



# LYONS, MAYOR

## COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL

20th July 2023  
MEMBERS PRESENT

### ALDERMEN

Sir Peter Estlin (Alderman)  
Dawn Frampton  
Alison Gowman (Alderman)  
Prem Goyal (Alderman)  
Timothy Russell Hailes (Alderman)  
Robert Picton Seymour Howard (Alderman)

Michael Hudson  
Vincent Keaveny (Alderman)  
Sheriff Alastair John Naisbitt King (Alderman)  
Dame Susan Langley (Alderwoman)  
The Rt Hon. The Lord Mayor Nicholas  
Stephen Leland Lyons (Alderman)  
Professor Michael Raymond Mainelli  
(Alderman)

Christopher Makin (Alderman)  
Susan Jane Pearson (Alderwoman)  
Sir William Anthony Bowater Russell  
(Alderman)  
Sir David Hugh Wootton (Alderman)  
Kawsar Zaman (Alderman)

### COMMONERS

George Christopher Abrahams  
Munsur Ali  
Randall Keith Anderson, Deputy  
Shahnan Bakth  
Brendan Barns  
Matthew Bell  
The Honourable Emily Sophia  
Wedgwood Benn  
Christopher Paul Boden, Deputy  
Keith David Forbes Bottomley,  
Deputy  
Tijs Broeke  
Timothy Richard Butcher  
Dominic Gerard Christian  
Henry Nicholas Almroth Colthurst,  
Deputy  
Ann Holmes, Deputy  
Anne Corbett  
Graeme Doshi-Smith, Deputy  
Simon Duckworth, 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  
John Griffiths  
Madush Gupta, Deputy  
Caroline Wilma Haines  
Jaspreet Hodgson  
Wendy Hyde  
Shravan Jashvantrai Joshi,  
Deputy  
Florence Keelson-Anfu  
Elizabeth Anne King, Deputy  
Gregory Alfred Lawrence  
Natasha Maria Cabrera Lloyd-  
Owen, Deputy

Charles Edward Lord, Deputy  
Paul Nicholas Martinelli  
Catherine McGuinness  
Andrew Stratton McMurtrie  
Timothy James McNally  
Wendy Mead  
Brian Desmond Francis Mooney,  
Deputy  
Eamonn James Mullally  
Benjamin Daniel Murphy  
Deborah Oliver  
Graham Packham, Deputy  
Judith Pleasance  
James Henry George Pollard,  
Deputy  
Jason Paul Pritchard  
Nighat Qureishi, Deputy  
Alpa Raja  
Anett Rideg  
David Sales

Ian Christopher Norman Seaton  
Hugh Selka  
Dr Giles Robert Evelyn Shilson,  
Deputy  
Alethea Silk  
Tom Sleigh  
Sir Michael Snyder, Deputy  
Naresh Hari Sonpar  
Mandeep Thandi  
James Michael Douglas  
Thomson, Deputy  
Luis Felipe Tilleria  
James Richard Tumbridge  
Shailendra Kumar Kantilal  
Umradia  
William Upton KC  
Mark Raymond Peter Henry  
Delano Wheatley  
Ceri Wilkins  
Philip Woodhouse, Deputy  
Dawn Linsey Wright

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 the Minutes of the Court meeting held on 22 June are correctly recorded.
4. Mayoral The Rt Hon. The Lord Mayor took the opportunity to provide the Court with an

engagements

update on his recent engagements, including his hosting of the Financial and Professional Services Dinner and the signing of the Mansion House Compact.

5. Policy  
Statement.

There was no statement.

## 6. **POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

**(Deputy Christopher Michael Hayward)**

6 July 2023

### **Independent Review of Member-related Project Governance**

The Court considered a report of the Policy and Resources Committee seeking approval for a revised committee governance structure in response to an independent review.

The Deputy Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee spoke to introduce the report and encouraged Members to support the recommendations.

A Member raised their concerns about the proposal to dissolve the Markets Board and move oversight of the markets to the Port Health and Environmental Services Committee. They felt that Members had not been given adequate time to consider these proposals and therefore moved to amend the recommendations to delete recommendations (g) the dissolution of the Markets Board and the transfer of its responsibilities to the Port Health and Environmental Services Committee and the subsequent changes to terms of reference; and (h) that the Port Health and Environmental Services Committee be renamed “the Port Health, Environmental Services & Markets Committee”.

*Pollard, J. H. G.  
Deputy; Lord,  
C. E. Deputy*

*Amendment* – to delete recommendations (g) and (h).

During debate, several Members spoke in support of the amendment, citing concerns over the role and capacity of the Port Health and Environmental Services Committee and overseeing the operational responsibilities of the Markets Board. Members also raised the historic connection between the City Corporation and the markets through the Board and its predecessor committees, and the risk of harming relations with the market tenants while negotiations on the relocation were ongoing.

