



# KEAVENY, MAYOR

## COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL

**21st July 2022**  
**MEMBERS PRESENT**

### ALDERMEN

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

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

Sheriff Nicholas Stephen Leland Lyons (Alderman)  
Professor Michael Raymond Mainelli (Alderman)  
Christopher Makin (Alderman)  
Bronek Masojada (Alderman)  
Sir William Anthony Bowater Russell (Alderman)  
Sir David Hugh Wootton (Alderman)

### COMMONERS

Joanna Tufuo Abeyie  
George Christopher Abrahams  
Rehana Banu Ameer, Deputy  
Randall Keith Anderson, Deputy  
Jamel Banda  
Brendan Barns  
Alexander Robertson Martin Barr (Alderman)  
Matthew Bell  
The Honourable Emily Sophia Wedgwood Benn  
Ian Bishop-Laggett  
Christopher Paul Boden, Deputy  
Mark Bostock, Deputy  
Keith David Forbes Bottomley, Deputy  
Tijs Broeke  
James Bromiley-Davis  
Timothy Richard Butcher  
Michael John Cassidy, Deputy  
Dominic Gerard Christian  
Henry Nicholas Almroth  
Colthurst, Deputy

Anne Corbett  
Aaron Anthony Jose Hasan  
D'Souza  
Graeme Doshi-Smith, Deputy  
Simon D'Olier Duckworth, Deputy  
Peter Gerard Dunphy, Deputy  
Mary Durcan  
John Ernest Edwards  
Helen Lesley Fentimen  
Sophie Anne Fernandes  
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  
Shravan Jashvantrai Joshi, Deputy  
Florence Keelson-Anfu  
Elizabeth Anne King  
Gregory Alfred Lawrence  
Charles Edward Lord, OBE JP, Deputy  
Antony Geoffrey Manchester  
Paul Nicholas Martinelli  
Andrew Paul Mayer  
Catherine McGuinness  
Andrew Stratton McMurtrie  
Wendy Mead  
Brian Desmond Francis Mooney, Deputy  
Alastair Michael Moss, Deputy  
Eamonn James Mullally  
Deborah Oliver TD  
Graham Packham, Deputy  
Susan Jane Pearson, Deputy

Judith Pleasance  
James Henry George Pollard, Deputy  
Henrika Johanna Sofia Priest  
Jason Paul Pritchard  
Nighat Qureishi, Deputy  
Alpa Raja  
Anett Rideg  
David Sales  
Dr Giles Robert Evelyn Shilson, Deputy  
Paul Singh  
Naresh Hari Sonpar  
Mandeep Thandi  
Luis Felipe Tilleria  
Shailendra Kumar Kantilal Umrada  
Mark Raymond Peter Henry  
Delano Wheatley  
Philip Woodhouse, Deputy  
Dawn Linsey Wright  
Irem Yerdelen

Introduction of  
New Alderman

On behalf of the Common Council, the Chief Commoner welcomed Christopher Makin following his recent election as Alderman for the Ward of Aldersgate. Alderman Makin 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 Shailendra Umradia 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 trip to Indonesia, where he spent time focussing on how UK Financial Services industry could support Indonesian Green Infrastructure proposals and building on Islamic Finance relations. In Japan, the Lord Mayor was developing ties with the Tokyo Metropolitan Government, holding meetings on Green Finance and Investment Banks, and visiting the British School.

During his trip to the United States, time was taken to promote the UK offering in asset management. The Lord Mayor jointly hosted a Global Investment Future Summit in the New York Stock Exchange and met with key investors and financial institutions as well as endowment funds.

In Canada, he met with banks and pension funds and concluded his programme by spending with the Finance Minister of Quebec.

Mansion House hosted the Dinner to the Judges, providing an opportunity to outline the strong connection between the UK rule of law and the economy. The Lord Mayor had hosted the Finance Impact Summit and supported the launch of the Just Transition Finance Challenge, which involved a commitment to explore the reduction of CO2 emissions in a way that took into account socio-economic impacts.

The Financial Professional Services Dinner built upon the strong relationships with Her Majesty's Treasury at which guests heard about the new annual state of the sector report. It provided a great opportunity to hear about priorities and consider how we tackle rise in inflation.

5. Policy Statement                      On behalf of the Court of Common Council, the Chairman of Policy & Resources Committee commenced his statement by congratulating fellow Member, Ruby Sayed, on the recent birth of her son.

He then moved on to provide his statement and reflected on the success of the Financial and Professional Services Dinner, hosted by the Lord Mayor at Mansion House. Amid challenging conditions, the City had welcomed the new Chancellor and heard from him and the Governor of the Bank of England.

The Chairman went on to reference the long-awaited Financial Services and Markets Bill which had been published the day before. Given the City's role in promoting London and the UK as a globally leading financial and professional services centre, it was right that the City Corporation had taken a keen interest in its development. He listed the opportunities that this Bill presented and the vital role the sector played in driving growth, supporting investment and facilitating trade across the country.

The Innovation and Growth Department had been working in partnership with Her Majesty's Treasury to publish the 'State of the Sector' report which will ultimately enable the UK to boost its competitiveness and strengthen the country's position as a leader in the financial sector. The report was a product of strong engagement of industry and demonstrated what can happen when we work collaboratively as an organisation, as a City and as a sector.

The Chairman concluded by remarking on his travels to India, where he participated in a meeting of the Climate Finance Leadership Initiative. The trip also provided a good opportunity to float a new strategic approach to India with stakeholders, based on the themes of infrastructure, sustainable finance and investment.

A question was raised concerning the new Financial Services and Markets Bill, which included the need for the financial regulators to have, as a secondary objective, the need to maintain the competitiveness of the UK as a destination for inward investment and capital with the aim of growing our financial, insurance and professional services sector. The Chairman was asked whether he agreed that the inclusion of the objective was essential for the health of a strong, effective and proportionate framework, to attract business from around the world. Furthermore, would the Chairman be active in supporting implementation to ensure regulators are held to account for delivering on the duties, to build on support from HM opposition, and finally, whether he would commit to arrange meetings with all parliamentarians to build support for the Bill.

