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The New Master

The new Master, John Price, was installed on Thursday 3 March during a ceremony at the church of St Martin-within-Ludgate, followed by a service of dedication. During the ceremony, John Dance was installed as Upper Warden and Nigel Kempner as Renter Warden to support the new Master.

The service was followed by a reception and supper at the nearby Cutlers' Hall, and this was attended by members of the Court of Assistants, Liverymen, their partners and guests. The supper was particularly notable as the first occasion when Paviors were able to drink all wines that had been laid down by the Company in recent years.

During the evening, diners were addressed by the new Master who set out his plans for the year in the following message.



The New Master Pavior:
Mr J E Price DipArch RIBA LL Dip

Master's Message

Five years ago, when I was elected 'Second Warden in Nomination', my potential installation as Master seemed a very long way off; in fact, there appeared to be plenty of time to get used to the idea and to prepare myself. Inevitably, the time has sped by, probably proving the old saying that 'time flies when you are enjoying yourself'.

My predecessor, Tom Barton and his wife, Mary, gave us a great year and, before setting out my views for the coming year, I would like to thank them for the efforts they made on behalf of the Company.

It is probably something of an understatement to suggest that the economy is in a fragile condition. As someone who is old enough for this to be his fifth recession, I am fairly certain that the construction industry will continue to struggle and remain in the doldrums for some time yet. But, enough of the gloom; the question is 'what are we going to do about it'? The Company has achieved a great deal in 2010, especially with the provision of Paviors' House and with Alderman and Pavior Michael Bear becoming Lord Mayor. The foundations have therefore been laid for another bumper year, and this is certainly my aim, along with my partner Dani. I intend to proceed on the basis that, if we cannot change the economy, we can at least anaesthetise ourselves to its effects through good company, food and drink.

We commence this crusade on 21 April with our Spring Livery Dinner to be held at Stationers' Hall. The only slight problem is the date being adjacent to the Easter holidays. However, as Paviors, I know that you will not let that stop you supporting the evening and enjoying a good party. The Master's Jolly departs on 19 May for Bordeaux. I am sure that we shall find something to do in this city! Our Midsummer event will be at the Charterhouse on 28 June. This will be a musical evening and, hopefully, we shall raise a lot more money for the Lord Mayor's Charities and for my charity, the Shipwrecked Mariners' Society. The rest of the year will continue in a similar vein, so please keep a check on Stephen Winspear's email notices so that you do not miss out on any of the events.

John Price



The Master

Master John Price



The Master addresses guests at the Installation Dinner

John Price was born in Twickenham in 1951 and went to the local school until after 11+ when he attended Spring Grove Central School in Hounslow. He represented the school at football, cricket, swimming and cross-country running. After 'A' levels, he decided on a career in architecture. However, his father who ran the family building business suggested that, to be of any use as an architect, he should be trained by a builder! So, in September 1970, John found himself starting work as a professional trainee in the architects department of George Wimpey & Co Ltd.

A great advantage of working for Wimpey was that trainees had to work in all departments, including structural engineering, estimating and surveying. One summer was even spent acting as assistant site engineer on Brunel University Halls of Residence. The experience of levelling-in floor decks using a dumpy and sopwith staff with a brigade of carpenters, under the control of a fearsome ganger, will never be forgotten: hanging on John's every finger-movement whilst they wound up acrows, they discovered, after considerable effort had been expended, that he was asking them to wind in the wrong direction! The memory still haunts him.

He qualified and became a chartered member of the Royal Institute of British Architects in 1978. By this time, he was working for George Trew Dunn Beckles-Willson Bowes and Partners in Richmond on projects as varied as the first supermarket to be built in Amman, Jordan, and South Tees District Hospital. In 1980, he formed his own business with his friend from Wimpey days, Andrew Hunter. The practice, Hunter Price Ltd, is still going strong as it enters its fourth decade.

Between 1996 and 1998, John studied law and passed the Common Professional Examination of the Law Society/Bar Council, with commendation, and was awarded a place to read for the bar at Bristol University. Unfortunately, family circumstances prevented him taking up the place.

