

Candidature of Alderman The Hon. Tim Levene

To the Liverymen of the City of London

My Lords, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I am honoured that my colleagues on the Court of Aldermen support my nomination as a candidate for the office of Sheriff of the City of London for 2026/27. I humbly offer myself to the Livery at Common Hall and would be most grateful for your support.

The City has been at the centre of my life for as long as I can remember. I was educated at the City of London School and read Russian at the University of Manchester before joining Bain & Company, with early postings in Moscow, Boston and Sydney. Those years abroad gave me an international perspective, but the City always drew me home.

I have spent my career building businesses at the intersection of entrepreneurship and technology. In 1998 I co-founded CrussH, which grew to over thirty stores across London. The following year I joined the founding team of Flutter.com, which merged with Betfair to become one of the UK's highest profile digital businesses, and led its international expansion from Hong Kong. In 2010 I founded Augmentum Capital, and in 2018 listed Augmentum Fintech plc on the main market of the London Stock Exchange. It became the UK's only publicly listed fintech fund, backing many of Europe's leading fintech companies, including Tide, Zopa and Interactive Investor.

Elected to the Court of Common Council for the Ward of Bridge in 2017, I became Alderman in 2022. Since 2020 I have chaired the Board of Governors of the City of London School, becoming its longest serving Chair. I am a Liveryman of the Worshipful Companies of Carmen and Fishmongers, and care deeply about the work all our Livery Companies do in education, apprenticeships and philanthropy.

I was named a Young Global Leader by the World Economic Forum in 2012, and helped launch The Royal Foundation in the same year, where I served as Chair of the Digital Board until 2017. I sit on the National Gallery's Digital Advisory Board and am a member of the UK's Fintech and Regtech Strategy Groups. At a time of significant geopolitical and economic change, the City's civic leaders have a critical role in convening, connecting and championing the Square Mile at home and abroad, and I am eager to bring these networks and my international experience to that effort.

My family's connection to the City runs deep. My father served as Lord Mayor; his example taught me that civic duty is not inherited but earned. My Consort is my wife Katie, a Liveryman of the Worshipful Company of Feltmakers. Her support, and that of our three children, has been invaluable.

I believe the office of Sheriff plays a vital role in championing our legal services industry, working alongside the judiciary and connecting the City's traditions with its modern responsibilities. If elected, I will support the vision of a modern mayoralty, focused on growth, international promotion and social impact, and, with the rise of artificial intelligence and the transformation of financial services, champion the City as a hub for innovation as well as a global financial centre.

Over many years in the City I have gained immeasurably and am passionate about giving back. I want to help drive growth, strengthen the City's global standing and ensure the same opportunities are available for the next generation.

I have the honour to be, my Lords, Ladies and Gentlemen, your obedient servant,



ALDERMAN THE HON. TIM LEVENE

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