The Chairman agreed that this provided a golden opportunity to ensure that the Financial Services ecosystem remains open, effective and innovative. A view that was echoed by the Chancellor at the recent FPS dinner. This new secondary objective was welcome as the UK must have a world leading regulatory regime with high standards in order to remain competitive on the global stage.

This approach would support the UK government's broader economic policy and was in line with regulatory objectives in oversea jurisdictions. It also made clear that competition, consumer protection and financial stability should remain the clear primary focus of the regulators.

A more agile and proportionate framework would allow the industry to thrive and ensure that the UK continues to provide a globally leading regulatory framework, based on international standards and global best practice.

In drawing his conclusion, the Chairman assured the Court that he and the City of London Corporation more widely, would continue to work with the Government to ensure proposals could benefit households, consumers and businesses, as well as ensuring the sectors competitiveness.

He also agreed to lobby parliament more widely, having already met with Members of all political parties, raising the matter of competitiveness with each. The Chairman had recently met with the Shadow Chancellor of the Exchequer, who publicly gave assurance that Labour would support the Bill. The Chairman

was engaging all the time across parliament and will continue to do so.

Autumn also brought with it the party conference season – he would be working to cement this lobbying of all politicians.

## 6. LICENSING COMMITTEE

(James Tumbridge)

23 May 2022

### **Gambling Act 2005: Review of Statement of Licensing Principles**

The Court considered a report of the Licensing Committee regarding amendments to the City's Statement of Licensing Principles ('policy'). Under the Gambling Act 2005, this policy was to be reviewed every three years.

*Resolved* – That the Court of Common Council agree the draft Statement of Licensing Principles (Appendix 1), The Gambling Local Area Profile (Appendix 2) and the Guidance on Undertaking Local Gambling Risk Assessments (Appendix 3) as the Corporation's 'Statement of Licensing Principles'.

## 7. Appointment s

Deputy Edward Lord raised a point of order under Standing Order 11(7) seeking clarification on the eligibility of Members standing for the Freedom Applications Sub-Committee vacancy.

Alderman Emma Edhem provided notice of her withdrawal her nomination at item 7(F) for the Freedom Applications Sub-Committee and the Chairman of Policy & Resources Committee confirmed he would bring the matter for consideration at the September Policy & Resources Committee.

The Court proceeded to consider the following appointments:

*Where appropriate:-*

*\* denotes a Member standing for re-appointment*

- (A) Three Members on the **Board of Governors of the City of London School**, for two terms expiring in July 2026 and one term expiring July 2024.

#### **Nominations received:-**

Florence Keelson-Anfu

\*Ian Seaton

Luis Tilleria

\*Deputy James Thomson

Read.

- (B) One Member on the **Board of Governors of the City of London School for Girls**, for a term expiring in July 2026.

#### **Nominations received:-**

Anett Rideg

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Anett Rideg to be appointed to the Board of Governors of the City of London School for Girls.

- (C) Three Members on the **Board of Governors of the City of London Freeman's School**, for a term expiring in July 2024.

**Nominations received:-**

Alderman Christopher Makin

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Alderman Christopher Makin to be appointed to the Board of Governors of the City of London Freeman's School.

- (D) One Member on the **Education Board**, for a term expiring in April 2023.

**Nominations received:-**

John Griffiths  
Naresh Sonpar  
Luis Tilleria

Read.

- (E) One Member on the **Licensing Committee**, for a term expiring in April 2026.

**Nominations received:-**

James Bromiley-Davis

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared James Bromiley-Davis to be appointed to the Licensing Committee.

- (G) Two Members on the **Equality, Diversity & Inclusion Sub- Committee**, for terms expiring in April 2023.

**Nominations received:-**

Dr Joanna Abeyie  
Jason Groves  
Alpa Raja  
Paul Singh

Read.

- (H) One Member on the **Barbican Residential Committee**, for a term expiring in April 2023.

**Nominations received:-**

Timothy McNally

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Timothy McNally to be appointed to the Barbican Residential Committee.

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

**(A) Applications for the Freedom of the City**

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:-

<b>Katie Louise Joanne Attwood</b>	a Real Estate Director	Finchley, London
<i>David Robert Attwood</i>	<i>Citizen and Plumber</i>	
<i>Michael Peter Cawston</i>	<i>Citizen and Tyler and Bricklayer</i>	
<b>Ana Bathija</b>	a Graphical Engineer	Toronto, Ontario, Canada
<i>Robert Andrews</i>	<i>Citizen and Gold &amp; Silver Wyre Drawer</i>	
<i>The Right Reverend Robert Todd Giffin, OStJ</i>	<i>Citizen and Tobacco Pipe Maker &amp; Tobacco Blender</i>	
<b>Carol Anne Boswarthack-Slater, MBE</b>	a Chartered Librarian	Forest Gate, London
<i>Ruby Sayed, CC</i>	<i>Citizen</i>	
<i>Wendy Marilyn Hyde, CC</i>	<i>Citizen and World Trader</i>	
<b>Dr Quaye Botchway</b>	a Research Consultant and Lecturer	Coventry, West Midlands
<i>Howard Andre Beber</i>	<i>Citizen and Poulter</i>	
<i>Kevin George Howard</i>	<i>Citizen and Loriner</i>	
<b>Ann Barbara Mitchell Brenells</b>	an Administrator, retired	
<i>Simon James Goodman</i>	<i>Citizen and Pattenmaker</i>	
<i>John David Edmund Gallagher</i>	<i>Citizen and Pewterer</i>	
<b>Paul Brenells</b>	a Solicitor, retired	Stoke Newington, London
<i>Simon James Goodman</i>	<i>Citizen and Pattenmaker</i>	
<i>John David Edmund Gallagher</i>	<i>Citizen and Pewterer</i>	

