

Gregory Moore
Deputy Town Clerk



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**Re: City of London Ward Lists – Outcome of hearing
City of London (Various Powers) Act 1957
Representation of the People (England and Wales) Regulations 2001**

I am writing to advise all parties of my decision in relation to the inclusion of Timothy McMahon, Daniel Lewis, Daniel Flynn, Lovetta Pring, Tayla Baird, James Constable, Clementine Saulnier, Georgina Emerson and Bradley Moon (“the Respondents”) in the final Ward List for the Ward of Castle Baynard for 2025 – 2026, as appointed by Ellis Jones Solicitors LLP (“the Firm”) at 107-111 Fleet Street, London EC4A 2AB (“the Premises”).

A hearing was held on 31 January 2025 at the Guildhall before me, Greg Moore, Deputy Town Clerk, under delegated authority from the Town Clerk and Chief Executive. I was assisted by Edward Wood, Assistant City Solicitor and Alice Loynes, Acting Electoral Services Manager.

In attendance was Martha Grekos (“the Objector”), who had submitted the objection to the inclusion of the Respondents in the provisional Ward List.

The only issue to be determined at the hearing was whether the Firm was occupying the Premises as owner or tenant, as required under section 6(1)(c) of the City of London (Various Powers) Act 1957. A simple licence to occupy premises, with no exclusive possession – such as is often found in shared or serviced workspaces – would not satisfy the relevant requirement.

I had considered the basis on which the Firm was occupying the Premises in detail last year, following an objection to the inclusion of its appointed voters in the previous provisional Ward list. Having examined the Firm’s occupation agreement with Regus, the leaseholder of the Premises, I had determined that it was clearly a licence.

As part of her objection the Objector had submitted an email from Regus, confirming that the situation had not changed and that, “The service we provide our customers are service agreements not leases.”

Given that the Respondents were not represented at the hearing, and did not make any written representations, I consider that the Objector has established, on the balance of probabilities, that they ought to be removed. Accordingly, they will not be included in the final Ward List for the Ward of Castle Baynard for 2025 – 2026.

There is a right of appeal to the Mayor's and City of London Court in relation to this decision.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Greg Moore', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Greg Moore
Deputy Town Clerk