



COUNCIL

— MINUTES —

(ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING)

WEDNESDAY 25 MAY 2005



PRESENT:

The Mayor (Councillor Charlie Treloggan)
The Deputy Mayor (Councillor Mercy Umeh)

Councillors:

Mike Adam
Colin Aherne
Chris Allen
Will Bethell
Brendan Bird
Min Birdsey
Nick Botterill
Charlie Boyle
Stephen Burke
Michael Cartwright
Dominic Church
Siobhan Coughlan

Stephen Cowan
Huw Davies
Sian Dawson
Gavin Donovan
Fiona Evans
Ivan Gibbons
Christine Graham
Stephen Greenhalgh
Greg Hands
Wesley Harcourt
Andrew Jones
Jafar Khaled

Antony Lillis
Amanda Lloyd-Harris
Mark Loveday
Reg McLaughlin
Charlie Napier
Colin Pavelin
Melanie Smallman
Frances Stainton
Tim Stanley
Jenny Vaughan
David Williams

1. ELECTION OF MAYOR 2004/05

7.00pm - Councillor Charlie Treloggan, the outgoing Mayor, took the Chair at the start of the meeting.

Councillor Burke proposed, seconded by Councillor Cowan, that Councillor Treloggan be re-elected as Mayor for the 2005/06 Municipal year.

There being no further nominations, the proposal was formally put to the vote:

FOR	Unanimous
AGAINST	0
ABSTENTIONS	0

Councillor Treloggan was duly declared elected as Mayor of the Borough for the 2005/06 Municipal Year, following which he made the statutory Declaration of Acceptance of Office and signed the statutory undertaking to observe the Code of Conduct for Councillors.

The Mayor announced that his Mayoress for the 2005/06 Municipal Year would once again be Ms Eleanor Margaret Carlson.

The Mayor then announced that his Deputy Mayor for the 2005/06 Municipal Year would once again be Councillor Mercy Umeh, and that she had asked Mr Maxwell Umeh to be her Deputy Mayor's Consort.

2. MINUTES – 23 FEBRUARY 2005

7.05pm - The minutes of the Budget Council Meeting held on 23 February 2005 were confirmed and signed as an accurate record.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Alford, Al-Uzaizi, Donald, Karian, Karmel, Neubert, Powell, Slaughter and Wicks.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest at this meeting of the Council

5. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor's Announcements were circulated to all Councillors and were tabled in the Chamber (Copy attached as **APPENDIX 1** to these Minutes)

The Mayor drew attention to the sad deaths of former Councillor and Mayor of the Borough Randolph Beresford BEM MBE, and former Councillor Margaret Fenelon. The Council stood for one minute's silence in their memory, following which speeches were made in tribute by Councillors Burke and McLaughlin .

6. CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT OF APPOINTMENTS MADE BY THE PARTY GROUPS FOR 2004/05

Noted the errata sheet to the Chief Executive's report previously circulated and tabled at the meeting [copy attached as **Appendix 2** to these Minutes].

The report of the Chief Executive on the various appointments made by the Party Groups on the Council for 2004/05 was duly noted.

7. COUNCIL CONSTITUTION 2004/05

7.14pm - Noted the errata sheet to the Constitution previously circulated to all Councillors and tabled at the meeting [Copy attached as **Appendix 3** to these minutes].

The Monitoring Officer's report and review of the Constitution was moved for adoption by Councillor Stephen Burke, seconded by Councillor Stephen Cowan.

The report and recommendations were put to the vote.

FOR	24
AGAINST	0
ABSTENTIONS	11

The report and recommendations were declared **CARRIED.**

7.15pm **RESOLVED:**

1. That the minor updates, amendments and corrections proposed to the Constitution, as set out in Annex 1 to the report, be agreed.
2. That the proposed changes and updates to the Contracts Code, as set out in Annex 2 to the report, be agreed.
3. That the Council's Constitution be re-approved and re-adopted for the 2005/06 Municipal Year.

8. BUSINESS SPECIAL MOTIONS

Special Motion No.1 – Appointment of a Leader, Deputy Leader & Executive, and Chairs & Memberships of Regulatory Committees and Scrutiny Panels .

7.16pm – Noted the errata sheet to Special Motion No.1 previously circulated to all Councillors and tabled at the meeting [copy attached as **Appendix 4** to these minutes].

