Time commenced - 11.00am
Time adjourned - 12.11pm
Time reconvened - 6.00pm
Time finished - 6.54pm

COUNCIL 24 MAY 2017

Present: The Mayor, Councillor Linda Winter, and Councillors Afzal, Anderson, Ashburner, Banwait, Barker, Bayliss, Bolton, Care, Carr, Dhindsa, Eldret, Evans, Froggatt, Graves, Grimadell, Harwood, Hassall, Hezelgrave, A Holmes, M Holmes, Hudson, Hussain, Ingall, Jackson, Keith, J Khan, S Khan, Marshall, Naitta, Nawaz, Pegg, Potter, Poulter, Raju, Rawson, Repton, Roulstone, Russell, Sandhu, Shanker, Skelton, Smale, Stanton, Turner, Webb, West, Whitby, Williams, Willoughby and Wood.

1/17 Mayoral Announcement

The Mayor expressed deepest sympathies for those affected by the terror attack at Manchester Arena on 22 May 2017 on behalf of the City of Derby residents, elected members and the authority.

Members and guests stood for a minute's silence out of respect those who had lost their lives or were injured and in support of families, friends and others who had been otherwise affected by the attack.

2/17 Election of Mayor

It was proposed by Councillor Stanton, and seconded, that Councillor John Whitby be elected as Mayor of the City for the next municipal year.

Resolved that Councillor John Whitby be elected Mayor of the City for the next municipal year.

While the newly elected Mayor was robed, Councillor Russell introduced children from Reigate Primary School, who had participated in a council scheme to learn musical instruments during the academic year. The children performed a number of pieces they had learned.

Councillor Whitby made the declaration of acceptance of office and occupied the chair.

3/17 Election of Deputy Mayor

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

It was proposed by Councillor Pegg, and seconded, that Councillor Paul Bayliss be elected Deputy Mayor of the City for the next municipal year.

Resolved that Councillor Paul Bayliss be elected Deputy Mayor of the City for the next municipal year.

Following a short interlude while the newly elected Deputy Mayor was robed, Councillor Bayliss then made the declaration of acceptance of office.

4/17 Thanks to the Retiring Mayor

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

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

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

5/17 Appointment of Pinder and Tenter

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

6/17 Adjournment of Meeting

Resolved, on the motion of the Mayor, that Council adjourn until 6pm in the Council Chamber, The Council House, Derby.

The Council adjourned at 12.11pm and reconvened in the Council Chamber, The Council House, Derby, at 6pm on 24 May 2017.

Present: The Mayor, Councillor John Whitby, and Councillors Afzal, Anderson, Ashburner, Banwait, Barker, Bayliss, Bolton, Care, Carr, Dhindsa, Eldret, Evans, Froggatt, Graves, Grimadell, Harwood, Hassall, Hezelgrave, A Holmes, M Holmes, Hudson, Hussain, Ingall, Jackson, Keith, J Khan, S Khan, Marshall, Naitta, Nawaz, Pegg, Potter, Poulter, Raju, Rawson, Repton, Roulstone, Russell, Sandhu, Shanker, Skelton, Smale, Stanton, Turner, Webb, West, Williams, Winter and Wood.

7/17 Apologies

There were no apologies.

8/17 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

9/17 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 1 March 2017 be approved as a correct record, confirmed and signed by the Mayor.

10/17 Announcements from the Mayor

The Mayor thanked councillors for the support they had shown him in electing him as Mayor, and for the positive messages he had received throughout the day. The Mayor also thanked others who had been in attendance and passed on a message of thanks from Reigate Primary School, who had been in contact to express their pleasure at having participated in the Mayor Making Ceremony. The Mayor thanked Councillor Russell for making arrangements with the school to perform, and thanked the school, children and teachers for their participation.

It was announced that all councillors had been invited to candlelit vigil on the Market Place that evening out of respect for the victims of the terror attack in Manchester. The Mayor encouraged all councillors to attend at the conclusion of the meeting.

The Mayor reaffirmed the comments made by the previous Mayor of Derby, Councillor Winter, in relation to the terror attack. With other persons now present in the Council Chamber, and upon the request of the Mayor, councillors and others present, stood for a further minute's silence out of respect for the victims and all those affected.

11/17 Election of Youth Mayor

A report of the Chief Executive detailing the election of the new Youth Mayor was considered. It was reported that, following a two-stage election process involving young people from across the city through the Voices in Action engagement group, Khanya Simbani had been elected as Youth Mayor and Jawaria Nadeem as Deputy Youth Mayor. Members were asked to endorse these appointments.

It was reported that 12 candidates had been involved in the Youth Mayor programme. The Mayor presented certificates to all those present.

Resolved:

- To thank Philip Hutchinson and Kirsty Glover for the time they had given representing young people in Derby as Youth Mayor and Deputy Youth Mayor respectively since 2015;
- 2) To commend the efforts of all the candidates who participated in the Youth Mayor elections in 2017; and
- 3) To endorse the elections of Khanya Simbani and Jawaria Nadeem as Youth Mayor and Deputy Youth Mayor respectively for Derby for the 2017/8 municipal year.

The Youth Mayor and Deputy Youth Mayor then made their declaration of office before Council.