<b>James Hendry Brown</b> <i>Ann-Marie Jefferys</i> <i>Anne Elizabeth Holden</i>	a Mechanical Engineer, retired <i>Citizen and Glover</i> <i>Citizen and Basketmaker</i>	Morden, Surrey
<b>Kathryn Oteri Campbell</b> <i>The Rt. Hon. The Lord Mayor</i> <i>Ald. Sir William Anthony</i> <i>Bowater Russell</i>	an Architect <i>Citizen and Haberdasher</i>	Upminster, Essex
<b>Dr Anna Cantlay</b> <i>The Rt Hon. The Lord Mayor</i> <i>Ald. Sir William Anthony</i> <i>Bowater Russell</i>	a Medical Practitioner <i>Citizen and Haberdasher</i>	Barnes, London
<b>Andrew Clyde Winston Carter</b> <i>Ruby Sayed, CC</i> <i>Deputy Randall Keith Anderson</i>	a Local Government Officer <i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i> <i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i>	Purley, Croydon
<b>Simon Paul Cribbens</b> <i>Ruby Sayed, CC</i> <i>Deputy Randall Keith Anderson</i>	a Local Government Officer <i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i> <i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i>	Bromley, London
<b>John Paul Curlewis</b> <i>Susan Mary Harrison</i> <i>Basil Roy Hodgson</i>	a Construction Company Director <i>Citizen and Educator</i> <i>Citizen and Stationer &amp; Newspaper Maker</i>	Horsham, West Sussex
<b>Carol Rochelle De Solla</b> <i>Alan Leslie Warman</i> <i>Diane Irene Warman</i>	an Investment Banking Analyst, retired <i>Citizen and Clockmaker</i> <i>Citizen and Clockmaker</i>	Wellingborough, North Northamptonshire
<b>Simon Geoffrey Dodd</b> <i>Stephen Richard Nigel Fenton</i> <i>Lewis Barry Bloch</i>	a Transaction Credit Manager <i>Citizen and Baker</i> <i>Citizen and Basketmaker</i>	Westcliff-on-Sea, Essex
<b>Louis Cornelius Taljaard Du Plessis</b> <i>The Rt Hon. The Lord Mayor</i> <i>Amanda Josephine Keaveny</i>	a Security Manager <i>Citizen and Fletcher</i>	Ilford, Essex
<b>Niâma El Bassunie</b> <i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i> <i>Ald. Sir William Anthony</i> <i>Bowater Russell</i>	a Commercial Marketplace Chief Executive Officer <i>Citizen and Haberdasher</i>	Camden, London
<b>Robert Benjamin Erskine-Hill</b> <i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i> <i>Ald. Sir William Anthony</i> <i>Bowater Russell</i>	an Executive Search Consultant <i>Citizen and Haberdasher</i>	Putney, Wandsworth

<b>Susan Anne Flather</b>	an Interior Designer	Oakham, Leicestershire
<i>Robert Mainprize Flather</i>	<i>Citizen and Stationer &amp; Newspaper Maker</i>	
<i>David Ian Allan</i>	<i>Citizen and Stationer &amp; Newspaper Maker</i>	
<b>Douglas Howard Ginsburg</b>	a Chief Judge	Washington DC, United States of America
<i>Deputy Christopher Michael Hayward</i>	<i>Citizen and Pattenmaker</i>	
<i>Matthew Charles Falco Lombardi Richardson</i>	<i>Citizen and Wax Chandler</i>	
<b>Peter Walker Grant</b>	an Investment Portfolio Manager	Balham, London
<i>Ald. Robert Charles Hughes-Penney</i>	<i>Citizen and Haberdasher</i>	
<i>Deputy James Henry George Pollard</i>	<i>Citizen and Skinner</i>	
<b>Charles Paul Harvey</b>	a Security Company Co-Owner	Letchworth Garden City, Hertfordshire
<i>David Charles Evans</i>	<i>Citizen and Security Professional</i>	
<i>Andrew Williams</i>	<i>Citizen and Security Professional</i>	
<b>Patrick Hickey</b>	a Civil Engineering Company Director	Woldingham, Surrey
<i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor Amanda Josephine Keaveny</i>	<i>Citizen and Fletcher</i>	
<b>Dean David Horsley</b>	an Operations Manager	Maidstone, Kent
<i>Donald Howard Coombe</i>	<i>Citizen and Poulter</i>	
<i>David Peter Coombe</i>	<i>Citizen and Poulter</i>	
<b>Anthony Hoskins</b>	an Aviation Engineering Company Director	Storrington, West Sussex
<i>Michael John Smith</i>	<i>Citizen and Fan Maker</i>	
<i>John Alexander McGregor</i>	<i>Citizen and Spectacle Maker</i>	
<b>William Benjamin Robert Hulse</b>	a Museum Director, retired	Rotherhithe, London
<i>Iain Reid</i>	<i>Citizen and Ironmonger</i>	
<i>Edward Gradosielski</i>	<i>Citizen and Wax Chandler</i>	
<b>Eve Elizabeth Hurrell Atkins</b>	a Student	Norwich, Norfolk
<i>Ann Elizabeth Esslemont</i>	<i>Citizen and Glover</i>	
<i>Wendy Mead, CC</i>	<i>Citizen and Glover</i>	
<b>Dr Sandra Diane Husbands</b>	a Public Health Director	Harlesden, London
<i>Mary Durcan, CC</i>	<i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i>	
<i>Deputy Marianne Bernadette Fredericks</i>	<i>Citizen and Baker</i>	
<b>Terence John Hussey</b>	a Mechanical and Electrical Company Director	Hollingbourne, Kent
<i>Vincent Dignam</i>	<i>Citizen and Carman</i>	



