

CHARTER TRUSTEES FOR THE CITY OF DURHAM

At the **Meeting** of the **Charter Trustees for the City of Durham** held in the Committee Room 2, County Hall, Durham, on Wednesday 22 June 2022 at 11.30 am

Present: The Right Worshipful the Mayor of Durham, Councillor D Freeman (in the Chair) and Councillors L Mavin, J Elmer, C Fletcher, A Hopgood, L Hovvels, G Hutchinson, M McKeon, R Ormerod, E Scott, A Simpson, D Stoker, M Wilkes and M Wilson

1 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors J Blakey, L Brown, D Hall, B Kellett and M Simmons.

2 Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3 Revenue Outturn for the year ending 31 March 2022

Charter Trustees received a report of the Treasurer that provided information on the actual expenditure compared to the budget for the year ended 31 March 2022 (for copy see file of minutes).

The Treasurer reported that the actual net expenditure for 2021/22 was £50,825, an underspend of £20,376 against a budget of £71,201 with £5,214 being transferred to the reserves, increasing the reserve balance to £80,358 as of 31 March 2022.

Resolved:-

That the outturn position for the year ended 31 March 2022 be noted.

4 Annual Return for the year ended 31 March 2022

Charter Trustees considered a report of the Treasurer that sought approval of the Annual Governance Statement and Accounting Statements for the financial year ended 31 March 2022, which were included in the Annual Return (for copy see file of minutes).

Resolved:-

That the Annual Return (Sections 1 and 2) for the financial year ended 31 March 2022 be approved.

The Mayor agreed that in order to keep members informed, the next items of business could be reported.

5 Appointment of the Recorder

The Clerk to Charter Trustees confirmed that expressions of interest for the honorary position of Recorder are to be sought and that an update on the expressions of interest will be reported at a future meeting.

6 Freedom of the City

The Clerk to Charter Trustees confirmed that Miss Megan Borthwick has accepted the honour to be bestowed of Freedom of the City of Durham. Owing to outside commitments a request has been made for the Freedom Ceremony to take place after 5pm on a weekday or on a weekend. Further information on the proposed dates would be shared with Trustees.