

Resolutions from the Annual Wardmotes

To be presented on Thursday, 23rd May 2024

To the Right Honourable The Lord Mayor, Aldermen and Commons of the City of London in Common Council assembled.

The Resolutions from the Annual Wardmotes are set out below for the consideration of the Court:-

A - Ward of Aldersgate – 20th March 2024

- (i) “This Wardmote resolves to request the Corporation of the City of London to fully implement its Considerate Lighting Charter in the Barbican+Golden Lane Neighbourhood immediately by:
- i) measuring the baseline levels of pollution from artificial light at night in Aldersgate and Cripplegate;
 - ii) setting a target for reducing such light pollution within 12 months; and
 - iii) adequately resourcing and running a pilot project, with community involvement, to achieve the target.”

[Planning and Transportation Committee]

- (ii) “That the City of London supports a group of Common Councillors, City of London Officers, Anchor Management and Tudor Rose Court Residents’ Association Officers to call to account the management of Tudor Rose Court, the only residential facility for elderly people in the City”

[Community and Children’s Services Committee]

B - Ward of Bassishaw – 21st March 2024

“That the Corporation of London be asked to urgently expedite the review of restrictions at Bank Junction and that Black Cab access be restored to the Bank Junction 24/7 and 365 days per year”.

[Planning and Transportation Committee]

C - Ward of Candlewick – 21st March 2024

“Since the introduction of restrictions on Black Cabs across Bank Junction, both businesses and residents have suffered, most especially those who are less physically able and visitors who travel into the City from one of the London airports. We therefore resolve that the Corporation of London be asked to urgently expedite

the review of these restrictions and that Black Cab access be restored to the Bank Junction 24/7 and 365 days per year”.

[Planning and Transportation Committee]

D - Ward of Cordwainer – 21st March 2024

“That the Corporation of London be asked to urgently expedite the review of Bank Junction restrictions and that Black Cab access be restored to the Bank Junction 24/7 and 365 days per year”.

[Planning and Transportation Committee]

E - Ward of Cripplegate – 2nd November 2023 and 20th March 2024

- (i) “This Wardmote respectfully requests that the Corporation of London acknowledges the important role of the Barbican & Golden Lane Neighbourhood Forum in local plan-making and policy development by:
- a) Reflecting that role within the Corporation's ‘Statement of Community Involvement’.
 - b) Reflecting that role within the text of the City Plan 2040, placing the Forum on a par with the non-statutory Business Improvement Districts in the City.

The Barbican & Golden Lane Neighbourhood Forum, under the Localism Act 2011, has statutory standing as a consultee in City planning policy and development control from the date of designation by the City, and not from the date of the Neighbourhood Plan. The City owes the Forum a statutory duty of cooperation from that same date.”

[Planning and Transportation Committee]

- (ii) “The Wardmote resolves that officers investigate the reasons for delays incurred since the planning for Crescent House was granted in December 2023 and from that report to produce a critical path programme for delivery, to be shared with residents no later than July 2024, such programme to encompass all the milestones for internal approval processes, design and anticipated construction timetabling both for Crescent House and the entire Golden Lane Estate”.

[Community and Children’s Services Committee]

- (iii) “The Wardmote resolves that the Landlord, Planners, Surveyors and other relevant City departments urgently seek agreement and funding for the parade

of shops under Crescent House on Golden Lane Estate to remove external shutters which attract graffiti and prepare a programme of restoration of the street shop fronts and rear arcade, to enhance the attraction of the arcade in order that businesses can flourish as an important local amenity”.

[Community and Children’s Services Committee]

- (iv) “The Wardmote resolves to request the Corporation of the City of London to fully implement its Considerate Lighting Charter in the Ward and surrounding neighbourhood by :-
- (i) Measuring the baseline levels of pollution from artificial light at night in Aldersgate and Cripplegate; and
 - (ii) To set a target for reducing such light pollution within 12 months; and
 - (iii) To adequately resource and run a pilot project, with community involvement, to achieve the target”.