Councillor Burke moved, seconded by Councillor Cowan, the special motion standing in their names:

“This Council agrees the following appointments under its Constitution for the Municipal Year 2005/06:

- a) The Leader and Executive (Annex 1)
- b) Chairs and Memberships of Regulatory and other Committees (Annex 2)
- c) Chairs and Memberships of Scrutiny Panels (Annex 3)

and notes their respective Portfolios / Terms of Reference, as set out in the Council's Constitution".

Speeches on the motion were made by Councillors Burke and Greenhalgh, who paid tribute to the former Leader and Deputy Leader of the Council, Councillors Andrew Slaughter and Chris Graham, and former Deputy for Education, Councillor David Williams.

The motion was then put to the vote:

FOR	Unanimous
AGAINST	0
ABSTENTIONS	0

The motion was declared **CARRIED**

7.22pm – **RESOLVED:**

That the Council agrees the following appointments under its Constitution for the Municipal Year 2004/05:

- a) The Leader and Deputies (Annex 1)
- b) Chairs and Memberships of Regulatory and other Committees (Annex 2)
- c) Chairs and Memberships of Scrutiny Panels (Annex 3)

and notes their respective Portfolios / Terms of Reference, as set out in the Council's Constitution.

Special Motion No.2 – Council Appointments to Outside Organisations

7.23pm - Councillor Aherne, moved, seconded by Councillor Evans, the special motion standing in their names:

"This Council agrees the Council's appointments to Outside Organisations for 2005/06, as set out in the Schedule".

The motion was put to the vote:

FOR	- Unanimous
AGAINST	- 0
ABSTENTIONS	- 0.

The motion was declared **CARRIED.**

7.24 pm -**RESOLVED:**

That the Council agrees the Council's appointments to Outside Organisations for 2005/06, as set out in the Schedule in the Council agenda.

Special Motion No.3 – Council Calendar 2005/06

7.25pm - Councillor Aherne, moved, seconded by Councillor Evans, the special motion standing in their names:

“This Council agrees that, for the Municipal Year 2005/06, meetings of the Council, its Committees and Panels, be held on the dates specified as set out in the Council Calendar, with the following amendment:

JHSW – meeting to be held on 5 July, not on 13 June as printed.”

The motion was put to the vote:

FOR	- Unanimous
AGAINST	- 0
ABSTENTIONS	- 0.

The motion was declared **CARRIED**.

7.26 pm -**RESOLVED:**

That the Calendar of meetings for 2005/06, as amended above, be agreed.

Special Motion No.4 – Re: Councillor Josie Wicks

7.27pm - Councillor Aherne, moved, seconded by Councillor Evans, the special motion standing in their names:

"1.Councillor Wicks remains unwell, although making slow recovery.

2. The Council therefore approves Councillor Wicks' continued non-attendance at meetings of the Authority due to illness, pursuant to s. 85(1) of the Local Government Act 1972. “

Councillor Stainton moved, seconded by Councillor Loveday, an amendment to the motion, to add:

“3. Councillor Caroline Donald has needed to return to hospital for observation following reaction to treatment.

4. The Council therefore approves Councillor Donald's continued non-attendance at meetings of the Authority due to illness, pursuant to s.85(1) of the Local Government Act 1972”.

The amendment to the motion was put to the vote :

FOR - Unanimous
AGAINST - 0
ABSTENTIONS - 0.

The amendment was declared **CARRIED**.

The substantive motion (as amended) was then put to the vote:

FOR - Unanimous
AGAINST - 0
ABSTENTIONS - 0.

The motion as amended was declared **CARRIED**.

7.28pm -**RESOLVED**:

1. Councillor Wicks remains unwell, although making slow recovery.
2. The Council therefore approves Councillor Wicks' continued non-attendance at meetings of the Authority due to illness, pursuant to s. 85(1) of the Local Government Act 1972. “
3. Councillor Caroline Donald has needed to return to hospital for observation following reaction to treatment.
4. The Council therefore approves Councillor Donald's continued non-attendance at meetings of the Authority due to illness, pursuant to s.85(1) of the Local Government Act 1972.

9. COUNCILLORS' ANNUAL REPORTS TO COUNCIL

The Council received and noted the summary of work undertaken by Councillors for 2004/05, and noted the errata sheet previously circulated and tabled at the meeting [Copy attached as **Appendix 5** to these minutes].

The Council also received and noted the Annual Scrutiny Chairs' report of the work undertaken by their Scrutiny Panels during the 2004/05 Municipal Year.

* * * * * CONCLUSION OF BUSINESS * * * * *

Meeting ended: 7.30p.m. - Wednesday, 25 May 2005

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MAYOR