



BOWMAN, LOCUM TENENS

COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL

25th July 2024
MEMBERS PRESENT

ALDERMEN

Alexander Robertson Martin Barr
(Alderman)
Sir Charles Edward Beck Bowman
(Alderman)
Professor Emma Edhem (Alderman)
Sir Peter Estlin (Alderman)
Alison Gowman CBE (Alderman)
Prem Goyal OBE (Alderman)

Martha Grekos (Alderwoman)
Timothy Russell Hailes (Alderman)
Gregory Jones KC (Alderman)
Vincent Keaveny CBE (Alderman)
Elizabeth Anne King, BEM JP
(Alderwoman)
Alastair John Naisbitt King DL
(Alderman)

Tim Levene (Alderman)
Sir Nicholas Stephen Leland Lyons
(Alderman)
Simon Pryke (Alderman)
Kawsar Zaman (Alderman)

COMMONERS

Dr Joanna Tufuo
Abeyie, MBE
Munsur Ali
Randall Keith
Anderson, Deputy
Shahnan Bakth
Jamel Banda
Brendan Barns
Matthew Bell
Ian Bishop-Laggett
Christopher Paul
Boden, Deputy
Keith David Forbes
Bottomley, Deputy
Tijs Broeke
Timothy Richard
Butcher, Deputy
Michael John Cassidy
CBE
Dominic Gerard
Christian
Henry Nicholas Almroth
Colthurst, Deputy
Anne Corbett
Aaron Anthony Jose
Hasan D'Souza
Simon Duckworth,
Deputy, OBE, DL

Chief Commoner Peter
Gerard Dunphy, Deputy
Mary Durcan JP
John Ernest Edwards,
Deputy
Helen Lesley Fentimen
OBE JP
John William Fletcher,
Deputy
John Foley
Dawn Frampton
Marianne Bernadette
Fredericks, Deputy
Steve Goodman, OBE
John Griffiths
Jason Groves
Madush Gupta, Deputy
Caroline Wilma Haines
Christopher Michael
Hayward, Deputy
Jaspreet Hodgson
Ann Holmes, Deputy
Henry Llewellyn
Michael Jones MBE
Shravan Jashvantrai
Joshi, Deputy, MBE

Florence Keelson-Anfu
Frances Leach
Natasha Maria Cabrera
Lloyd-Owen, Deputy
Charles Edward Lord,
OBE JP, Deputy
Andrew Paul Mayer
Catherine McGuinness
CBE
Andrew Stratton
McMurtrie JP
Timothy James McNally
Wendy Mead OBE
Andrien Gereith
Dominic Meyers,
Deputy
Brian Desmond Francis
Mooney, Deputy, BEM
Eamonn James Mullally
Deborah Oliver, TD
Suzanne Ornsby, KC
James Henry George
Pollard, Deputy
Henrika Johanna Sofia
Priest
Jason Paul Pritchard
Alpa Raja, Deputy

David Sales
Hugh Selka
Oliver Sells, KC
Alethea Silk
Paul Singh
Naresh Hari Sonpar
James St John Davis
Mandeep Thandi
James Michael Douglas
Thomson, Deputy
James Richard
Tumbridge
Shailendra Kumar
Kantilal Umradia
William Upton, KC
Jacqueline Roberts
Webster
Mark Raymond Peter
Henry Delano Wheatley
David Williams
Philip Woodhouse
Dawn Linsey Wright,
Deputy
Irem Yerdelen

Ahead of the formal items of business, the Chief Commoner welcomed Alderwoman Elizabeth King, following her recent election to the Court of Aldermen. Alderwoman King was heard in reply.

1. Newly-elected Member
The following Member, lately elected to be of the Common Council, for the Ward mentioned, was introduced to the Court and having previously made the declaration prescribed by the Promissory Oaths Act, 1868, took their seat, viz:-

Name	Ward
David Williams	Farringdon Within

2. Apologies
The apologies of those Members unable to attend this meeting of the Court were noted.

3. Declarations
There were no additional declarations.

4. Minutes
Resolved - That the Minutes of the last Court are correctly recorded.

5. Mayoral Engagements
The Lord Mayor Locum Tenens provided the Court with an update on the Rt Hon. The Lord Mayor's recent engagements.

He welcomed two visitors from the Universities of Arizona and Arizona State, both part of the London Bridge Rotary Education Scholarship.

Reference was made to the achievement of the national livery weekend, with thanks extended to those who helped to organise it. Congratulations were extended to the new Sheriffs-Elect, following Common Hall in June. The Lord Mayor Locum Tenens also referenced the success of the state banquet for Their Majesties the Emperor and Empress of Japan.

The Lord Mayor had visited Jersey and Guernsey, with a focus on sustainable finance, private equity and fintech. He had also visited the Netherlands, where they again discussed sustainable finance within the context of safe and ethical development of artificial intelligence.

Following the General Election, the Lord Mayor was honoured to attend the state opening of Parliament and swearing in of the Lord Chancellor.

Members had been delighted to take part in marking the 150th anniversary of West Ham Park, with an exhibition in Guildhall Yard.

The Lord Mayor and Sheriffs issued their apologies for today's meeting as they travelled to Sheffield for the annual feast hosted by the Cutlers of Hallamshire.

Tomorrow, the Lord Mayor and Policy Chairman would be travelling to support Team GB at the Paris Olympics.

Finally, the Lord Mayor wished the Court all the best for the summer recess.

6. Policy Statement

The Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee took the opportunity to provide a statement.

Ahead of his update, the Chairman wished to address a matter regarding the award of the Freedom to one of the City Scholars.

