



SERVICES COMMITTEE

Decisions

Thursday 25 January at 12.15pm in Committee Room 2A and on Microsoft Teams

Present:

Baroness McIntosh of Hudnall (Chair)
Baroness Deech
Baroness Hussein-Ece
Lord Kinnoull
Lord Stoneham of Droxford
Baroness Wheeler
Baroness Williams of Trafford

Apologies

Apologies were received from Lord Haselhurst, Lord Clark of Windermere and Lord Howard of Rising.

Minutes of the previous meeting, and matters arising

The Committee agreed the minutes of the 2nd meeting.

The expected date for the Wi-Fi network roll-out was confirmed to the Committee. Communications would shortly go out to all members.

Notices from the Chair S/23-24/14 RESTRICTED

The Committee took note of the update on fire safety training completion figures. The Committee was reminded that a review of the Independent Complaints and Grievances Scheme was underway and social media guidance for members had been published.

For Information: Thermal Comfort – Heating and cooling on the Parliamentary Estate S/23-24/15 RESTRICTED: MANAGEMENT

The Committee commented on and noted the approach to maintaining thermal comfort on the estate. It was noted that the historic nature of the Palace provided challenges. The Committee was assured of work being done to ensure systems were functioning effectively and informed of how to report heating faults and escalate concerns.

For Information: ParliNet – 3 month update S/23-24/16 UNRESTRICTED

The Committee was informed of the performance of the site since it had launched and the changes that had been made following feedback from members. The Committee

provided positive feedback on the launch of ParliNet, noting it had been an improvement on the previous intranet.

For Information: Estates Works Update S/23-24/17 UNRESTRICTED (with RESTRICTED annex)

The Committee took note of the estate works programme update, which provided an update on works taking place on the Lords part of the estate.

For Decision: Bishops' Bar – Proposed changes to operation S/23-24/14 UNRESTRICTED

The Committee agreed the extended opening hours and noted the changes to the Bishops' Bar. The Committee gave positive feedback on the changes that had already taken effect. The Committee was told that internal communications to all members on the changes made to the Bishops' Bar were imminent.

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The next meeting would be on Thursday 29 February at 12.15pm.

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