

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FULL COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, 22ND MAY, 2017, 7.30 - 8.40 pm

PRESENT:

Councillors: Charles Adje, Peray Ahmet, Kaushika Amin, Jason Arthur, Eugene Ayisi, Dhiren Basu, Patrick Berryman, John Bevan, Barbara Blake, Mark Blake, Zena Brabazon, Clare Bull, Gideon Bull, Vincent Carroll, Joanna Christophides, Pippa Connor, Ali Demirci, Isidoros Diakides, Natan Doron, Joseph Ejiofor, Gail Engert, Joe Goldberg, Eddie Griffith, Makbule Gunes, Kirsten Hearn, Adam Jogee, Claire Kober, Toni Mallett, Jennifer Mann, Stephen Mann, Liz McShane, Peter Mitchell, Martin Newton, Felicia Opoku, Ali Gul Ozbek, James Patterson, Sheila Peacock, Lorna Reith, Reg Rice, Raj Sahota, Anne Stennett, Alan Strickland, Tucker, Bernice Vanier, Ann Waters, Elin Weston and Charles Wright

1. FILMING AT MEETINGS

The Mayor drew attention to the notice on filming at meetings.

NOTED

2. TO ELECT THE MAYOR FOR THE ENSUING YEAR 2017/18

The Mayor called for nominations for the Office of Mayor for the Municipal Year 2017/18.

Councillor Strickland moved and Councillor Ahmet seconded that Councillor Stephen Mann be elected Mayor.

RESOLVED

1. That Councillor Stephen Mann be elected Mayor for the Municipal Year 2017/18
2. The Mayor made and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office, which was witnessed by Councillors Strickland and Ahmet.
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 Consorts, Councillor Jennifer Mann and Katie O'Mara, were then invested with their Badges of Office.

3. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Adamou, Beacham, Carter, Elliott, Gallagher, Hare, Ibrahim, McNamara, Morris and Ross.

Apologies for lateness were received from Councillors Brabazon and Gideon Bull.

4. 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

The interim Chief Executive asked for agreement of the admission of the following late items of business that could not be available earlier, and needed to be dealt with at this meeting. The reasons for lateness and urgency were as follows:

Item 11 - Appointments of Committees for the Municipal Year 2017/18; and Item 14: Appointments to outside bodies, which were not available at the time of dispatch as they included recent changes following party group meetings.

Item 16 - To note the end of Municipal Year Financial Statement for 2015/16, which was not available at the time of dispatch due to verification of information contained therein.

5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Mayor asked Members to make any declarations of interest, as shown on the printed summons.

No declarations were made.

6. TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 20 MARCH

The interim Chief Executive asked whether the minutes of the meeting of 20 March could be taken as read.

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the meeting of 20 March 2017 were agreed as a true record.

7. TO RECEIVE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION OF DEPUTY MAYOR

The interim Chief Executive reported that the Mayor had signified in writing the appointment of Councillor Liz McShane as Deputy Mayor for the Municipal Year 2017/18.

Councillor McShane was invested with her Badge of Office.

The Mayor announced that the Deputy Mayor would have two consorts, Linda Kelly and Shelagh O'Connor, who were then invested with the Badge of Office.

8. TO PASS A VOTE OF THANKS TO THE RETIRING MAYOR AND MAYOR'S CONSORTS, AND THE RETIRING DEPUTY MAYOR AND DEPUTY MAYOR'S CONSORTS

A vote of thanks to the retiring Mayor and Consorts was moved by Councillor Kober and seconded by Councillor Engert.

The retiring Mayor was presented with a badge and a framed collage in honour of his year of office.

RESOLVED

That the Council extend its thanks and appreciation to the retiring Mayor, Councillor Ali Gul Ozbek, and his consorts, Zubeyde Simsek and Hamdan Ozbek, for the services they had rendered to the Borough during the past year.

The retiring Mayor addressed the Council, thanking the Council for the honour of being Mayor and officers and residents that had supported him in his Mayoral year, and outlining some particular highlights of his year in office.