Accessibility arrangements for the ceremony to award them with the Freedom were not of the required standard. The City Corporation had offered its sincere apologies, both publicly and personally, to the individual involved and the Chairman had been assured that measures are being taken to ensure that this did not happen again.

The Chairman went on to notify Honourable Members of staffing news, including the appointment of a new Deputy Town Clerk and, separately, the new Senior Responsible Officer for Destination City.

Referencing the recent General Election, the Chairman underlined the City's role as a partner for growth, working with both government and industry. He referenced recent activities that had already taken place in support of this helping to demonstrate the significant role the City plays in the economic and cultural vibrancy of our capital.

It was expected that the new government would look to agree a London Growth Plan in the coming months and commitment was made to engaging with this, setting out the key role the Square Mile plays as the engine of London's economy. The Chairman noted how impact would extend beyond the City boundaries, bringing social and economic benefits to London and the whole country. noting the previous weekend's 150th anniversary celebration for West Ham Park.

The Chairman drew his statement to a close by wishing Honourable Members a well-deserved and restful summer recess.

7. Appointments

The Court proceeded to make the following appointments, in respect of which the Town Clerk reported that the following nominations had been received:-

Where appropriate:-

** denotes a Member standing for re-appointment*

(A) Audit and Risk Management Committee (one vacancy).

(No contest)

Nomination received:-

*Alderwoman Elizabeth King

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Alderwoman Elizabeth King to be appointed to the Audit and Risk Management Committee.

(B) Education Board (one vacancy).

(No contest)

Nomination received:-

*Alderwoman Elizabeth King

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Alderwoman Elizabeth King to be appointed to the Education Board.

(C) **Digital Services Committee** (one vacancy).

(No contest)

Nomination received:-

Deputy Timothy Butcher

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Deputy Timothy Butcher to be appointed to the Digital Services Committee.

(D) **Port Health and Environmental Services Committee** (one vacancy).

(No contest)

Nomination received:-

Henrika Priest

Read.

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

(E) **Board of Governors of the City of London School** (two vacancies)

(Contest)

Nominations received:-

*Dominic Christian

Michael Hudson

Naresh Sonpar

Read.

(F) **Board of Governors of the City of London Freeman's School** (five vacancies).

(No contest)

Nominations received:-

*Alderman Christopher Makin

*Philip Woodhouse

Read.

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

(G) **Board of Governors of the City of London School for Girls** (two vacancies).

(No contest)

Nomination received:-

Deputy Shravan Joshi

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Deputy Shravan Joshi to be appointed to the Board of Governors of the City of London School for Girls.

(H) **Community and Children's Services Committee** (one vacancy).

(No contest)

Nomination received:-

David Williams

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared David Williams to be appointed to the Community and Children's Services Committee

(I) **East London NHS Foundation Trust** (one vacancy).

(No contest)

Nomination received:-

Ruby Sayed

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Ruby Sayed to be appointed to the East London NHS Foundation Trust.

(J) **Cripplegate Foundation** (one vacancy).

(No contest)

Nomination received:-

Dawn Frampton

Read.

Whereupon the Lord Mayor declared Dawn Frampton to be appointed to the Cripplegate Foundation.

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

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. Motions
 Wilkins, C.,
 Deputy; Dunphy,
 P. G., Deputy

(A) **By Deputy Ceri Wilkins**

“That Alderwoman Elizabeth King be re-appointed to the Finance Committee, for the Ward of Cripplegate.”

Wilkins, C.,
 Deputy; Dunphy,
 P. G., Deputy

(B) **By Deputy Ceri Wilkins**

“That Alderwoman Elizabeth King be re-appointed to the Culture Heritage and Libraries Committee, for the Ward of Cripplegate.”

In addition to the two motions, the Court was invited to action taken under urgency procedures to appoint Oliver Sells KC, to the Finance Committee, in the room of George Abrahams for the Ward of Farringdon Without.

Received.

9. 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.

Judith Louise Adams a Teacher, retired Loughton, Essex
Benjamin Daniel Murphy, Citizen and Common
 CC Councillor
Caroline Wilma Haines, Citizen and Educator
 CC

Ferhat Akkaya a Catering Equipment Leeds, West Yorkshire
 Manufacturing Company
 Owner
Issa Tahhan Citizen and
 Environmental Cleaner
Andrew Charles Marsden Citizen and Marketor

Karen Jane Atkinson a Finance Director Woking, Surrey
Deputy Dr Giles Robert Citizen and Ironmonger
Evelyn Shilson
Deputy Paul Nicholas Citizen and Butcher
Martinelli

Zoe Heathwood a Consultancy Director Westminster, London
Barwick
Henry Llewellyn Michael Citizen and Common
Jones, MBE, CC Councillor
Deputy Sir Michael Citizen and Needlemaker
Snyder

Edward Donald Andrew a Government Practice Westminster, London
Baxter Management Consultant
Deputy Alastair Michael Citizen and Goldsmith
Moss
Steven Paul Summers, Citizen and Master

