

BOROUGH COUNCIL OF KING'S LYNN & WEST NORFOLK

COUNCIL

Minutes from the Meeting of the Council held on Thursday, 16th May, 2019 at 6.30 pm in the Assembly Room, Town Hall, Saturday Market Place, King's Lynn PE30 5DQ

PRESENT: Councillor N J Daubney
Councillors B Ayres, Miss L Bambridge, P Beal, R Blunt, F Bone, C Bower, A Bubb, A Bullen, Mrs J Collingham, J Collop, S Collop, C J Crofts, S Dark, M de Whalley, I Devereux, A Dickinson, P Gidney, G Hipperson, A Holmes, M Howland, G Howman, C Hudson, H Humphrey, B Jones, C Joyce, A Kemp, J Kirk, P Kunes, A Lawrence, B Lawton, B Long, J Lowe, C Manning, G Middleton, J Moriarty, S Nash, E Nockolds, T Parish, S Patel, D Pope, J Ratcliffe, C Rose, J Rust, A Ryves, C Sampson, S Sandell, S Squire, M Storey, A Tyler and D Whitby

Honorary Aldermen: Sir Jeremy Bagge, E G Benefer, A Clery Fox, J Loveless, A Lovett, T Manley, Dr P R Richards, C Walters, L Wilkinson

Apologies for absence were received from:
Honorary Aldermen P Brandon, J B Howling, C Sharp and I M Stockwell.

Councillors H J Bhondi, Lord Howard, C Morley, D Tyler and M Wilkinson

C:1 PRAYERS BY THE MAYOR'S CHAPLAIN

Prayers were led by the Rev Canon Ling

C:2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

C:3 MAYORS COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

C:4 URGENT BUSINESS

None

C:5 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 2019/2020

The Mayor invited nominations for Mayor for 2019/20.

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

RESOLVED: That Councillor Geoffrey Hipperson be elected to the office of Mayor and Chairman of the Council for 2019/20.

C:6 **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 2019/2020**

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs E Nockolds and seconded by Councillor J Collop that Councillor Margaret Wilkinson be appointed to the office of Deputy Mayor and Vice-Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year.

RESOLVED: That Councillor Margaret Wilkinson be elected to the office of Deputy Mayor and Vice-Chairman of the Council for 2019/20.

C:7 **ADMINISTER THE OATH TO THE MAYOR**

Councillor Hipperson took the Chair, read and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and then, in addressing Members, thanked them for his election and informed the Council that his wife Rose Hipperson would be his Mayoress. The Mayor's Chaplain for the year would be the Rev Canon Adrian Ling.

The Mayor also informed the Council that he would continue to appoint Mayor's Cadets and those for this year would be: Sea - OC Jack Dennis, Air - Corporal Bailey Naish, Police - Sophie Couzins.

The Mayor's Charities for the year would be West Norfolk Riding for the Disabled and West Norfolk MIND.

It was noted that at the Deputy Mayor was not able to attend the meeting, she would sign the Oath on her return.

C:8 **VOTE OF THANKS TO THE RETIRING MAYOR AND MAYORESS**

Councillor Long, seconded by Councillor Mrs Nockolds proposed a vote of thanks to the outgoing Mayor and Mayoress, Former Councillor Nicholas Daubney and Mrs Cheryl Daubney.

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

C:9 **TO MAKE PRESENTATIONS TO THE RETIRING MAYOR AND MAYORESS AND TO RECEIVE RESPONSES.**

The Mayor then presented gifts to Former Councillor Daubney and Mrs Daubney.

Former Councillor Daubney then gave a speech referring to his fabulous year as Mayor, and thanking the Council and community for giving him the opportunity to serve in the role.

C:10 **TO RECEIVE THE REPORT OF THE RETURNING OFFICER FROM THE ELECTIONS FOR THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF KING'S LYNN AND WEST NORFOLK HELD ON 2 MAY 2019**

The report of the Returning Officer was noted.

C:11 **TO APPOINT THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CABINET WHO WILL BE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE FORTHCOMING FOUR YEARS AND NOTE THE APPOINTMENTS OF THE VICE-CHAIR AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE CABINET.**

RESOLVED: That the Chairman of Cabinet and Leader of the Council be agreed as Councillor B Long.

