GUILDRY AND MORTIFICATION FUNDS COMMITTEE

ABERDEEN, 16 May 2019. Minute of Meeting of the GUILDRY AND MORTIFICATION FUNDS COMMITTEE. <u>Present</u>:- Councillor Reynolds, Master of Mortifications, <u>Convener</u>; and Councillor Crockett, the Lord Provost and Councillor Houghton (as a substitute for Councillor Mason).

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DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

1. There were no declarations of interest.

MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING OF 06 SEPTEMBER 2018 - FOR APPROVAL

2. The Committee had before it the minute of its previous meeting of 6 September 2018 for approval.

The Committee resolved:

to approve the minute.

LORD DEAN OF GUILD REPORT

3. The Committee had before it a paper from the Lord Dean which provided an update on recent activities and business.

The Committee resolved:

to note the update.

REVIEW OF ALLOWANCES

4. The Committee had before it a paper by the Chief Officer - Finance which (a) provided information concerning (1) the amount of allowances paid from the Guildry fund to Burgesses of Guild, widows and widowers of Burgesses and children of Burgesses from 2007 to 2018; and (2) the number of people receiving allowances for the same period; and (b) proposed that the allowances be increased by either 3% or 5% rounded up to the nearest £, backdated for 2018/2019.

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Ms Catriona Gilmour, Accountant, advised the Committee that the figures for the 5% increase in the report were incorrect and should have been as follows:

Guildry Fund Allowance	
Burgesses	£2335
Widows / Widowers of Burgesses	£2335
Children of Burgesses	£2165

The Committee resolved:

(i) to recommend to Council that the following increases (5%) in annual allowances be approved backdated from 1 May 2019:-

Guildry Fund Allowance	Present Allowance	Proposed Allowance
Burgesses	£2220	£2335
Widows / Widowers of Burgesses	£2220	£2335
Children of Burgesses	£2060	£2165

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

5. The Committee noted the next scheduled meeting date would be 13 September 2019 at 2pm.

- John Reynolds, Master of Mortifications, Convener.

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