John now lives in Twickenham with his long-term partner Danielle. He has two step-daughters: Nathahlie, who lives in Sydney with her partner Paddy and six-year old son Oliver, and Maxine, who is a head chef and lives in London. For recreation, he loves mucking about in anything that floats, especially motor-boats, although he still enjoys sailing. He shoots, and watches cricket and football (the mighty Arsenal!).



The Master with Maxine and Danielle

Past Master's Reflections

It has been the most tremendous privilege to have been your Master for the last year. The amount of support that I have received from the Livery has been fantastic. Many of the events I have attended have been covered in *The Pavior*, so I will not repeat them. However, the highlight of the year has been getting Paviers' House up and running, culminating in the official opening by the Lord Mayor in January. Having our own home again is a real milestone. We need to look after it and cherish it, and make it become an important part of the Livery's life.



*Immediate Past Master
Tom Barton*

Mary and I were privileged to go to Choral Evensong at St Paul's Cathedral several times during the year. On one occasion, we were invited to stay behind to look around the Cathedral with just a few other people. It was a fantastic experience being able to contemplate in such a huge church when it was almost silent. That evening, we also went to an exhibition of modern paintings of St Paul's in the Crypt. Given my association with the Millennium Bridge, we were delighted to be able to buy a painting of the Bridge with St Paul's in the background. This will be a great memento of the year.

Another discovery was the Central School of Ballet, where we saw a number of performances. The highlight was a beautiful performance in the main lobby of the Old Bailey, which was a wonderful experience.

There were, of course, many dinners and social events where we were able to represent the Paviers. All of these were enjoyed. The Paviers' high reputation made this an easy task. The warmth and fellowship within the Livery is tremendous and this has made things very easy for Mary and myself. Thank you again for all of your support.

Tom Barton



Official Opening of Paviors' House



The Lord Mayor of London, Alderman and Pavior Michael Bear, and the Lady Mayoress arrive at the Charterhouse for the official opening of Paviors' House on 14 January



The Master, Tom Barton, welcomes the Lord Mayor, Liverymen, Masters and Clerks from other construction-related companies and guests outside Paviors' House



The Lord Mayor wears the chain of office originally made for Sir Thomas More, who was a pupil at Charterhouse School—the chain is reputedly insured for £10 million!



The Lord Mayor addresses the assembled company then presents a clay pipe, excavated from a City construction site, to the Paviors to commemorate the official opening



The ceremonial key used to open Paviors' House



The ribbon is cut, then the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress enter Paviors' House in the company of the Learned Clerk and the Master



The Lord Mayor, the Master of Charterhouse, Dr James Thomson, with the Master, Tom Barton



The Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress mingle with guests



Charities and Education

Charity: Valuable Contributions-in-Kind

By joining a livery company, you sign-up to a charitable organisation. Each Pavior contributes an annual amount which, in most cases, is £100, a figure that has not changed for over ten years. This, together with proceeds from our investments, enables us to contribute some £45 to £50,000 to about 30 causes, carefully selected at the start of the year. Over the last two years, our Charity Trustees have researched and monitored every recipient to ensure value-for-money and that each donation makes a significant difference. We are currently examining ways of increasing our funds to meet rising demand by seeking lifetime gifts, legacies, increased annual donations and special fund-raising events.

We also receive many unsolicited requests which, although worthy, cannot be met because of our limited funds. However, in some cases, we have been able to provide additional support by facilitating connections with our members and their companies. The following three projects are examples where we have been able to enhance significantly the value of our annual giving. We see this approach as a model for the future and intend to provide further opportunities for Pavors to participate in our charitable and educational projects.

Mess Tables for HMS Argyll

The Commander of HMS Argyll, our adopted frigate, asked if we could provide some creature comforts to be installed in the various mess rooms during the recent refit. The idea emerged to supply seven sturdy 'coffee tables'. Through the good offices of a Pavior, these were designed and supplied at no cost to our Company (see page 7).

Careers Advice and Work Experience at Tower Hamlets School

The Construction Youth Trust wished to establish a new programme at a Tower Hamlets school six-form, known as 'Budding Brunels PLUS'. In addition to the funding-support for this which the Pavors had already budgeted, a request was made for six recent graduates to meet with and enthuse the pupils. These have been provided by six of our members' companies, which will also provide work-experience on site during the summer vacation.

