



# Farringdon Within

## Introducing the elected Members for the Ward Farringdon Within

This newsletter introduces the elected Members for the Ward Farringdon Within. We are your representatives to the City of London Corporation until the next election in 2025, representing all the residents and businesses in the Ward. Some of you are not on the Ward list of registered voters and might be unfamiliar with our role, and not expecting mail such as this newsletter. Please do not hesitate to contact us for further information, or to request no further mail.

The requirement for residents to

be on the Ward List is one year of residence in the City. Businesses and other organisations that occupy a physical space in the City of London can appoint a proportion of their workforce to the Ward list based on their total employee size. Appointed business voters must reflect the make-up of their organisation and include the whole diversity of the firm.

We shall be holding Ward get togethers four times a year, to which anyone living or working in the ward is welcome. These are the details for the coming year.

All will start at 19.00, with a short Q and A session, followed by an informal drinks reception. For catering purposes, if you wish to attend please contact [ann.holmes@cityoflondon.gov.uk](mailto:ann.holmes@cityoflondon.gov.uk).

**Information on these Ward meetings is on our website, [www.farringdonwithin.org/](http://www.farringdonwithin.org/)**

**28 June 2022**

**at The Guildhall**

**1 November 2022**

**at The Mansion House**

**24 January 2023 – Venue TBC**

**25 April 2023 – Venue TBC**



### **Brendan Barns**

I am delighted to have been elected as a Common Councilman for Farringdon Within. I am slowly getting to grips with the City of London and how things operate. I'd like to draw your attention to City Giving Day on Tuesday 27 September 2022. It offers a chance to have fun, raise money and celebrate charitable giving. It's a fabulous initiative led by The Lord Mayor's Appeal. Find out more at [www.thelordmayorsappeal.org](http://www.thelordmayorsappeal.org)



### **Matthew Bell**

The City Well-Being Centre is a mental health practice which I have been working on for some years. It is now open near Liverpool Street. Should anybody wish to speak to someone regarding talking therapies, it is available to all of us who live

or work in the City or its immediate surroundings. I am looking to further the City's mental health work in potentially interesting new directions in this part of the Square Mile. I have long wanted to see Bartholomew Fair start again and it is hoped that this will happen in time for St Bart's 900th anniversary next year.



### **Graeme Doshi-Smith**

I've worked in Farringdon Within and the City for over 30 years in information security. It's an honour to be returned for a second time to represent our ward, supporting businesses and residents as we recover from the pandemic. My term Chairing Epping Forest & Commons Committee has finished, but I intend to continue helping to support our open spaces, in- and outside of the City, working on the Corporation's environmental policy and Climate

Action Strategy. I'm hoping to use my cyber-skills to support City Police in their national cyber and fraud role, and through all I do, I want to champion diversity, equity and inclusion in our Ward & City. Please do get in touch if you feel I may be able to help in any way. @GraemeCity 07711790321



### **John Edwards**

Thank you for your support in the recent election. As promised, I will endeavour to deliver free outdoor exercise facilities and better signage at street level to the numerous elevated gardens in the City. My contribution to the management of our City is membership of the committees for Port Health and Environmental Services, Planning and Transport, and the sub-committees for our Local Plan and Streets and Walkways for which I am the Deputy Chairman.

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**Farringdon Within Members at Mansion House with our Alderman and Lord Mayor Vincent Keaveny, centre**

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**John Foley**

Since being elected in March – for which many thanks – I've attended some excellent induction sessions in order to learn more about

the workings of the Corporation and the huge range of services available (such as the London Metropolitan Archives); also to join several committees (including Culture, Heritage & Libraries, and Barbican Residential). As one of your councillors I will continue to monitor with interest the challenges and opportunities presented by developments such as the Elizabeth Line and I look forward to consulting and engaging with you.

With the opening of the Elizabeth Line, and the development of Culture Mile, our neighbourhood is set to become an increasingly exciting place to be. We must continue to act together, however, to ensure this is not at the expense of a secure and pleasant environment for both residents and workers. I shall do my best to make sure our voices are heard. I can be contacted at [ann.holmes@cityoflondon.gov.uk](mailto:ann.holmes@cityoflondon.gov.uk) and on 07970 016162. My website is [www.annholmes.city](http://www.annholmes.city).

People for the Corporation, I am interested in hearing from residents and workers on how we can improve and amplify services for Young People offered by the Corporation.



**Ann Holmes**

Many thanks to all who voted for me to serve a third term. I shall continue to seek to best represent the interests of all who live and work here, regardless of how they voted.



**Florence Keelson-Anfu**

I am delighted to have been elected as a Councillor for the Ward of Farringdon Within. I now sit on the Children's and Community Services Committee and Corporate Services Committee, and I can't wait to start making an impact! Being elected into this role means I am privileged to be able to make a difference in the area I am very passionate about: Young People. As Lead Member for Young



**Eammon Mullally**

Many thanks to everyone who voted for me. I believe my role is to represent all residents, workers and others associated with the ward. As

a new member I am in the process of navigating my way around the Corporation to understand how to get things done. So far, I have been appointed to the Finance, Digital and Homeless & Rough Sleepers committees. These are important as it means I am well positioned to understand and influence Finance and Digital strategy with their implications for service delivery. The Homeless and Rough Sleepers committees means I can support those charged with caring for people living on our streets as they carry out their duties with compassion.