[Planning and Transportation Committee]

- (v) “The Wardmote resolves to request the Corporation of London to immediately apply the abatement of 27% of structural repairs as set out in the Leases of Crescent House; or in the absence of this, to provide full reasons why this should not be done”.

[Community and Children’s Services Committee]

- (vi) “The Wardmote resolves to call upon City Corporation to provide an adequate number of constantly available public toilets to satisfy both the existing need and the ambition of Destination City”.

[Port Health and Environmental Services Committee]

F - Ward of Langbourn – 20th March 2024

- (i) “The Ward of Langbourn has become increasingly concerned about the lack of action by the City of London Corporation in adopting a sustainable strategy for Leadenhall Market, which will enable the Market and its tenants to flourish in the future. It is hereby resolved by this Wardmote to request the City of London Corporation:
- i) To review the options to establish a more appropriate management and ownership structure for this iconic asset and make a decision as to future strategy no later than May 2024.
 - ii) To establish an action plan and timetable for implementation by September 2024”.

[Investment Committee]

- (ii) “That the Corporation of London be asked to urgently expedite the review of the Bank Junction restrictions and that Black Cab access be restored to the Bank Junction 24/7 and 365 days per year”.

[Planning and Transportation Committee]

G - Ward of Lime Street – 20th March 2024

- (i) “The Lime Street Wardmote resolved that:
 - 1) City of London Corporation be asked to review the options to establish a more appropriate management and ownership structure for Leadenhall Market and the Monument and make a decision as to future strategy as soon as it is possible and by no later than May 2024 and;
 - 2) To establish an action plan and timetable for implementation by September 2024.
Such an action plan should also consider potential involvement of ECBid and also inclusion of the Monument in its considerations”.

[Investment Committee]

- (ii) “The City of London Corporation be asked to expedite the review these restrictions and that Licenced “Black Cabs” access to bank junction be restored 24/7 and 365 days of the year”.

[Planning and Transportation Committee]

H - Ward of Portsoken – 20th March 2023

- (i) “We welcome the consideration given by the City of London Corporation’s Licensing Committee and Port Health and Environmental Services Committee to the issue of anti-social behaviour in Portsoken associated with the night-time economy, and further encourage the relevant Committee to consider the installation of pop-up public conveniences at night-time economy hotspots in the City to address the common issue of street urination”.

[Licensing Committee / Port Health and Environmental Services Committee]

- (ii) “We request that the City of London Corporation commit to a thorough independent review of estate management on the Middlesex Street Estate given the lack of progress on various longstanding issues and projects within the Estate”

[Community and Children’s Services Committee]

- (iii) “That the relevant Committee consider whether current tenants of the City of London Corporation have the same options as leaseholders with regards to installation of sprinklers, and where a current tenant opted out then sprinklers be installed on a change of tenant”.

[Community and Children’s Services Committee]

- (iv) “That the relevant Committee and/or Department of the City of London Corporation investigate whether there was a statutory nuisance or health and safety hazard under the Housing Health and Safety Rating System in the Mansell Street Estate with regard to pest infestation, and any necessary steps taken to resolve any nuisance identified”.

[Community and Children’s Services Committee/Port Health and Environmental Services Committee]

I - Ward of Tower – 20th March 2024

- (i) “That the City Corporation be urged to recommend changes to the proposed City Plan 2040 before its submission to the Secretary of State to ensure that the area bounded by Minories, Aldgate High Street, Jewry Street, Crutched Friars, Coopers Row and the City’s southern boundary continues to be designated as an area for office-led development”

[Planning and Transportation Committee]

- (ii) “This Wardmote resolves that the City Corporation be asked diligently to expedite its review of the traffic arrangements at Bank.”

[Planning and Transportation Committee]

J - Ward of Walbrook – 20th March 2024

“That the Corporation of London be asked to urgently expedite the review of these restrictions and that Black Cab access be restored to the Bank Junction 24/7 and 365 days per year”.

[Planning and Transportation Committee]

(N.B. Following their consideration at the Grand Court of Wardmote, these Resolutions have informally been referred to officers of the relevant Service Committees, so as to assist them in responding without delay following their formal consideration by the Court of Common Council and its relevant Committees.)