Some Members felt that there were insufficient options presented to the Policy & Resources Committee when the matter was considered at its meeting and that further exploration of options should have been conducted ahead of a recommendation being made to the Court.

Other Members spoke to oppose the amendment, highlighting that several governance reviews had recommended the dissolution of the Markets Board and that the timing of the proposals brought forward in response to the most recent review, had been agreed by Members. It was felt that the City Corporation had a responsibility to ensure the best governance framework possible, to facilitate its decision making, and the original recommendation presented allowed for this.

During the ensuing debate, a Member made comments regarding the conduct of

another Member at a previous meeting of the Court. These comments were subsequently retracted.

*McMurtrie, A. S;  
Broeke, T.*

In line with Standing Order 11(10), a procedural Motion was moved and put forthwith without debate.

*Motion* – That the question be now put.

Upon the amendment being put, the Lord Mayor declared to be carried.

Returning to the substantive recommendation there was a brief comment supporting the role of the Barking Reach Group (an informal group) in relation to the Markets Co-Location Programme.

There was also a remark made on the New Museum of London project, which was not a City Corporation project, but it was alleged that the programme had suffered following the City Corporations asks for changes in design.

Internal audit was recognised as serving a critical line of defence when assessing projects and public spend. The highest standard of governance was necessary for the significant use of public money. This included the timely declarations of real or apparent conflicts of interest, term limits on committees, as well as courteous and open debate.

It was noted that the various committees responsible for projects, were comprised of groups that were predominantly masonic. Recognising that this was legitimate philanthropic group, a Member impressed the importance of open and transparent conduct.

The Deputy Chairman of Policy & Resources concluded debate by recognising suggestions made on how the governance standards could be maintained, but noting that they were out of scope of the review currently before Members. He also noted that Members can be part of a number of organisations and that was their individual choice, providing they were appropriately declared upon their register of interests, it made no bearing on the decision making within the organisation.

*Resolved*, that – the Court:

1. Notes the findings of independent review into project-related Member governance set out in Appendix 1 of the report.
2. Approves the following recommendations:
  - a) Service committees are recognised as the sponsoring body for projects and responsible for taking decisions about the delivery of individual projects with the exception of projects over £100m which fall under the authority of the Capital Buildings Board.
  - b) The existing capital projects over £100m will remain the remit of the Capital Buildings Board supported by any sub-Group it may establish.

c) The Museum of London new museum project is not a City Corporation project and as such oversight remains with the New Museum Board and any funding issues managed through the tri-partite meetings.

d) Changes to the terms of reference for Operational, Property and Projects Sub-Committee, including a revised name, as set out in Appendix 2 to the report, to establish it as the oversight body for the new portfolio management approach.

e) Reporting line for Operational Property and Projects Sub-Committee should be to a single grand committee namely, the Finance Committee, and subsequent changes to the terms of reference for Policy and Resources Committee (Appendix 3 to the report) and Finance Committee (Appendix 4 to the report).

f) Changes to the Capital Buildings Board terms of reference as set out in Appendix 5 to the report.

g) Changes to the terms of reference of the Resource Allocation Sub-Committee to grant it responsibility for Operational Property, as set out in Appendix 7 to the report.

## 7. **POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

**(Deputy Christopher Michael Hayward)**

6 July 2023

### **Approach to the next Corporate Plan**

The Court considered a report of the Policy and Resources Committee seeking approval to produce the next Corporate Plan, and the extension of the current Corporate Plan.

*Resolved* – that Members agree:

- to the next Corporate Plan being produced to cover April 2024 - March 2029, commencing on 1st April 2024
- to the Corporate Plan 2018-23 being extended (without any additions) to end on 31st March 2024.

Given the considerable number of items on the agenda and to ensure maximum participation by all Members in the casting of ballots, the Town Clerk with the Lord Mayor's consent, sought the leave of the Court to alter the order of business published within the Summons.

It was proposed that item 13, concerning committee and outside bodies appointments, be brought forward for consideration at this point of the meeting. If agreed, the Court would then return to item 8 and subsequent items.

In line with Standing Order No. 6(3), the Court agreed to amend the published order of business.

13.  
Appointments

With the leave of the Court, Alpa Raja withdrew her nomination from the Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Sub-Committee.

In addition, following the decision taken by this Court under item 11, there was no vacancy on the Port Health & Environmental Services Committee as set out in the Summons.

The Court proceeded to consider the following appointments to vacancies on various committees and outside bodies:-

- (A) Three Members on the **Board of Governors of the City of London Freeman's School** for the balances of two vacancies expiring in July 2024 and one vacancy expiring in July 2027.

**Nomination received:-**

Deputy Philip Woodhouse

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Deputy Philip Woodhouse to be appointed to the Board of Governors of the City of London Freeman's School for a vacancy expiring in July 2027.

- (B) Two Members on the **Board of Governors of the City of London Girls School** for vacancies expiring in July 2027.