<i>JP</i>	<i>Mariner</i>	
Francesca Boschieri	a Professor of Italian Literature	Kensington and Chelsea, London
<i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i>	<i>Citizen and World Trader</i>	
<i>Ald. Alastair John Naisbitt King, DL</i>	<i>Citizen and Blacksmith</i>	
Ingrid Stephanie Boyce	a Solicitor	Buckinghamshire
<i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i>	<i>Citizen and World Trader</i>	
<i>Ald. Alastair John Naisbitt King, DL</i>	<i>Citizen and Blacksmith</i>	
Professor Hugh Redmond Brady	President of Imperial College	Westminster, London
<i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i>	<i>Citizen and World Trader</i>	
<i>Ald. Alastair John Naisbitt King, DL</i>	<i>Citizen and Blacksmith</i>	
Heather Elizabeth Butler	a Strategy and Business Planning Consultant	Hertford, Hertfordshire
<i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i>	<i>Citizen and World Trader</i>	
<i>Ald. Alastair John Naisbitt King, DL</i>	<i>Citizen and Blacksmith</i>	
Martin John Chalker	a Student Accommodation Charity Chief Executive	Wiltshire
<i>John Garbutt, JP</i>	<i>Citizen and Weaver</i>	
<i>Kevin Richard Coyne</i>	<i>Citizen and Fan Maker</i>	
Harriet Lily Clapp	a Civil Servant	Ashford, Kent
<i>Paul Christian Bobjerg-Jensen</i>	<i>Citizen and Baker</i>	
<i>Christine Rigden</i>	<i>Citizen and Constructor</i>	
Captain Katharine Clare	a Royal Navy Officer	Westminster, London
<i>Dr Craig Paterson</i>	<i>Citizen and Tobacco Pipe Maker & Tobacco Blender</i>	
<i>Ian Brinsley Andrews</i>	<i>Citizen and Pavior</i>	
Charles Castell Clark	a Sales Manager	Bromley, London
<i>Barry John Frederick Theobald-Hicks</i>	<i>Citizen and Scrivener</i>	
<i>John James Tunesi of</i>	<i>Citizen and Scrivener</i>	

Liongam, The Younger

<p>Lee Darren Nicholas Clarke <i>Richard George Turk</i> <i>Claude Andrew Robert Fenemore-Jones</i></p>	<p>a Maritime Charity General Manager <i>Citizen and Shipwright</i> <i>Citizen and Scrivener</i></p>	<p>Isle of Man</p>
<p>Harry Crush <i>Richard Leslie Springford</i> <i>Dr Iain Reid</i></p>	<p>a Deckhand <i>Citizen and Carman</i> <i>Citizen and Ironmonger</i></p>	<p>Gravesend, Kent</p>
<p>Bahadur Derry Singh Curry <i>Timothy James McNally, CC</i> <i>Marianna Cherry</i></p>	<p>a Shoe & Handbag Company Chief Executive, retired <i>Citizen and Glazier</i> <i>Citizen and Glazier</i></p>	<p>Camden, London</p>
<p>Amos Samuel Ezra Dadzie <i>Deputy James Henry George Pollard</i> <i>Ald. Simon Tony Pryke</i></p>	<p>an Investment Operations Manager <i>Citizen and Skinner</i> <i>Citizen and Painter-Stainer</i></p>	<p>Richmond upon Thames, London</p>
<p>Dr Victor Phillip Michael Dahdaleh <i>Ald. Prem Babu Goyal, OBE</i> <i>Deputy Rehana Banu Ameer</i></p>	<p>an Aluminium Company Chairman <i>Citizen and Goldsmith</i> <i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i></p>	<p>Westminster, London</p>
<p>Natasha Glynne Davis <i>Jonathan Martin Averbs</i> <i>Mary Durcan JP, CC</i></p>	<p>a Solicitor <i>Citizen and Fletcher</i> <i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i></p>	<p>Woking, Surrey</p>
<p>Olori Atuwatse III Ivie Uhunoma Emiko Atuwatse <i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i> <i>Ald. Alastair John Naisbitt King, DL</i></p>	<p>Queen of the Warri Kingdom <i>Citizen and World Trader</i> <i>Citizen and Blacksmith</i></p>	<p>Brent, London</p>
<p>Robin Charles Freeman <i>Judy Senta Tayler-Smith</i> <i>Simon Jonathan Tayler-Smith</i></p>	<p>a Customer Adviser, retired <i>Citizen and Upholder</i> <i>Citizen and Basketmaker</i></p>	<p>Walton-on-Thames, Surrey</p>

Julian Glasspole	a Vehicle Weighing Company Director	Oxfordshire
<i>Vincent Dignam</i>	<i>Citizen and Carman</i>	
<i>John Paul Tobin</i>	<i>Citizen and Carman</i>	
Graham Gervais Gratton	a Digital & Markets Innovation Director	Loughton, Essex
<i>Deputy Madush Gupta</i>	<i>Citizen and Pewterer</i>	
<i>Ald. Timothy Russell</i>	<i>Citizen and Pewterer</i>	
<i>Hailes, JP</i>		
Mark Vincent John Gregory-White	a Hotel Manager	Lewisham, London
<i>David Alastair Morgan- Hewitt</i>	<i>Citizen and Innholder</i>	
<i>Philippe Roland Rossiter</i>	<i>Citizen and Innholder</i>	
Timothy Roger Griffin	a Hospitality Director	Islington, London
<i>David Alastair Morgan- Hewitt</i>	<i>Citizen and Innholder</i>	
<i>Philippe Roland Rossiter</i>	<i>Citizen and Innholder</i>	
Kenneth Guevara Dinarte	a City Scholar	Bloomsbury, London
<i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i>	<i>Citizen and World Trader</i>	
<i>Deputy Christopher Michael Hayward</i>	<i>Citizen and Pattenmaker</i>	
Denise Brenda Harris	a Vehicle Import Company Chief Executive	Dublin, Ireland
<i>Vincent Dignam</i>	<i>Citizen and Carman</i>	
<i>Jacqueline O'Donovan, OBE</i>	<i>Citizen and Carmen</i>	
Chief Inspector Caroline Peta Hay, MBE	a Police Officer	Letchworth, Hertfordshire
<i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i>	<i>Citizen and World Trader</i>	
<i>Ald. Alastair John Naisbitt King, DL</i>	<i>Citizen and Blacksmith</i>	
Professor Katrin Hohl, OBE	a Professor of Criminology & Criminal Justice	Hitchin, Hertfordshire
<i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i>	<i>Citizen and World Trader</i>	

