

Time commenced - 11.00am
Time adjourned - 11.55am
Time reconvened - 1.09pm
Time finished - 3.55pm

COUNCIL

24 June 2020

Present: The Mayor, Councillor Frank Harwood, and Councillors Anderson, Ashburner, Atwal, Barker, Bettany, Care, Carr, Cooper, Dhindsa, Eldret, Evans, Froggatt, A J Graves, A W Graves, Hassall, Hezelgrave, A Holmes, M Holmes, Hudson, Hussain, Ingall, J Khan, S Khan, Kus, Lind, Marshall, McCristal, Naitta, Nawaz, Pattison, Pearce, Peatfield, A Pegg, P Pegg, Potter, Poulter, Repton, Roulstone, Russell, Sandhu, Shanker, Skelton, Smale, Stanton, Testro, Webb, West, Williams, Willoughby and Wood.

The Mayor welcomed councillors to the meeting and noted that it was the first occasion a meeting of the full Council had been held remotely. It was confirmed by the Monitoring Officer that the Great Mace was present in the Council Chamber.

A minute's silence was observed in respect of victims of the global Covid-19 pandemic.

1/20 Election of Mayor

It was proposed by Councillor Hassall, and seconded, that Councillor Ged Potter be elected as Mayor of the City for the next municipal year.

It was proposed by Councillor Marshall, and seconded, that Councillor Frank Harwood be elected as the Mayor of the City for the next municipal year.

The matter was put to the vote and Councillor Harwood was duly elected.

Resolved that Councillor Frank Harwood be elected Mayor of the City for the next municipal year.

Councillor Harwood made the declaration of acceptance of office and retained the chair. The Mayor then gave an acceptance speech, thanking councillors for his nomination and election.

2/20 Appointment of Deputy Mayor

The Mayor asked for nominations for the office of Deputy Mayor.

It was proposed by Councillor Williams, and seconded, that Councillor Dom Anderson be elected Deputy Mayor of the City for the next municipal year.

It was proposed by Councillor Russell, and seconded, that Councillor Balbir Sandhu be elected as Deputy Mayor for the next municipal year.

The matter was put to the vote and Councillor Sandhu was duly elected.

Resolved that Councillor Balbir Sandhu be appointed Deputy Mayor of the City for the next municipal year.

Councillor Sandhu then made the declaration of acceptance of office.

3/20 Thanks to the Retiring Mayor

It was moved by Councillor Naitta, and seconded, that:

"The thanks of this Council be given to Councillor Frank Harwood, for the zeal, impartiality and ability with which he has discharged the duties of the Office of Mayor of the City for the past year."

The motion was put to the vote and carried.

Resolved that the thanks of this Council be given to Councillor Frank Harwood, for the zeal, impartiality and ability with which he has discharged the duties of the Office of Mayor of the City for the past year.

Following the vote, Councillor Harwood gave a speech of thanks and detailed a number of highlights from his year in office.

4/20 Apologies

There were none.

5/20 Appointment of Pinder and Tenter

Resolved, on the motion of the Mayor, that the Markets Manager be appointed Pinder and Tenter for the ensuing year.

6/20 Adjournment of Meeting

Resolved, on the motion of the Mayor, that Council adjourn until 1pm and that the meeting be reconvened via Skype for Business.

The Council adjourned at 11:55am and reconvened via Skype for Business, at 1.09pm on 24 June 2020.

Present: The Mayor, Councillor Frank Harwood, and Councillors Anderson, Ashburner, Atwal, Barker, Bettany, Carr, Care, Cooper, Dhindsa, Eldret, Evans, Froggatt, A J Graves, A W Graves, Hassall, Hezelgrave, A Holmes, M Holmes, Hudson, Hussain, Ingall, J Khan, S Khan, Kus, Lind, Marshall, McCristal, Naitta, Nawaz, Pattison, Pearce, Peatfield, A Pegg, P Pegg, Potter, Poulter, Repton, Roulstone, Russell, Sandhu, Shanker, Skelton, Smale, Stanton Testro, Webb, West, Williams, Willoughby and Wood.

7/20 Apologies

There were none.

8/20 Declarations of Interest

There were none.

9/20 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 26 February 2020 were moved by Councillor Atwal, and seconded.

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 26 February 2020 be approved as a correct record, confirmed and signed by the Mayor.

10/20 Announcements from the Mayor

Councillor Harwood thanked councillors for the support they had shown him in electing him for a second term as Mayor and again reflected on the impact the Covid-19 pandemic had created on the city and its residents.

The Mayor reported that a number of updated documents had been circulated in advance of the meeting, including amended copies of nominations to constitutional committees, outside bodies and neighbourhood boards.

