BOROUGH COUNCIL OF KING'S LYNN & WEST NORFOLK

COUNCIL

Minutes from the Meeting of the Council held on Thursday, 11th May, 2017 at 6.35 pm in the Assembly Room, Town Hall, Saturday Market Place, King's Lynn PE30 5DQ

PRESENT: Councillor D Whitby (Mayor)
Councillors B Ayres, Miss L Bambridge, A Beales, R Bird, R Blunt, Mrs C Bower,
A Bubb, J Collop, Mrs S Collop, C J Crofts, N Daubney, I Devereux, Mrs S Fraser,
P Gidney, R Groom, G Hipperson, P Hodson, M Hopkins, M Chenery of Horsbrugh,
H Humphrey, P Kunes, A Lawrence, B Long, G McGuinness, Mrs K Mellish,
G Middleton, J Moriarty, Mrs E Nockolds, T Parish, M Peake, D Pope, P Rochford,
C Sampson, Miss S Sandell, T Smith, Mrs V Spikings, M Storey, T Tilbrook, A Tyler,
G Wareham, Mrs E Watson, Mrs J Westrop, D Whitby, A White, Mrs M Wilkinson and
Mrs S Young

Honorary Aldermen E G Benefer, A Clery-Fox, J B Howling, J Loveless, T Manley, Dr P R Richards and C L Walters

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors B Anota, P Beal, Mrs J Collingham, M Howland, C Manning, A Morrison, D Tyler and Mrs A Wright

and Honorary Aldermen Sir Jeremy Bagge, A Lovett and Wing Commander V Stapley

C:1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None were declared.

C:2 URGENT BUSINESS

None

C:3 ELECTION OF A COUNCILLOR TO HOLD OFFICE AS MAYOR OF THE BOROUGH OF KING'S LYNN & WEST NORFOLK AND TO BE CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2017/2018

The Mayor invited nominations for Mayor for 2017/18.

Councillor B Long proposed that Councillor Carol Bower be elected to the office of Mayor and Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year this was seconded by Councillor J Collop.

RESOLVED: That Councillor Carol Bower be elected to the office of Mayor and Chairman of the Council for 2017/18.

C:4 ELECTION OF A COUNCILLOR TO HOLD OFFICE AS DEPUTY MAYOR OF THE BOROUGH OF KING'S LYNN & WEST NORFOLK AND TO BE VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2017/2018

It was proposed by Councillor Nockolds and seconded by Councillor Devereux that Councillor James Moriarty be appointed to the office of Deputy Mayor and Vice-Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year.

RESOLVED: That Councillor James Moriarty be elected to the office of Deputy Mayor and Vice-Chairman of the Council for 2017/18.

C:5 ADMINISTER THE OATH TO THE MAYOR

Councillor Mrs Bower took the Chair, read and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and then, in addressing Members, thanked them for her election and informed the Council that her husband Simon Bower would be her Consort. The Mayor's Chaplain for the year would be Father Adrian Ling.

The Mayor also informed the Council that he would continue to appoint Mayor's Cadets and those for this year would be: OC James Clark (Sea), Cadet Darcy Hillard (Air).

The Mayor's Charities for the year would be The Purfleet Trust and The One to One Project.

C:6 ADMINISTER THE OATH TO THE DEPUTY MAYOR

Councillor Moriarty read and signed the declaration of acceptance of office, and informed the Council that his wife, Mrs Liz Moriarty, would be his Deputy Mayoress.

C:7 VOTE OF THANKS TO THE RETIRING MAYOR AND MAYORESS AND DEPUTY MAYOR AND MAYORESS

Councillor Long, seconded by Councillor Mrs Nockolds proposed a vote of thanks to the outgoing Mayor and Mayoress Councillor and Mrs Whitby.

RESOLVED: That the Council place on record its sincere appreciation for the work undertaken by Councillor David and Mrs Linda Whitby, during their period in office as Mayor and Mayoress of the Borough.

The Mayor then presented gifts to Councillor and Mrs Whitby

C:8 APPOINTMENT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF CABINET AND APPOINTMENTS OF THE VICE-CHAIRMAN AND OTHER MEMBERS OF CABINET

RESOLVED: That Councillor B Long be confirmed Chairman of the Cabinet and Leader of the Council for the forthcoming two years.

RESOLVED: That the Membership of the Cabinet be noted as follows:

Mrs E Nockolds - Deputy and Culture

A Beales – Corporate Projects and Assets

R Blunt - Development

I Devereux - Environment

P Hodson - Performance

A Lawrence - Community

K Mellish – Human Resources, Facilities and Shared Services

C:9 ALLOCATION OF SEATS

RESOLVED: 1) That the proportional allocation of seats with regard to Council Bodies in the Constitution be agreed in accordance with Section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (as amended by subsequent legislation), and in accordance with Section 16 of that Act.

