

**MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL
MONDAY, 19 MAY 2008**

Councillors Dobbie (Mayor), Vanier, Adamou, Adje, Aitken, Alexander, Allison, Amin, Basu, Beacham, Bevan, Beynon, Bloch, Bull, Butcher, Canver, Cooke, Diakides, Dodds, Dogus, Edge, Egan, Engert, Gorrie, Griffith, Haley, Hare, B. Harris, C. Harris, Hoban, Jones, Rahman Khan, Knight, Kober, Lister, Mallett, Meehan, Mughal, Newton, Oakes, Oatway, Patel, Peacock, Reid, Reith, Santry, Stanton, Thompson, Weber, Whyte, Williams, Wilson and Winskill.

Apologies Councillor Baker, Davies, Demirci and Rainger

MINUTE NO.	SUBJECT/DECISION	ACTION BY
CNCL01.	<p>FILMING OF MEETING</p> <p>The Mayor requested agreement to the proceedings being filmed. The Council agreed.</p>	
CNCL02.	<p>TO ELECT THE MAYOR FOR THE ENSUING YEAR.</p> <p>The Mayor called for Nominations for the Office of Mayor for the Municipal Year 2008/09.</p> <p>Councillor Sheila Peacock moved and Councillor Catherine Harris seconded that Councillor Alan Dobbie be elected Mayor.</p> <p>Councillor Gorrie moved and Councillor Aitken seconded that Councillor Oakes be elected Mayor.</p> <p>Having put the vote to the meeting there being 31 votes for Councillor Dobbie, and 22 votes for Councillor Oakes, the Council:</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That Councillor Alan Dobbie be elected Mayor for the Municipal Year 2008/09. 2. The Mayor made and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office, which was witnessed by Councillors Peacock and Catherine Harris. 3. The Mayor then addressed the Council, gave thanks for his election and outlined his objectives for his year of office. 4. The Mayor's Consort Lance Chinnian, was then invested with his Badge of Office. 	

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<p>CNCL03.</p>	<p>TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</p> <p>Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Baker, Davies, Demirci and Rainger.</p>	
<p>CNCL04.</p>	<p>TO ASK THE MAYOR TO CONSIDER THE ADMISSION OF ANY LATE ITEMS OF BUSINESS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 100B OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972</p> <p>See Minutes 11, 12, 13, 15,17 & 18.</p>	
<p>CNCL05.</p>	<p>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</p> <p>Members were asked by the Mayor to declare any personal interest in respect of items on the agenda. In accordance with Part 2 of the Members Code of Conduct set out in the Council Constitution, any Member disclosing a personal interest which was also prejudicial would be asked to withdraw from the Chamber during consideration of the item and neither were they to seek to improperly influence a decision on the said item.</p> <p>There were no declarations of interest.</p>	
<p>CNCL06.</p>	<p>TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 31 MARCH 2008</p> <p>Copies of the Minutes of the last meeting having been circulated, they were taken as read.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 31 March 2008 be signed as a true record.</p>	
<p>CNCL07.</p>	<p>TO RECEIVE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION OF THE APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR</p> <p>The Chief Executive reported that the Mayor had signified in writing the appointment of Councillor Bernice Vanier as Deputy Mayor for the ensuing year.</p> <p>Councillor Vanier was invested with her Badge of Office. The Deputy Mayor's Escort – Mr Vernon King was then invested with his badge of office.</p>	
<p>CNCL08.</p>	<p>TO PASS A VOTE OF THANKS TO THE RETIRING MAYOR AND MAYORESS AND THE RETIRING DEPUTY MAYOR AND DEPUTY MAYOR'S ESCORT.</p> <p>A vote of thanks to the retiring Mayor and Mayoress and the retiring Deputy Mayor and Escort was moved by Councillor George Meehan and</p>	

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	<p>seconded by Councillor Neil Williams.</p> <p>The retiring Mayor was presented with a badge marking his year of office. The Leader also presented the retiring Mayor with a photograph album. The Mayor presented the retiring Mayoress with a framed photograph.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That the Council extend to the retiring Mayor, Councillor Sheik Thompson, the retiring Mayoress Mrs Kyoko Thompson , the retiring Deputy Mayor, Councillor Dilek Dogus, and the retiring Deputy Mayor's Escort - Mr Mustafa Dogus , its sincere thanks and appreciation for the services they had rendered to the Borough during the past year.</p> <p>The retiring Mayor addressed the Council.</p>	
<p>CNCL09.</p>	<p>TO RECEIVE SUCH COMMUNICATIONS AS THE MAYOR MAY LAY BEFORE THE COUNCIL</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Mayor thanked the flower children Muganthan Yogaratnam, Anitalia Nangozi and Damla Kurt from Noel Park Primary School for attending the ceremony. The Council gave them a round of applause. 2. The Mayor announced and presented his Parish Priest, Fr. Simon Clark of St. Mark's Church in Noel Park with a Chaplain's Badge as the Mayor's Chaplain for the year ahead. 3. The Mayor congratulated Councillor Thompson on receiving the Freedom of the City of London award for services to music and theatre art. 	
<p>CNCL10.</p>	<p>TO ELECT THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2008/09.</p> <p>Councillor Kober proposed that Councillor George Meehan be elected Leader of the Council for 2008/09. Councillor Reith seconded.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That Councillor George Meehan be elected Leader of the Council for 2008/9.</p>	
<p>CNCL11.</p>	<p>TO AGREE THE NUMBER OF COUNCILLORS TO BE APPOINTED TO THE CABINET AND APPOINT THOSE MEMBERS OF THE CABINET FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2008/09.</p> <p>The Mayor agreed to the admission of this report as urgent business. Appointments had only recently been finalised at Party Group Meetings and needed approval to permit Cabinet meetings to be convened.</p>	