<i>John Paul Tobin</i>	<i>Citizen and Carman</i>	
<b>Fiona Catherine Kirton</b> <i>Ald. Sir Peter Kenneth Estlin</i> <i>Ian Christopher Norman Seaton, MBE</i>	a Bursaries Officer, retired <i>Citizen and International Banker</i> <i>Citizen and Girdler</i>	Godalming, Surrey
<b>Jessica Ruth Liebmann</b> <i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i> <i>Ald. Sir William Anthony Bowater Russell</i>	a Business Development Senior Manager <i>Citizen and Haberdasher</i>	Richmond, Surrey
<b>Dr Hong Lu, OBE</b> <i>Ald. Prof. Michael Raymond Mainelli</i> <i>Elisabeth Mainelli</i>	a Teacher <i>Citizen and World Trader</i> <i>Citizen and Mason</i>	Cambridge, Cambridgeshire
<b>Geraldene Ann Lucia-Hennis</b> <i>Lisa Rutter</i> <i>Ann-Marie Jefferys</i>	a Councillor <i>Citizen and Pattenmaker</i> <i>Citizen and Glover</i>	Dartford, Kent
<b>Andrew Philip Mindenhall</b> <i>Deputy Rehana Banu Ameer</i> <i>Deputy Randall Keith Anderson</i>	an IT Chief Executive Officer <i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i> <i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i>	York, Yorkshire
<b>Haridas Nair</b> <i>Kevin George Howard</i> <i>Richard Keith Skues</i>	a Bank Manager, retired <i>Citizen and Loriner</i> <i>Citizen and Clockmaker</i>	East Croydon, Surrey
<b>Paul James Newton</b> <i>Nikolaos Kotrozos</i> <i>Daniel Mark Benham</i>	a London Underground Area Manager <i>Citizen and Feltmaker</i> <i>Citizen and Feltmaker</i>	Hornchurch, Havering
<b>William Guy Marshall Nicholson</b> <i>Deputy Christopher Michael Hayward</i> <i>Deputy Simon D'Olier Duckworth, OBE DL</i>	a Deputy Mayor <i>Citizen and Pattenmaker</i> <i>Citizen and Skinner</i>	Hackney, London
<b>Caroline Anne O'Donoghue</b> <i>Vincent Dignam</i> <i>John Paul Tobin</i>	a Local Government Officer <i>Citizen and Carman</i> <i>Citizen and Carman</i>	Enfield, London
<b>Eugene Christopher O'Driscoll</b> <i>Deputy Rehana Banu Ameer</i> <i>Deputy Randall Keith Anderson</i>	an IT Service Director <i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i> <i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i>	Stratford-upon-Avon, Warwickshire
<b>Christopher Jefferson Pelham</b> <i>Ruby Sayed, CC</i> <i>Deputy Randall Keith Anderson</i>	a Local Government Officer <i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i> <i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i>	Woodford Green, Essex

<b>Roxanne Lyn Ransley</b> <i>Michael John James</i> <i>James Patrick Vaughan</i>	a Teacher, retired <i>Citizen and Stationer &amp; Newspaper Maker</i> <i>Citizen and Stationer &amp; Newspaper Maker</i>	Tring, Hertfordshire
<b>Mohammad Arshad Sarwar</b> <i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i> <i>Amanda Josephine Keaveny</i>	a Security Supervisor <i>Citizen and Fletcher</i>	Lewisham, London
<b>Lyn Schalk</b> <i>Sir Michael Snyder</i> <i>Ald. Alexander Barr</i>	a Cafe and Building Manager <i>Citizen and Needlemaker</i> <i>Citizen and Ironmonger</i>	Canning Town, London
<b>Lemn Sissay, OBE</b> <i>Deputy Christopher Michael Hayward,</i> <i>Wendy Marilyn Hyde, CC</i>	an Author, Poet and Broadcaster <i>Citizen and Pattenmaker</i> <i>Citizen and World Trader</i>	Clapton, London
<b>Iara Spinelly Cruzal</b> <i>Ald. Sir David Hugh Wootton</i> <i>Iain Reid</i>	a Personal Assistant to The Consul General of Brazil <i>Citizen and Fletcher</i> <i>Citizen and Ironmonger</i>	Lewisham, London
<b>Daniel Taylor Rushworth</b> <i>Daniel Mark Benham</i> <i>Nikolaos Kotrozos</i>	a Finance Director <i>Citizen and Feltmaker</i> <i>Citizen and Feltmaker</i>	Wood Green, London
<b>Nina Ann Walker</b> <i>Stephen Paul Tanner</i> <i>Anthony Edward Demby</i>	a Headteacher, retired <i>Citizen and Upholder</i> <i>Citizen and Upholder</i>	Walton On Thames,
<b>Rev. Dr Martin Wellings</b> <i>Martin Henry Charles Russell</i> <i>Brian John Coleman</i>	a Methodist Minister <i>Citizen and Farrier</i> <i>Citizen and Farrier</i>	Finchley, London
<b>Abiodun Williams, JP</b> <i>Ann-Marie Jefferys</i> <i>Alan Shelley</i>	<b>Macdonald</b> a Health and Safety Officer, retired <i>Citizen and Glover</i> <i>Citizen and Blacksmith</i>	Croxdale, Durham

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.

**(B) Report of urgent action taken: Applications for the Freedom of the City**

The Court received notice of action taken under urgency procedures to approve an application for the Freedom of the City of London on behalf of the Court of Common Council:

To Dalal Al-Duwaisan, wife to the Ambassador of Kuwait; being nominated by the Rt Hon The Lord Mayor and Chief Commoner, Simon Duckworth, Citizen and Skinner.

*Resolved* – That the Court of Common Council note the action taken under urgency procedures.

#### 9. Resolutions

*Resolved unanimously* – “That the sincere gratitude of this Court be extended to:-

Bottomley, K. D.  
F., Deputy;  
Duckworth, S.D.,  
O.B.E., D.L.,  
Deputy

#### SIR ALAN COLIN DRAKE YARROW

For the exemplary service he has provided to the Ward of Bridge and Bridge Without, the City of London, and the City Corporation over the past fifteen years.