**Nominations received:-**

Jamel Banda

Jaspreet Hodgson

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Jamel Banda and Jaspreet Hodgson to be appointed to the Board of Governors of the City of London Girls School.

- (C) One Member on the **Education Board** for a vacancy expiring July 2027.

**Nominations received: -**

Dr Joanna Abeyie

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Dr Joanna Abeyie to be appointed to the Education Board.

- (D) *There was no appointment to be made at this item.*

- (E) One Member on the **Community and Children's Services Committee** for a vacancy expiring in April 2024.

**Nominations received: -**

John Griffiths

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared John Griffiths to be appointed to the Community and Children's Services Committee.

- (F) One Member on the **Port Health & Environmental Services Committee** for a vacancy expiring in April 2024.

Following the decision taken by this Court under item 11, there was no vacancy on the Port Health & Environmental Services Committee.

- (G) One Member on the **Capital Buildings Board** for a vacancy expiring in April 2024.

**Nominations received: -**  
Deputy Philip Woodhouse  
Ian Seaton

Read.

- (H) Two Members on the **Equalities Diversity and Inclusion Sub (Policy & Resources) Committee** for vacancies expiring in April 2024.

**Nominations received:-**  
Dr Joanna Abeyie  
Judith Pleasance

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Dr Joanna Abeyie and Judith Pleasance to be appointed to the Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Sub-Committee for the year ensuing.

- (I) Two Members on the **Member Development and Standards Sub Committee** for vacancies expiring in April 2024.

**Nominations received:-**  
Eammon Mullally  
Deputy Nighat Qureishi

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Eammon Mullally and Deputy Nighat Qureishi to be appointed to the Member Development and Standards Sub Committee.

- (J) One Member on the **City & Guilds of London Institute** for a vacancy expiring in July 2027.

**Nominations received:-**

Florence Keelson-Anfu

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Florence Keelson-Anfu to be appointed to the City & Guilds of London Institute.

8. **PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

**(Deputy Shravan Joshi)**

21 June 2023

**Bank Junction Improvements (All Change at Bank): Traffic mix and timing review update**

The Court considered a report of the Planning and Transportation Committee seeking approval to pause work on the traffic modelling exercise at Bank Junction.

During discussion, several Members voiced their support for continuing to allow licensed hackney carriages to access Bank Junction, noting their importance for those working in and visiting the City, female travellers, and for accessibility.

Members also noted the complex nature of the junction and the need to work with several key stakeholders, including Transport for London (TfL).

Summing up the debate, the Chairman of the Planning and Transportation Committee confirmed that the City Corporation would need to follow Transport for London's (TfL) processes for notification for any changes, and would need to present a robust case. He undertook to provide an update to the Court in December.

*Resolved* – that the Court approves the pause of further work on the traffic modelling exercise at Bank Junction for the time being, to provide instead for a focus on identifying and evidencing the need for change and how this can be best addressed, and on undertaking further work to understand the potential latent demand.

9. **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**(Deputy Henry Nicholas Almroth Colthurst)**

4 July 2023

**Increase in Contract Value – Work and Health Programme (Central London Works)**

The Court considered a report of the Finance Committee seeking approval to increase the contract value for the Work and Health Programme (Central London Works).

*Resolved* – that the Court approves an increase of £6m to the Central London Works Work and Health Programme contract, to give a total value of £89.6m.

10. 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:-

<b>Jake Jon Bacchus</b>	a Local Government Finance Director	Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire
<i>Anthony Ben Charlwood</i>	<i>Citizen and Basketmaker</i>	
<i>Donald Newell</i>	<i>Citizen and Pattenmaker</i>	
<b>Ronald Aloysius Banks</b>	a Hospitality Company Director	Sidcup, Kent
<i>Paul Victor Holmes</i>	<i>Citizen and Security Professional</i>	
<i>Mark Robert Jason Eyles-Thomas</i>	<i>Citizen and Security Professional</i>	
<b>Elissa Bayer</b>	an Investment Director	Edgware, Middlesex
<i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i>	<i>Citizen and Merchant Taylor</i>	
<i>Deputy Ann Holmes</i>	<i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i>	
<b>Adrian John Beckett</b>	A Regular Army Officer	Camberley, Hampshire
<i>Deputy Ann Holmes</i>	<i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i>	
<i>CC Tom Sleigh</i>	<i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i>	
<b>Laura Melanie Carpenter</b>	a University Student	Mansbridge, Southampton
<i>Ann-Marie Jefferys</i>	<i>Citizen and Glover</i>	
<i>Anne Elizabeth Holden</i>	<i>Citizen and Basketmaker</i>	
<b>Aeron Philip Joseph Chapman-Allen</b>	a Distribution Director, retired	Charlton, London
<i>Roy Cooper</i>	<i>Citizen and Security Professional</i>	
<i>Timothy Arthur John Molden</i>	<i>Citizen and Security Professional</i>	
<b>James Anthony Coffey</b>	a Construction Group Chairman	Wembley, Middlesex
<i>Vincent Dignam</i>	<i>Citizen and Carman</i>	
<i>John Paul Tobin</i>	<i>Citizen and Carman</i>	
<b>Mary Teresa Coffey</b>	a Construction Company Director	Wembley, Middlesex
<i>Vincent Dignam</i>	<i>Citizen and Carman</i>	
<i>John Paul Tobin</i>	<i>Citizen and Carman</i>	
<b>John Arthur Cooke, MBE</b>	an International Economic Relations Consultant	Richmond, Surrey
<i>Catherine McGuinness, CBE, CC</i>	<i>Citizen and Solicitor</i>	
<i>Deputy Christopher Michael Hayward</i>	<i>Citizen and Pattenmaker</i>	
<b>William Joseph Coppage</b>	a Fencing Company Director, retired	Blackwood, Caerphilly, Wales
<i>Deputy Henry Nicholas Almroth Colthurst</i>	<i>Citizen and Grocer</i>	
<i>Deputy Randall Keith Anderson</i>	<i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i>	



