

Since ancient times, the inhabitants of the City have met as local communities (Wards) in a meeting known as a Wardmote, a practice that continues today. Ours will take place at St Mary Abchurch on 21 March at 12pm and we would be delighted to have you join us.

We will be providing an overview of our work this past year for and on behalf of the great Ward of Candlewick, before addressing the matters of concern and interest which residents and businesses have raised to us directly, or at the Wardmote itself.

The theme for our gathering is: Trees, Tubes and Traffic; each set in the context of our local community and our vision for the future of the Ward.

We have commissioned an artist's impression of the exciting pedestrianisation and tree-planting project, a core part of our Pledge to the Ward: Greening Candlewick. We'll be joined by colleagues from the City of London Corporation and TfL to provide you with an overview of the Pedestrian Priority project (King William Street and the Monument junction) and our determined effort to improve foot and vehicular movements in and around the Ward.

We have delivered a number of improvements already, notably in the service standards at the Bank Station entrance and the works for a new signalised crossing on Cannon Street for foot traffic to access the new station entrance safely.

We will share details of new community events which have been set-up for us to experience some of the hidden gems in the Ward, learn more about and support local charitable work, and meet other business workers and residents here in Candlewick to expand networks and build our 'working' community here in Candlewick and the wider City.

We hope to see you there!

Emma Edhem, Chris Boden & James St John Davis



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## Updates from the City of London Corporation



# BELONGING PROJECT

#### City Elections 2025

The City of London Corporation runs the Square Mile, acts as the representative voice of the UK financial and professional services industry and provides a range of services across London and beyond. We are governed by 100 Common Councillors and 25 Aldermen.

The next elections for all Common Councillors will be held in March 2025 – those wishing to vote will need to re-register, either as a City resident or through your workplace, this coming autumn. If you would like to vote by post, please email electoralservices@cityoflondon.gov.uk to request an application form.

If you are interested in learning more about your elected officials and their work, feel free to attend the wardmote, details of which are in the letter attached. Find more information on standing in City elections at <a href="https://www.speakforthecity.com/stand">www.speakforthecity.com/stand</a>

### Connecting employee networks and building community

We have recently launched the *City Belonging Project*, our initiative to build a more inclusive Square Mile by improving links between staff networks, create and promote events and foster a greater sense of community.

From City receptions to mark Pride, Eid and Chanukah to more than forty Black History Month events in the Square Mile, our regular email is filled with information of interest to you and your colleagues.

We are also working to provide walking tours for new starters and support City-wide networks for particular communities.

Please ensure the relevant people at your workplace, especially those involved with employee networks are signed up at **www.belongingproject.city** and contact **belonging@cityoflondon.gov.uk** if you want to get in touch.

#### Things to do in the City

We have launched a new website, showcasing exciting events and activities across the Square Mile, from food, drink and family fun to unrivalled heritage, arts and culture. This is part of our *Destination City* vision to make the Square Mile a world-leading leisure destination for residents, workers and visitors. Visit the website and sign up for updates at www.thecityofldn.com





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