Alan was first admitted to this Court as Alderman for the Ward of Bridge and Bridge Without in February 2007. Alan has served with commitment, integrity, good sense, and good humour throughout his time in office and these qualities will be sorely missed by his fellow Members.

An investment banker by trade who also served as Chairman of the Chartered Institute for Securities & Investment for nine years from 2009 – 2018, Alan brought his significant professional expertise to bear on the many Corporation Committees on which he served over the years. During his time on the Court, Alan strove to promote the City of London and UK financial services sector worldwide and was tireless in his efforts to champion the City as a financial and professional services centre, both at home and overseas

Having served the office of Sheriff in 2011/12, Alan reached the pinnacle of his civic career in 2014/15 when he was elected as Lord Mayor. As the 687th Lord Mayor of this City, Alan travelled extensively visiting more than 25 countries and leading business delegations to a number of regions such as the Gulf, Latin America, and Asia – including a visit to Malaysia, the country of his birth. Through all of this, he was most ably supported by his wife Gilly, the Lady Mayoress, who herself undertook a varied programme with passion and commitment. Indeed, she remains involved in the work of the City of London Freeman’s School where she has served as a Governor for some nine years now. Alan’s Mayoral motto – ‘Creating Wealth, Giving Time, Supporting People’ – has been evident through all he has always done, and informed a number of initiatives aimed at promoting a better understanding of the positive role played by the financial and professional services industry. The City Giving Day was an integral part of this, acting as a showcase for the wider social benefit generated by the extensive Corporate Social Responsibility and community involvement of City firms.

In taking their leave, his colleagues would like to express to Alan their sincere thanks for his many years of service, with the hope that he, and his wife Gilly, and their family will long retain happy memories of his civic life and all that he has achieved for the wider City, for the City Corporation, and for this Honourable Court.”

Duckworth, S.D.,

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

*Resolved* – That the sincere congratulations of this Court be offered to:-

- i) Robert Crispin George Quest, M.B.E., the Head of our Animal Reception Centre, on his recent appointment by Her Majesty the Queen as a Member of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, in recognition of his services to Animal Health and Welfare.
- ii) Melissa Dark, M.B.E., The City Police's Casualty Bureau Manager and Disaster Victim Identification Coordinator, on her recent appointment by Her Majesty the Queen as a Member of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, in recognition of her services to the community, police and the voluntary sector.
- iii) Janet Laban, B.E.M., one of the City Corporation's Senior Sustainability Officers, on her recent award by Her Majesty the Queen of the British Empire Medal, in recognition of her services to the Environment.
- iv) Reginald Butcher, B.E.M., a volunteer who has worked with colleagues in the City over the past 50 years on the Thames Fishery Experiment, on his recent award by Her Majesty the Queen of the British Empire Medal, for services to marine Conservation in the City of London.

## 10. CITY OF LONDON POLICE AUTHORITY BOARD

(Deputy James Thomson)

30 June 2022

### **City of London Police Annual Report 2021/22**

The Court received a report of the City of London Police Authority Board regarding the 2021/22 Annual Report, featuring information on crime, financial and staff statistics, as well as a summary of the year.

*Resolved* – That the report be noted.

## 11. MARKETS BOARD

(Deputy Henry Pollard)

12 July 2022

### **Report of Urgent Action Taken: Markets Board Composition**

The Court received a report of action taken under urgency in respect of the Markets Board Composition, and the appointment of three external observers representing each of the three Markets.

*Resolved* – that the action taken be noted.

## 12. Questions

Moss, A.M.,  
Deputy to the  
Chairman of  
Planning &

### **Traffic Ordinance Review and Bank Junction**

Deputy Alastair Moss asked a question of the Chairman of the Planning & Transportation Committee regarding progress being made in relation to a motion passed by the court on 21 April 2022, regarding the Traffic Ordinance review and

Transportation

the Bank Junction Review, in particular the analysis required to date.

In response, the Chairman confirmed that the Planning & Transportation Committee had agreed the process and programme for both the review of traffic and timing restrictions at Bank Junction and the wider review of all traffic orders currently in effect on the City's streets. Work on both reviews had commenced and a more detailed briefing note would be provided to the Court after this meeting.

The Bank Junction Review was to consider whether it is appropriate to alter the traffic mix and/or timing of the restrictions on Cornhill, King William/Lombard Street and Poultry. The major stakeholder is TfL. The programme for the Bank Review is largely determined by Transport for London's (TfL) traffic modelling approvals process, which usually takes 12 to 18 months. Traffic surveys to inform the modelling work are being commissioned and officers were engaging with TfL to agree the modelling expectations. It was expected that the Court would have the opportunity to debate potential changes in April 2023, when options to go to public consultation will need to be decided. It was vital that decisions were based on data gathered and consultation with all stakeholders.

There would be a further opportunity for debate when the results of consultation became available and, assuming the review identified that changes were necessary, a recommendation to proceed to final approvals will be made. This was expected to be in July 2023. The detailed design would then be undertaken and final approvals from TfL sought before implementing any approved changes in early 2024.

The Chairman acknowledged that this was a long timescale, but it had not been stretched out. It was driven by requirements for traffic modelling and TfL approvals. Officers are actively exploring opportunities to condense the timetable and to conclude the review earlier.

In terms of the wider review of all traffic orders in effect on the City's streets, the Chairman explained that there were two workstreams: data collection and analysis, and the review of the orders themselves. The motion asked for this review to be informed by a detailed survey of current traffic flows and other relevant metrics of public highway. This data was being gathered. The City undertook video surveys of all traffic in June, including people walking, at over 30 sites. These video surveys were complemented by automatic traffic counts of motor traffic at additional sites across the City.

The City was also exploring the potential to acquire a range of other data sets, and are drawing draw on existing data, for example air quality and the recently completed Casualty Data Analysis Dashboard. In the autumn a targeted engagement of City residents, workers, businesses, and groups representing the needs and interests of protected characteristics, would be undertaken.

