

## **Council Agenda**

Title:

**Council Meeting** 

Meeting Date:

Wednesday 23rd June, 2021

Time:

7.00 pm

Venue:

Westminster Council House, 97-113 Marylebone Road, London, NW1 5PT

Members:

All Councillors are hereby summoned to attend the Meeting for the transaction of the business set out.

In line with legislation and continuing Covid-19 precautions, Committee members will attend the meeting in person. This will be a hybrid meeting with the audio of proceedings live streamed through the Council's website.

The Council must have due regard to safe social distancing measures as advised by the government and therefore the meeting room capacity for personal attendance will be capped. Members of the public and press are therefore encouraged to access the audio stream of the meeting using the link provided on the website.

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### 1. APPOINTMENT OF RELIEF CHAIRMAN

To appoint a relief Chairman.

#### 2. MINUTES

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To sign the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council meeting held on 21 April 2021.

#### 3. LORD MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS

- 1. The Lord Mayor to report that, on Friday April 16<sup>th</sup>, he attended the Service of Commemoration for HRH Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh at St John's Hyde Park
- 2, The Lord Mayor to report that, also on Friday April 16<sup>th</sup>, he attended the Sung Requiem Eucharist for HRH The Duke of Edinburgh at The Abbey
- 3. The Lord Mayor to report that, on Saturday April 24<sup>th</sup>, he attended the Royal Society of St George Cenotaph Parade & Abbey Service
- 4. The Lord Mayor to report that, on Sunday April 25th, he attended the ANZAC Day service at The Abbey
- 5. The Lord Mayor to report that, also on Sunday April 25<sup>th</sup>, he attended the Evensong of Thanksgiving for St George The Martyr at St John's Church, Kensal Green
- 6. The Lord Mayor to report that, on Wednesday May 12<sup>th</sup>, he attended a Service to Commemorate the Life of Florence Nightingale at The Abbey
- 7. The Lord Mayor to report that, on Monday May 17<sup>th</sup>, Evensong to Celebrate the Installation of Sir Kenneth Olisa as High Bailiff at The Abbey
- 8. The Lord Mayor to report that, also on Monday May 17<sup>th</sup>, he attended the Opening Event and Performance of 'The Mousetrap' at St Martin's Theatre, West Street
- 9. The Lord Mayor to report that, on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> May, he attended the Chilean Naval Day Wreath Laying Ceremony at The Abbey
- 10. The Lord Mayor to report that, on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> May, he attended the Westminster Tree Trust Planting Event outside Wigmore Hall, 36 Wigmore Street
- 11. The Lord Mayor to report that, on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May, he attended a Luncheon with the HMS Westminster Command Team at The House of St Barnabas, 1 Greek Street.

#### 4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

#### 5. STATEMENT ON URGENT MATTERS

With the approval of the chairman of the meeting, the Leader of the Council may make a statement on an urgent matter and the Leader of the Opposition will have an equivalent right of reply.

## 6. PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS, IF ANY

#### 7. QUESTIONS

The Lord Mayor will call Members who have indicated that they wish to ask a question after the Leader of the Opposition has asked his questions.

#### 8. COUNCILLOR ISSUES

Councillor Selina Short – Drug Dealing on Our Streets

Councillor Patricia McAllister – Children's Services

#### 9. FUTURE POLICY PLAN

To consider items for debate from the attached Future Policy Plan.

64 Victoria Street London, SW1E 6QP 15 June 2021

**Chief Executive** 



#### CITY OF WESTMINSTER

#### MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

At a virtual meeting of the Council of the City of Westminster held at 7.00 pm on Wednesday 21st April, 2021.

### **PRESENT**

The Lord Mayor, Councillor Jonathan Glanz

## **COUNCILLORS**

Heather Acton David Harvey Ian Adams Lindsey Hall

Barbara Arzymanow Elizabeth Hitchcock

Timothy Barnes Adam Hug
Geoff Barraclough Louise Hyams
Rita Begum Aicha Less
David Boothroyd Pancho Lewis

Iain BottPatricia McAllisterSusie BurbridgeGuthrie McKieNafsika Butler-ThalassisTim Mitchell

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Melvyn Caplan

Maggie Carman

Danny Chalkley

Antonia Cox

Tim Mitchell

Gotz Mohindra

Eoghain Murphy

Matt Noble

Emily Payne

Lorraine Dean Papya Qureshi
Paul Dimoldenberg Robert Rigby
Richard Elcho Rachael Robathan