Repaving the Victorian High Street at Ironbridge Gorge Museum

Blists Hill Victorian Town is one of ten sites that make up the Ironbridge Gorge Museum in Shropshire. A number of urban businesses have been recreated in Blists Hill, several under the auspices of City livery companies. Each year, the Masters of all livery companies are invited to attend a 'bonding' weekend at the Ironbridge Museum. Not unusually, funding requests follow. The Pavors Company were recently asked to assist when the Museum Trust sought funds to re-lay the much-decayed roadway of the High Street in Blists Hill.

In the absence of available funds, the Charity Committee put out an appeal to our four national quarry companies and, within 24 hours, Aggregate Industries Ltd agreed to undertake the work. Pavors' Court Assistant, Martin Snaith, worked with the Conservation and Building Manager of the Museum to agree suitable materials for the 300-metres of paving work. A high-specification gritstone aggregate was used from nearby Haughmond Hill Quarry, one of only seven quarries in the UK capable of producing this material. An experimental hot-rolled asphalt mix was used, having an ecological low-density and manufactured with a very low carbon footprint. The 1,100 square-metre site required 140 tonnes of material, and was laid by Bardon Aggregates and Contracting during February 2011 under the direction of Mark Mercer of Aggregate Industries. In order to make the surface look authentic, crusher-run fines from the quarry were spread and rolled into the surface.

Everyone was extremely pleased with the end result. Thanks are due to Pavors Bill Bolsover and Colin Jenkins for authorising and arranging the work.

George Chapman



Ironbridge Gorge Museum



Victorian highway; modern technology



Finishing-off to create authenticity



A job well done!



Master Craftsman Certificate

The last edition of *The Pavior* described the Company’s introduction of a Master Craftsman Certificate to recognise excellence in achievement by craftsmen who have gained their skills through a vocational route. The first successful candidates, from the Paviers, Lightmongers, Plaisterers and Plumbers Companies, were presented with their certificates by the Lord Mayor of London, Alderman Michael Bear, during a ceremony at the Charterhouse on 22 February. Receiving Craftsmen Pavior awards were:

- Master Pavior: Steven James Wallis, Tarmac
- Journeyman Pavior: Steven Ralph, Aggregate Industries
- Apprentice Paviers: Steven Bayliss, Aggregate Industries, and Jamie Gwynne, Tarmac



Master Pavior Steven Wallis receives his certificate from the Lord Mayor

Master, Tom Barton, with certificate recipients (L to R): Steven Wallis, Steven Ralph, Jamie Gwynne and Steven Bayliss

Paviers’ Laing Travel Award

Following a very competitive application process, the staff at Imperial College suggested that the 2010 Paviers’ Laing Travel Award of £1,000 be shared between research students Luca Modense and Owen Connick, both of the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering.



Luca Modense

Luca is part of the Structural Biomechanics Group and works on the development of musculo-skeletal models to carry out structural analysis of the human leg. The analysis is carried out with the OpenSim software, developed by Stanford University in California. Luca used his award to visit Stanford to take part in an OpenSim Developer workshop, which brought together 20 researchers from 14 institutions around the world. Luca writes ‘This extended meeting allowed me to improve my knowledge of the software, with immediate benefits for my research and an increase in the know-how of my research group. The workshop was extremely useful because of the acquired technical skills in using the OpenSim software, but it was also inspirational in the perspective of future research and dissemination of the developed model’. Details of Luca’s work are available at <https://simtk.org>.



Owen Connick

Owen Connick’s work uses fluid-dynamics analysis in the development of low-energy ventilation strategies for multi-storey buildings. His award enabled him to travel to the Nanyang Technological University in Singapore to work there with Professor Adrian Laws. There he gained first-hand knowledge of advanced laser imaging and other novel techniques for use in his on-going research. He was also able to discuss ideas for improved teaching techniques applicable to undergraduate courses as part of his training for an academic career. Owen writes ‘The visit was a great success for me personally and I am convinced that the relationships established will lead on to bigger and better collaborative projects in the future’.