We have appointed consultants to undertake the actual review of traffic orders in two stages: the first, to compile a list of all experimental and permanent traffic orders; and develop the methodology for the review. The second, to review orders using the outputs from the data collection exercise and against the objectives of the

Transport Strategy, Climate Action Strategy, Destination City, and the Corporate Plan.

Initial data analysis, together with the outcome of stage one of the traffic order review, would be reported to the Planning & Transportation Committee in September and to the Honourable Court in October. Further analysis and the outcome of stage two of the traffic order review will be reported in December.

Deputy Alastair Moss asked a supplementary question, seeking further detail on the timeframe for TfL approvals for the Bank Review.

The Chairman confirmed that the indicative timeframes for the TfL approvals would be circulated to Members after the meeting via a more detailed briefing note.

It had been assumed that it would be necessary to effectively start the traffic model approvals process again to assess and support any proposed change to the traffic mix. However, by the end of the year the Chairman expected to be in a position where the traffic modelling expectations had been agreed with TfL, the data collected, and the initial model update undertaken.

The first TfL model audits were expected to be start in the new year. Due to the size of the traffic models, the audit process would be time consuming and iterative. It was anticipated that the information required for a decision to shortlist any options for public consultation could be completed by March 2023. Whilst the public consultation is undertaken, the traffic models would continue to be audited and finessed, looking at ways to minimise journey times for the options being consulted on.

Results of the public consultation in the summer of 2023 would help to identify any preferred option which this honourable Court may wish to proceed with. A further iteration of the model with the 'final scheme' will be submitted to TfL for their final audit.

This will lead to the information required by TfL for their formal Traffic Management Approvals Process. This will be accompanied by other supporting documentation such as equalities analysis, public consultation results, and road safety audit being considered before they would issue a formal scheme approval. This was likely to be in the Autumn of 2023.

Once the schemes Traffic Management approval has been successful, the City would be able to decide whether to proceed with the proposed change following the statutory consultation period on the traffic order.

Officers are talking with TfL to explore whether there was another way to approach this, which would be less costly and time consuming, but still give the rigour required to make effective decisions, both for the us and TfL. If there is a different approach, then this would be reported back

Deputy Mooney asked the Chairman if he would feedback into the modelling discussions the general frustrations of the Court that this is taking a long time.

In response, the Chairman explained that this was not just a matter of sovereign Court making a decision as it was very important to have TfL and other stakeholders on board. He disagreed that there is undue delay and as the City Corporation must follow due process to making sure it fulfilled statutory requirements. The City needed to ensure it met the accessibility requirements of all parties in its final decisions, so the Court must have all the necessary information available to it in order to do so.

### **Development of London Wall West**

Holmes, A.,  
Deputy to the  
Chairman of  
Policy &  
Resources

Deputy Ann Holmes asked a question of the Chairman of Policy & Resources Committee concerning whether there was a need to consider other options for the development of the London Wall West (LWW) site. LWW comprises the present site of the Museum of London and Bastion House, it is a large site in an area where large sites are rare. It has been described as the gateway to the Culture Mile and our cultural offer underpinned the City Corporation's strategy for ensuring it attracts the necessary talent to remain a global financial centre. Having staked the City's reputation on the Corporation's commitment to climate action, which is never tested more than on large developments, it was difficult to exaggerate the importance of getting the decision right for this site. Plans were originally for the Centre for Music, but a need was recognised for an alternative commercial offering. Policy & Resources Committee have compared potential residential and office use and tasked the Property Investment Board to produce a scheme with the highest yield, to form basis of the planning application. It was only on this scheme that the public had been consulted. Neither the Court nor the wider public were given the opportunity to comment on the alternative strategic options.

Given uniqueness of the site, and objections to current proposals, Deputy Holmes felt that the Court should be provided an opportunity to debate options. With no clear view of what she would like to see, r demolition, she requested that Members of the Court to undertake a detailed consideration of options.

Graham Packham raised a point of order under Standing Order 11(7). As Member of the Planning and Transportation Committee – he questioned whether participation in a debate on future use of the LWW site would impede the ability to consider the application later in the process. The Town Clerk confirmed that this was a question for the Chairman of the Policy & Resources Committee and that this did not constitute a debate.

Deputy Ann Holmes asked the Chairman if he would agree that the Court of Common Council needed to consider other options for the development of LWW site.

In reply, the Chairman advised that the City Corporation has been consulting on plans for Bastion House and the current home of the Museum of London since Spring 2021.

With the Museum of London planning to move and Bastion House falling below the standards expected for an office block, it was important to find a viable new future for the site. The site provided an opportunity to create a new business destination in

London's economic centre, as well as significant public realm improvements and cultural spaces for everyone to enjoy. Viability of offices, we have taken huge independent advice from consultants, substantial interest, unsolicited, in this site and proposed building.

Detailed design proposals had since been shared with both Members and the public. A series of five in-person consultation events had taken place in June this year, the proposals were then published online, allowing people to provide feedback via email or through a survey.

The current intention was to submit a planning application for the scheme in late autumn of this year. A paper was presented at the 19 July meeting of the Property Investment Board, asking Members to approve the continued progression and submission of the proposed planning application for the redevelopment of the London Wall West Site, and for Members to support the project. This was approved, with the Board requesting an amendment requiring that officers consider modifications to the proposed scheme to accommodate feedback from stakeholders. The Property Investment Board previously agreed that this will be a standing item for discussion, allowing Members a regular forum to comment on the plans. The pre-planning application consultation process is still underway with both Planning Officers and all various stakeholders. As part of this process, the design of the scheme continued to be reviewed in light of the feedback received. I remain personally committed to the widest possible ongoing consultation with all residents affected, as well as all other stakeholders as part of my 'reset' agenda with residents to try to rebuild transparency and trust.

London Wall West had been considered by your Policy and Resources Committee, Court of Common Council and the Property Investment Board on a number of occasions over the last few years and the Chairman noted that all decisions were agreed unanimously in pursuit of this course of action.

