

BOROUGH COUNCIL OF KING'S LYNN & WEST NORFOLK**ANNUAL COUNCIL**

**Minutes from the Meeting of the Annual Council held on
Thursday, 12th May, 2022 at 4.30 pm in the Assembly Room, Town Hall,
Saturday Market Place, King's Lynn PE30 5DQ**

PRESENT: Councillor H Humphrey (Chair)

Councillors Miss L Bambridge, J Bhondi, R Blunt, F Bone, A Bubb, A Bullen, J Collop, S Collop, C J Crofts, S Dark, M de Whalley, I Devereux, A Dickinson, P Gidney, G Hipperson, A Holmes, M Howland, C Hudson, B Jones, C Joyce, A Kemp, J Kirk, P Kunes, B Lawton, B Long, J Lowe, C Manning, G Middleton, J Moriarty, C Morley, S Nash, E Nockolds, T Parish, S Patel, J Ratcliffe, C Rose, J Rust, A Ryves, C Sampson, S Sandell, Mrs V Spikings, S Squire, M Storey, A Tyler, D Tyler, D Whitby and M Wilkinson

Honorary Aldermen Dr P R Richards and C L Walters

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors B Ayres, P Beal, C Bower, Mrs J Collingham, Lord Howard, G Howman and A Lawrence

Honorary Aldermen Sir Jeremy Bagge, P Brandon and T Manley

C:1 **PRAYERS**

Prayers were led by the Mayor's Chaplain, Rev Canon Ling.

C:2 **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

None

C:3 **MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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The Mayor gave an update on the events he had attended and participated in since the last meeting.

C:4 **URGENT BUSINESS**

None

C:5 **ELECTION OF A COUNCILLOR TO HOLD OFFICE AS MAYOR OF THE BOROUGH OF KING'S LYNN AND WEST NORFOLK AND TO BE CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2022/2023**

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Councillor S Dark proposed Councillor Lesley Bambridge for the position of Mayor and Chairman of the Council for the 2022/2023 Municipal year. This was seconded by Councillor Terry Parish

RESOLVED: That Councillor Bambridge be appointed as Mayor and Chairman of the Council for 2022/23.

C:6 **ELECTION OF A COUNCILLOR TO HOLD OFFICE AS DEPUTY MAYOR OF THE BOROUGH OF KING'S LYNN AND WEST NORFOLK AND TO BE VICE-CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2022/23**

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Councillor Ben Jones proposed Councillor Margaret Wilkinson as Deputy Mayor and Vice-Chair of the Council for the 2022/23 municipal year. This was seconded by Councillor Graham Middleton.

RESOLVED: That Councillor Margaret Wilkinson be appointed Deputy Mayor and Vice-Chair of the Council for the 2022/23 municipal year.

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

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Councillor Bambridge 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 Consorts would be her brother Dennis Bambridge and Councillor Colin Manning.

The Mayor's Chaplain for the year would be the Rev Canon Adrian Ling.

The Mayor also informed the Council that she would continue to appoint Mayor's Cadets and those for this year would be:

Sea Cadet	Cadet 1st Class Louis Chappell
Army Cadet	Cdt Yasmine Pereira-Styczen
Air Cadet	Cadet Corporal Jason Cutche
Police Cadet	Cadet Fin Grief
Fire Cadet	Skye Ironside

Mayors Cadets badges were bestowed on the Cadets.

The Mayor's Charities for the year would be The Purfleet Trust & The Bridge For Heroes.

C:8 **ADMINISTER OATH TO THE DEPUTY MAYOR**

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Councillor Wilkinson read and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and then, in addressing Members, thanked them for her election and informed the Council that Amani Habaibeh and Dawn Leigh would be her Consorts.

C:9 **VOTE OF THANKS TO THE RETIRING MAYOR AND MAYORESS**

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Councillor Dark proposed the vote of thanks to the outgoing Mayor and Mayoress Councillor Harry and Mrs Brenda Humphrey. This was seconded by Councillor Parish.

C:10 **TO MAKE PRESENTATIONS TO THE RETIRING MAYOR AND MAYORESS AND DEPUTY MAYOR AND CONSORT AND RECEIVE RESPONSES**

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Council was informed that the gifts and flowers for the outgoing Mayor and Mayoress would be passed to them.

C:11 **TO NOTE THE CHAIR OF CABINET AND CABINET MEMBERS**

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Leader S Dark
Deputy Leader G Middleton
R Blunt
A Dickinson
P Kunes
A Lawrence
B Long
S Sandell

RESOLVED: That the Leader of the Council, Councillor Dark and his Cabinet be noted.