<b>David Francisco Juan Dalmau</b>	a Restaurant Company Director	Forest Hill, London
<i>Henry Llewellyn Michael Jones, CC</i>	<i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i>	
<i>Deputy Marianne Bernadette Fredericks</i>	<i>Citizen and Baker</i>	
<b>Sarah Lesley Danes</b>	a Head of Business Development, retired	Paddington, London
<i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor Deputy Ann Holmes</i>	<i>Citizen and Cordwainer</i>	
<b>Maria Eugenie Michele Davis</b>	a Headteacher	East Dean, West Sussex
<i>Ian Brinsley Andrews</i>	<i>Citizen and Pavior</i>	
<i>David Guyon</i>	<i>Citizen and Clothworker</i>	
<b>Thomas William Darnton Dean, MBE</b>	a Professional Athlete	Bath, Somerset
<i>Ald. Robert Picton Seymour Howard</i>	<i>Citizen and Gardener</i>	
<i>Deputy Charles Edward Lord, OBE, JP</i>	<i>Citizen and Broderer</i>	
<b>Dr Janet Dehmer</b>	an English Teacher	Wuerzburg, Germany
<i>Judy Senta Tayler-Smith</i>	<i>Citizen and Upholder</i>	
<i>Simon Jonathan Tayler-Smith</i>	<i>Citizen and Basketmaker</i>	
<b>Anthony Robert Dennis</b>	a Regional Operations Manager, retired	Oxted, Surrey
<i>Christopher Nigel Bilsland</i>	<i>Citizen and Farrier</i>	
<i>Jeremy George Kean</i>	<i>Citizen and Currier</i>	
<b>Robert William Edgeworth</b>	an Accountant, retired	Bromley, Kent
<i>Dean Hollington</i>	<i>Citizen and Blacksmith</i>	
<i>John Leslie Barber, DL</i>	<i>Citizen and Blacksmith</i>	
<b>Susan Janette Evans</b>	a Schoolteacher, retired	Blackwood, Gwent, Wales
<i>Deputy Henry Nicholas Almroth Colthurst</i>	<i>Citizen and Grocer</i>	
<i>Deputy Randall Keith Anderson</i>	<i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i>	
<b>Gregory John Flatt</b>	a Private Landlord and Garage Proprietor	Ipswich, Suffolk
<i>Ann-Marie Jefferys</i>	<i>Citizen and Glover</i>	
<i>Anne Elizabeth Holden</i>	<i>Citizen and Basketmaker</i>	
<b>Claire Anna Fox</b>	a Legal Firm Practice Manager	Brentwood, Essex
<i>Royston Paul Fox</i>	<i>Citizen and Loriner</i>	
<i>Simon Stuart Walsh</i>	<i>Citizen and Loriner</i>	
<b>Samantha Louise French</b>	a Virtual Services Company	Southwark, London