<i>Ald. Alastair John Naisbitt</i> <i>King, DL</i>	<i>Citizen and Blacksmith</i>	
Timothy John Hore <i>Paresh Bhanji Modasia</i> <i>Adarsh Kumar Sharma</i>	a Publican, retired <i>Citizen and Apothecary</i> <i>Citizen and Chartered</i> <i>Accountant</i>	Isle of Wight
Nicholas David Howard <i>Gina Blair</i> <i>Dr Iain Reid</i>	a Barge Captain <i>Citizen and Master</i> <i>Mariner</i> <i>Citizen and Ironmonger</i>	Kent
Jake Edward Howells <i>Paul Christian Bobjerg- Jensen</i> <i>Christine Rigden</i>	an Army Officer <i>Citizen and Baker</i> <i>Citizen and Constructor</i>	Ashford, Kent
Mohammed Kodrul Islam <i>Aaron Anthony Jose</i> <i>Hasan D'Souza, CC</i> <i>Ald. Prem Babu Goyal, OBE</i>	a Restaurant Manager & Charity Worker <i>Citizen and Common</i> <i>Councillor</i> <i>Citizen and Goldsmith</i>	Barking and Dagenham, London
Karan Jain <i>Deputy Madush Gupta</i> <i>Ald. Timothy Russell</i> <i>Hailes, JP</i>	an Information Technology Company Founder <i>Citizen and Pewterer</i> <i>Citizen and Pewterer</i>	Lewisham, London
Odon Maotela Kasindi <i>Antonio Masella</i> <i>Daniel Mark Heath</i>	a Property Company Director <i>Citizen and Mason</i> <i>Citizen and Hackney</i> <i>Carriage Driver</i>	Bexley, London
Jason Anthony Lamden <i>Gina Blair</i> <i>Claude Andrew Robert</i> <i>Fenemore-Jones</i>	an Information Technology Manager <i>Citizen and Master</i> <i>Mariner</i> <i>Citizen and Scrivener</i>	Reading, Berkshire
Samantha Jane Lane <i>Yasmeen Stratton</i> <i>Terence Edwin Brand</i>	an Intellectual Property Senior Paralegal <i>Citizen and Security</i> <i>Professional</i> <i>Citizen and Air Pilot</i>	Tower Hamlets, London

James Thomas Heald Laycock	a Data Scientist	Hertford, Hertfordshire
<i>Ann-Marie Jefferys</i>	<i>Citizen and Glover</i>	
<i>Anne Elizabeth Holden</i>	<i>Citizen and Basketmaker</i>	
Jillian Leblanc	a City Scholar	Bloomsbury, London
<i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i>	<i>Citizen and World Trader</i>	
<i>Deputy Christopher Michael Hayward</i>	<i>Citizen and Pattenmaker</i>	
Wayne Lee	a Senior Financial Services Executive	Westminster, London
<i>Ald. Prem Babu Goyal, OBE</i>	<i>Citizen and Goldsmith</i>	
<i>Aaron Anthony Jose Hasan D'Souza, CC</i>	<i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i>	
Richard John Leonard	a Computer Programmer	Cheshire
<i>Ald. Sir Andrew Charles Parmley</i>	<i>Citizen and Musician</i>	
<i>Harry Andrew Crook</i>	<i>Citizen and Apothecary</i>	
Her Excellency Simona Leskovar	a Diplomat	Westminster, London
<i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i>	<i>Citizen and World Trader</i>	
<i>Deputy Christopher Michael Hayward</i>	<i>Citizen and Pattenmaker</i>	
Sinead Clair Lester	a Solicitor	Lambeth, London
<i>Jonathan Martin Avern</i>	<i>Citizen and Fletcher</i>	
<i>Mary Durcan JP, CC</i>	<i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i>	
Andrew Mark Lewis	a Business Development Director	Ashford, Kent
<i>Claude Andrew Robert Fenemore-Jones</i>	<i>Citizen and Scrivener</i>	
<i>Richard George Turk</i>	<i>Citizen and Shipwright</i>	
His Excellency Teodoro Lopez Locsin Jr	a Diplomat	Westminster, London
<i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i>	<i>Citizen and World Trader</i>	
<i>Deputy Christopher Michael Hayward</i>	<i>Citizen and Pattenmaker</i>	

<p>Katherine Sarah Lovén <i>Tijs Broeke, CC</i> <i>Catherine Sidony</i> <i>McGuinness, CBE, CC</i></p>	<p>a Leadership Development Specialist <i>Citizen and Goldsmith</i> <i>Citizen and Solicitor</i></p>	<p>Westminster, London</p>
<p>Carolyn Meier Mash <i>Jani Levanen</i> <i>Anthony Garrett Mash</i></p>	<p>a Marketing Manager <i>Citizen and Stationer & Newspaper Maker</i> <i>Citizen and Stationer & Newspaper Maker</i></p>	<p>Kingston upon Thames, London</p>
<p>Professor Anthony Mathur <i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i> <i>Ald. Alastair John Naisbitt King, DL</i></p>	<p>a Cardiology Clinical Director <i>Citizen and World Trader</i> <i>Citizen and Blacksmith</i></p>	<p>Surrey</p>
<p>Revd Jennifer Eileen Midgley-Adam <i>Deputy Charles Edward Lord, OBE, JP</i> <i>Ald. Timothy Russell Hailes, JP</i></p>	<p>a Clerk in Holy Orders <i>Citizen and Broderer</i> <i>Citizen and Pewterer</i></p>	<p>Westminster, London</p>
<p>Elkhan Nasibov <i>Munsur Ali, CC</i> <i>Ald. Prem Babu Goyal, OBE</i></p>	<p>a Global Payments Company Chief Compliance Officer <i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i> <i>Citizen and Goldsmith</i></p>	<p>Wandsworth, London</p>
<p>Michael Denis Joseph O'Donovan <i>Jacqueline O'Donovan, OBE</i> <i>Vincent Dignam</i></p>	<p>a Plant Hire Company Director <i>Citizen and Carman</i> <i>Citizen and Carman</i></p>	<p>Enfield, London</p>
<p>Julia Elizabeth Onslow-Cole <i>Ald. Prem Babu Goyal, OBE</i> <i>Deputy Rehana Banu Ameer</i></p>	<p>a Lawyer <i>Citizen and Goldsmith</i> <i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i></p>	<p>Winchester, Hampshire</p>