Stephen Brown

University of Birmingham Bursaries

Three students studying the MSc Road Management and Engineering course at the University of Birmingham shared the £4,000 Paviers’ Bursary last year.

Aleksandra Jadanowska is employed in the Highways Group of Atkins in Birmingham, and has a particular interest in pavement design and construction. She undertook a research project on road maintenance prioritisation, in which she investigated the suitability of the proprietary dTIMS software for the UK local authority market.

Michael Butler, a highways engineer with consultants Mouchel, is a particularly able speaker and was very enthusiastic in his studies. He sees the MSc as a means of equipping him with the knowledge to fast-track his career progression.

Sally Barnett is a Birmingham University civil engineering graduate, who was a self-funded full-time student on the course. She undertook a very challenging research project that investigated the potential impact of climate change on road design.

Stephen Brown



Charities and Education

Paviors' Charity Ball

After a year of planning, the Worshipful Company of Paviers held its first ever Charity Ball at the beautiful Plaisters' Hall on 29 January. The event was attended by over 280 guests, including the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress, who were kind enough to support the event despite having only returned from Turkey a couple of hours earlier.

During an excellent meal, diners were entertained by two magicians, Nigel Mead and Nick Einhorn, a gold star member of the 'Inner Magic Circle'. Later, the Band of the Royal Marines gave a wonderful performance of precision drumming. Speeches followed by the Master, the Lord Mayor and the Chairman of the RNLI. Chris Mills then auctioned prizes generously donated by our supporters. One prize, donated by the Lord Mayor for the unique opportunity of spending one night in the Mansion House, achieved over £2,000.



Band of the Royal Marines



The Master looking astonished by the amount of money raised!



A good time being had by all!

It was Master Tom Barton's ambition to raise a minimum of £40,000 for his charity, the RNLI Tower Lifeboat Station, and for the Lord Mayor's charities, Coram and RedR UK. In fact, over £70,000 was raised. Thanks are due for the generous support of sponsors: BAM Nuttall, Byrne Bros, Clipfine, F M Conway, Focchi, William Hare, Keltbray, the Laing family, Sir Robert McAlpine, MPG, Severfield-Rowen and Tarmac, and to guests and advertisers without whom the whole evening would not have been possible.

Phill Hyde

Civil Engineering Judge Fills the Hall

The 36th Paviers' Lecture at Imperial College was delivered by Sir Vivian Ramsey QC on 8 February to an audience of 180 Paviers, guests, students and staff of the College, and young members of the Institution of Civil Engineers. This series of lectures was started at City University in 1975 and transferred to Imperial in 2000. This year it was supported with marketing assistance by the Institution of Civil Engineers, arranged through the good offices of Vice-President, William Kemp, and Council member, Ruth Hopgood-Oates.

Vivian Ramsey started his career as a graduate engineer with Ove Arup before taking to the law, practising as a barrister specialising in construction cases and being promoted to a High Court Judge in 2007. His lecture, entitled 'Engineering failures: legal liabilities when things go wrong', set out the basic principles relating to criminal and civil liabilities and used several well-known case studies to demonstrate how the law works in practice. Criminal cases involve a jury and are usually concerned with health and safety matters. Civil cases are heard before a judge with no jury.

Both types of action were illustrated through consideration of the judgements made for the Heathrow Tunnel collapse, the Abbeystead Pumping Station explosion, the Emley Moor Mast collapse and the Ramsgate Walkway collapse.

The lecture noted that things can go wrong when matters of time and cost dominate, or when innovations are introduced so that risks increase. The concepts of 'reasonable skill and care' and 'fitness for purpose' were central to judgements regarding liability. Sir Vivian reminded the audience that risk is an inherent part of construction and should be carefully assessed in relation to the needs for innovation, cost and time-saving, and risks to health and safety.

The lecture was chaired by Stephen Brown on behalf of the Livery and he expressed his gratitude to Professor David Nethercot, Head of the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering at Imperial College, and his colleague, Colin Kerr, for hosting and organising the event. An innovation this year was the presentation of certificates to the winning student team in a competition set the previous week on the subject of risk assessment. The team leader then opened the question session, where the number of questions posed indicated that the lecturer had successfully enthused both the experienced and the young in the audience. The session concluded with a vote of thanks to the lecturer by Professor Nethercot. Participants then enjoyed a wine and nibbles reception, prior to Paviers and their guests repairing to the splendid dining room of the College Rector's House for dinner.