It was noted that included on the agenda were four notices of motion that had been carried over from the previous meeting, which had exceeded four hours in duration. As the proposers of the motions, Councillors Care and Lind moved under Council Procedure Rule CP42(g) that the motions be withdrawn. As seconders, Councillors Carr, Skelton, Naitta and Willoughby confirmed they were content for the motions to be withdrawn and as required under Council Procedure Rule CP56, the consent of the meeting was given without debate.

11/20 Appointment of the Council Cabinet

It was moved on the motion of the Mayor, and seconded, that the Leader of the Council was invited to announce their Council Cabinet.

It was confirmed by Councillor Poulter that the portfolios would remain the same as in the 2019/20 municipal year and that the appointments were as follows:

- Councillor Poulter, Leader, Strategy and Policy
- Councillor M Holmes, Deputy Leader, Regeneration Planning and Transportation
- Councillor Barker, Governance and Licensing
- Councillor Webb, Adults, Health and Housing
- Councillor Williams, Children and Young People
- Councillor Roulstone, Finance and Procurement
- Councillor Wood, Leisure, Culture and Tourism
- Councillor Smale, Communities, Neighbourhoods and Streetpride

12/20 Statements by members of the Council Cabinet

Having previously given notice of their intention to make a statement on the Council's response to Covid-19, the Leader of the Council withdrew his statement.

13/20 Schedule of Meetings for 2019/20

The Council considered a Schedule of Meetings for 2020/21. It was moved by Councillor Ingall, and seconded, that the schedule be approved

Resolved to approve the Schedule of Meetings 2020/21.

14/20 Constitutional Appointments

Following consultation with groups, a document detailing proposed Constitutional Appointments for 2020/21 was considered.

Further to his earlier election as Mayor, Councillor Harwood withdrew his nominations to positions on the Planning Control Committee and the Personnel Committee. No further nominations to vacant positions were received.

Contested positions were put to the vote as follows:

Councillors Stanton and Pattison were each nominated to be Vice Chair of the Corporate Services Scrutiny Review Board. The nominations were put to the vote and Councillor Stanton was elected.

Councillors Cooper and Hussain were each nominated to be Chair of the Adults and Health Scrutiny Review Board. The nominations were put to the vote and Councillor Hussain was elected.

Councillors Hudson and P Pegg were each nominated to be Chair of the Communities Scrutiny Review Board. The nominations were put to the vote and Councillor P Pegg was elected.

Councillors Testro and Nawaz were each nominated to be Vice Chair of the Communities Scrutiny Review Board. The nominations were put to the vote and Councillor Nawaz was elected.

Councillors Hassall and S Khan were each nominated to be Chair of the Planning Control Committee. The nominations were put to the vote and Councillor S Khan was elected.

Councillors Pearce and West were each nominated to be Vice Chair of the Planning Control Committee. The nominations were put to the vote and Councillor West was elected.

Councillors A Holmes and Atwal were each nominated to be Chair of the Licensing Committee. The nominations were put to the vote and Councillor Atwal was elected.

Councillors Cooper, J Khan, Sandhu, Graves Jr and Marshall were each nominated to four available positions as the Vice-Chair of the Licensing Committee. The nominations were put to the vote and Councillors J Khan, Sandhu, Graves Jr and Marshall were elected.

Councillors McCristal and Hezelgrave were each nominated to be Chair of the personnel Committee. The nominations were put to the vote and Councillor Hezelgrave was elected.

Councillors A Holmes and S Khan were each nominated to be the Chair of the Standards Committee. The nominations were put to the vote and Councillor S Khan was elected.

Councillors Roulstone and Naitta were each nominated to be the Council's Disability Champion. The nominations were put to the vote and Councillor Naitta was elected.

Councillors Williams and Atwal were each nominated to be the Council's Minority Ethnic Communities Champion. The nominations were put to the vote and Councillor Atwal was elected.

Councillors Potter and Willoughby were each nominated to be the Council's Anti-Fraud Champion. The nominations were put to the vote and Councillor Willoughby was elected.

Following the conclusion of the voting, it was moved on the motion of the Mayor, and seconded, that the substantive Constitutional Appointments document, as amended, be approved.

Resolved to approve the Constitutional Appointments.

15/20 Neighbourhood Chairs

Following consultation with political groups, a document detailing proposed Neighbourhood Chairs for 2020/21 was considered.

In addition to the published document, it was moved by Councillor A W Graves, and seconded, that Councillor Evans be nominated as the Chair of the Alvaston Neighbourhood Board and that Councillor Bettany be nominated as Chair of the Boulton Neighbourhood Board. It was moved by Councillor Willoughby, and seconded, that Councillor Harwood be nominated as the Chair of the Oakwood Neighbourhood Board.

Councillors Ingall and McCristal were each nominated as the Chair of the Chellaston Neighbourhood Board. The nominations were put to the vote and Councillor Ingall was elected.