Dr Scott Allan Orr <i>Ald. Sir Andrew Charles Parmley</i> <i>Jaspreet Hodgson, CC</i>	a University Lecturer <i>Citizen and Musician</i> <i>Citizen and Vintner</i>	Newham, London
William Michael Palin <i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i> <i>Ald. Alastair John Naisbitt King, DL</i>	a Charity Chief Executive Officer <i>Citizen and World Trader</i> <i>Citizen and Blacksmith</i>	Islington, London
Sally Jane Paterson <i>Ald. Sir Andrew Charles Parmley</i> <i>Jaspreet Hodgson, CC</i>	a Civil Servant <i>Citizen and Musician</i> <i>Citizen and Vintner</i>	Epsom, Surrey
Terence John Pettit <i>Vincent Dignam</i> <i>Henry Llewellyn Michael Jones, MBE, CC</i>	an Actor, Producer and Director <i>Citizen and Carman</i> <i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i>	Berkshire
Keith Allen Sabine <i>Gerald Michael Edwards</i> <i>Robert Travers Smith</i>	a Software Company Director <i>Citizen and Fruiterer</i> <i>Citizen and International Banker</i>	Oxfordshire
Farrelle Sampson <i>Peter Hubert William Ruddy</i> <i>Melvyn Stuart Davis</i>	a Librarian <i>Citizen and Bowyer</i> <i>Citizen and Bowyer</i>	Surrey
Major-General James Matthew Senior, CBE <i>James William Carrahar, MBE</i> <i>Paul Christian Bobjerg-Jensen</i>	an Army Officer <i>Citizen and Educator</i> <i>Citizen and Baker</i>	Aldershot, Hampshire
David Brenton Simons, OBE <i>John Michael Allen-Petrie, OBE</i> <i>Brady Daine Brim-Deforest of Balvaird Castle</i>	a Genealogist <i>Citizen and Draper</i> <i>Citizen and Fletcher</i>	Boston, Massachusetts, United States of America

William Spinney Smith	Kenneth	a Banker	Kensington and Chelsea, London
<i>Ald. Sir William Anthony Bowater Russell</i>			
<i>Ald. Alastair John Naisbitt King, DL</i>			
Lavinya Stennett	Vinette	a Social Enterprise Chief Executive	Lambeth, London
<i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i>			
<i>Ald. Alastair John Naisbitt King, DL</i>			
Tamina Thobani		an Investment Company Project Manager	Watford, Hertfordshire
<i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i>			
<i>Ald. Alastair John Naisbitt King, DL</i>			
James Thomson, OBE, DL		a Hotelier	East Lothian, Scotland
<i>David Alastair Morgan-Hewitt</i>			
<i>Philippe Roland Rossiter</i>			
Christopher Tragheim		a Consultancy Company Partner	Bromley, London
<i>Henry Charles Walter Price</i>			
<i>Dominic Charles Huw Price</i>			
Margaret Tragheim	Elizabeth	a Lay Minister, retired	Bromley, London
<i>Henry Charles Walter Price</i>			
<i>Dominic Charles Huw Price</i>			
His Excellency Jan Oosterom	Karel Gustaaf Van	a Diplomat	Kensington and Chelsea, London
<i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i>			
<i>Deputy Christopher Michael Hayward</i>			
<i>Citizen and Haberdasher</i>			
<i>Citizen and Blacksmith</i>			
<i>Citizen and World Trader</i>			
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<i>Citizen and Scientific Instrument Maker</i>			
<i>Citizen and Carman</i>			
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<i>Citizen and Carman</i>			
<i>Citizen and World Trader</i>			
<i>Citizen and Pattenmaker</i>			

Trenham Weatherhead <i>Ald. Prem Babu Goyal, OBE</i> <i>Aaron Anthony Jose Hasan D'Souza, CC</i>	Ian	a Defence & Security Company Director <i>Citizen and Goldsmith</i> <i>Citizen and Common Councillor</i>	Barnet, London
Adrian Patrick White <i>Deputy Madush Gupta</i> <i>Ald. Timothy Russell Hailes, JP</i>		a Banker <i>Citizen and Pewterer</i> <i>Citizen and Pewterer</i>	Hampshire
Anthony Withrington <i>William Simpson Haynes</i> <i>Richard Stuart Gough</i>	Robert	a Vehicle Company Managing Director, retired <i>Citizen and Carpenter</i> <i>Citizen and Blacksmith</i>	Ely, Cambridgeshire
Dr Simon Woldman <i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i> <i>Ald. Alastair John Naisbitt King, DL</i>	Jack	a Consultant Cardiologist <i>Citizen and World Trader</i> <i>Citizen and Blacksmith</i>	Harrow, London
Andrew Wragg <i>The Rt. Hon The Lord Mayor</i> <i>Ald. Alastair John Naisbitt King, DL</i>		a Medical Doctor <i>Citizen and World Trader</i> <i>Citizen and Blacksmith</i>	Islington, London
Adelaide Young <i>Gerald Michael Edwards</i> <i>Robert Travers Smith</i>	Graham	an Engineer <i>Citizen and Fruiterer</i> <i>Citizen and International Banker</i>	Brent, London

Read.