Stephen Brown



Prof David Nethercot, Master Tom Barton, Sir Vivian Ramsey and Prof Stephen Brown



Re-dedication of HMS Argyll



The first snowfalls of winter in the South East came on 1 December 2010 and, by the next day, many rail lines into London ground to a halt, with passengers stranded at various stations or on trains. This did not prevent a small but intrepid band of Paviors from joining the Master and Wardens in making the journey to Plymouth to celebrate, with the crew and their families, the re-dedication of the Paviors' adopted frigate, HMS Argyll, after a £20 million refit.

The Paviors' party arrived at the dockyard gates for a 10am start. After mingling with family and friends of the crew, the party were bussed to the quayside for some quick refreshment in a marquee, before moving outside in the crisp morning air for the ceremony.

HMS Argyll looked very fine, bedecked with flags and with new paintwork. The ship's company formed up and the salute was taken by Lady Levene before the act of re-dedication took place. Following the service, a number of awards were made to members of the ship's company, including the 'Worshipful Company of Paviors Sailor of the Year' award. The Master presented engraved glass goblets to Petty Officers Liam Walmsley and Paul Gerry for their work on successfully integrating the ship's new state-of-the-art information management tool.



Paviors on board



The Master presents 'Sailor of the Year' Awards in the presence of the Commander of HMS Argyll, Paul Stroude



Testing out the new Paviors' tables in the mess

The ceremony was followed by the cutting of a cake, and a splendid buffet lunch was served in the marquee. A fascinating tour of the ship followed. We were able to inspect the table units that had been provided for the messes by the Paviors, as well as marvelling at the high-tech equipment at the nerve centre of the ship. We were most grateful to our host, Lt Ross Lea, who had made the day so enjoyable.

David Howell

29(R) Squadron Airman of the Year

Master Tom Barton visited Paviors' affiliate 29(R) Squadron at RAF Coningsby in early February. The Master arrived in mid-afternoon after normal flying had been completed for the day. However, he was extremely lucky to see a Spitfire from the Battle of Britain Flight take off for a test flight, which was quite a sight. Interestingly, from an engineering perspective, the Spitfire does not use the concrete pavements, but uses an adjacent grass strip which is more sympathetic to the suspension. The Master made the following presentations.



Typhoon as based at RAF Coningsby

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Airman of the Year:
Corporal Alan Williams

Paviors' Education Awards:
Squadron Leader Allsop
Corporal Fryant
Chief Technician Bosworth

A much-surprised Corporal Williams received the Paviors' Goblet and a cheque. His citation described his management of new airmen when they arrived from basic training and also his spare-time activities liaising with the air cadets. After the presentation, there was a small celebration in the Mess. It was a very enjoyable occasion and helped to strengthen the links between the Paviors and 29(R) Squadron.

Tom Barton



Ladies Luncheon at the Mansion House



The Lady Mayoress, Mistress Pavior and the 'Paviors Teddy Bear'

This year we were privileged to be able to hold the Annual Paviors' Ladies Lunch at the Mansion House. Sixty-nine ladies met there on Thursday 6 January and were honoured with the company of the Lady Mayoress, Barbara Bear.

We were taken on a fascinating guided tour of the Mansion House. We saw the amazing Plate Room in the basement, which is not usually shown to the public. This was crammed with dazzling treasures of gold and silver pieces from the Lord Mayor's office. These included a magnificent sword, encrusted with over 600 pearls, which is presented to the Queen when she enters the City, and the Fire Cup, the only piece of City of London plate saved from the Great Fire of London. The design and history of the building, including its art and decor, were explained and we all learnt so much. The two guides' knowledge was impressive, providing us with much detail, including how the enormous cut glass chandeliers were taken down every five years for cleaning!

