#### **Downs Committee**

#### 13th November 2023

## **Confirmation of Chairing Arrangements**

## Report of the Clerk to the Downs Committee

## **Purpose of Report**

1. To confirm, for information, the arrangements for chairing for November 2023 to November 2024.

# **Background**

- 2. Under the provisions of Section 10 of the Clifton and Durdham Downs (Bristol) Act 1861, the Lord Mayor of Bristol City Council is Chair of the Committee.
- 3. The current Lord Mayor is Councillor Paul Goggin but due to ill health will be absent for approximately three months. Standing in place during this period is Councillor Steve Pearce, Acting Lord Mayor.
  - The Vice-Chair of the Committee is the Master of the Society of the Merchant Ventures and will assume the Chair at Downs Committee meeting in the Lord Mayor's Absence.
- 4. The Merchant Venturers have appointed Mike Bothamley as the Master of the Downs Committee for the ensuing year.

Recommended: that the appointment of the Master for November 2023 to November 2024 be noted.