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

Deputy Leader & Culture, Heritage & Health – E Nockolds

R Blunt – Development
 I Devereux - Environment
 P Kunes – Commercial Services
 A Lawrence - Housing
 G Middleton – Business Development
 P Gidney – Project Delivery

C:12 **PROPORTIONAL 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 :

AUDIT COMMITTEE

(9 Members – 4 Con, 3 Ind, 2 Lab)

J Collingham (C)
J Collop (L)
S Dark (C)
A Dickinson (C)
B Jones (L)
A Kemp (I)
C Manning (C)
D Pope (I)
T Ryves (I)

APPOINTMENTS BOARD

(9 Members – 5 Con, 2 Ind, 2 Lab)

I Devereux (C)
A Dickinson (C)
A Kemp (I)
B Long (C)
C Manning (C)
C Morley (I)
E Nockolds (C)
J Rust (L)
A Tyler (L)

CORPORATE PERFORMANCE PANEL

(12 Members – 6 Con, 4 Ind, 2 Lab)

B Ayres (C)
P Beal (I)
J Collop (L)
S Dark (C)
A Dickinson (C)
C Hudson (L)
H Humphrey (C)
C Manning (C)
J Moriarty (I)
D Pope (I)
C Rose (I)
D Tyler (C)

ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNITY PANEL

(12 Members – 6 Con, 4 Ind, 2 Lab)

L Bambridge (C)
C Bower (C)
A Bubb (C)
A Bullen (I)
S Collop (L)

A Kemp (I)
J Kirk (C)
J Lowe (C)
C Sampson (C)
S Squire (I)
M de Whalley (I)
M Wilkinson (L)

LICENSING COMMITTEE

(Licensing Act 2003 & Gambling Act)
(15 Members - 7 Con, 5 Ind, 3 Lab)

L Bambridge (C)
A Bubb (C)
A Holmes (I)
G Howman (L)
C Manning (C)
C Morley (I)
S Nash (I)
T Parish (I)
J Rust (L)
C Sampson (C)
S Sandell (C)
S Squire (I)
A Tyler (L)
D Tyler (C)
D Whitby (C)

LICENSING AND APPEALS BOARD

(All other Licensing and Appeals matters)
(15 Members - 7 Con, 5 Ind, 3 Lab)

L Bambridge (C)
A Bubb (C)
J Collop (L)
A Holmes (I)
G Howman (L)
C Manning (C)
C Morley (I)
S Nash (I)
T Parish (I)
C Sampson (C)
S Sandell (C)
S Squire (I)
D Tyler (C)
D Whitby (C)
M Wilkinson (L)

PLANNING COMMITTEE

(18 members – 10 Con, 5 Ind, 3 Lab)

F Bone (L)
 C Bower (C)
 A Bubb (C)
 C J Crofts (C)
 G Hipperson (C)
 M Howland (I)
 C Hudson (L)
 C Joyce (L)
 J Kirk (C)
 R Lawton (I)
 C Manning (C)
 T Parish (I)
 S Patel (C)
 C Rose (I)
 S Sandell (C)
 S Squire (I)
 M S Storey (C)
 D Tyler (C)

REGENERATION & DEVELOPMENT PANEL

(12 Members – 6 Con, 4 Ind, 2 Lab)

L Bambridge (C)
 J Bhondi (I)
 F Bone (L)
 J Collingham (C)
 M Howland (I)
 B Jones (L)
 J Lowe (C)
 C Manning (C)
 T Parish (I)
 S Patel (C)
 M de Whalley (I)
 D Whitby (C)

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

(7 Members: 4 Con, 2 Ind, 1 Lab)

(2 Parish, 1 Ind person)

B Ayres (C)
 L Bambridge (C)
 A Bullen (I)
 J Collingham (C)
 G Howman (L)
 C Manning (C)
 S Nash (I)

(Independent Person – C Wilkinson, Parish Rep - Non voting)

C:13 **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMEN AND VICE-CHAIRMEN**

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

i) APPOINTMENTS BOARD

Chairman - B Long (C)
Vice-Chairman – E Nockolds (C)

ii) PLANNING COMMITTEE

Chairman – C Crofts (C)
Vice-Chairman – C Bower (C)

iii) LICENSING COMMITTEE

Chairman – S Sandell (C)
Vice-Chairman – L Bambridge (C)

iv) LICENSING AND APPEALS BOARD

Chairman – D Tyler (C)
Vice-Chairman – D Whitby (C)

v) STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Chairman – B Ayres (C)
Vice Chairman – C Manning (C)

vi) CORPORATE PERFORMANCE PANEL

Chairman: S Dark

vii) ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNITY PANEL

Chairman: C Sampson

viii) REGENERATION AND DEVELOPMENT PANEL

Chairman: J Collingham

ix) AUDIT COMMITTEE

Chairman: A Dickinson

C:14 **POLITICAL PROPORTIONALITY OF TASK GROUPS**

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

Task Groups with 10 Members – 5 Conservative, 3 Independent, 2 Labour

Task Groups with 6 Members – 3 Conservatives, 2 Independent, 1 Labour

Task Groups with 4 Members – 2 Conservative, 1 Independent, 1 Labour

C:15 **OUTSIDE BODIES**

RESOLVED: That any existing Members previously appointed to an outside body continue to serve until 18 June 2019 Cabinet or 4 July 2019 Council meeting, whichever is appropriate.

The meeting closed at 7.30 pm