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	<p>It was moved by Councillor Kober that the tabled proposals be adopted.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That the numbers of Councillors and names of Councillors appointed to the Cabinet, as detailed in the tabled proposals, be agreed.</p>	
CNCL12.	<p>TO AGREE THE APPOINTMENTS PROCEDURE AND TO APPOINT COMMITTEES, SUB-COMMITTEES AND OTHER BODIES FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2008/09 INCLUDING THE SELECTION OF THE CHAIRS AND DEPUTY CHAIRS.</p> <p>The Mayor agreed to the admission of this report as urgent business. Appointments had only recently been finalised at Party Group Meetings and needed approval to permit committees to be convened.</p> <p>It was moved by Councillor Kober that recommendations 1 – 2 as detailed be adopted.</p> <p>Councillor Wilson moved an amendment to recommendation 2, that Councillor Hare be appointed Chair of the Planning Committee. Councillor Allison seconded.</p> <p>In respect of the amendment for the nomination for the Chair of the Planning Committee there being 22 votes for Councillor Hare, and 31 against, the amendment was lost.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. That the process for appointing to Committees, Sub-Committees and Chairs be approved on the “slate” basis prescribed.2. That the membership of committees, sub-committees and appointment of Chairs be agreed as attached at Appendix 1 of the report.	
CNCL13.	<p>TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES.</p> <p>The Mayor agreed to the admission of this report as urgent business. Appointments had only recently been finalised at Party Group Meetings and needed approval to permit appointments to outside organisations to be made.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That the appointments to outside bodies be approved, as detailed in the schedule attached to the report.</p>	

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<p>CNCL14.</p>	<p>TO RECEIVE THE REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER AND HEAD OF LEGAL SERVICES RESOLVED:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the appointment of Annabel Loyd to serve as an independent member on the Standards Committee from May 2008 for four years be agreed. 2. That the term of appointment of Irene Francis and Roger Lovegrove be extended for a further year until May 2009. 																									
<p>CNCL15.</p>	<p>TO RECEIVE THE REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE, NOTING THE APPOINTMENTS MADE BY THE POLITICAL GROUPS, AND TO TAKE SUCH ACTION AS MAY BE APPROPRIATE. The Mayor agreed to the admission of this report as urgent business as it dealt with matters considered at Party Group meetings within the last few days.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That the composition of the following political groups be noted:</p> <p><u>The Labour Group</u></p> <p>Leader: Councillor George Meehan Deputy Leader: Councillor Lorna Reith Chief Whip: Councillor Claire Kober Chair: Councillor Matt Cooke Vice Chair: Councillor Ray Dodds Secretary: Councillor GMMH Rahman Khan Assistant Whips: Councillors Councillor Sheila Peacock & Pat Egan Group Treasurer Councillor Sheila Peacock Non-Executive members: Councillors Alan Dobbie and Sheik Thompson</p> <p><u>Councillors:</u></p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 33%;">Adamou</td> <td style="width: 33%;">Dogus</td> <td style="width: 33%;">Mallett</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Adje</td> <td>Griffith</td> <td>Patel</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Amin</td> <td>Haley</td> <td>Santry</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Basu</td> <td>B. Harris</td> <td>Stanton</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Bevan</td> <td>C. Harris</td> <td>Vanier</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Bull</td> <td>Jones</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Canver</td> <td>Knight</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Diakides</td> <td>Lister</td> <td></td> </tr> </table> <p><u>The Liberal Democrat Group</u></p> <p>Leader: Councillor Robert Gorrie Deputy Leader: Councillor Richard Wilson</p>	Adamou	Dogus	Mallett	Adje	Griffith	Patel	Amin	Haley	Santry	Basu	B. Harris	Stanton	Bevan	C. Harris	Vanier	Bull	Jones		Canver	Knight		Diakides	Lister		
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CNCL16.	<p>TO AGREE THE SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS FOR THE 2008/9 MUNICIPAL YEAR.</p> <p>It was moved by Councillor Kober that the recommendations as detailed be adopted.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That the schedule of meetings for 2008/09, as circulated with the tabled amendment for May and June 2008, be approved.</p>																									
CNCL17.	<p>TO RECEIVE A STATEMENT OF COUNCILLORS' ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL, COMMITTEES AND SUB-COMMITTEES IN ACCORDANCE WITH COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULES.</p> <p>The Mayor agreed to the admission of this report as urgent business. The statement was not available at the time of despatch as information was still being gathered.</p> <p>It was moved by Councillor Kober that the statement of attendance be noted subject to any changes being reported to the next meeting.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That the statement of members' attendance be noted, subject to any changes being reported to the next meeting.</p>																									
CNCL18.	<p>TO NOTE THE END OF MUNICIPAL YEAR FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR 2007/08.</p> <p>The Mayor agreed to the admission of this report as urgent business. The statement was not available at the time of despatch as information was still being gathered.</p>																									

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	<p>It was moved by Councillor Kober that the end of Year statement be noted.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That the allowances paid to each Member for 2007/08 be noted.</p>	
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COUNCILLOR ALAN DOBBIE

Mayor