	Director	
<i>Ann-Marie Jefferys</i>	<i>Citizen and Glover</i>	
<i>Anne Elizabeth Holden</i>	<i>Citizen and Basketmaker</i>	
<b>Troy Martin Gallagher</b>	a Civil Servant	Finsbury, London
<i>Ald. Vincent Keaveny, CBE</i>	<i>Citizen and Solicitor</i>	
<i>Brian Andrew Kay, OBE, TD, DL</i>	<i>Citizen and Furniture Maker</i>	
<b>Beryl Christine Patricia Gayler</b>	a Stockbroker, retired	Orpington, Kent
<i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i>	<i>Citizen and Merchant Taylor</i>	
<i>Deputy Ann Holmes</i>	<i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i>	
<b>Rt Hon Dominic Charles Robert Grieve</b>	a Barrister	Kensington, London
<i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i>	<i>Citizen and Merchant Taylor</i>	
<i>Deputy Ann Holmes</i>	<i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i>	
<b>Lewis Edward Grover</b>	a Science Technician	Leatherhead, Surrey
<i>Deputy Philip Woodhouse</i>	<i>Citizen and Grocer</i>	
<i>Jamel Banda, CC</i>	<i>Citizen and Poulter</i>	
<b>Samantha Jane Grover</b>	a School Secretary	Leatherhead, Surrey
<i>Jamel Banda, CC</i>	<i>Citizen and Poulter</i>	
<i>Andrew Campbell McMillan</i>	<i>Citizen and Fletcher</i>	
<b>Stephen James Grover</b>	a Data Governance Director	Leatherhead, Surrey
<i>Deputy Philip Woodhouse</i>	<i>Citizen and Grocer</i>	
<i>Jamel Banda, CC</i>	<i>Citizen and Poulter</i>	
<b>Paul Gwilliam</b>	a Headteacher, retired	Southend-on-Sea, Essex
<i>Anthony Sharp</i>	<i>Citizen and Loriner</i>	
<i>Simon Stuart Walsh</i>	<i>Citizen and Loriner</i>	
<b>Simon Neal Haw</b>	a Regular Army Officer	Birdcage Walk, Westminster
<i>Deputy Ann Holmes</i>	<i>Citizen and Cordwainer</i>	
<i>Tom Sleigh, CC</i>	<i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i>	
<b>Derek Michael William Hornshaw</b>	a Chemical Plant Works Manager, retired	Chatham, Kent
<i>Ann-Marie Jefferys</i>	<i>Citizen and Glover</i>	
<i>Anne Elizabeth Holden</i>	<i>Citizen and Basketmaker</i>	
<b>Graham Michael Howlett</b>	a Vehicle Company General Manager	Wokingham, Berkshire
<i>Vincent Dignam</i>	<i>Citizen and Carman</i>	
<i>John Paul Tobin</i>	<i>Citizen and Carman</i>	
<b>William Anthony Hoyle</b>	a Charity Director, retired	Mortlake, London
<i>Deputy Dr Giles Robert Evelyn Shilson</i>	<i>Citizen and Ironmonger</i>	
<i>Paul Nicholas Martinelli, CC</i>	<i>Citizen and Butcher</i>	

<b>Gail Adriane Le Coz</b> <i>Ald. Prem Babu Goyal, OBE</i> <i>Ald. Alexander Robertson</i> <i>Martin Barr</i>	a College Audit Committee Chair <i>Citizen and Goldsmith</i> <i>Citizen and Ironmonger</i>	Kensington, London
<b>Nigel Spencer Lefton</b> <i>Deputy Christopher Michael Hayward</i> <i>Deputy Ann Holmes</i>	a Local Government Officer <i>Citizen and Pattenmaker</i> <i>Citizen and Cordwainer</i>	Bassishaw, City of London
<b>Emily Jane Lewis</b> <i>Prof. Michael John Lewis</i> <i>Graham Barker</i>	a Technology Apprentice <i>Citizen and Arts Scholar</i> <i>Citizen and Arts Scholar</i>	Eltham, London
<b>Otile Mabuse</b> <i>Deputy Keith David Forbes Bottomley</i> <i>Deputy Christopher Michael Hayward</i>	a Broadcaster and Entertainer <i>Citizen and Pattenmaker</i> <i>Citizen and Pattenmaker</i>	Greenford, London
<b>Jennifer Macdonald</b> <i>Emma Whitaker</i> <i>Lt Col Simon Wilkinson, TD, DL</i>	<b>Margaret</b> a Commercial Lettings Company Director <i>Citizen and Feltmaker</i> <i>Citizen and Feltmaker</i>	Epsom, Surrey
<b>Nahuel Ezequiel Burrieza</b> <i>Timothy McNally, CC</i> <i>Shailendra Kumar Kantilal Umradia, CC</i>	<b>Marisi</b> a Software Engineer <i>Citizen and Glazier</i> <i>Citizen and Information Technologist</i>	Stockholm, Sweden
<b>Michelle Marie McAtee</b> <i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i> <i>Deputy Ann Holmes</i>	a Mergers and Acquisitions Company Director <i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i>	Wapping, London
<b>Alexandra Elizabeth Mills</b> <i>Deputy Catherine Sidony McGuinness, CBE</i> <i>Deputy Christopher Michael Hayward</i>	an International Trade Policy Adviser <i>Citizen and Solicitor</i> <i>Citizen and Pattenmaker</i>	Battersea, London
<b>Loknath Mishra</b> <i>Deputy Rehana Banu Ameer</i> <i>Ald. Michael Raymond Mainelli</i>	a Bank Chief Executive <i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i> <i>Citizen and World Trader</i>	Hammersmith, London
<b>Suzanne Onodi</b> <i>Deputy Marianne Bernadette Fredericks</i> <i>Vincent Dignam</i>	a Civil Servant <i>Citizen and Baker</i> <i>Citizen and Carman</i>	Orpington, Kent