Resolved – That this Court doth hereby assent to the admission of the said persons 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.

10.
Resolutions

Lloyd-Owen,
N., Deputy;
Dunphy, P.G.,
Deputy

Resolved unanimously - That the sincere gratitude of this Court be offered to:

Susan Jane Pearson

for her dedication and service to the Ward of Cripplegate, the City Corporation, and the City of London over the past seven years.

Sue was elected to the Court of Common Council in 2017 with the highest number of votes received by any candidate across the City, an endorsement from Cripplegate constituents which was repeated during the 2022 Council election and again during the Aldermanic election in 2023.

Sue has made a huge contribution to her community and to the City more broadly. She will be particularly remembered for, and I know is rightly proud of, her work on the Planning and Transportation Committee. Sue's background as an architect, her thoughtfulness, commitment to Cripplegate residents and her unwavering dedication to her role made her an invaluable member of that committee. Sue contributed with ideas and questions at every meeting she attended and her absence will be greatly felt.

Sue also served on a number of other committees, including the Community and Children's Services and Finance Committees; the Capital Buildings Board; the Board of Governors of the City of London School for Girls; the Mitchell City of London Charity and Educational Foundation; and the Cripplegate Foundation Ltd.

She served on the Barbican Residential Committee for her entire seven years as an elected member; for two of those years as an adept and knowledgeable Deputy Chair. Sue cares passionately about the role residents have to play in the City and has worked tirelessly to support her constituents, including campaigning for increased funding for the City's social housing estates and successfully working with colleagues to campaign for the repeal of section 618 of the Housing Act 1985.

Over the last seven years, Sue's support for City residents extended well beyond formal Corporation activities. Most notably, during the Covid-19 pandemic, when Sue provided crucial support in the running of the Square Mile Foodbank.

Alongside Sue's contributions within the City, she has many wide and varied interests – she is an avid reader and has a passion for gardening - playing an active role in the Golden Lane Baggers allotments. She also manages to find time for tennis, jewellery making, knitting, fashion, rally driving and sailing – and these, as well as her unfailing commitment to her constituents, many of whom are now firm friends, keep her endlessly busy.

In taking its leave of her, this Honourable Court therefore extends to Sue its thanks and appreciation for her hard work and achievements over the past seven years, as well as its very best wishes for the future. Sue, you will be

missed.

Resolved unanimously - That this Honourable Court wishes to extend:-

Broeke, T.;
Thomson, J. M.
D., Deputy

Angela McLaren

Its sincere gratitude to for her exemplary dedication and devotion to leading the City of London Police.

Angela joined the City of London Police in 2020 as our first Assistant Commissioner for Economic and Cyber Crime. This followed 24 years' service in Police Scotland, which culminated in her leadership of the Organised Crime, Counter Terrorism and Intelligence Portfolio as Assistant Chief Constable.

Angela moved seamlessly into the new role in the City and quickly made her mark, bringing her thoughtful and progressive approach to bear on the City Police's critical role leading the police response to economic and cyber crime.

However, it was not long before a further move ensued, and following a highly competitive field, Angela was appointed Commissioner in July 2021 – the first female to fulfil the role in the City Police's long and illustrious history. Angela smoothly stepped up to lead this renowned police service that lies at the heart of the City.

Angela's swiftly understood the need to balance important, long-standing traditions with ensuring the police service is relevant to the thriving City communities, while also being at the forefront of addressing the cutting-edge threats that are ever-present in the modern world.

During her time in post she oversaw the City of London Police play leading roles in key moments in the country's history – from the funeral of her late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II to the Proclamation of King Charles III and his Coronation – both high profile duties that the City police performed to much acclaim.

As Senior Responsible Officer, Angela also led the City Police closer to two significant milestones. Firstly, the delivery of the replacement for Action Fraud, which will see a transformation in the way fraud reports are handled, victims supported and investigations carried out. Secondly, the building of the new Police headquarters, which will provide state-of-the-art accommodation for the police as part of the wider Justice Hub in Sailsbury Square.

Leading by example, with compassion and thought, are hallmarks of Angela's leadership which helped drive a culture of respect and openness to new ways of working. She championed initiatives to improve neighbourhood policing, reduce violence against women and girls, put the needs of victims at the heart of everything the City of London Police does, and demonstrated visible leadership on improving the diversity and inclusivity of the City Police – committing to make them one of the most inclusive police services in the country.

The City's communities and I are all extremely sorry to see Angela leave the City of London Police. Angela is a first-class Commissioner who has embodied the values of professionalism, integrity and compassion in carrying out her leadership responsibilities.

This Honourable Court and I are grateful for her commitment and determination to reducing crime and improving the public's experience of, and trust in, policing, while also protecting the UK from economic crime and cyber-crime. We wish Angela, and her family, all the very best for the future.

11. Questions

Groves, J. to the
Chairman of the
Policy and
Resources
Committee

Engagement with the new Government

Jason Groves asked a question of the Chairman of the Policy and Resources Committee seeking an update on the key topics the City Corporation was engaging with to support His Majesty's missions and legislative programmes, as set out in the King's speech.