In terms of whether the Policy and Resources Committee agree that the Court of Common Council's needed to consider alternate options for London Wall West, the Chairman suggested that this would be a matter for the Committee, who would consider the matter on an ongoing basis.

Deputy Holmes feared that the public consultation had not been about options, and this Court had never discussed options. In light of his response, she asked the Chairman whether he could assure the Court that processes followed would withstand the scrutiny of a Judicial Review, should one take place.

The Chairman clarified that, as he was not a lawyer, he did not feel qualified provide a legal opinion on whether there would be a legal challenge through Judicial Review. He was, however, reassured by City Corporation officers we were doing absolutely everything according to the rule of law, through proper processes and governance. The Chairman believed that, even if there were to be a Judicial Review, that the City would be successful in defending its actions, but ultimately, he hoped events would not come to that eventuality.

Helen Fentimen acknowledged the number of occasions that the Chairman of



Policy and Resources Committee had given a clear commitment to build relationships with residents, doing his utmost to be better at engaging. She asked the Chairman if the question posed by Deputy Ann Holmes, provided an opportunity for him to demonstrate that he meant these commitments. Residents were clearly concerned about current proposals, and they did not believe that, to date, their comments and feedback have been heard or addressed, nor did they consider that opportunities to further plans for Destination City or Culture Mile, had been taken.

The Chairman said that he had no hesitation in restating his commitment to residents over the next five years, noting that he would do so by visiting residents in all three City estates. He agreed that the City had not done well enough so far, as the consultation and listening had not been good enough. However, the Chairman clarified the difference between consultation and listening, and simply agreeing with what was fed back on the consultation as this would be impossible. Officers had been asked to listen and look at the options that residents and stakeholders were feeding into the planning application. The Chairman did not believe it was true to say that options have not been considered.

Unless the City Corporation maximised capital receipt from this site, it could not contribute to the new Museum of London, Culture Mile and Destination City. It played a very important part and if these developments could not be funded the Corporation would not be honouring its commitments. In short, there was no easy solution; sometimes we have to maximise receipts to invest to provide even better facilities to residents and visitors.

Residents were repeatedly saying that they had not been listened to or heard – they did not have an expectation that every proposal they put forward will be incorporated or not included. Ms Fentimen implored that the City Corporation do better and seriously consider alternative options. She suggested that the financial point was understood, and the capital receipt was needed, but noted that the PIB paper was also clear that this receipt was at risk. With inflationary costs going up, she requested that further work on financial options on this scheme be considered.

The Chairman acknowledged the points being made and reflected that most comments on the planning application had been on matters such as the height of the building. These were all things he had asked to be reviewed to explore whether there was a more acceptable proposal for residents.

Deputy Mark Bostock explained that the LWW site was strategically important as a cultural offering and that redevelopment should be carefully considered in line with Destination City. He felt that LWW should be part of a cultural masterplan strategy involving the Museum of London relocation, Smithfield Market proposals and the Barbican Renewal Programme and that progress on the LWW be delayed until this masterplan was in place.

The Chairman shared a desire for a master cultural strategy for the City but did not agree that putting the ongoing on hold would help. There was a significant timing issue with Bastion House as well as with the move of the Museum; pausing work would be irresponsible.

Tijs Broeke raised a point of order under Standing Order 11(7) questioning the format of questions and the need to avoid statements. The Chairman confirmed that a statement could be used by Members to frame the question being asked.

Mr Bostock asked a supplementary question on whether the Chairman was convinced that the commercial proposals were optimum? Stating that he did not feel that the cultural heritage value of that site had been properly evaluated.

In response, the Chairman confirmed that he was satisfied that the option being consulted upon would make the very best value of the site in financial and cultural terms.

Steve Goodman invited the Chairman to confirm if any other cultural offering, other than Centre for Music, had been considered for the site. Furthermore, in context of so much vacant office space in the City and the footfall of workers will not return to pre-covid, small businesses are struggling. He asked if the City Corporation was sleepwalking into its future unless it reviewed what was best for the site.

The Chairman referred to his earlier response, whereby he mentioned the extensive professional advice received by consultants on the demand for office space. The Corporation was advised that there was significant demand for the site.

Mr Goodman asked the Chairman to confirm that no other cultural options about other than the Centre for Music had been considered.

The Chairman confirmed that he believed that this was the case.

### **Business Rates**

Grekos, M.,  
Deputy to the  
Chairman of  
Finance

In the context of the mixture of struggling businesses (from large corporates to SMEs to independent retailers) and ongoing impacts to the Square Mile following the Covid19 pandemic, Martha Grekos asked a question of the Chairman of Finance concerning how the City of London Corporation would assist current businesses with Business Rates and whether the Corporation would have a seat at the table with the Government on discussions to further business rate reform.

In response the Chairman explained that over the last week, the City had distributed £60m in Covid Additional Relief against 2021/22 business rate bills. This figure represented a 20% reduction in business rate bill for over 12,000 business properties. In aggregate they represented around 50% of business properties in the City.

For the current year (22/23) all Retail, Hospitality and Leisure properties benefited from business rates relief which produced a 50% reduction in their bills, subject to a national cap of £110,000 in relief per business. The Government also froze the national multiplier in 22/23, so businesses did not see a rise in their basic bill.

The City Corporation continued to try to assist businesses that may be struggling by accepting longer, but reasonable, payment arrangements where businesses engage with the Business Rates Team.

The City Corporation maintained an ongoing dialogue with the Department of Levelling Up Housing and Communities (DLUHC) on business rate matters. Officers would seek early engagement in any working groups that are proposed by DLUHC on the future of Business Rates in order to ensure that the City could make robust representations on matters that uniquely affect it. At present collection rates had held up well whilst overall Rateable Value and numbers of business properties had remained stable. Nevertheless, the Chairman believed that we are still in a period of adjustment and transition after Covid. He highlighted the point that under current arrangements more than 95% of amounts collected go for the benefit of the national purse and that of Greater London.