<b>Sir Howard Hugh Panter</b>	a Theatre Company Chief Executive	Pyrford, Surrey
<i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i>	<i>Citizen and Merchant Taylor</i>	
<i>Ald. Sir William Anthony Bowater Russell</i>	<i>Citizen and Haberdasher</i>	
<b>Hilary Margaret Pearson</b>	a Stockbroker, retired	Charlcutt, Wiltshire
<i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i>	<i>Citizen and Merchant Taylor</i>	
<i>Deputy Ann Holmes</i>	<i>Citizen and Cordwainer</i>	
<b>Anibal Pinto Ferrada</b>	a Lawyer	Santiago, Chile
<i>Dr Gia Campari</i>	<i>Citizen and Management Consultant</i>	
<i>Robert Alan Broomhead, TD</i>	<i>Citizen and Management Consultant</i>	
<b>Michael Ignatius Roddy</b>	a Building Materials Company Managing Director	West Wickham, London
<i>Vincent Dignam</i>	<i>Citizen and Carman</i>	
<i>John Paul Tobin</i>	<i>Citizen and Carman</i>	
<b>Sudhir Sharma</b>	a Banker	St John's Wood, London
<i>Deputy Rehana Banu Ameer</i>	<i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i>	
<i>Ald. Michael Raymond Mainelli</i>	<i>Citizen and World Trader</i>	
<b>Sanjay Silas</b>	a Banker	St John's Wood, London
<i>Deputy Rehana Banu Ameer</i>	<i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i>	
<i>Ald. Michael Raymond Mainelli</i>	<i>Citizen and World Trader</i>	
<b>Mathew Andrew Skipper-Banks</b>	a Hospitality Company Director	Sidcup, Kent
<i>Paul Victor Holmes</i>	<i>Citizen and Security Professional</i>	
<i>Mark Robert Jason Eyles-Thomas</i>	<i>Citizen and Security Professional</i>	
<b>Christine Anne Spencer</b>	a Stockbroker, retired	Weybridge, Surrey
<i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i>	<i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i>	
<i>Deputy Ann Holmes</i>		
<b>Dame Rosemary Anne Squire, DBE</b>	a Theatre Company Chief Executive	Pyrford, Surrey
<i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i>		
<i>Ald. Sir William Anthony Bowater Russell</i>	<i>Citizen and Haberdasher</i>	
<b>The Revd Canon Andrew Graham Stevens</b>	a Clerk in Holy Orders	Plumstead, London
<i>Wesley Val Hollands</i>	<i>Citizen and Loriner</i>	
<i>Jonathan Peter Wallis</i>	<i>Citizen and Loriner</i>	
<b>Janet Stevens</b>	a Further Education Manager	Cowes, Isle of Wight
<i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i>		
<i>Deputy Ann Holmes</i>	<i>Citizen and Cordwainer</i>	

<b>Linda Kim Treacy</b> <i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i> <i>Deputy Ann Holmes</i>	an Interior Designer  <i>Citizen and Cordwainer</i>	Colchester, Essex
<b>Richard Vickerstaff</b>  <i>Ann-Marie Jefferys</i> <i>Anne Elizabeth Holden</i>	an Information Technology Manager, retired <i>Citizen and Glover</i> <i>Citizen and Basketmaker</i>	Kesgrave, Suffolk
<b>Sharukh Tehmtan Wadia</b> <i>Deputy Rehana Banu Ameer</i> <i>Ald. Michael Raymond</i> <i>Mainelli</i>	a Banker <i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i> <i>Citizen and World Trader</i>	Wimbledon, London
<b>Peter Graham Williams</b> <i>CC, Wendy Mead, OBE</i> <i>Patricia Agnes Campfield,</i> <i>MBE</i>	a Medical Practitioner, retired <i>Citizen and Glover</i> <i>Citizen and Wheelwright</i>	Aldwick, West Sussex
<b>Paul Wright</b>  <i>Deputy Christopher Michael</i> <i>Hayward</i> <i>Deputy Ann Holmes</i>	the Deputy Remembrancer of the City of London <i>Citizen and Pattenmaker</i>  <i>Citizen and Cordwainer</i>	Bassishaw, City of London

## 11. Motions

*Moss, A.,*  
*Deputy;*  
*Holmes, P.A.,*  
*Deputy*

**Resolved** – That Deputy Alastair Moss be appointed to the Port Health & Environmental Services Committee in the room of Tijs Broeke for the Ward of Cheap.