C:12 **PROPORTIONAL ALLOCATION OF SEATS**

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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 :

i) APPOINTMENTS BOARD/INVESTIGATING AND DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

(9 Members – 5 Con, 2 Ind, 2 Lab)

S Dark (C)
I Devereux (C)
A Dickinson (C)
C Joyce (L)
C Manning (C)
G Middleton (C)
S Nash (I)
J Rust (I)
A Tyler (L)

ii) AUDIT COMMITTEE

(9 Members – 5 Con, 3 Ind, 1 Lab)

J Collingham (C)
J Collop (L)
I Devereux (C)
P Gidney (C)
C Manning (C)
C Morley (I)
J Rust (I)
T Ryves (I)
M Storey (C)

iii) STANDARDS COMMITTEE

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

B Ayres (C)
G Hipperson (C)
J Collingham (C)
S Collop (L)
C Manning (C)
S Nash (I)
T Parish (I)
(Independent Person –A Orchard, & Parish Reps - Non voting)

iv) LICENSING COMMITTEE

(15 Members - 8 Con, 5 Ind, 2 Lab)

A Bubb (C)
C Crofts (C)
A Holmes (I)
C Hudson (L)
C Manning (C)
C Morley (I)
S Nash (I)
E Nockolds (C)
T Parish (I)
J Rust (I)
C Sampson (C)
V Spikings (C)
A Tyler (L)
D Tyler (C)
D Whitby (C)

v) LICENSING AND APPEALS BOARD

(15 Members - 9 Con, 4 Ind, 2 Lab)

A Bubb (C)
J Collop (L)
C Crofts (C)
A Holmes (I)
H Humphrey (C)
C Manning (C)
C Morley (I)
S Nash (I)
E Nockolds (C)
T Parish (I)
C Sampson (C)
V Spikings (C)
D Tyler (C)
D Whitby (C)
M Wilkinson (L)

vi) PLANNING COMMITTEE

(18 members – 10 Con, 5 Ind, 3 Lab)

F Bone (L)
C Bower (C)
A Bubb (C)
C Crofts (C)
C Hudson (L)
R Lawton (I)
C Manning (C)

E Nockolds (C)
 T Parish (I)
 S Patel (C)
 J Rust (I)
 S Squire (I)
 V Spikings (C)
 M S Storey (C)
 D Tyler (C)
 D Whitby (C)
 (L) Vacancy tbc
 (I) Vacancy tbc

vii) CORPORATE PERFORMANCE PANEL
 (12 Members – 6 Con, 4 Ind, 2 Lab)

B Ayres (C)
 J Collop (L)
 C Hudson (L)
 H Humphrey (C)
 J Kirk (C)
 C Manning (C)
 J Moriarty (I)
 C Morley (I)
 S Nash (I)
 S Patel (C)
 C Rose (I)
 D Tyler (C)

viii) ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNITY PANEL
 (12 Members – 7 Con, 3 Ind, 2 Lab)

C Bower (C)
 A Bubb (C)
 A Bullen (I)
 S Collop (L)
 I Devereux (C)
 G Hipperson (C)
 J Kirk (C)
 J Lowe (C)
 C Sampson (C)
 S Squire (I)
 M de Whalley (I)
 M Wilkinson (L)

ix) REGENERATION & DEVELOPMENT PANEL
 (12 Members – 7 Con, 3 Ind, 2 Lab)

P Beal (I)
 F Bone (L)
 C Bower (C)
 J Collingham (C)
 C Crofts (C)
 P Gidney (C)

H Humphrey (C)
B Jones (L)
C Manning (C)
C Morley (I)
M de Whalley (I)
D Whitby (C)

C:13 **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRS AND VICE CHAIRS**

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

i) APPOINTMENTS BOARD /IDC

Chair – S Dark (C)
Vice-Chair – G Middleton (C)

ii) PLANNING COMMITTEE

Chair – V Spikings (C)
Vice-Chair – C Bower (C)

iii) LICENSING COMMITTEE

Chair – E Nockolds (C)
Vice-Chair – C Crofts (C)

iv) LICENSING AND APPEALS BOARD

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

v) STANDARDS COMMITTEE

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

vi) CORPORATE PERFORMANCE PANEL

Chair: J Moriarty (I)

vii) ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNITY PANEL

Chair: C Sampson (C)

viii) REGENERATION AND DEVELOPMENT PANEL

Chair: J Collingham (C)

ix) AUDIT COMMITTEE

Chair: I Devereux (C)

C:14 POLITICAL PROPORTIONALITY OF TASK GROUPS

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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

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RESOLVED: That any existing Members previously appointed to an outside body continue to serve until 21 June 2022 Cabinet or 14 July 2022 Council meeting, whichever is appropriate.

The meeting closed at 5.32 pm