Given that position the City of London Corporation engages with HM Treasury to advocate for a more favourable taxation environment and participates in TheCityUK and CBI tax groups. All these bodies act as additional avenues to influence Government on business taxation. The Corporation was advocating reforms to make the Square Mile more competitive and to prosper as an international hub whether to encourage more digital skills in the sector, make it easier to hire overseas talent, encourage regulators to become more responsive and proportionate and to encourage innovation and sustainable finance (two growth areas in the City). Business rates form an integral part of those discussions.

In conclusion, the Chairman thanked the Honourable Member for her timely and important question on a matter of material financial relevance for the City of London Corporation, of critical importance for the services which it seeks to provide, and a key consideration for businesses currently based or seeking to become established in the Square Mile. He assured the Honourable Court that the Corporation aimed to play its part in any discussions for future re-sets or new mechanisms.

As a supplementary question, Ms Grekos asked if the Chairman agreed that, unless we do more to help, SMEs may relocate which would ultimately reduce the number paying Business Rates and with a detrimental impact the City Corporations finances.

The Chairman of Finance stated that any departure from the City would be unwelcome. He suggested that there were two challenges: the nature of hybrid working and making sure the Square Mile was internationally competitive. There were a number of exciting developments that aimed to attract people in. The City Corporation must keep its eye on the ball and funds generated by Business Rates were critical. The Chairman provided assurances that he was on the case and that this was a priority issue for foreseeable future.

Under Standing Order 13(9), the time limit of 40 minutes had passed for the putting and answering of questions, including supplementary questions, and it shall not be in order to move for an extension of that time.

#### 13. Motions

There were no motions.

Contained within the summons, the Court was advised that the reappointment of Alexander Barr had been granted by the Court under urgency procedures outlined

in Standing Order 19 following his admission as Alderman.

14. 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:-

**Statutory Instruments**

**The Economic Crime (Transparency and Enforcement) Act 2022 (Commencement No. 2 and Saving Provision) Regulations 2022 No. 638**

**Date in force**

15th June 2022

These Regulations bring into force certain provisions of the Economic Crime (Transparency and Enforcement) Act 2022 which relate to financial sanctions. This includes provision amending the Policing and Crime Act 2017 so that civil monetary penalties can be applied to persons for breaches of financial sanctions, with no requirement for the Treasury to prove that the person had knowledge or reasonable cause to suspect their activity breached sanctions. The Regulations also bring into force provisions which amend the 2017 Act to allow the Treasury to publish notices detailing violations by persons of financial sanctions in cases where the Treasury have decided not to impose a penalty.

**The Import of Animals and Animal Products and Approved Countries (Amendment) Regulations 2022 No. 735**

1st July 2022

These Regulations amend several pieces of retained European Union law to provide for the exercise of functions previously carried out by the European Commission to protect human and animal health in response to biosecurity and food safety risks. The amendments allow the Secretary of State to rapidly change certain conditions for imports of animals and animal products into Great Britain, for example in response to an overseas animal disease outbreak or food safety incident, by specifying the change in a document published for that purpose.

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

Read.

15. 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.*

(F) One Members to the **Epping Forest & Commons Committee.**

**Votes**

Ian Bishop-Laggett	-	37
Deputy Madush Gupta	-	47 ★

(G) One Member to the **Board of Governors of the City of London School**

**Votes**

Shahnan Bakth	-	79 ★
Luis Tilleria	-	8

(H) One Member to the **Board of Governors of the City of London School for Girls**

		<b>Votes</b>	
		<b>First Round</b>	<b>Final Round</b>
Martha Grekos ★	-	45	48 ★
Jaspreet Hodgson	-	27	30
Anett Rideg	-	20	-

*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 second round of counting, Martha Grekos received a majority of votes cast.*

(I) One Member to the **Education Board**

**Votes**

Steve Goodman	-	35
Deputy Madush Gupta	-	54 ★

(J) Two Members to the **Audit & Risk Management Committee**

**Votes**

Alderman Alexander Barr	-	60 ★
James Bromiley-Davis	-	23
Aaron D'Souza	-	22
Naresh Sonpar	-	38 ★
Luis Tilleria	-	0
Shailendra Umradia	-	28

(K) One Member to the **Gresham Committee (City Side)**

		<b>Votes</b>			
		<b>First Round</b>	<b>Second Round</b>	<b>Third Round</b>	<b>Final Round</b>
Brendan Barns	-	11	12	-	-
Sophie Fernandes	-	17	20	20	-
Deputy Madush Gupta	-	10	-	-	-
Deputy Henry Pollard	-	22	24	26	32
Deputy Nighat Qureishi ★	-	34	34	39	40

*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 fourth round of counting, Deputy Nighat Qureishi received a majority of votes cast.*

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

17. Awards & Prizes      There was no report.

18. Exclusion of Public      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.

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

#### **Summary of items considered whilst the public were excluded:-**

#### **19. POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

##### **(A) Markets Co-Location Programme: SMTA Negotiations**

The Court approved a report of the Policy & Resources Committee regarding negotiations with the Smithfield Market Tenants' Association as part of the Markets Co-Location Programme.

##### **(B) Markets Co-Location Programme: Commercial Leases**

The Court approved a report of the Policy & Resources Committee regarding granting of leases within Smithfield Commercial Offices.

##### **(C) Barbican Podium**

The Court approved a report of the Policy & Resources Committee regarding works required on the Barbican Podium.

#### **20. WEST HAM PARK COMMITTEE**

The Court approved a report of the West Ham Park Committee concerning proposals for the use of its Nursery Site.

#### **21. PROPERTY INVESTMENT BOARD**

The Court noted action taken under urgency procedures in relation to the restructure of a headlease for a City Fund property.

#### **22. POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

The Court noted action taken under urgency procedures in relation to the Markets Co-Location Programme.

The meeting commenced at 1.00 pm and ended at 2.34 pm

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