Councillors Hudson and Willoughby were each nominated as the Chair of the Derwent Neighbourhood Board. The nominations were put to the vote and Councillor Willoughby was elected.

Councillors A Pegg and P Pegg were each nominated as the Chair of the Mackworth Neighbourhood Board. The nominations were put to the vote and Councillor P Pegg was elected.

Councillors Barker and Harwood were each nominated as Chair of the Oakwood Neighbourhood Board. The nominations were put to the vote and Councillor Harwood was elected.

Following the resolution of the above matters, it was moved on the motion of the Mayor that the Neighbourhood Chairs 2020/21, as amended, be approved.

Resolved to approve the Neighbourhood Chairs for 2020/21.

16/20 Appointments to Outside Bodies and Charities

Following consultation with political groups, a document detailing proposed Appointments to Outside Bodies and Charities for 2020/21 was considered.

The following amendments to the published nominations were proposed and seconded:

- Councillor Atwal nominated Councillor Ingall to the Derbyshire War Memorials Committee.
- Councillor Froggatt was nominated to a vacant position on the Derby Community Healthcare Project.
- Councillor Naitta nominated Councillor Lind to a vacant position on the Annie Sutton and Elizabeth Turner Charities.
- Councillor Hassall proposed Councillor Roulstone replace Councillor Smale as the nomination to Community Action Derby.
- Councillor Poulter withdrew his nomination to Sinfonia ViVA
- Councillor Ingall was nominated to the War Memorial Village.

Contested appointments were put to the vote as follows:

Councillors Peatfield, J Jhan, Potter and Roulstone were each nominated to two available appointments to Community Action Derby. The nominations were put to the vote and Councillors Peatfield and J Khan were appointed.

Councillors Care, A W Graves, Russell and Pearce were each nominated to three available appointments to the Derby Homes Board. The nominations were put to the vote and Councillors Care, A W Graves and Russell were appointed.

Councillors Repton and Wood were each nominated to Direct Help and Advice. The nominations were put to the vote and Councillor Repton was appointed.

Councillors Cooper, Lind, Ingall and McCristal were each nominated to three available appointments to the Derby and Derbyshire War Memorials Committee. The nominations were put to the vote and Councillors Cooper, Lind and Ingall were appointed.

Councillor West and Wood were each nominated to the QUAD Management Board. The nominations were put to the vote and Councillor West was appointed.

Councillors P Pegg and Cooper were each nominated to the Sherwood Foresters Regimental Museum. The nominations were put to the vote and Councillor P Pegg was appointed.

Councillors Ingall and McCristal were each nominated to the War Memorial Village. The nominations were put to the vote and Councillor Ingall was appointed.

Following the additional contributions and the resolution of the contested positions, the substantive document as amended was moved on the motion of the Mayor, and seconded.

Resolved to approve the Appointments to Outside Bodies and Charities for 2020/21.

17/20 Attendance at Annual Conferences

The Council considered a schedule of attendances at annual conferences for the 2020/21 municipal year. It was moved on the motion of the Mayor, and seconded, that the schedule be approved.

Resolved to approve attendances at annual conferences for the 2020/21 municipal year.

18/20 Appointment of the Chief Executive

A report of the Director of Legal, Procurement and Democratic Services was considered.

The report updated members on the appointment process for a permanent Chief Executive, following a recruitment process that had taken place in January and February 2020. A cross party Appointments Panel had recommended the appointment of Mr Paul Simpson to Council for approval. The report also sought approval to the principle of a recruitment process to the post of Strategic Director of Corporate Resources. No changes to the statutory roles of Head of Paid Service or Chief Finance Officer were recommended.

The recommendations in the report were moved by Councillor Poulter, and seconded. The matter was put to the vote and carried.

Resolved:

- 1. To note the supporting information supplied in relation to Paul Simpson and the previous designation of statutory roles made by Council.**
- 2. To approve the appointment of Paul Simpson as Chief Executive, following the recommendation of the cross-party Appointments Panel.**
- 3. To approve the principle of a recruitment process to the post of Strategic Director of Corporate Resources, as required under the Council's Pay Policy, and for the Appointments Panel to confirm an appointment.**

19/20 Urgent Non-Executive Decisions made by the Chief Executive

Council considered a report of the Chief Executive which reported to Council urgent non-executive decisions taken under delegated authority, following consultation with political group leaders, since the last meeting of Council.

The recommendation was moved by Councillor Barker and seconded, put to the vote and carried.

Resolved to note the decisions of the Chief Executive, following consultation with the political group leaders, on the following matters:

- **Review of Licensing and Cumulative Impact Policy 2020**
- **Approval of the minutes of the Personnel Committee, held on 20 November 2019**
- **Deferral of the Council's Annual General Meeting and adoption of Remote Meeting Procedure Rules.**

MAYOR