of CIL expenditure with corporate capital priorities.

With increasing pressure on service budgets and a substantial reduction in Transport for London funding for transportation and public realm schemes, the Chairman felt it was an opportune time to review the governance around CIL expenditure to ensure that the City Corporation made the most efficient and effective use of limited funds, whilst delivering infrastructure to support the development of the City's area and that communities need.

The Chairman committed to tasking officers to prepare a report for consideration, initially by the Planning & Transportation Committee, addressing how the City Corporation collects and uses developer contributions and looking at what changes need to be made to deliver the high-quality infrastructure and public realm.

Policy and Resources Committee

Paul Singh asked a question of the Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee, concerning the composition of that Committee, in particular with reference to the opportunities for new Members to participate in that body's activities.

Responding, the Chairman reiterated his previous statements in respect of his desire for newly-elected Members to participate in the Court's business. He clarified that the responsibility for appointments rested with the Court, not the Committee.

The Committee's composition included reserved places for Members with under five years' service and residential Members. Multiple vacancies arise each year, in rotation, to give opportunity for turnover through elections open to all Members.

The Chairman reflected that all Members were equal, largely independent, representatives of the City and stated the need to work together collectively and collegiately. The Policy and Resources Committee has a broad remit as granted by Court, in which ultimate power resides. It had a number of sub-committees which, in turn, had co-opted positions open to all Members.

Paul Singh asked a supplementary question about whether the Chairman should be elected by the Court.

Replying, the Chairman clarified that the Policy Chairman had no decision-making powers as an individual, with all decisions resting with the Committee. This was the case for all of the Court's Committees, where the Chairman's role is to lead, and help implement collective decisions. He felt that if the position was appointed by the Court, it would go against the delegations that are presently operating, and consequently disagreed that the Chairman of Policy should be elected by the Court.

Alderman Ian Luder highlighted a number of examples where newer Members were elected on to key committees, including Policy and Resources Committee. There were also a number of instances where new Members had been appointed into leadership positions, in short order. Alderman Ian Luder re-iterated the point that the Sub-Committees were a useful way to widen involvement.

Chairman thanked the Alderman for the reminder and agreed that it was useful to note that there had been a number of Members elected onto Policy and Resources Committee in their first term, and reflected that the current Vice-Chairmen had only served five years on the Committee. The Chairman agreed that the work of the Sub-Committees was important and that the vacancies open to election from Court was great way to get involved and raise individual profiles.

The Chairman concluded that, if interested, he would welcome any Member to attend Policy and Resources Committee, as is their right as an elected Member.

Munsur Ali, a Member of Policy and Resources Committee, remarked on his own first term, outlining the progress made on significant pieces of work, including visibility and representation on Court. Members were able to contribute through the Member Diversity Working Party, which addressed matters of equalities, diversity and inclusion. Much had been achieved, although there was still more to be done. He encouraged Members of Court to bring forward ideas, regardless of their committee membership.

The Chairman agreed. He suggested the Court had come a long way in improving diversity, but not far enough. He wished to continue to build on the success to date.

Natasha Lloyd-Owen explained that at the heart of Lisvane, he highlighted issues with appointments particularly with Policy and Resources Committee. She found it interesting that a new Member had these views. Concern was expressed on the

limitations on participation at Policy and Resources Committee for those not elected to it, particularly Members representing residential wards. With that in mind, Natasha Lloyd-Owen asked if there was plans to bring forward proposals to allow for substitute Members on Committees.

The Chairman of Policy and Resources confirmed that the Court deliberated on the proposal for a nominating body of Court, with many taking the view that the process would be even less democratic. With a lot of power falling to a decided few. It was therefore rejected on the basis that everyone should have a say on who is on what Committee. The Chairman confirmed that he would be open to considering requests from observing Members of Policy and Resources, who wished to speak on a particular items with a very strong case.

Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

P.J., Deputy to the
Chairman of
Policy &
Resources

Deputy Philip Woodhouse asked a question of the Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee regarding the work undertaken by City of London Corporation officers, in the delivery of a programme of successful Platinum Jubilee events.

In reply, the Chairman was delighted to wholeheartedly agree, without reservation.

Members had the privilege of participating in some of the unique and remarkable events commemorating Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee across the Bank Holiday weekend, however, across the whole City Corporation, a wide range of festivities were also held in honour of our Sovereign's long and dedicated service.

The momentous occasion required a significant effort from our officers. The Chairman invited the Honourable Court to join him in demonstrating its formal appreciation.

The Chairman also thanked fellow Members for their involvement, particularly those on the Civic Affairs Sub-Committee, who contributed considerably in preparation.

Appreciation was also expressed to Livery Companies who supported events both financially and by their enthusiastic participation.

In conclusion a deep gratitude was expressed to Her Majesty the Queen, for all she has done for the City, the nation, and the Commonwealth over the past 70 years.

Wendy Mead asked whether thanks could be demonstrated to staff with some commemorative gift. The Chairman agreed to explore possible options.

12. Motions

There were no Motions.

13. **AUDIT & RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE****(Alexander Robertson Martin Barr)**

24 May 2022

Annual Report

The Audit and Risk Management Committee presented to the Court of Common Council its 2021/22 Annual Report, updating on its activity from 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022. Providing this report to the Court of Common Council on an annual basis was in line with Chartered Institute of Public Finance & Accounting (CIPFA) guidance on best practice for audit committees in order to effectively support the organisation; for the Court to understand the work of the Committee; and, for the Court to hold the Committee to account.

Resolved – That the report be received.

14. **POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE****(Deputy Christopher Michael Hayward)**

13 May 2022

Report of Urgent Action Taken: Corrections to Constitutions and Terms of Reference, Board of Governors of the City of London School and City of London Freeman's School

The Court noted action taken under urgency procedures to implement a number of corrections to the Terms of Reference of the Board of Governors of the City of London School and Board of Governors of the City of London Freeman's School.

Due to an administrative error, when the two Schools' Terms of Reference had been presented to the Court as part of the White Paper in April 2022, the outdated versions for the City of London School and City of London Freeman's School were left in situ and not replaced with new versions which corresponded with the previous decisions of the Court. (The correct version was, however, included in respect of the City of London School for Girls). Specifically, these changes were: the introduction of term limits of 12 years for Governors, a greater term length for Chairs (subject to annual re-election in the usual way), and a reflection of the Chair's additional responsibilities under the Target Operating Model's arrangements for the management of institutions.

The error having been identified, approval was granted under urgency for this to be corrected and the omitted changes incorporated, together with a consequential reflection of the changes to the Chairs' term limits under Standing Order 29.

Resolved – That the action taken be noted.

15. Resolutions There were no resolutions.

16. Hospital Seal There were no docquets for the Seal.

17. Awards & Prizes There was no report.

18. Exclusion
of Public

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O.B.E., D.L.,
Deputy; Colthurst,
H.N.A., Deputy*

That the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business below on the grounds that it both involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act, 1972, and also relates to functions of the Court of Common Council which are not subject to the provisions of Part VA and Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

19. Non-public
minutes

Resolved – That the non-public minutes of the last Court are correctly recorded.

The meeting commenced at 1.00 pm and ended at 1.52 pm

BARRADELL.