2) That Members be appointed to the proportional Council Bodies as follows:

APPOINTMENTS BOARD

(9 Members – 8 Con, 1 Lab)

B Anota (C)

B Ayres (C)

J Collop (L)

I Devereux (C)

B Long (C)

C Manning (C)

Mrs K Mellish (C)

G Middleton (C)

A Morrison (C)

AUDIT COMMITTEE

(9 Members – 8 Con, 1 Lab)

J Collop (L)

J Collingham (C)

M Hopkins(C)

P Kunes (C)

C Manning (C)

G Middleton (C)

- D Pope (C)
- T Smith (C)
- T Tilbrook (C)

LICENSING AND APPEALS BOARD

(15 Members - 13 Con, 1 Lab, 1 Ind,)

- A Bubb (C)
- C Crofts (C)
- S Fraser (C)
- M Hopkins (C)
- C Manning (C)
- T Parish (I)
- C Sampson (C)
- S Sandell (C)
- T Tilbrook (C)
- D Tyler (C)
- D Whitby (C)
- A White (C)
- M Wilkinson (L)
- S Young (C)
- Vacancy (C)

LICENSING COMMITTEE

(15 Members -12 Con, 2 Lab, 1 Ind)

- L Bambridge (C)
- C Crofts (C)
- S Fraser (C)
- M Hopkins (C)
- C Manning (C)
- T Parish (I)
- C Sampson (C)
- S Sandell (C)
- T Tilbrook (C)
- D Tyler (C)
- D Whitby (C)
- A White (C)
- M Wilkinson (L)
- S Young (C)

Vacancy (L)

PLANNING COMMITTEE

(18 members – 15 Con, 2 Lab 1 Ind)

- A Bubb (C)
- S Buck (L)
- C J Crofts (C)
- S Fraser (C)
- G Hipperson (C)
- A Morrison (C)

- T Parish (I)
- M Peake (C)
- S Sandell (C)
- Mrs V Spikings (C)
- M S Storey (C)
- D Tyler (C)
- G Wareham (C)
- E Watson (C)
- A White (C)
- A Wright (C)
- S Young (C)
- Vacancy (L)

CORPORATE PERFORMANCE PANEL

(12 Members – 9 Con, 2 Lab, 1 Ind)

Chr/Vchr tbc at 1st meeting

- B Anota (C)
- B Ayres (C)
- P Beal (C)
- J Collop (L)
- N Daubney (C)
- G Hipperson (C)
- H Humphrey (C)
- J Moriarty (I)
- A Morrison (C)
- D Tyler (C)
- G Wareham (C)
- Vacancy (L)

ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNITY PANEL

(12 Members – 9 Con, 2 Lab, 1 Ind)

- L Bambridge (C)
- A Bubb (C)
- S Collop (L)
- S Fraser (C)
- G Hipperson (C)
- J Moriarty (I)
- C Sampson (C)
- T Smith (C)
- J Westrop (C)
- D Whitby (C)
- M Wilkinson (L)
- T Wing-Pentelow (C)

REGENERATION & DEVELOPMENT PANEL

(12 Members – 10 Con, 1 Lab, 1 Ind)

M Chenery of Horsbrugh (C)

J Collingham (C)

C J Crofts (C)

P Gidney (C)

M Howland (C)

P Kunes (C)

C Manning (C)

G Middleton (C)

T Parish (I)

A Tyler (L)

E Watson (C)

A Wright (C)

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

(7 Members: 6 Con, 1 Lab)

(2 Parish, 1 Ind person)

B Ayres (C)

P Gidney (C)

C Manning (C)

S Sandell (C)

A Tyler (L)

J Westrop (C)

S Young (C)

C:10 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMEN AND VICE-CHAIRMEN

RESOLVED: That the Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen be appointed as below, noting that the Chairmen and Vice Chairmen of the Scrutiny and Overview Panels will be appointed at the first meeting of their Panels:

APPOINTMENTS BOARD

Chairman - B Long (C) Vice-Chairman - Mrs K Mellish (C)

PLANNING COMMITTEE

Chairman - Mrs V Spikings (C) Vice-Chairman - M Peake (C)

LICENSING COMMITTEE

Chairman – C Crofts (C) Vice-Chairman – S Sandell (C)

LICENSING AND APPEALS BOARD

Chairman – D Tyler (C) Vice-Chairman – M Hopkins (C)

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Chairman – B Ayres (C) Vice Chairman – J Westrop (C)

C:11 POLITICAL PROPORTIONALITY OF TASK GROUPS

RESOLVED: That the political proportionality of Task Groups be approved as follows:

Task Groups with 9 Members – 7 Conservatives: 1 Labour: 1 Independent

Task Groups with 5 Members – 4 Conservative: 1 Labour

C:12 TO AGREE THAT ANY MEMBERS PREVIOUSLY APPOINTED TO AN OUTSIDE BODY CONTINUE TO SERVE UNTIL THE CABINET AND COUNCIL MEETINGS WHERE THEY ARE CONSIDERED FOR 2017/18

RESOLVED: That any Members previously appointed to an outside body continue to serve until the Cabinet and Council meetings where they are considered for 2017/18

The meeting closed at 7.25 pm