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Worshipful Company of Water Conservators

Promoting a diverse and sustainable environment

Election Court Lunch with the Lord Mayor, Alderman Michael Mainelli

Wednesday 17 April 2024
Butchers' Hall, 87 Barts Close



*You are invited to attend the Election Court Lunch
of the Worshipful Company of Water Conservators
at the Butchers' Hall, 87 Bartholomew Close, London, EC1A 7EB*

*The guest speaker will be the Lord Mayor of London, Alderman Michael Mainelli,
who will share with us his vision for a growing, prosperous and sustainable future.*

*He will be accompanied by the Lady Mayoress, Elisabeth Mainelli,
Sheriff and Alderwoman, Dame Susan Langley, DBE and Gary Langley.*

*Reception drinks will be served from 12.15 p.m. to 12.40 p.m.
followed by lunch and the traditional offering of the Stirrup Cup.*

*Please reserve a place by e-mailing Christine Duthie via clerk@waterconservators.org
with the names of those attending, any dietary requirements and any seating preferences. The cost
is £120 per head and you will be provided with banking details for payment
when your reservation is acknowledged. Closing date is **Monday 1 April 2024**.*

Michael Mainelli

Originally a research scientist in aerospace and computing, Michael became a senior partner with accountants BDO Binder Hamlyn and later Corporate Development Director for the Defence Evaluation & Research Agency. During time with Deutsche Morgan Grenfell, he co-founded Z/Yen in 1994, the City's leading think-tank, promoting societal advance through better finance and technology, renowned for its Global Financial, Green Finance, and Smart Centres indices. Michael chairs Z/Yen Group, FS Club, and Esop (employee share ownership) Centre. He is non-executive director of an AIM-listed mining firm and the United Kingdom Accreditation Service.

He has served as Alderman for Broad Street since 2013 and as Sheriff of the City of London 2019-2021. He has been a Past Master of the World Traders, Craft-Ownng Freeman of the Watermen & Lightermen, Honorary Liveryman of multiple Livery Companies as well as Honorary Freeman of the Water Conservators, and member of the City Livery Club. He is the 695th Lord Mayor of the City of London.

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Five of seven Halls of the Worshipful Company of Butchers were burned down including one during the Great Fire of London in 1666. The fourth Hall, in Pudding Lane, was subject to a compulsory purchase order in 1883 when it was demolished to make way for the Metropolitan District Line. The Hall suffered considerable damage from a large bomb dropped from a Zeppelin in 1915 and again after a V1 bomb landed in the courtyard in July 1944. The current Hall was

opened in 1960 and re-opened in September 2019 after a major multi-million pound refurbishment and retains many of its features.

The Great Hall features the fine Southland Beech donated by the New Zealand Government, stained glass windows, early 19th century chandeliers, and the Vestey Tapestry (the largest in the City). The Court Suite includes Black Bean panelling donated by the Australian Government in front of a fine white marble fireplace made in Paris in 1794, while the reception area houses the Borthwick Screen. Artwork donated by Past Master Michael Katz can be enjoyed next to the new Roof Garden.