



City of Westminster

Council Agenda

Title: **Council Meeting**

Meeting Date: **Wednesday 3rd May, 2017**

Time: **7.00 pm**

Venue: **Porchester Hall, Porchester Road, Bayswater, London, W2 5DU**

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

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1. APPOINTMENT OF RELIEF CHAIRMAN

To appoint a relief Chairman.

2. LORD MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS

- (a) The Lord Mayor to report that on Monday 16th January he met a visiting Delegation from Chiyoda City in Tokyo, Japan.
- (b) The Lord Mayor to report that on Monday 23rd January he attended the Mayor of London's and the London Assembly's Holocaust Memorial Day Ceremony at City Hall, SE1.
- (c) The Lord Mayor to report that on Thursday 26th January he attended the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust's Holocaust Memorial Day UK Commemorative Ceremony.
- (d) The Lord Mayor to report that on Tuesday 31st January he attended the Westminster Adult Education Service Launch of 'A World in a Suitcase Project' Exhibition.
- (e) The Lord Mayor to report that on Thursday 2nd February he attended the Launch of the 2018 London Landmarks Half Marathon.
- (f) The Lord Mayor to report that on Saturday 18th February he attended the London Mayors' Association 116th Annual Dinner.
- (g) The Lord Mayor to report that on Tuesday 21st February he welcomed the UNESCO Reactive Monitoring Mission to Westminster World Heritage Site delegation.
- (h) The Lord Mayor to report that on Saturday 25th February he attended the Official Opening of the 'Reformation 500 *Storymobile* in London' Storymobile Interactive Exhibition held by the Lutheran Churches and St Martin-in-the-Fields.
- (i) The Lord Mayor to report that on Thursday 2nd March he attended the City of Westminster Guide Lecturers Association Guided Walk for Councillors.
- (j) The Lord Mayor to report that on Thursday 9th March he attended a Drumhead Service followed by the Unveiling of the London War Memorial marking the UK's Involvement in Iraq and Afghanistan.

- (k) The Lord Mayor to report that on Monday 13th March, Commonwealth Day, he raised a Flag for the Commonwealth, attended the Memorial Gates Commemorative Ceremony at Constitution Hill, attended Westminster Abbey for the Annual Observance of Commonwealth Day in the presence of HM The Queen and HRH The Duke of Edinburgh, followed by a Reception. He also attended the Secretary-General of the Commonwealth's Reception at Marlborough House on the occasion of Commonwealth Day in the presence of TRH The Prince of Wales and the Duchess of Cornwall.
- (l) The Lord Mayor to report that on Saturday 18th March he departed for a Civic Visit to the USA to promote the London New Year's Day Parade 2018.
- (m) The Lord Mayor to report that on Wednesday 29th March he visited St Mary's Hospital Paddington following the Terror Attack in Westminster.
- (n) The Lord Mayor to report that on Thursday 30th March he attended the HMS WESTMINSTER Re-dedication Ceremony in Portsmouth. He also hosted a Reception to thank members of the Armed Forces and Reserve Forces and oversaw the presentation of the Westminster Deputy Lieutenant's Cadet Certificates later that day.
- (o) The Lord Mayor to report that on Tuesday 4th April he hosted a Luncheon in honour of The Rt Hon The Lord Mayor of the City of London and The Lady Mayoress.
- (p) The Lord Mayor to report that on Wednesday 5th April he attended Westminster Abbey for a Service of Hope following the Terror Attack in Westminster.
- (q) The Lord Mayor to report that on Sunday 9th April he attended the Palm Sunday Eucharist with Blessing of the Palms at Westminster Abbey.
- (r) The Lord Mayor to report that on Friday 14th April he attended the Good Friday Procession of Witness from Methodist Central Hall and stopping at Westminster Cathedral and Westminster Abbey.
- (s) The Lord Mayor to report that on Sunday 23rd April he will attend the Virgin Money London Marathon 2017.

- (t) The Lord Mayor to report that on Wednesday 26th April he will attend the New West End Company Annual Reception.
- (u) The Lord Mayor to report that on Thursday 27th April he will attend the unveiling of a Commemorative Paving Stone in honour of the Victoria Cross won, 100 years ago, by 2nd Lieutenant John Spencer Dunville VC, Royal Dragoons, which later merged with the Royal Horse Guards to form the Blues and Royals.
- (v) The Lord Mayor to report that on Sunday 30th April he will attend the Annual Act of Remembrance at Dean Street to mark the Admiral Nelson Pub Nail Bomb Attack.

3. MINUTES

To sign, upon approval of the Council, the Minutes of the meeting of the Council meeting held on 1 March 2017.

4. VOTE OF THANKS

To the Lord Mayor, Councillor Steve Summers and the Lady Mayoress Mrs Kate McCarthy.

5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive any Declarations of Interests from Members and Officers of the Council.

6. PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS

- (a) Councillor Jason Williams to present a petition asking for sanctuary to be given in Westminster to 50 Syrian refugees.
- (b) Any other petitions or deputations.

7. QUESTIONS

The order of questioners is attached.

8. COUNCILLOR ISSUES

- (a) Councillor Adnan Mohammed: Social Cohesion in Westminster.
- (b) Councillor Jonathan Glanz: Public Drinking Fountains in Westminster.

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9. 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.

10. FUTURE POLICY PLAN

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

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11. COMMITTEE REPORT

To receive, consider and debate, if chosen, the following reports which contain a recommendation to the Council for decision:

Committee	Date of Meeting or Decision
General Purposes Committee	26 April (to follow)

12. NOTICE OF MOTION

To be moved by Councillor Adam Hug and seconded by Councillor Patricia McAllister.

“The Council notes that a number of its major contractors do not pay the London Living Wage to staff who work on Westminster's behalf.

It notes the dramatically increased rates of in-work poverty and food bank use in Westminster and across the country.

It also notes that a number of other London Boroughs such as Camden and Islington are committed to paying the London Living Wage to both their staff and their contractors, with 15 London Authorities and the GLA accredited by the Living Wage Foundation.

The Council believes that low pay is damaging to both workers and the quality of service provision.

It also believes that paying the London Living Wage or above can help improve service quality, staff recruitment and retention.

It also believes that if Westminster does not pay its staff and contractors at least the London Living Wage it will face increasing competition for staff from boroughs that do.

The Council resolves to develop a pay and contracts policy that ensures all directly employed staff and all staff employed by contractors for work in Westminster receive at least the London Living Wage.

It also resolves to enter into discussions with its existing long-term contractors to improve conditions for contracted staff who are currently being paid below the London Living Wage.”

**Westminster City Hall
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21 April 2017**

Chief Executive