City of London Corporation Committee Report

Committee: Community and Children's Services Committee	**Dated:** 8 September 2026
Subject: Wardmote Updates	**Public report:** For Discussion
This proposal: • **delivers Corporate Plan 2024-29 outcomes**	Diverse engaged communities. Providing excellent services.
Does this proposal require extra revenue and/or capital spending?	No
If so, how much?	£ 60,000 p.a.
What is the source of Funding?	City Fund
Has this Funding Source been agreed with the Chamberlain's Department?	Yes
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Summary

At the Grand Court of Wardmote on 12 May 2026, the below resolution arising from annual wardmotes 2026 was received concerning the Community and Children's Services Committee:

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b) RESOLVED, that the Ward of Portsoken notes the deep concern among residents, parents and families regarding the future of childcare provision at The Aldgate School. This Wardmote further notes the particular importance of early years childcare provision, especially within the Aldgate and Portsoken area, which is identified in City Corporation reports as the most deprived area in the City of London and as experiencing higher levels of need, where access to affordable, high quality childcare is essential in supporting families and giving children the best possible start in life. Accordingly, this Wardmote

resolves to request that the City of London Corporation retains and continues to support early years childcare provision at The Aldgate School beyond 2027.

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Background

At its meeting on 30 June 2026, the Committee considered the Wardmote Updates item which asked that Members decide on the matter under the agenda item 0-2 Childcare Provision at The Aldgate School.

However, as the Committee resolved to defer the 0-2 Childcare Provision at The Aldgate School report to September's Committee meeting, the Wardmote Updates report also returns to the Committee for consideration.

Recommendations

Members are asked to:

- Note the resolution and decide on the matter at this committee meeting under agenda item Subsidy of 0-2 childcare for The Aldgate School.

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