9. TO RECEIVE SUCH COMMUNICATIONS AS THE MAYOR MAY LAY BEFORE THE COUNCIL

The Mayor set out that he would commit the Mayor's Special Fund in support of Mind in Haringey, and would also want to support and promote the work of Studio 306 Collective, in his Mayor year, which he wanted to focus on issues relating to mental health.

10. 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 admittance of this item as tabled, given that it set out decisions that had been made recently at party meetings.

The Chief Whip introduced the paper that outlined appointments made by the Political Groups in their recent annual meetings.

RESOLVED

That the constitution of the political groups be noted:

The Labour Group

Leader:	Councillor Kober
Deputy Leader:	Councillor Ejiofor
Chief Whip:	Councillor Reith
Chair:	Councillor Waters
Vice Chair:	Councillor Mallett
Secretary:	Councillor Christophides

Assistant Whips: Councillors C Bull, Mitchell and Patterson
Group Treasurer Councillor Gallagher
Non-Executive members Councillors Basu and J Mann.

Councillors:

Adamou	Demirci	Opoku
Adje	Diakides	Ozbek
Ahmet	Doron	Peacock
Amin	Elliott	Rice
Ayisi	Goldberg	Sahota
Arthur	Griffith	Strickland
Bevan	Gunes	Stennett
Berryman	Hearn	Tucker
Blake, B	Ibrahim	Weston
Blake, M	Jogee	Wright
Brabazon	Mann, S	Vanier
Bull, G	McNamara	
Carroll	McShane	

The Liberal Democrat Group

Leader: Councillor Engert
Deputy Leader: Councillor Morris
Chief Whip: Councillor Beacham
Deputy Whip: Councillor Carter
Group Chair: Councillor Ross
Deputy Group Chair: Councillor Newton

Councillors:

Connor Hare

11. TO AGREE THE APPOINTMENTS PROCEDURE AND TO APPOINT COMMITTEES AND OTHER BODIES FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2017/18, INCLUDING THE SELECTION OF THE CHAIRS AND VICE CHAIRS

The Mayor agreed to the admittance of this item as tabled, given it set out decisions that had been made recently at party meetings.

The Chief Whip moved recommendations 1-4 as detailed in the circulated report.

Councillor Newton moved an amendment to Recommendation 2 and Appendix 1, seconded by Councillor Engert, to the effect that Councillor Connor be appointed Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

Councillor Reith responded to the amendment.

On a vote, the amendment was lost.

Councillor Engert raised opposition to Recommendation 4, and asked that it be put to a vote.

Following a vote on the original motion, it was:

RESOLVED

1. That the process for appointing to the Committees, Sub Committees and Chairs be approved on the "slate" basis.
2. That the membership of Committees, and appointment of Chairs be agreed as attached at Appendix 1.
3. That the membership of the Cabinet be noted as attached at Appendix 2.
4. That the amendment to the Members' Allowances Scheme be agreed as attached at Appendix 3.

12. TO RECEIVE THE REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

The interim Chief Executive had no matters to report.

13. TO RECEIVE THE REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER AND HEAD OF LEGAL SERVICES

The Monitoring Officer had no matters to report.

14. TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES

The Mayor agreed to the admittance of this item as tabled, given it set out decisions that had been made recently at party meetings.

The Chief Whip moved the report as tabled, with the amendment that there be no appointment at this stage to the Lea Valley Regional Park Authority.

RESOLVED

That the appointments to outside bodies be approved, as detailed in the schedule attached to the report, with the exception of the appointment to the Lea Valley Regional Park Authority.

15. TO RECEIVE A STATEMENT OF COUNCILLORS' ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL, COMMITTEES AND SUB-COMMITTEES IN ACCORDANCE WITH COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULES

The Chief Whip moved the report as circulated and it was:

RESOLVED

That the statement of members' attendance for 2016/17 be noted.

16. TO NOTE THE END OF MUNICIPAL YEAR FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR 2016/17

The Mayor agreed to the admittance of this item as tabled, accepting it was late due to verification of the information contained in the report.

The Chief Whip moved the report as tabled and it was:

RESOLVED:

That the end of year statement for 2016/17 of allowanced paid to Members be noted.

CHAIR:

Signed by Chair

Date