## 12. Questions

Packham, G.  
Deputy, to the  
Deputy  
Chairman of  
Policy and  
Resources

**Livestreaming of Wardmotes**

Deputy Graham Packham drew the Court's attention to the livestreaming of the wardmote for the Ward of Castle Baynard elections the previous week, which had received high viewing figures and positive feedback, and noted that several residents had said it would have been beneficial to have held it before the postal vote deadline. He therefore asked the Deputy Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee if any consideration had been given to continuing the livestreaming for future elections, and if it would be possible to schedule wardmotes earlier than the day before polling day.

In reply, the Deputy Chairman said that the livestreaming of the wardmote had been arranged as a pilot to explore ways in which the City Corporation could improve democratic participation. A review of the pilot would follow to inform a decision on continuing the livestreaming of wardmotes. The scheduling of wardmotes was fixed by primary legislation to take place on the day prior to polling day.

Deputy Packham asked a supplementary question, requesting that the Deputy Chairman consult the Remembrancer to investigate the possibility of changing the legalisation regarding the scheduling of wardmotes. The Deputy Chairman replied

and undertook to consult the Remembrancer.

Elizabeth King asked a supplementary question of the Deputy Chairman, asking if he was aware of the practice of organising hustings in the Wards of Aldersgate and Cripplegate before the deadline for postal votes. The Deputy Chairman replied to say that he had nothing more to add.

### **Accessibility in the Square Mile**

The question from Deputy Madush Gupta was withdrawn having been raised under item 8.

Wheatley, M.,  
to the Deputy  
Chairman of  
Policy and  
Resources

### **Hong Kong**

Mark Wheatley asked the Deputy Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee if he would remind the Court of commitments to the rule of law and Hong Kong citizens made through previous motions passed by the Court, and if he would reaffirm these commitments considering the recent bounty placed by Hong Kong authorities on eight pro-democracy activists.

In reply, the Deputy Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee said that a resolution made by the Court in September 2020 was in the public record. The Court had reiterated its support for the 1984 Sino-British Joint Declaration on Hong Kong and noted the UK Government's position that the National Security Law was in breach of that treaty. The resolution affirmed that those seeking to move from Hong Kong to the UK as a result of the law would always be welcome in the City London. The Deputy Chairman said that he was happy to reaffirm this position.

In response to the question on the bounty on the pro-democracy activists, the Deputy Chairman noted that the UK Government had recently reiterated its call for the National Security Law to be removed and for the Hong Kong authorities to cease targeting those who stand up for freedom and democracy.

Mark Wheatley asked a supplementary question, asking if the Deputy Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee would support him in nominating the three activists resident in the Square Mile for the Freedom of the City of London.

The Deputy Chairman replied that he would in principle be happy to support these nominations through the proper processes.

Having already considered item 13 at an earlier point on the agenda, the Court moved directly onto item 14.

## **14. CITY OF LONDON POLICE AUTHORITY BOARD**

**(Deputy James Thomson)**

28 June 2023

### **City of London Police: Annual Report 2022/23**

The Court received a report of the City of London Police Authority Board presenting the City of London Police's Annual Report.

In response to questions, the Chairman provided assurance that anti-social behaviour had gone down in absolute terms.

The Chairman also confirmed that once the Metropolitan Police's report reviewing arrests connected to the Coronation was published, it would be considered by the Board's Professional Standards and Integrity Committee, before going to the main Board.

The Chairman clarified that Mental Health was listed as a criteria because there was a requirement of the Home Office to record crimes where mental health was deemed to be a factor, not a cause.

*Resolved* – that the report be received.

## 15. **AUDIT AND RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

**(Alderman Prem Goyal)**

10 July 2023

### **Annual Report**

The Court considered a report of the Audit and Risk Management Committee presenting that Committee's Annual Report.

*Resolved* – that the report be received.

16.  
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**

#### **Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023**

29<sup>th</sup> June 2023

The Act revokes certain specified pieces of Retained EU Law (REUL) at the end of 2023 and grants the Secretary of State powers to restate, revoke, replace or update REUL until 23 June 2026. It places a duty on the Secretary of State to regularly update the Government's REUL Dashboard and publish reports on the revocation and reform of REUL. The Act also abolishes the principle of the supremacy of EU law and other general principles of EU law and facilitates domestic courts to depart from retained case law.

#### **Higher Education (Freedom of Speech) Act 2023**

11<sup>th</sup> May 2023

The Act enhances existing freedom of speech duties on registered higher education providers, including the Guildhall School of Music and Drama. It creates a new duty to promote freedom of speech and academic freedom, as well as obligations for students' unions. The Act also enables individuals to claim for losses that they have suffered as a result of breaches of specified freedom of speech duties.

### **Statutory Instrument**

**The Public Order Act 2023 (Commencement No. 1)  
(England and Wales) Regulations No 733**

2<sup>nd</sup> July 2023

These Regulations brought into force provisions of the Public Order Act 2023, including the new criminal offences of causing serious disruption by tunnelling or by being present in a tunnel, of being equipped for tunnelling, and of obstruction of major transport works. The Regulations also brought into force new protections for journalists observing or reporting on a protest, or on the exercise of police powers in relation to a protest. Some key provisions of the Act were brought into effect by Regulations in May in time for the Coronation weekend. These are the second commencement regulations, but the first which extend only to England and Wales.

