

## **BARBICAN CENTRE BOARD**

**Wednesday, 15 March 2023**

Minutes of the meeting of the Barbican Centre Board held at Frobisher Rooms,  
Barbican Centre on Wednesday, 15 March 2023 at 11.00 am

### **Present**

#### **Members:**

Alderman Sir William Russell (Deputy Chairman)	Wendy Mead
Deputy Randall Anderson	Jens Riegelsberger (External Member)
Michael Asante (External Member)	Despina Tstatsas (External Member)
Deputy Ann Holmes	Irem Yerdelen
Deputy Edward Lord	

### **In Attendance**

#### **Officers:**

Ben Dunleavy	- Town Clerk's Department
Claire Spencer	- CEO, Barbican Centre
Nick Adams	- Barbican Centre
Jackie Boughton	- Barbican Centre
Matthew Cooper	- Town Clerk's Department
Jo Daly	- Barbican Centre
Cornell Farrell	- Barbican Centre
Will Gompertz	- Barbican Centre
Ali Mirza	- Barbican Centre
Toni Racklin	- Barbican Centre
Sarah Wall	- Chamberlain's Department

### **1. APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from the Chair, with the Deputy Chairman taking the Chair. Apologies were also received from Tijs Broeke, Farmida Bi, Zulum Elumogo, Graham Packham, and Mark Page.

The Deputy Chair (External), Wendy Hyde, Stephen Bediako and Alpa Raja observed the meeting virtually.

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

There were no declarations.

### **3. BOARD MINUTES**

The public minutes and non-public summary of the Board meeting held on 2 February 2023 were approved as a corrected record.

Matters arising

The Town Clerk informed Members of a matter arising under item 6 of the minutes, the annual terms of reference review. Members noted that there was one Member with a final year of their term left to serve, and it was suggested to that the Board amend its agreed number of Court Members to allow it to remain at eight for one further year, with the decrease to seven occurring through natural wastage at the end of this final term in 2024.

RESOLVED, that - the number of Members drawn from the Court should remain at eight, reducing to seven in April 2024.

4. **\*MINUTES OF SUB-COMMITTEES**

a. **Minutes of the Finance and Risk Committee**

The draft public minutes and non-public summary of the Finance and Risk Committee of the Barbican Centre Board meeting held on 16 January 2023 were noted.

5. **MANAGEMENT REPORT BY THE BARBICAN CENTRE'S DIRECTORS**

Members received a report of the CEO, Barbican Centre, providing an update on the Centre's activities.

RESOLVED, that – Members note the report and endorse Management's approach to future activities.

6. **\*PROJECTS UPDATE**

Members receive a report of the CEO, Barbican Centre, providing an update on CWP and capital projects at the Barbican Centre.

RESOLVED, that – the report be received and its contents noted.

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

There were no questions.

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

There was no urgent other business.

9. **EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC**

RESOLVED – That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act.

10. **NON-PUBLIC BOARD MINUTES**

The non-public minutes of the Board meeting held on 2 February 2023 were approved as a correct record.

11. **\*NON-PUBLIC MINUTES OF SUB-COMMITTEES**

a. **Non Public Minutes of the Finance and Risk Committee**

The non-public minutes of the Finance and Risk Committee meeting held on 16 January 2023 were noted.

12. **MANAGEMENT REPORT BY THE BARBICAN CENTRE'S DIRECTORS**

Members received a report of the CEO, Barbican Centre, providing an update on the Centre's activities.

13. **ANNUAL THEATRE STRATEGY**

Members received a report of the CEO, Barbican Centre relative to the Annual Theatre Strategy.

14. **JERUSALEM EAST WEST ORCHESTRA - FOLLOW UP REPORT**

Members received a report of the CEO, Barbican Centre relative to the Jerusalem East West Orchestra production.

15. **BOARD REAPPOINTMENT**

Members received a report of the Town Clerk relative to the appointment of an External Member.

16. **BARBICAN RENEWAL UPDATE**

Members received an oral update from the CEO, Barbican Centre relative to the Barbican Renewal project.

17. **\*BUSINESS REVIEW**

Members receive a joint report of the Chamberlain and the CEO, Barbican Centre, providing a business review for the Barbican Centre in period 10.

18. **\*RISK UPDATE**

Members received a report of the CEO providing an update on the risk management system at the Barbican Centre.

19. **\*CONTROVERSIAL PROGRAMMING RISK REGISTER**

Members received a report of the CEO, Barbican Centre, providing an update on the controversial programming risk register.

20. **QUESTIONS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE BOARD**

There were no non-public questions.

21. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT**

There was no other business in the non-public session.

22. **CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES**

The confidential Board minutes of the meeting held on 2 February 2023 were approved in the non-public session.

**The meeting ended at 12.45 pm**

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Chairman

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