

**COL/CC/01/01/044 JOURNAL 46, f.120r:
Transcript of minutes from the first post-fire meeting of Common Council**

[Translated from Latin]

A Common Council holden in Gresham House on 10th day of September 1666 and in the 18th year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord Charles II now King of England etc. before Thomas Bludworth knight Mayor of the City of London, Richard Browne knight & baronet Alderman, John Laurence knight and Alderman, William Wyld knight and baronet Serjeant at Law and Recorder of the City of London, William Bolton, Richard fford and Robert Vyner knights Aldermen, Robert Hanson and William Hooker knights Aldermen and Sheriffs of the same City and also the greater part of the Commons in the Common Council of the same City then & there assembled.

The Ruines to It is ordered That all the Streetes Lanes & Comon Passages
be cleared of in every Ward be p[re]sently cleared & veiwed of all Rubbish & other
Rubbish Obstrucc[i]ons by the late Inhabitants every one before his owne Grounds
And that noe other Labour be permitted upon the Ruines of the said late
dwellings till this worke be finished That thereupon such further
proceedeings & Councells may be followed for the Cityes Welfare and
Recovery As shall be convenient And that his Lo[rdshi]p doth forthw[i]th Issue out
p[re]cepts for performeance Of this Order

Committee for Upon Considerac[i]on had of ye dismall Effects & Consequences of ye late
ye Citys dreadfull ffire this Court doth appoint and nominate Sir Thomas
p[re]sent Adams & Sir Richard Browne kn[igh]ts & Bar[one]ts Sir John ffrederick Sir John
Subsistance & Laurence Sir William Turner Sir Richard fford Sir Robert Hanson Sir W[ilia]m
letting ground Hooker & Sir Robert Hanson Sir Robert Viner Kn[igh]ts Ald[e]r[m]en & Joseph Shedon
in Moorfeilds Esq one of the Sheriffes Elect Thomas Coller Esq Dep[u]ty Cade Sir George
Smith Coll[one]l Nevill Major Burton Dep[u]ty Canham Dep[u]ty Stanion Nicholas
Delves Esq George Teriano Dep[u]ty Morrice Mr Joseph ffinch Mr
Short Capt Saveage Major Rosewell & Dep[u]ty Sexton or any two of the s[ai]d
Ald[e]r[m]en & fower of the said Comoners & such of the Ald[e]r[m]en & Com[m]ons as shall

come from time to time to be a Committee to Consider of meanes for the City's
 p[re]sent Subsistance and the p[re]sent Recovery out of the said deplorable Ruines
 And from time to time to report to this Court their proceedeings therein And
 to meete in Gresham house to Morrow Morneing at nine of the Clock And Jo[h]n
 Cole to warne & attend them And the same Committee are authorised to
 apporc[i]on amongst the ffreemen of this City whose dwellings are destroyed such
 Quantities of Moorefeilds the Artillery ground & other voyde places as they
 shall thinke fitt for Exercise of their Trade & Callings

Committee to provide & appoint Prisons	This Court doth elect & choose the afores[ai]d Committee or any two of the said Aldermen & fower of the said Comoners & such of the Aldermen & Com[one]rs as will attend to be a Committee to consider of ffitt places for the severall prisons belonging to this City or any wayes or meanes to repaire the old pr[i]sons And to treat with the former Keep[er]s of the same about their rebuilding them upon such Termes as they shall finde Convenient And if they shall thinke it fitt to make use of any of the Gates belonging to this City for that purpose Then they are to consider of what fitt Allowances or Satisfacc[i]on ought to be made to the respective Office[r]s now inhabiteing the same and how and by whome And to report to this Court their Opinions therein and John Cole to warne & attend t[he]m
Comon Council to be held every Wednesday	It is ordered that a Comon Councell be held on every Wednesday at Gresham house at ten of the Clock in the ffore noone at farthest At which times the Aldermen and Comon Councellmen are appointed to meete without Sumons