



Cheap

Dear electors, City workers and residents of Cheap



Alderman Jeffrey, The Lord Mountevans

Shortly after you receive this Newsletter an election will take place to determine my successor. After almost eleven years, and reaching the age at which by convention I must retire from my responsibilities, it will be a huge wrench to step down from serving as your Alderman.

Cheap is a fabulous Ward and it has been such a privilege to represent you. Serving this great City as Alderman, Sheriff and Lord Mayor has been a unique experience and one that can never be forgotten. Thank you so much for giving me that opportunity. My enthusiasm for the Ward is warmly shared by my wife Juliet.

My thoughts will surely not stray too far from the Ward and I look forward to the continued success of its businesses and organisations going forward. Meantime I hope very much to play a part in furthering the City's interest as part of my on-going work in Westminster.

With every good wish to you all,

Jeffrey Mountevans
Lord Mountevans

Ward of Cheap meeting sets priorities for year ahead

In March the traditional Wardmote or 'meeting of citizens' took place in the beautiful surroundings of the Goldsmiths' Hall.

Over 60 local City workers, residents and livery companies attended the meeting to receive a report from and quiz the Alderman and Common Councilmen about their work over the last year.

The Councilmen highlighted key priority areas such as:

Air quality and a clean environment – supporting initiatives to increase charging points for electric vehicles and reduce the usage of plastics in the City.

Policing – championing the action to improve safety for cyclists and pedestrians on our streets – addressing the behaviour of some cyclists around Cheapside in particular.

Culture and education – extending the City Corporation's support for a wide range of schools in (and outside) London and promoting the City's Cultural Mile project and strategy to attract more visitors to the Square Mile.



Thursday food market in Guildhall Yard

Investment – expanding the City Corporation's Social Investment programme, to build on the successful 5 year £20m committed thus far.

The meeting also provided an opportunity for local City workers and residents to raise issues relevant for the Ward or the City. Questions ranged from rough sleeping, support for schools, plans for a new concert hall, more action to improve air quality, stop car idling and enforcing safer cycling.

Aldgate Square is open for business (and pleasure)



By the time this ward newsletter is distributed, the new-look Aldgate Square will be open to the public, ahead of its formal public opening on 4 July.

This project has taken several years and involved major changes to the highway layout and public realm improvements. The main aim was regeneration of the

area for the benefit of business and the local community. And the area has had more greenery introduced alongside a new public space and improved lighting – making the area more inviting – a place for people to linger, socialise and enjoy. Safety for road users has been enhanced including new cycle routes and pedestrian access.

A significant new addition is the Portsoken Pavilion, a steel and glass building housing a social enterprise café operated by Kahaila and providing a new hub promoting events, leisure and play.

While Aldgate Square is the centerpiece of this transformational scheme (sitting between Sir John Cass's Foundation Primary School and St Botolph without Aldgate Church), it has been joined by an

eastern public space at the junction of Middlesex Street and St Botolph Street.

Changes to the traffic layout were completed early in the project timeline. The finished area provides new pedestrian crossing points and allows easier navigation of bus services.

The project has introduced two-way traffic on Aldgate High Street, St Botolph Street, a section of Middlesex Street and Minories. It has already had a significant impact by helping to bring air pollution at the nearby Sir John Cass's Foundation Primary School below the legal annual limit for the first time since monitoring began in 2003.
cityoflondon.gov.uk/aldgatearea

Stop press: An Aldgate Square Festival will be held on 15-17 June celebrating all the area has to offer including music, activities, talks, performances and a children's area.

It's free to enter and open to all.
cityoflondon.gov.uk/aldgatesquarefestival



City small businesses: do you qualify for rate relief?

The City Corporation is encouraging small businesses to check if they are missing out on business rate tax relief.

If you're a City business whose sole or main property has a rateable value of £12,000-£15,000 you could be eligible to get a reduction in your business rates of up to 100%. Properties with a rateable value of £12,000 or less get a 100% reduction in their rates bill.

If you meet the eligibility criteria and aren't currently in receipt of rate relief, please contact the City Corporation business rates section.

Find out if your business qualifies and apply via:
cityoflondon.gov.uk/raterelief



General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)

Data Protection legislation in the UK has changed, with the introduction of the GDPR on 25 May 2018 and a new Data Protection Act. This new legislation is designed to enhance the rights of individuals regarding the use of their personal data by bringing data protection compliance into the modern digital age.

It also introduces new, rigorous, requirements for all organisations, in relation to the reasons for processing personal data, and the manner in which it is processed.