**The Public Order Act 1986 (Serious Disruption to the Life  
of the Community) Regulations 2023 No. 655**

15<sup>th</sup> June 2023

The Public Order Act 1986 enables police officers to impose conditions on public processions and public assemblies, where they reasonably believe that these may result in “serious disruption to the life of the community”. The 1986 Act does not define this expression. It provides a non-exhaustive list of examples which may constitute serious disruption to the life of the community. These Regulations amend this list of examples and provide that the term “community” extends to anyone who may be affected by the procession or assembly, regardless of whether they live or work in the area.

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

Read.

17. There were no ballots at the last Court.  
Ballot Results

18. *Resolved unanimously* – that the sincere gratitude of the Court be given to  
Resolutions

Ian David Luder

Packham, G,  
Deputy ;  
Holmes, P.A.,  
Deputy

Lately Alderman for the Ward of Castle Baynard, for the service that he has given to the Corporation and to the City of London over the past twenty-five years.

Ian was elected as Alderman for the Ward in May 2005, following some seven years’ service prior as a Common Councillor for the Ward of Farringdon Without, to which position he was elected in 1998. Earlier still, he was a Councillor at Bedford Borough Council, on which authority he served from 1976, when just the tender age of 25, through until 1999 – meaning Ian served for a remarkable 47 consecutive years as an elected member of local authorities.

Born in the East End of London, Ian attended The Haberdashers’ Aske’s Boys’



School: a first brush with the Livery, presaging a civic career which would see him so closely involved with that great movement. In his civic life, he not only helped to found a new Livery Company, the Worshipful Company of Tax Advisers, and act as Sponsoring Alderman of the Worshipful Company of Arts Scholars, but he was also an active and Liveryman of the Coopers' Company, and supported many others in his civic role in pursuit of their educational and philanthropic activities.

Ian served with distinction as a Sheriff of London in 2007–08 and was then elected as the City's 681st Lord Mayor on 29 September 2008, taking office in the "Silent Ceremony" on 7 November. He is one of few to-date to have served both prestigious offices in consecutive years – no mean feat, as I'm sure the current Lord Mayor could attest! In both roles and, indeed, throughout his City career, Ian has been extremely ably and enthusiastically supported by his wife, Lin – a real team effort and commitment.

Following his successful Mayoralty Ian was, for many years, the City's Senior Alderman. As such, as well as being a valued source of support, advice, and wisdom to his colleagues, Ian has also been an integral participant at many historic and prestigious occasions of national import, including Her late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II's Platinum Jubilee, the proclamation of the new King, Charles III, on the steps of the City's Royal Exchange, and numerous State Banquets for visiting Heads of State.

Whilst his time as both a Commoner and an Alderman saw Ian serve on a wide range of City Corporation committees, it is particularly remarkable that he served as Chairman or Deputy Chairman of no fewer than nine, including the Finance Committee, the Audit & Risk Management Committee, the Open Spaces & City Gardens and West Ham Park Committees, and, most recently, the Local Government Pensions Board. Those of us who have served such office know well the commitment this entails, and Ian's in-depth knowledge of the City financial, coupled with his enthusiasm for the City's future well-being, have been particularly valuable during a period of office which has seen so much change, as well as periods of great uncertainty.

Ian's sense of public duty and service will undoubtedly be long remembered by this Court and an incredibly hard act to follow. In taking their leave, all of his colleagues wish Ian all their very best for the future and hope that he and his family will long retain many, many happy memories of a long and successful civic life in the City.

19. Docquets  
for the Hospital  
Seal

There were no docquets for the Seal.

20. Awards  
and Prizes

There was no report, however, the Town Clerk with the Lord Mayor's consent noted two awards received by the City of London Corporation from the Royal Town Planning Institute. The first award is for the London Planning Authority of the year. The second is for Pearl Figueira, who has been named Young London Town Planner of the Year.

21.

*Resolved* – that the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business below on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt

Holmes, P.A.,  
Deputy;  
Colthurst, H. N.  
A., Deputy

information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act, 1972, or relate 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.

22. Non-  
public minutes

*Resolved* – That the non-public minutes of the last Court held on 22 June are correctly recorded.

23.

### **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**(Deputy Henry Nicholas Almroth Colthurst)**

3 July 2023

#### **Minor Works Measured Term Contracts - Contract Award**

The Court considered and approved a report concerning contract awards.

24.

### **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**(Deputy Henry Nicholas Almroth Colthurst)**

6 July 2023

#### **Catering Contract Extension for City of London School and the City of London School for Girls**

The Court considered and approved a report concerning a contract extension.

**The meeting commenced at 13.00 and ended at 15.53**

**THOMAS.**