Christabel Flight Tim Roca
Murad Gassanly Ian Rowley

Jim Glen Karen Scarborough
Matthew Green Mark Shearer
Lindou Hall Soling Short

Lindsey Hall

Angela Harvey

Andrew Smith

James Spencer

Paul Swaddle, OBE

Hamza Taouzzale Aziz Toki

Judith Warner Jacqui Wilkinson

**APOLOGIES:** Councillor Nickie Aiken, Richard Beddoe, Margot Bright, Ruth Bush, Anthony Devenish and Peter Freeman.

#### 1 ELECTION OF THE LORD MAYOR OF WESTMINSTER

- 1.1 A procedural motion under Standing Order (9.12) (1) (L) was moved by Councillor Paul Swaddle and seconded by Councillor Matt Noble that the election of the Lord Mayor of Westminster for the ensuing Year be deferred on the grounds that the pandemic had significantly curtailed the ceremonial role of the Lord Mayor during the Municipal Year and with the easing of restrictions it would be fitting in the circumstances for the current Lord Mayor to have a further opportunity in the role and to attend civic events in person.
- 1.2 Motion put, and in the absence of any objections, declared **CARRIED** that the election of the Lord Mayor of Westminster for the ensuing Year be deferred to an extraordinary meeting on the 9 September 2021.

#### 2 APPOINTMENT OF RELIEF CHAIRMAN

- 2.1 It was moved by the Lord Mayor and seconded by Councillor Paul Swaddle that Councillor Angela Harvey be elected as Relief Chairman.
- 2.2 Motion put, and in the absence of any objections, declared **CARRIED**.

#### 3 MINUTES

3.1 **RESOLVED:** The minutes of the proceedings at the Council meeting on 3 March 2021 was, with the assent of the Members present, signed by the Lord Mayor as a true record of the proceedings.

#### 4 LORD MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS

- 4.1 The Lord Mayor read a statement of condolence on behalf of the City Council in memory of his Royal Highness, the Duke of Edinburgh, following which the council observed a minute's silence.
- 4.2 The Lord Mayor referred to the civic events that he had attended since November 2020, which were set out on the agenda.

### 5 RESIGNATION OF COUNCILLOR ANDREA MANN

- 5.1 The resignation of Councillor Andrea Mann was noted and that the Byelection for the vacancy in Churchill Ward would be held on 6 May.
- 5.2 The Lord Mayor, on behalf of the council, put on record his thanks to Councillor Mann for her work in representing her constituents and wished her well for the future.

#### 6 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

6.1 There were no declarations

#### 7 STATEMENT ON URGENT MATTERS

7.1 There were no Statement on Urgent Matters.

## 8 CONSTITUTIONAL MATTERS - ANNUAL REVIEW OF SEATS ALLOCATED TO POLITICAL GROUPS ON STANDING COMMITTEES

- 8.1 The report of the Chief Executive and Director of Law was submitted.
- 8.2 The Lord Mayor put the recommendations set out in the report to the vote and in the absence of any objections declared these to be agreed.

#### **RESOLVED:**

- 1. That the Standing Committees be established as listed in paragraph 2.2 of the report.
- 2. That the Council confirmed the proportional division of seats on the Standing Committees as set in the report.
- 3. That the Council noted the Members appointed to the Standing Committees by the Chief Executive following notification received from the respective party Chief Whip under the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990 as amended, as set out in Appendix A to the report. The terms of reference for the Standing Committees remains unchanged and can be found in the Constitution.

#### 9 FUTURE POLICY PLAN

9.1 The Majority Party had selected item number 105 on the Future Policy Plan, City Management (Climate Change Implications). The debate will be referred to the relevant Executive Director for consideration when reporting on the subject.

## 10 ADOPTION OF WESTMINSTER'S CITY PLAN 2019-40 AND POLICIES MAP

10.1 The council debated the report. Following debate, the Lord Mayor put the recommendations as set out in the report of the Cabinet Member for Business, Licensing and Planning to the vote and following an electronic poll declared:

**RESOLVED:** That the council agreed to adopt, pursuant to Regulation 26 and 35 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012, the City Plan 2019 - 2040 and supporting Policies Map.

# 11 DESIGNATION OF AN AREA FOR ADDITIONAL LICENSING OF HOUSES IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION (HMOS) (TO FOLLOW)

11.1	The council debated the report. Following debate, the Lord Mayor put the
	recommendations as set out in the report of the Cabinet Member for
	Communities and Regeneration to the vote and following an electronic poll
	declared:

<b>RESOL</b>	VED:
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That the council:

- (a) Approved the designation attached to the Cabinet Member Report which sets out HMOs that will be subject to additional licensing under section 56(1)(a) of the Housing Act 2004.
- (b) That the designation is made on the 23rd April 2021 and comes into force on the 30th August 2021 and lasts for a period of 5 years from that date.
- (c) Approved the licensing conditions and amenity standards proposed at "Draft Additional Licensing Scheme" attached to the Cabinet Member Report.
- (d) Approved the proposed licence fee structure attached to the Cabinet Member Report.

The Meeting ended at 20.29

CHAIRMAN:	DATE	
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