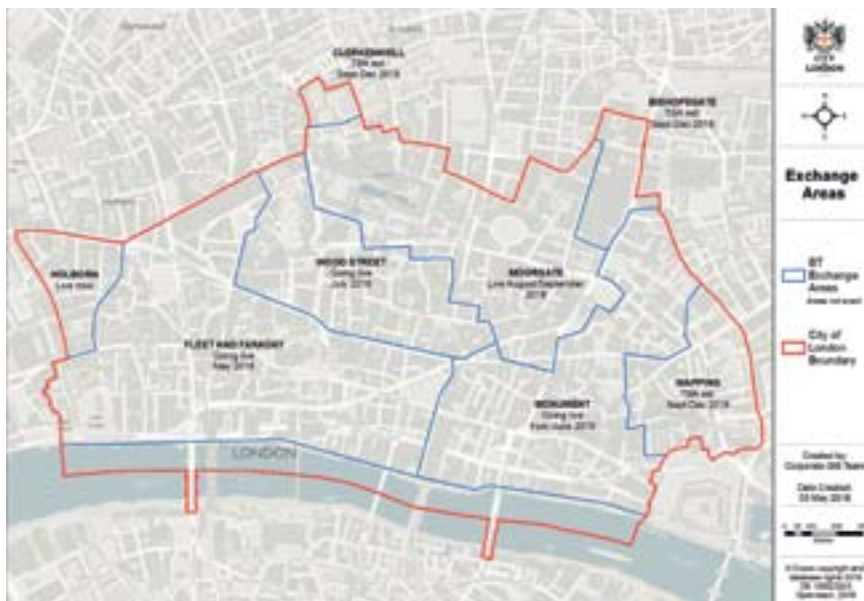
The City Corporation has been busy over the last few months, reviewing and updating its data protection policies and procedures, and taking all necessary steps to ensure it fully complies with the new legal requirements for processing the personal data of its customers, clients and staff (data subjects).

Updated information, including our new data protection policy and full privacy notice, is available at:

www.cityoflondon.gov.uk/dataprotection
www.cityoflondon.gov.uk/privacy
or by emailing information.officer@cityoflondon.gov.uk



High fibre for the City



Until recently broadband speeds in the City have been amongst the slowest in the UK, affecting small business tenants who cannot afford dedicated fibre optic leased lines.

However Openreach is now seeking to roll out "Fibre To The Premises" to every building in the Square Mile **at no cost to the landlord**, offering faster speeds of up to 1 gigabit per second at affordable prices for businesses and residents.

Openreach will use existing ducting to access buildings, avoiding street works to install the new fibre infrastructure into basements. This work will require landlord consent in the form of wayleave and Openreach will need to undertake a quick building survey.

Openreach will undertake a phased roll out across the City shown on the map.

Residents and business tenants interested should visit
cityoflondon.gov.uk/fibrebroadband
or contact cpat@cityoflondon.gov.uk

Car park spaces at Smithfield Rotunda

Did you know? You can hire car parking spaces during weekdays and weekends at a reasonable cost.

Smithfield Rotunda, located in West Smithfield is manned 24 hours per day, with good lighting and within easy walking distance for most of the recipients of this newsletter.

For more information on hiring and pricing details, please contact the Smithfield.Market@cityoflondon.gov.uk





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Committee Appointments:

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Committee Appointments:

Board of Governors of the City of London School for Girls (Deputy Chairman); Bursary Committee of the Board of Governors of the City of London School for Girls; Committee of Aldermanic Almoners, Common Council Governors and Donation Governors of Christ's Hospital; Corporate Asset Sub (Finance) Committee (Chairman); Court of Common Council; Courts Sub (Policy and Resources) Committee; Economic Crime Board of the Police Committee; Finance Committee; Finance Grants Oversight and Performance Sub Committee; Financial Investment Board (Deputy Chairman); Gresham (City Side) Committee; Investment Committee; Markets Committee; Performance and Resource Management Sub (Police) Committee; Police Committee; Professional Standards and Integrity Sub (Police) Committee; Projects Sub (Policy and Resources) Committee; Reference Sub Committee of the Board of Governors of the City of London School for Girls (Deputy Chairman); Social Investment Board; Standards Appeals Committee

Committee Appointments:

Board of Governors of the City of London School for Girls; Court of Common Council; Culture, Heritage and Libraries Committee; Member Development Steering Group; Performance and Resource Management Sub (Police) Committee; Police Committee; Policy and Resources Committee; Port Health & Environmental Services Committee; Professional Standards and Integrity Sub (Police) Committee; Public Relations and Economic Development Sub (Policy & Resources) Committee; Governor, The City Academy, Hackney

Committee Appointments:

Court of Common Council; Finance Committee (Ex-Officio Member); Investment Committee (Deputy Chairman); Local Plans Sub (Planning and Transportation) Committee (Deputy Chairman); Planning and Transportation Committee (Deputy Chair); Policy and Resources Committee (Ex-Officio Member); Property Investment Board (Deputy Chairman); Streets and Walkways Sub (Planning and Transportation) Committee.

CONTACT US

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We are always happy to talk to businesses, workers and residents within the Ward about any issues you may wish to raise. Please contact us if you would like to arrange a meeting or if there is something we can do to help

COMMUNICATING WITH THOSE WHO LIVE AND WORK IN THE CITY OF LONDON

Key priorities for your local Councillmen

- Improving air quality
- Ensuring a safe City with its own Police force
- Stewarding the City Corporation's investment and charity projects
- Tackling congestion and road safety
- Protecting and promoting the City through Brexit
- Action to promote inclusion and social mobility ensuring the Corporation reflects the City's rich diversity
- Supporting a vibrant Cheapside business community



Women, Work and Power

The City Corporation has planned a number of activities to mark the centenary of women's suffrage and to celebrate the role of women in business, culture and arts.

You can find more information on: www.cityoflondon.gov.uk/womenworkpower.

In addition, the City Corporation will be raising the Pride Flag on 2 July to which all LGBT networks and allies are invited.

As your local representatives we are supporting both programmes.

If your business has active diversity networks let us know so we can keep them informed of relevant events in the City.

