ANNEX 1 – Additional Detail on Memberships and Subscriptions

1. A moratorium on EEDI-related memberships was agreed upon by the Equality, Diversity & Inclusion Sub-Committee during the review process. The EDI Charters Update Report for 2023/2024 was presented to the Sub-Committee in September 2023.

2. The Confederation of British Industry (CBI) is a cross-sectoral business organisation whose membership includes firms and trade associations. It maintains it speaks on behalf of 170,000 businesses. The City of London Corporation has been a member of the CBI since 2004, paying an annual membership fee. The City Corporations membership was briefly suspended, the annual subscription renewal was agreed at January 2024 P&R.

3. British American Business is a valuable partner for the Corporation on our US policy work. We have recently accepted an invite to join their new Financial & Professional Services subcommittee and it is an important relationship to retain.

4. QED Brussels is an event coordination and management service. They are well connected in the Brussels ecosystem, and their events often include speakers from European Commission and the European Parliament. Our Annual Membership includes being invited to attend in-person and hybrid events on a series of relevant topics like financial service regulation, sustainability and digitalisation. The membership also includes event speaking opportunities (10-minute presentation and participation in panel discussion). It is an important relationship to retain.

5. The Centre for European Policy Studies (CEPS) is a Brussels-based think tank with areas of expertise that include among others: finance, economic and monetary affairs, trade, digitalisation and climate change. We are members of CEPS and the European Capital Markets Institute (ECMI), an independent think-tank CEPS. CEPS is strongly linked to the European Commission. We benefit from this by meeting key Commission officials at their events and task forces. We are running an event with CEPS at the end of the March. It is an important relationship to retain.

6. OnePolicyPlace (OPP) supports our work and provides daily, personalised, updates on the EU files that are of interest to us. This includes changes in legislation, summaries of meetings and committees etc. It also provides us with a daily newsletter that includes events that may be of interest. It is a valuable source of information.

7. British Chamber of Commerce EU & Belgium facilitates bilateral business & trade between the UK and Belgium. They often host officials from European institutions at their events. We strongly support their work and have been collaborating with them for a long time on a series of events and meetings. We want to strengthen our relationship in the next months (e.g., by participating in some of their committees) and see the relationship as strategically important.

8. The rationale for the relationships with Chatham House, Centre for the Study of Financial Innovation, Local Government Information Unit, New Financial, New Local, Onward, Whitehall and Industry Group, and International Business and Diplomatic Exchange were laid out in the 31/10/22 (see Appendix 1) (Item 7 – Think Tank Review and Membership 2022/2023) to the Communications and Corporate Affairs Subcommittee.

9. The Industry and Parliamentary Trust (IPT) is an independent, non-lobbying, non-partisan charity that provides a trusted platform of engagement between Parliament and UK business. The IPT is dually supported by cross-party representation of senior parliamentarians on its Board of Trustees, and through the patronage of its industry supporters. The IPT is non-party political and works with all parliamentarians and businesses of any sector or size. The City Corporation's membership provides a platform for a senior City spokesman at 6 events per year across the range of City Corporation policy interests.

10. The FMLC was originally set up as an initiative of the Bank of England and the Corporation to identify issues of legal uncertainty in the financial markets, in recognition of the importance of this issue to the reputation of London as an international financial centre and the position of English Law as its transactional tool. It has since been conferred with charitable status with an added educational objective of increasing understanding of the operation of the financial markets. Members of the Committee are drawn from the judiciary, and City law firms with representatives of the Treasury, Bank of England and regulators, all serving unpaid in a personal capacity. The City Remembrancer provides advice in that capacity. The Committee is financed by voluntary contributions from the City firms which also provide the staff for the secretariat.

11. The UK Soft Power Group (UKSPG) is the premier group representing non-governmental UK-based soft power assets. A membership-based organisation, the group seeks to provide a conduit for the members to speak to, and with, government and parliament figures, as well as to the UK's diplomatic corps. The British Council is a co-convener of the UKSPG with the British Foreign Policy Group (BFPG).

12. Opportunity London an initiative jointly led and funded by the Mayor of London, London Councils and the City of London Corporation. It promotes sustainable investment in property, regeneration and green infrastructure across London's boroughs and communities, providing a united front to investors by collectively showcasing London as an attractive destination to invest and by building long-term relationships with strategic investors. Opportunity London brings key stakeholders together to encourage external investment to deliver long-term prosperity to our city.

13. NLA is London's built environment community, a cross-sector membership organisation for everyone committed to shaping a better city, working across all aspects of city governance, planning, design, development, and management, spanning public and private sectors. Forming new ideas and partnerships, enhancing lifelong skills, and empowering a more diverse workforce, the NLA operates an extensive events programmes, annual Festival, and

communications channels, engaging hundreds of thousands of people annually in the future of our city, from school children and community groups to political leaders and international investors.

