

Our pledges to you

- ✓ Improving air quality
- ✓ Tackling congestion and road safety for all users
- ✓ Promoting diversity and social mobility
- ✓ Supporting a vibrant Cheapside business community
- ✓ Ensuring a safe City, addressing begging and ending rough sleeping
- ✓ Protecting and promoting the City through Brexit
- ✓ Stewarding the City Corporation's investment and charity projects

2018 Autumn update – Ward of Cheap Team working for the City

Welcome to our Autumn Report updating you on the work as your local representatives over the last few months.

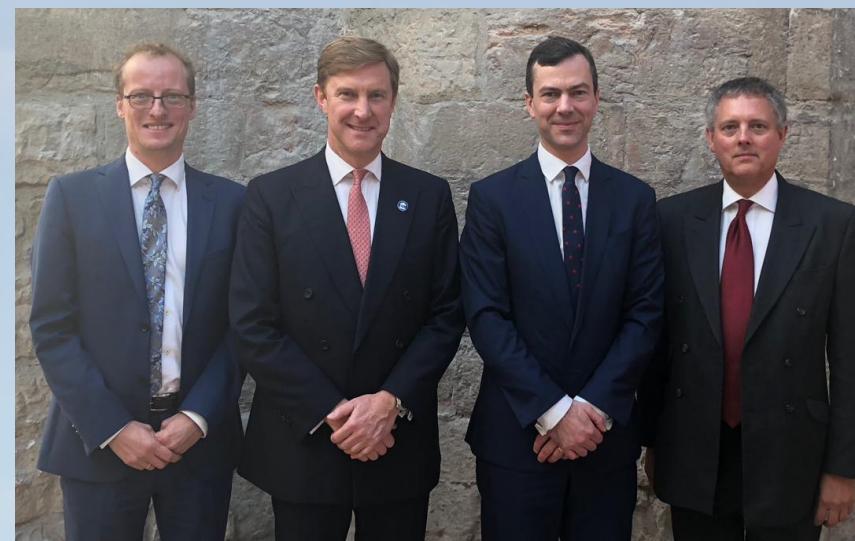
Our first report after the election of our new Alderman Robert Hughes-Penney. A huge thank you to everyone who came out to vote in July. Turn out was strong with 54.9%.

In this report we feedback on key issues we have taken the lead on as a team over the last few months.

For example as Deputy Chairman of the Transport and Planning Committee, Alastair is spearheading a new transport strategy for the Square Mile. As member of the Police Committee Nick and Tijs continue to work hard to ensure the City Police is responsive to local community needs. Nick chairs the Economic Crime Board, and Tijs supports a new Committee bringing together agencies to end rough sleeping in the City as Deputy Chairman.

We are also proud to support increased action to promote diversity in the City – for example through a new working group to get more women standing for elections, or by representing the City Corporation at London Pride.

Your Ward of Cheap Team



Your Ward Team (left to right): Tijs, Robert, Alastair and Nick

CONTACT US

As your local representatives we are here to help and make sure your voice is heard. Throughout the year we will keep you informed of our work, but do feel free to contact us anytime.

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INCREASED SUPPORT FOR EDUCATION

The City Corporation and Livery Companies have historically always been great supporters of education. Today this supports continues - recently strengthened with new City skills, apprenticeships and social mobility strategies. The City Corporation funds over £2m worth of scholarships and bursaries in its independent schools and the City is increasing spending on its academies to £1.7m in 2018. In a recent report by the Sutton Trust, the City academies were placed first in the country for pupil progress and attainment of disadvantaged students.

Tijs Broeke

CITY TRANSPORT STRATEGY

We would like to hear from you what you think about the City's draft strategy, which will shape the City for the next 25 years. The plan aims to deliver world-class connections and a Square Mile that is accessible to all including:

- pedestrian-priority streets
- 15mph speed limits
- further incentives to stop air pollution from vehicles
- restrictions on when deliveries can take place to prevent congestion
- widening crowded pavements

You can comment on www.cityoflondon.gov.uk

Alastair Moss

WARDMOTE – Save the date!

21 March 2019, 12 noon

Goldsmiths' Hall

Foster Lane

This ancient tradition is an annual meeting for everyone in the Ward to meet your local team and ask questions about City policies.

CYBER GRIFFIN

Cyber Griffin is a City of London Police initiative focused on helping people in the Square Mile protect themselves from cyber crime. It's comprised of three distinct services: baseline briefings, incident response exercises and advisory group support. All services are free.

The Baseline briefings are proving extremely popular and it is widely acknowledged that in terms of cyber crime, people are both the greatest security risk and the greatest security asset. The briefings are designed to guide non-technical people through the key cyber threats happening now. You can register online.

