



HOUSE OF LORDS COMMISSION

DECISIONS

Thursday 2 April 2020

Attendance

- Lord Speaker (Chairman)
- Lord McFall of Alcluith (Deputy Chairman)
- Baroness Doocey
- Liz Hewitt (external member)
- Lord Judge
- Baroness McIntosh of Hudnall
- Lord Newby
- Baroness Smith of Basildon
- Lord Wakeham

The meeting was held via Skype for Business. Ed Ollard, Clerk of the Parliaments, was in attendance. Apologies were received from Mathew Duncan (external member), Lord Laming and Baroness Evans of Bowes Park.

1. Minutes of Previous Meeting and Matters Arising

The Lord Speaker thanked Commission members for agreeing and endorsing a number of papers by correspondence including the *draft Parliamentary Relationship Agreement (PRA) (C/19-21/17)* and the *House of Lords Decant Project: Member Accommodation, Public Realm and Building Alterations, and forthcoming Member Engagement paper (C/19-21/18)*.

The Commission agreed the minutes of the meeting on Wednesday 12 February 2020.

2. Restoration and Renewal Programme Estimate for 2020-21: Response from the shadow Sponsor Body

C/19-21/20 HIGHLY RESTRICTED

The Commission, in line with the decision of the House of Commons Commission, **agreed** a revised estimate for the R&R Shadow Sponsor Body of £27.5 million for the first three months of the 2020-21 financial year. The Commission also **agreed** that the Lord Speaker should write to Mr Speaker underlining the Lords Commission's commitment to the restoration and renewal of the Palace of Westminster on safety and heritage grounds, asking whether the Commons Commission continued to share this commitment and asking for a joint discussion of both Commissions on the future direction, funding and scope of the R&R Programme.

3. Any Other Business

4. Next meeting

The Lord Speaker informed Commission members that the next meeting would take place on Wednesday 22 April 2020 at 10.30am via Microsoft Teams.

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