In reply the Chairman explained that the advantage of the City Corporation being politically independent, means it can work effectively with the elected Government of the day to support the UK domestically and internationally. He noted that the City had already engaged with Ministers on their portfolios and looked forward to working together during their term.

The Chairman outlined the Government's five missions to rebuild Britain and what the City was doing in support of these.

First, *kickstart economic growth*. The Chairman referenced the measures captured in the Vision for Economic Growth. These measures would deliver high skilled jobs, opportunities and economic growth right across the UK and the City Corporation would continue to lobby for these recommendations. The Chairman also welcomed pensions reforms and creation of a national wealth fund.

Second, *make Britain a clean energy superpower*. The Chairman referred to the considerable work on Green Finance and transition finance review.

Third, *take back our streets*. The Chairman signposted the local and national responsibilities of the City of London Police, highlighting their role as the national lead on fraud, economic and cyber-crime.

Fourth, *breaking down barriers*. Progress Together was an independent taskforce looking at improving socio-economic diversity at senior levels in UK financial and professional services). The Chairman also referenced the Women Pivoting to Digital Taskforce, which addresses under representation to women in digital careers.

Finally, *build an NHS fit for the future*. The Finance and Insurance professional services industry generated £110bn in taxation annually. This made a significant contribution to funding public services such as the NHS.

*Mullally, E. to the
Chair of the
Natural
Environment
Board*

Attracting visitors to open spaces

Eamonn Mullally remarked on negative health statistics relating to those living in central London and asked a question to the Chair of the Natural Environment Board about plans to attract Londoners over summer months to outdoor space managed by City.

The Chair responded by reminding Members of the Natural Environment Division's four strategies, these being: nature conservation, community engagement, access and recreation, culture heritage and learning. imbedded within these was a desire to attract visitors to spaces, thereby supporting the health and wellbeing of visitors, residents, learners and workers, amplifying Destination City. The Chair then went on to list the plethora of activities taking place over all the City Corporation managed spaces. This included various sports provisions and sporting events such as the night of 10,000 Personal Bests, cultural events such as outdoor theatre and visits from national organisations. The recent Natural Capital Audit suggested that the annual recreational benefits to the public amounted to £48.3m.

Eamonn Mullally asked a supplementary question, seeking examples of when the City had partnered with others to ensure the best value in the delivery of the strategies.

The Chair replied by acknowledging a number of the many partners that were vital to the outcomes of the four strategies. She referenced learning engagement with 18 London boroughs, numerous charitable organisations, and learning institutions. Given the locations of the many open spaces, the City Corporation regularly worked collaboratively with all the boroughs and district councils, county councils and MPs. The Chair noted the shared sense of stewardship and huge amounts of volunteer support across the portfolio.

Deputy Alpa Raja asked a supplementary question concerning how the Board was supporting the Fleet Street Quarter BID.

The Chair noted that of the 186 City gardens, many were churchyards that are managed in partnership with organisations such as the Church of England. In the BID area, rests St Bride's. Work was already underway to help make the space more attractive and vital space, working with partners on the shrub beds, railings and planters. There were plans for an outside Christmas concert as well as regular summer music and evening entertainment from summer 2025, in conjunction with plans to open outdoor entertaining space in each BID by next year.

Barbican Renewal and the Destination City

*Yerdelen, I. to
the Chairman of
the Policy and
Resources
Committee*

Irem Yerdelen asked a question of the Chairman of Policy and Resources Committee concerning the Barbican Centre, the progress made in the development of a business case for its Renewal Programme and how this fitted within the Destination City programme of priorities.

The Chairman first took the opportunity to first put on record the Court's thanks to Claire Spencer, the outgoing Chief Executive Officer of the Barbican Centre, who

had stepped down.

He then went on to note the importance of the Barbican Centre as an integral part of the Destination City programme, highlighting its potential to draw people into the City. The Centre was, however, over 40 years old and, like much of the City's built estate, was suffering from a long-term lack of investment in maintenance and essential works. From the again building infrastructure, to meeting accessibility and net zero requirements, keeping the Centre operational would require significant investment. To that end, the City Corporation had invested £25m in the previous year, to start addressing the first phase of critical works, including addressing health and safety issues, whilst developing a longer-term masterplan (Barbican Renewal Programme). Beyond that, the Policy and Resources Committee were aware of a business case being prepared for the Programme's priorities for the next five years. The Chairman concluded by remarking on the immense value provided to London and the UK, stating City Corporation's commitment to the Barbican Centre both now and into its future.

Irem Yerdelen asked a supplementary question, noting that if the Barbican Centre works were not undertaken, the City Corporation would fail on its climate action commitments, she asked for clarification on the internal governance process to secure the necessary funding.

In response, the Chairman noted that the business case for renewal was undergoing external assessment via the City Surveyor's Department. The intention of this was to ratify key assumptions and figures, before progressing. Once received, this will be formally submitted to the Resource Allocation Sub-Committee and Policy and Resources Committee in September of this year, with a view to a recommendation being brought forward to this Honourable Court for decision after that. The City was seeking ways to fund the first five years of the programme, as it would require significant investment. In doing so, the corporate centre was working with Barbican Centre colleagues to support them on raising their own funds. A matter which the Chair had given a personal commitment to. Given the costs involved, it was inevitable that the Court would have some difficult decisions to make. The Chairman was confident that at appropriate time, the Honourable Court would take the necessary decisions, with long term future of City in mind.

Deputy Brian Mooney asked a supplementary question seeking confirmation that £1bn investment was required in order to bring the Barbican Centre back to its former, world class, state.

