

ANNUAL COUNCIL

Wednesday, 17th May, 2017
Time of Commencement: 7.00 pm

Present:- Councillor Ian Wilkes – in the Chair

Councillors:

Allport	Northcott
Astle	Olszewski
Bailey	Owen
Beech	Panter
Burch	Parker
Burgess	Pickup
Cooper	Proctor
Miss J Cooper	Reddish
Dillon	Robinson
Dymond	Rout
Eagles	Shenton
Fear	Simpson
Frankish	Snell
Gardner	Spence
L Hailstones	Stubbs
P Hailstones	Sweeney
S Hambleton	J Tagg
T Hambleton	S Tagg
Harper	Turner
Heesom	Walklate
Holland	Waring
Huckfield	White
Johnson	White
Jones	G Williams
Kearon	J Williams
Loades	Winfield
Mancey	Wing
Matthews	Wright
Naylon	

Officers Executive Director (Operational Services) - David Adams, Executive Director (Development) - Neale Clifton, Liz Dodd - Head of Audit and Elections (and Executive - John Sellgren and Executive Director (Resources and Support

1. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Councillors Bloor and Woolley.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest stated.

3. MINUTES

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting held on 22 February, 2017 be agreed as a correct record.

4. ELECTION OF MAYOR 2017/18

It was moved by Councillor Proctor and seconded by Councillor Shenton that Councillor S. White be appointed as Mayor for the 2017/18 municipal year.

Resolved: That Councillor S. White be appointed as Mayor for the 2017/18 municipal year.

The Mayor made the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

Councillor Simon White - in the Chair.

5. APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR 2017/18

It was moved by Councillor S. Tagg and seconded by Councillor Sweeney that Councillor Heesom be appointed as Deputy Mayor for the 2017/18 municipal year.

Resolved: That Councillor Heesom be appointed as Deputy Mayor for the 2017/18 municipal year.

The Deputy Mayor signed the Acceptance of Office.

6. MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

The Mayor made the following appointments:

Mayoress –	Mrs Shirley Boyle
Consort –	Councillor Gary White
High Constable –	Mr Allen Jones
Chaplain –	Reverend Peter Chantry
Mace Bearers –	Mrs Angela Mayer and Mr James Worgan

7. MAYORAL ADDRESS

The Mayor thanked the Council for affording him the honour of the appointment and paid tribute to the hard work, enthusiasm and commitment of his predecessor. He stressed his appreciation and understanding of the importance of the role both as part of the Borough's heritage and in contributing to the future cultural and economic development of the area.

8. VOTE OF THANKS TO THE RETIRING MAYOR AND MAYORESS

On behalf of the Council, Councillor Shenton expressed gratitude and appreciation to the retiring Mayor and Mayoress for their tireless dedication to the role and their services to the Borough and its communities. Councillors S. Tagg and Reddish referred to the style adopted by the retiring Mayor when chairing Council meetings, adding humour to his professional approach. The Borough had been served well by the retiring Mayor as its Ambassador.

Official Badges were presented to the retiring Mayor and Mayoress.

9. **RESPONSE OF THE RETIRING MAYOR AND SUMMARY OF THE MAYORAL YEAR**

The retiring Mayor thanked members of the Council for their support and consideration particularly during his chairing of meetings and referred to the many enjoyable engagements he had undertaken meeting members of the local community. He wished his successor well for the forthcoming year.

10. **MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Mayor gave notice that his Annual Civic Service would be held at St. Giles Church at 10.30am on Sunday 25 June 2017. He referred to a formal Reception which was to be held immediately following this Annual Council meeting and thanked his family and friends for their support for both events.

11. **REVISION TO THE CONSTITUTION**

The Leader introduced this report which summarised the following consequential changes made to the Constitution by the Monitoring Officer to reflect restructuring of some services, procedural changes and reviews of Committee responsibilities:

Service/provisions/Committee	Changes
Licensing Function	Transfer to Directorate for Regeneration and Planning (Environmental Health Division) and subsequent merger of Licensing and Environmental Health Schemes of Delegation.
Appendix 11 -Access to Information Rules*	Substantial update to reflect legislative changes.
Leisure and Amenities Scheme of Delegation	<i>Sports Grants</i> -Executive Director of Operational Services in consultation with Portfolio Holder for Leisure and Cultural to approve recommendations for sports grants from Castle Sports Group <i>Exhumations and Re-interments</i> – Cabinet or Executive Director of Operational Services in consultation with Head of Environmental Health to determine applications and requests and recover fees and charges.
Audit and Standards Committee*	New Terms of Reference following merger of former Audit and Risk Committee and Standards Committees
Constitution and Member Support Working Group*	Update to title and Terms of Reference of former Constitution Working Group to reflect wider remit

*Revised documentation circulated.

Resolved: That the consequential changes to the Constitution be noted and the amended Constitution be adopted for the 2017/18 municipal year.

12. APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY LEADER AND CABINET

The Leader confirmed Councillor Turner as Deputy Leader and the following as members of the Cabinet:

Councillor Rout
 Councillor Williams
 Councillor Beech
 Councillor Kearon
 Councillor Robinson

13. APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES, CHAIRS AND VICE-CHAIRS FOR 2017/18.

Resolved: That the appointments to committees, as set out in the Supplementary agenda, be approved:

Chairs and Vice-Chairs

Resolved: That the following Chair and Vice-Chair appointments be approved:

COMMITTEE	CHAIR	VICE - CHAIR
Audit and Standards	S. Pickup	S. Dymond
Conservation Advisory	W. Naylor	A. Gardner
Employee Consultative	Portfolio Holder	No nomination required
Licensing	T. Hambleton	J Winfield
Planning	B. Proctor	C Spence*
Public Protection	S. Hambleton	G. White
Staffing	S. Hambleton	No nomination required
Health and Well Being Scrutiny	R. Wright	L. Burch
Active and Cohesive Communities Scrutiny	G. Williams	R. Bailey
Cleaner, Greener and Safer Communities	W. Naylor	S. Burgess*
Economic Development and Enterprise Scrutiny	M. Olszewski*	D. Allport
Finance, Resources and Partnerships Scrutiny	J. Winfield*	C. Spence

*Denotes where a vote was taken as more than one nomination was received

14. APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES.

Resolved: That the list of Representatives onto Outside Bodies, as set out in the Supplementary agenda be agreed and the Members appointed accordingly.

15. MEMBERS ALLOWANCES.

The Leader introduced the report which proposed the continuation of the current Scheme of Members' Allowances for 2017/18. It was noted that with the support of all members, Allowances had remained static since 2006.

Resolved: That the current Scheme of Members' Allowances be retained for the municipal year 2017/18.

16. CALENDAR OF MEETINGS 2017/18

Resolved: That the Calendar of Meetings for 2017/18 as submitted be approved and it be noted that any variation of meeting commencement time away from 7.00pm be at the discretion of the Chair of the meeting in question.

17. STANDING ORDER 18 - URGENT BUSINESS

There was no urgent business.

COUNCILLOR IAN WILKES
Chair

COUNCILLOR SIMON WHITE
Chair

Meeting concluded at 7.45 pm