Following the guided tour, we assembled in the Drawing Room for a glass of champagne, and then moved to the Salon for lunch. As always at the Mansion House, this was delicious, and the meal was enhanced with much chatter and warm friendship that always make this occasion so special.



The Lord Mayor's Sword of Office



The Fire Cup



Ladies lunching



The private apartments

Barbara Bear spoke very entertainingly about her role and experiences so far as Lady Mayoress and, especially, about day-to-day living in a stately mansion, surrounded by numerous staff, traditions and activity. The Lord Mayor paid us a brief visit as he passed through the room in between his many engagements. The day finished with the Lady Mayoress generously showing us around their 'private' apartments and state bedrooms, including the bath that fills in one-and-a-half minutes! It was a truly memorable experience and a privileged end to a wonderful occasion.

Mary Barton



Golfing Society

The Paviors' Golfing Society AGM was held on 24 February at which the Captain, Ian Pamplin, reviewed the past season. The Paviors entered two teams for the Horners Trophy at Ashridge Golf Club, the new trophy being won by the Tinplate Workers. Our three regular events took place again, and winning Paviors this year were Bill Merry at Swinley Forest, Paul McCracken at St George's Hill, and John White at Tandridge.

Woburn Golf Club hosted our fifth Charity Celebrity Golf Day. Unfortunately, the number of participants was tempered by the recession, but 25 teams still participated and £32,000 was raised for the Bobby Moore Fund for Bowel Cancer Research and the Wooden Spoon. On the day, the Sir Malcolm McAlpine Cup and Captain's Salver were won by Paul McCracken.

Ian Pamplin



Luncheon Club

‘Out with the Old – In with the New 2010/2011’



The Luncheon Club rounded-off another successful year with its traditional dinner at Cutlers’ Hall



A good time was had by all: our Chaplain, Rev Canon Bernard Metcalf, caught aiming his balloon heaven-wards



The City Blues Singers, from the Guildhall School of Music and Drama, brought some decorum to the evening; not only did they lead the singing, but also explained some of the background to the traditional carols



The first event of 2011 was held at the National Liberal Club; Chairman George Chapman welcomes new members Mike Button and James Atkins

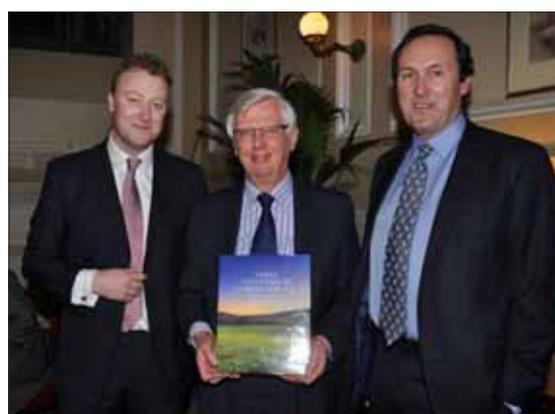
Wine-tasting at the Travellers Club

Wine Circle

The Wine Circle held a wine-tasting at the Travellers Club on 9 March. The principal speaker was Guillermo de Aranzabal, President of La Rioja Alta. Pavior Michael Laing from Armit, who sells the wines in UK, also spoke. A most successful event was well-appreciated by the 30 guests present. During the evening, Mike Laing presented Paviers’ Cellerer and Wine Circle Chairman, John Cruse, with a copy of the book *Three centuries of La Rioja Alta*.
Billy McCoubrey



Guillermo de Aranzabal addresses the Wine Circle

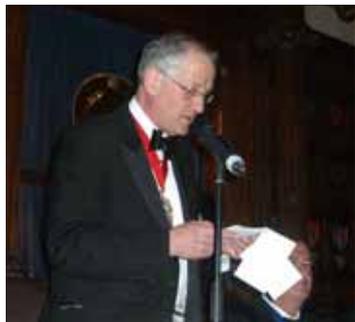


John Cruse flanked by Mike Laing and Guillermo



Common Hall and the Strategy Paper

Common Hall was held on 18 January at Trinity House, just by Tower Hill. This is a most beautiful building, so was a lovely setting for the meeting. Just over 70 members attended. Each of the Committee Chairmen made a report, and the Master made a short presentation on the Strategy Paper that had been worked on through the year. The key issues raised by the Committee Chairmen and discussed were:



Master Tom Barton

- The Charity Committee currently makes an annual donation of £45,000, based on the current policy that all funds raised through Liverymen's annual donations of £100 should be distributed
- Capital growth in the Charitable Funds can really only be achieved by significant donations or legacies
- The Livery should develop a clear strategy on legacies as these are a good long-term way of raising funds
- Financial reserves currently stand at £150,000; costs will need to be reviewed if we are to maintain the quality of events and ensure that we still have a reserve
- In 2010, membership decreased by six to 281
- The Liverymen's Committee is planning a survey of the membership

The key points from the strategy review were:

- The Standing Orders have been amended so that election to the Court is on the basis only of suitability
- A mechanism for long-term planning will be set up
- Funds for education will be directed more towards schools in deprived London boroughs and with bursaries to bodies, such as the Stephen Lawrence Trust
- To improve our position in the City, we will recruit people from within the City as Honorary Members, and encourage Liverymen to take a more active part in City life

The Master announced that, sadly, the Learned Clerk had indicated his wish to retire in March 2012. A committee had been set up under the Chairmanship of John Price to recruit a new Clerk. Nearer the time, arrangements will be made to recognise all of the sterling work done by the Clerk over the years.



*John White,
the Learned Clerk*

The meeting concluded with the Upper Warden setting out his plans for the next year.

Tom Barton

Livery Survey

The Liverymen's Committee was set up originally to provide a 'bridge' between the general membership and the Court of Assistants. The Committee provides members with the opportunity of taking a greater interest in the Company and activities of the City, and in the achievement of objectives. The Committee has 20 members, each serving a term of up to four years. The standing orders for the Committee are published in the members' area of the Company's web-site. In summary, the Committee's aims are:

- To encourage Liverymen to support the work of the Company
- To act as one of the main conduits for communication in both directions between the Court and members
- To review the Company's activities and make proposals for consideration by the Court
- To take responsibility for organising various events
- To support the Company by attending and encouraging other Liverymen to attend Company functions
- To raise funds for the Company

To improve understanding of members' views on Company activities, the Liverymen's Committee is undertaking a survey of the membership. The last membership survey was carried out in 1999, although there have been more recent questionnaires about livery dinners (see *The Pavior* August 2010). The new survey is intended to be a wide-ranging and comprehensive survey of members' activities, interests and viewpoints for the purpose of obtaining an understanding of current and potential life as a Pavior. The survey will be conducted in two parts. Firstly, an analysis will be undertaken of members' details on the web-site. *Please ensure that your details on the web-site are complete and up-to-date to provide the best basis for this analysis;* any updates should be sent to John White as soon as possible. Secondly, all Liverymen will be requested to complete a questionnaire that should be arriving by email or post about the same time as this edition of *The Pavior*. Please ensure that the questionnaire is returned by 26 April. The results will be presented to the Court and it is intended to publish a summary of the results in the August edition of *The Pavior*. Your assistance with this survey would be most appreciated.

John Nutt



Membership

Letter from the Lord Mayor

Dear Paviers

I've quickly found out that life as Lord Mayor is a mix of the fascinating and surreal - often at the same time!



Among a non-stop blur of meetings, events and travel what really stands out is the sheer volume of speeches I have to deliver. They say practice makes perfect so fingers crossed with 200+ down and around 700 to go I should be well on the way to something special.

One place I unfortunately won't be giving any speeches is Libya after my planned visit was scrapped following the recent turmoil. I was in the Gulf when these stories started to crop up across the region and I wish them well in resolving these matters quickly and peacefully.

On a less serious note, I was delighted to be involved in Sir Peter Hall's Freedom ceremony and I was recently subject to a bizarre dance act during a fundraiser hosted by Gensler that caused much tittering in the aisles.

I'm sure the next nine months will feature a range of equally unique moments - alongside my more formal encounters with the likes of David Cameron and Boris Johnson.

Michael Bear

New Year's Honour



Lt Col George William Bolsover CBE

The Worshipful Company of Paviers extends its congratulations to Liveryman Bill Bolsover, Chairman, Aggregate Industries Ltd, on being made a Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire in the Queen's New Year's Honours list for 'services to the construction industry'.