14. Chatham House's stated mission is to help governments and societies build a sustainably secure, prosperous and just world. Members and Officers have engaged on various events and sessions, such as the Vice Chair of Policy an Resources attending a private dinner with Baroness Manningham-Buller.

15. The Local Government Intelligence Unit (LGIU) is a not-for-profit, non-partisan membership organisation. It exists for local government or anyone with an interest in local democracy and finding local solutions to global challenges.

16. New Financial is a think tank launched in 2014 that believes capital markets can and should be a force for economic and social good. Our membership allows Member and Officer attendance at various events and policy roundtables throughout the course of the year.

17. New Local is an independent think tank and network with a specific focus on transforming public services and unlocking community power. The membership offer includes events, session, briefings, tools and reports. The Chief Strategy Officer was a mentor with the Next Gen Academy and officers have attended sessions over the course of the year on various topics.

18. Onward is a centre-right think tank with a stated mission to develop bold and practical ideas to boost economic opportunity, build national resilience, and strengthen communities across all parts of the UK. The City Corporation holds a Business Forum membership, which allows us access to their reports and events held across the year. These events range from roundtables with senior political stakeholders to report launches and private dinners. The Forum membership also allows for a discount on Onward's party conference pricing.

19. Whitehall and Industry Group (WIG) aims to builds understanding and co-operation between government, business and the voluntary sector. Our membership gives us access to an assortment of events with government and private sector stakeholders.

20. International Business and Diplomatic Exchange (IBDE) is a London-based not-for-profit, non-political membership organisation promoting international trade and investment flows in various sectors, as well as championing economic, commercial and trade diplomacy. Members and Officers engage with IBDE events and groups over the course of the year. There are City Corporation representatives across various Committees including:
    a. Leadership Council – Policy Chairman
    b. Board of Directors
    c. Economic and Commercial Diplomacy Advisory Group
    d. Financial Services Advisory Group Trade and Investment Council

21. UK Cities & Partners is an annual strategic investment programme that looks to connect opportunities to global capital. UKCAP support cities, regions and

districts develop and communicate their investment offer and originate and engage global investors through their network of strategic partner relationships with the main output being a collective UK Investment Pavilion at EXPO REAL.

22. Stonewall is a charity that advocates for LGBT rights in the UK. The organisation campaigns on a number of LGBT issues and holds the Diversity Champions Programme and LGBTQ+ Workplace training for employers. The City Corporation’s membership is currently under review by the Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Team and it is proposed it is raised at the EDI sub-committee for further discussion.

23. Social Mobility Foundation is a charity that supports students from low-income backgrounds to get into top UK universities. Membership of the Social Market Foundation gives the Corporation the opportunity to showcase our work on Equality, Diversity and Inclusion. It is also useful for benchmarking purposes, it gives access to relevant resources like events, toolkits, and webinars, and it allows us to understand good practice across a range of sectors.

24. In March 2016, the UK government introduced the HM Treasury Women in Finance Charter to promote greater gender diversity in senior roles within the financial services sector. Since its launch, the Charter has attracted 450 signatories, representing approximately 1.3 million employees across the industry. This initiative reflects a joint commitment by HM Treasury and participating firms to foster a more inclusive and equitable financial sector. The City of London Corporation joined the Women in Finance Charter in 2019. The target we set upon joining the charter was to increase the representation of women in senior grades to 45% by March 2025. By 2022, the percentage of female senior level staff was 34.9% In 2023, the number of women in senior grades stayed the same- 34.9% In 2024, female senior managers as percentage of total senior management increased to 41.7% Although data for this year hasn’t been analysed yet, we believe we are on track to meet our target.”

25. Progress Together is a not-for-profit membership body established to improve socio-economic diversity in UK financial services. It emerged from a City Corporation-convened taskforce and has a third of the sector as members. As a founding partner, the City Corporation contributes funding and in-kind support, and benefits from access to events, workshops, and practical tools.

26. London & Partners is the growth agency for London - their mission is to create economic growth, attract investment and business to London and market London as a world-class destination for tourists and events.

27. Its work shines a global spotlight on London, promoting London internationally as a leading world city.

28. High Streets Data Service a pan-London public-private partnership that provides councils and BIDs with shared access to high-quality, hyperlocal data on footfall, spend, and shopfront vacancy.

29. Central London Alliance was formed to support a sustainable, economic recovery of London's business, hospitality, cultural, tourism, and retail sectors and to help both employers and workers to survive through coronavirus and beyond. It is responsible for events such as the London Sports Festival.