12/17 Announcement of Council Cabinet

The Mayor invited Councillor Banwait, having been elected to the office of Leader of the Council on a four-year term by Council on 11 June 2014 in accordance with paragraph 7.3 in Article 7 within the Council Constitution, to announce a Council Cabinet for the 2017/8 municipal year.

The Leader of the Council confirmed the following appointments:

Cabinet Member for Strategy and Policy – Councillor Ranjit Banwait

Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Economy – Councillor Martin Rawson

Cabinet Member for Governance - Councillor Baggy Shanker

Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods and Public Protection – Councillor Asaf Afzal

Cabinet Member for Urban Renewal – Councillor Fareed Hussain

Cabinet Member for Safeguarding and CYP – Councillor Sara Bolton

Cabinet Member for Education and Skills - Councillor Sarah Russell

Cabinet Member for Integrated Health and Care - Councillor Martin Repton

Cabinet Member for Jobs and Fair Employment – Councillor Lisa Eldret

Cabinet Member for Leisure, Culture and Tourism - Councillor Amo Raju

13/17 Schedule of Meetings for 2017/8

The Council considered a Schedule of Meetings for 2017/8.

Resolved to approve the Schedule of Meetings 2017/8.

14/17 Constitutional Amendments

Following consultation with groups, a document detailing proposed Constitutional Appointments for 2017/8 was considered. A number of items required a vote of Council where multiple nominations had been received:

Councillors Grimadell and Naitta were each nominated to be Vice Chair of the Regeneration and Housing Scrutiny Review Board. The nominations were put to the vote and Councillor Grimadell was elected.

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

Councillors West and Wood 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 Ashburner and Roulstone were each nominated to be Vice Chair of the Audit and Accounts Committee. The nominations were put to the vote and Councillor Roulstone was elected.

It was reported by Councillor Hezelgrave that the nomination for the Labour vacancy on the Audit and Accounts Committee within the circulated document would be taken by Councillor Winter. This was accepted by Council.

Resolved to approve the Constitutional Appointments.

15/17 Neighbourhood Chairs

Resolved to appoint the following councillors as Neighbourhood Chairs for the 2016/7 municipal year, and to agree that other councillors in that ward would be appointed as Co-Vice Chairs:

- Abbey Councillor Hezelgrave
- Allestree Councillor Webb
- Alvaston Councillor Bayliss
- Arboretum Councillor S Khan
- Blagreaves Councillor Raju
- Boulton Councillor Banwait
- Chaddesden Councillor Bolton
- Chellaston Councillor Ingall
- Darley Councillor Eldret
- Derwent Councillor Rawson
- Littleover Councillor Care
- Mackworth Councillor Whitby
- Mickleover Councillor A Holmes
- Normanton Councillor Sandhu
- Oakwood Councillor Barker
- Sinfin Councillor West
- Spondon Councillor Poulter

16/17 Appointments to Outside Bodies and Charities

Following consultation with groups, a document detailing proposed Appointments to Outside Bodies and Charities for 2017/8 was considered. A number of items required a vote of Council where multiple nominations had been received:

Councillors Froggatt and Potter were each nominated to Derby Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust. The nominations were put to the vote and Councillor Froggatt was elected.

Councillors Potter and Turner were each nominated to Derbyshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust Board. The nominations were put to the vote and Councillor Turner was appointed.

Councillors Pegg and Smale were each nominated to East Midlands Reserve Forces and Cadets Association. The nominations were put to the vote and Councillor Pegg was appointed.

The circulated list showed a vacancy on the Osmaston Regeneration Partnership. It was proposed that Councillor Rawson be appointed to this position.

Resolved to approve the Appointments to Outside Bodies and Charities for 2017/8.

17/17 Attendance at Annual Conferences

The Council considered a schedule of attendances at annual conferences for the 2017/8 municipal year.

Resolved to approve attendances at annual conferences for the 2017/8 municipal year.

18/17 Pay Policy Statement 2017/8

A report of the Chief Executive was considered. It was reported that the Localism Act required local authorities to prepare an annual pay policy statement and to have it approved by Council. The statement for 2017/18 was included for consideration.

Resolved to:

- 1) Approve the Pay Policy Statement; and
- 2) Note that the Pay Policy Statement, when approved, would be published on the council's website.

19/17 Motion: Orgreave Truth and Justice Campaign

It was moved by Councillor Bayliss, and seconded by Councillor Anderson, that:

"Council is disappointed by the Home Secretary's decision not to hold a formal inquiry into the policing of events at Orgreave on 18 June 1984.

Council notes that 95 miners, including many from Derbyshire, were arrested and charged with riot offences, but were all subsequently acquitted amid accusations that evidence against them had been fabricated.

"Council further notes the findings of the Independent Police Complaints Commission which found in a report of June 2015 that there was: 'evidence of excessive violence by police officers, a false narrative from police exaggerating violence by miners, perjury by officers giving evidence to prosecute the arrested men, and an apparent cover-up of that perjury by senior officers'.

"Under these circumstances, it is disappointing that the concerns of miners, their families and communities have been ignored.

"Council resolves to place on record this authority's support for the Orgreave Truth and Justice Campaign and calls on the Leader of the Council to write to the Home Secretary calling for her to review her decision."

The motion was put to the vote and carried.

Resolved:

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MAYOR