New Members

Liverymen admitted 18 January 2011



Mike Button
Retired Textile
Manufacturer and
Distributor
Sponsor:
John Price



John Cornwell
Consultant Town
Planner
Bell Cornwell LLP
Sponsor:
Peter Pawsey



David Tarrant
Independent Civil
Engineering
Consultant
Sponsor:
David Hutchinson

Liverymen admitted 3 March 2011



Jason Briner
Quantity Surveyor
John O'Neill &
Partners
Sponsor:
John Price



Graham Jones
Solicitor
Child & Child
Sponsor:
Brendan Brophy

Hon Assistant John Sunley 1936-2011

Obituary

The Worshipful Company of Paviers extends its condolences to the family of John Sunley, who died on 14 February. John was educated at Harrow and Columbia University, and served with the Royal Marines. He started working in the property world in 1960, and subsequently became Chairman of the Sunley Holdings Group of companies in 1979. He was also Chairman of the Trustees of the Bernard Sunley Charitable Foundation and trustee of a number of other charities. John was admitted to the Livery and Paviers Lodge in 1957. His hobbies included golf, which he played to a 'dangerous' handicap, horse-breeding and racing. He leaves a widow, Fiona, six children and 13 grandchildren.



Forthcoming Events and Editor's Jottings

| Forthcoming Events 2011 | | | |
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| Date and time | Event | Who can attend | Venue |
| Sun 10 Apr 10.30 | Cleaning Day | Liverymen and partners | Amberley Museum |
| Thu 21 Apr 19.00 | Spring Livery Dinner | Liverymen and guests | Stationers' Hall |
| May TBC | Prince Arthur Cup Inter-Livery Competition | Golf Society | Walton Heath GC |
| Thu 19 to Sun 22 May | Master's Jolly | Court and partners | Bordeaux, France |
| Tue 31 May | Spring Meeting | Golf Society members and guests | Swinley Forest GC |
| Jun TBC | Horners' Challenge | Golf Society members | Ashridge GC |
| Thu 9 Jun | Site visit | Conway Aggregate Recycling | Dartford |
| Wed 15 Jun | Day trip | Luncheon Club members and guests | Hatfield House |
| Wed 22 Jun | TBC | Wine Circle members and guests | TBC |
| Fri 24 Jun | Election of Sheriffs | Liverymen | Guildhall |
| Sat 25 Jun | 3PWRR Skill-at-Arms | Shooting Section | Lydd/Hythe Ranges |
| Tue 28 Jun | Midsummer Event | Liverymen, partners and guests | Charterhouse |
| Thu 30 Jun | Copy date for August <i>Pavior</i> | | |
| Thu 07 Jul | Charity Day | Golf Society members and guests | Woburn GC |
| Tue 12 Jul | Dinner and Theatre | Luncheon Club members and guests | Guildhall School of Music and Drama, Barbican |
| Tue 06 Sep 12.30 | Luncheon | Luncheon Club members | TBC |
| Thu 22 Sep | Annual Banquet | Liverymen, partners and guests | Mansion House |
| Mon 03 Oct | Election of Lord Mayor | Liverymen | Guildhall |
| Wed 05 Oct | Autumn Meeting | Golf Society members and guests | St George's Hill GC |
| Thu 06 Oct | TBC | Wine Circle members and guests | TBC |
| Wed 19 Oct | Dinner | Luncheon Club members and guests | TBC |
| Wed 09 Nov | Winter Meeting | Golf Society | Tandridge GC |
| Wed 09 Nov 12.30 | Luncheon | Luncheon Club members | Guildhall |
| Fri 11 Nov | Copy date for December <i>Pavior</i> | | |
| Sat 12 Nov | Lord Mayor's Show and lunch | Liverymen and their families | Lunch venue to be confirmed |
| Thu 24 Nov 19.00 | Autumn Livery Dinner | Liverymen and guests | Haberdashers' Hall |
| Mon 19 Dec | Christmas Dinner | Luncheon Club members and guests | Cutlers' Hall |

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