



2023-24 Mayoral Theme Progress Update: 1 May 2024

At the halfway point of this mayoralty, I am filled with enthusiasm and motivation as our collective efforts blossom. Both domestically and internationally, stakeholders consistently commend our City for its remarkable, diverse Knowledge Miles. I extend my heartfelt gratitude to everyone involved in making this journey possible and look forward to working with you over the next six months.

CONNECT TO PROSPER ▲

Connect To Prosper in Action

"The Lord Mayor's Connect to Prosper programme has linked businesses, technology, and academic leaders, building the City's reputation for ethical, responsible and innovative use of AI." Rashik Parmar, Group CEO, BCS and Recipient of the Freedom of the City.

Key: ● On track ● In progress ● Behind schedule

Travel

- China 16 – 23 Mar
- Italy 7 – 12 Apr
- Upcoming*
- Gulf (Apr/ May)
- Japan & Singapore (May)
- Channel Islands (Jun)

Livery Engagement

- Livery LinkedIn Community: 1,500+ members.
- 35 companies participating in *Livery Experience*, 14 guests hosted.
- 7 international 'Livery-Coffee-Connect-Teas' (Dubai, USA (2), Ireland, India, Hong Kong & Beijing.

Media

- The first event in the *Connect to Prosper Experiment Series* featured on the front page of *The Times*.
- 123+ broadcast, digital and print engagements.

Other

- 196 speeches to 40,000+ people.
- 41 new recipients of '*Freedom of the City*' award in a Ceremony held in Mansion House 19 Apr.
- Mansion House Children's Party 19 Apr.
- For more information, [visit the City of London Corporation website here.](#)

Planet



NZD Summit:
Confirmed Key speakers include Commonwealth Secretary General & Chair of the Network for the Greening of the Financial System.



VeraCity WebApp
Development continues, focus on getting the App ready for the Livery Weekend.



Space Protection
Discussed space debris solutions in Italy. SPADRIB's proposal gained parliamentary support.

People



Knowledge Miles Webinars
56 scheduled, 39 delivered. 46,000+ views.



Coffee Colloquies
23 scheduled, 9 delivered.



Ethical AI Initiative
3000+ candidates registered for CISI course from 350+ firms and 50+ countries. 100+ registered for BCS course, which has been nominated for 2 e-assessment awards.



University Partnerships
Meeting with VC of LSE. UCL and City University attending Science and Tech Breakfast. Event with Birmingham University in Dubai.



Royal Mathematical School Bursary
Two founding partners and a total of £582,750 fundraised, which funds two full RMS Scholarships.



Galenos Mental Health
Galenos has published its first living systematic review.

Productivity



Constructing Science
'Launch of the Cancer Workforce Fund' event with the European Cancer Organisation 4 Apr. 'Life Sciences Roundtable' 9 May.



Smart Economy Network
20+ Businesses participating in Smart Economy Network, led by Worshipful Company of World Traders with support from City University.



Tech & Investment
Science & Tech Breakfast on 'AI Regulation' 23 Apr.

Experiments



Launch of Polly AgriSound, a new device to map and monitor pollinator activity across the City. Successful event celebrating the launch of the Experiments Series and the completed Time Dilation demonstration. Participation in the City of London's BioBlitz in City Nature Challenge.