The Chairman of Policy and Resources explained that it would be irresponsible to speculate on costs before any form of external appraisal. He did, however, stress the fact that it would not be a cheap exercise and that considerable investment was needed. The Chairman explained that such investment could be programmed and delivered over time.

Sports Strategy

Deputy Edward Lord asked a question of the Chairman of Policy and Resources Committee seeking an update on any positive progress that has been made since the City of London Sports Strategy was approved. They also asked whether the

Chairman would further endorse the view that the City Corporation's sports engagement programme domestically and nationally, contributes significantly to its soft power and influence.

In reply, the Chairman stated that he whole heartedly agreed. The Sports Strategy sets out intention for the City of London to become a global destination for sport by 2030. Hosting major sporting events has huge positive impact on trade and soft power worth £4bn to the economy over the next ten years. The Chairman described a 'summer of sport', involving a series of activities hosted in partnership with City BIDs and Central London Alliance, designed to capitalise on major sporting events. For those wanting to get involved, they should visit www.sportinthecity.co.uk. Thanks to the City Corporation's convening power, it can play a unique role in enhancing UK's soft power.

Deputy Lord thanked CPR for generous endorsement and asked a supplementary question on whether consideration would now be given to sustainable funding stream to ensure work continues beyond initial three years agreed from his Committee's Policy Initiatives Fund.

Noting his personal support for this particular policy stream, the Chairman explained that the Policy Initiatives Fund was correctly utilised to get the strategy off the ground as seed support. He agreed that his Committee and the Court would need to consider funding for this, and other priorities, in future.

Deputy Natasha-Lloyd Owen asked a supplementary question about whether the City Corporation should be congratulating itself for sport engagement unless and until further work has been done to ensure delivery of accessible services to the local communities.

The Chairman agreed that there needed to be investment in sporting facilities for our electors, including residents. Whilst positive steps had been made in the implementation of the strategy, further progress was needed locally in the Square Mile.

Anne Corbett asked a supplementary question on the progress made on sports provision for children and young people in the City of London, particularly those from low income groups and those with Special Educational Needs.

The Chairman explained that, without advanced notice of this question, given the specific nature of the query, he would write to the Member and the Court with further information.

Anne Corbett asked a further supplementary question, asking for specific detail on the provisions for children at the Aldgate School, noting the distance they currently had to travel.

The Chairman agreed to include this.

Munsur Ali asked a supplementary question, remarking on the high level of poverty in London, the need to make sport accessible to all, and the possibility to make use

of the opportunities arising with the new government. He sought assurances that work was not being undertaken in silos.

The Chairman provided a commitment that these issues were being considered in the round and that a fuller response would be provided to all Members alongside the further information sought by Anne Corbett.

Pursuant to Standing Order 13(9) and 13(10) the Rt Hon. The Lord Mayor declared that the time limit of 40 minutes for Questions had passed and that any not dealt with shall be deferred for consideration at the following meeting or, with the consent of the questioner, be answered in writing within two working days and a copy placed in the Members' Reading Room.

12. CITY OF LONDON POLICE AUTHORITY BOARD

(Tijs Broeke)

3 July 2024

City of London Police: Annual Report 2023/24

The Court received the City of London Police Annual Report 2023/2024 containing information on crime, financial and staff statistics, as well as a summary of the year.

In introducing the report, the Chair noted the Board's gratitude for the past Chair, Deputy James Thomson, for his steadfast commitment during his tenure. He then went on to remark on various areas of the Force's work, including counterterrorism, Safer City Partnership, tackling violence against women and girls, victim support, estate programme and new fraud reporting service.

Resolved – That the report be received and its contents noted.

13. DIGITAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

(Deputy Dawn Wright)

4 July 2024

Report of Urgent Action Taken: Future Network Programme – Gateway 4b

The Court received a report concerning action taken under urgency procedures.

Resolved – That the report be received and its contents noted.

14. There was no report.
Legislation

15. Ballots There were no ballots at the last Court.

16. Hospital There were no docquets.
Seal

17. Awards and Prizes There was no report.
18. 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 information as defined in Paragraph (s) 2 and 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 that Act.
- Summary of exempt items considered whilst the public were excluded:-**
19. Non-Public Minutes *Resolved* – that the non-public Minutes of the last Court are correctly recorded.
20. **Policy and Resources Committee**
- (A) Markets Co-Location Programme**
The Court considered and approved a report relating to the Markets Co-Location Programme. Specifically, the report proposed the cessation of the current proposed markets building on the Dagenham Dock site, whilst the City Corporation examines all options for an affordable and sustainable solution.
- (B) City of London Corporation: Revised Sponsorship Agreement between the City of London Academy Trust (CoLAT) and City of London Corporation**
The Court considered and approved proposals relating to a revised Sponsorship agreement between the City of London Academy Trust and City of London Corporation.
21. **Digital Services Committee and Finance Committee**
The Court considered and approved a Gateway 4b report concerning the Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) Service Integrator Procurement Stage 2 Award, including a request to increase the programme budget, the appointment of the preferred contractor and permission to progress the project in line with the City Corporation's Projects Procedure.
22. **Community and Children's Services Committee**
The Court considered a report concerning a programme of window replacement and common parts redecorations across the City Corporation's housing estates, including Golden Lane, Holloway, Dron House, Sydenham Hill, William Blake and Windsor House, but with specific proposals in relation to the Southwark Estates
23. **City of London Police Authority Board**
The Court received a report providing notice of the City of London Police

Commissioner vacancy. In accordance with the Member-Led Recruitment Policy, the report also detailed the planned recruitment campaign, as approved by the City of London Police Authority Board.

The meeting commenced at 1.00 pm and ended at 3.02 pm

THOMAS.