Nick Bensted-Smith

NEW ALDERMAN

Following the election on 5th July it is my honour and privilege to write as the new Alderman for the Ward of Cheap, and I look forward to serving this great Ward as Alderman in the years ahead.

Having started work in the City 25 years ago on Cheapside and with my mother Livery, the Haberdashers', with its roots on Gresham Street my association and affection for the Ward runs deep. Therefore, I am very much looking forward to my time as Alderman and working with Alastair, Nick and Tijs for what I believe to be the best Ward in the City!

Robert Hughes-Penney



Your Ward of Cheap Team representing you in the City

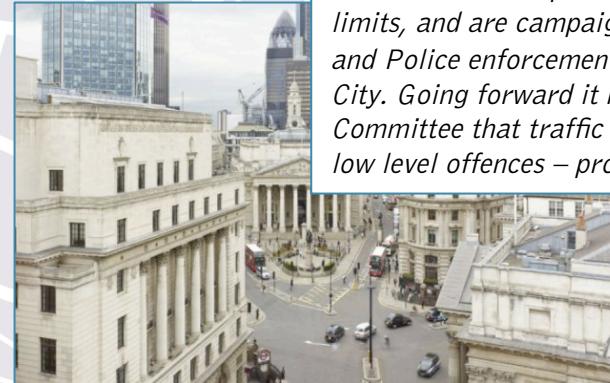
Ending rough sleeping

As team we have acted on concerns expressed by local residents, retail and City workers. The City Corporation has now established a special sub committee bringing housing and health teams together with City Police, City Churches and partners. Cross agency collaboration is the key to success. In addition, there is now increased support for a more proactive approach by the City Police in addressing begging in the Square Mile.



Cycling and pedestrian safety

As a team we supported improvements at Bank Junction and called for a further focus on road safety. We welcome plans to widen crowded pavements and introduce 15mph speed limits, and are campaigning for more safer cycling projects and Police enforcement around Cheapside and across the City. Going forward it has been agreed by the Police Committee that traffic wardens will be able to assist with low level offences – providing an extra pair of hands.



Success as City strengthens London Living Wage

A major increase in the number of workers entitled to the London Living Wage was agreed by the City Corporation following efforts by your Ward of Cheap Councillors and others to strengthen the City's commitment. We will now be paying our staff and suppliers' staff the new rate, with immediate effect, when the updated wage is announced in November each year.

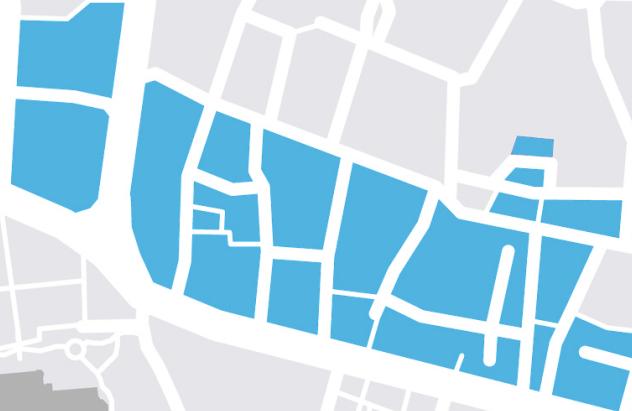
Ward reception to welcome our new Alderman

On 15 November we join our new Alderman Robert and his wife Elspeth at a reception for electors and friends in the Ward of Cheap. We look forward catching up and kicking off the festive season! Everyone is welcome just RSVP tjis.broeke@cityoflondon.gov.uk



Supporting a vibrant Cheapside

The CBA is a business-oriented organisation supported by local business and the City Corporation and is working to promote the area, to further improve the environment, to give jobs to local Londoners and increase the retail, leisure and tourism offer we have in this fantastic area. As a team we are very supportive, and actively engaged with CBA to invest and keep Cheapside vibrant.



Promoting diversity in the City

We're committed to promote diversity and inclusion in the Square Mile and urge the City Corporation to accelerate change. It was fantastic to see the Pride Flag flying across all City buildings and Sheriff Tim Hailes and several Councillors leading the way at London Pride. But in the Centenary year of women's votes, with women making up just 22% of the Court of Common Council, we support proactive actions to make the City Corporation more representative.



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Cleaning up Foster Lane

After City workers and residents alerted us very unpleasant smell on Foster Lane, we were able to ensure the Corporation's cleansing team went to inspect the sewers. They discovered a 'fat mountain', which was blocking the drainage and causing these smells. Over the summer break the Corporation has cleared the sewer and reminded some local restaurants not to wash cooking oils through the drains.

