

MINUTES OF MEETING Full Council HELD ON Thursday, 27th May, 2021,7.30pm

PRESENT:

Councillors: Adam Jogee (Mayor), Eldridge Culverwell, Charles Adje, Peray Ahmet, Kaushika Amin, Dawn Barnes, Dhiren Basu, Patrick Berryman, John Bevan, Barbara Blake, Zena Brabazon, Dana Carlin, Vincent Carroll, Nick da Costa, Luke Cawley-Harrison, Seema Chandwani, Sakina Chenot, Julie Davies, Paul Dennison, Isidoros Diakides, Josh Dixon, Erdal Dogan, Joseph Ejiofor, Ruth Gordon, Makbule Gunes, Mike Hakata, Lucia das Neves, Julia Ogiehor, Tammy Palmer, Sheila Peacock, Reg Rice, Yvonne Say, Anne Stennett, Elin Weston, Sarah Williams and Matt White

ALSO ATTENDING:

1. FILMING AT MEETINGS

The Mayor welcomed Members to the Annual Meeting of Full Council and notified attendees that it was being streamed live to the public on the Council's website.

2. TO ELECT THE MAYOR FOR THE ENSUING YEAR 2021/22

The Chief Executive invited nominations for the office of the Mayor of Haringey for the Municipal Year 2021- 22.

Councillor Hakata nominated, and Councillor Barbara Blake seconded that Councillor Adam Jogee be elected Mayor for the forthcoming Municipal year.

There being no other nominations, and further to adherence to Council Order 17.3, the Chief Executive duly announced Councillor Jogee as Mayor for the forthcoming Municipal year.

The Mayor then addressed the Council, and reiterated the Council's support to residents in the pandemic. He paid the Council's respects to residents who had passed way and gave the Council's condolences to those who had lost loved ones in the pandemic . He thanked those who continued to closely support residents in these difficult times. He spoke of how loss had been a part of his experience as Mayor for the past 7 months and hoped the coming months, for residents, to experience hope and opportunity.

The Mayor continued to outline his experiences, events and engagements taken forward in the last 7 months as first citizen. He gave thanks for his election and outlined his objectives for his year of office.

The Mayor's Consorts would continue to be Alison Lawther and Harun Jogee and they would be keep the Badge of Office provided in the 2021 – 22 Annual meeting.

RESOLVED

1. That Councillor Adam Jogee be elected Mayor for the Municipal Year 2021/22.
2. To note that the Mayor made and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

3. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Chief Executive announced that the following councillors had provided apologies for a variety of reasons, including covid restrictions still being in place.

- Cllr Adamou
- Cllr Chiriyankandath
- Cllr Opoku
- Cllr Rossetti
- Cllr Hare
- Cllr Ross
- Cllr Emery
- Cllr James
- Cllr Tucker
- Cllr Morris
- Cllr Hinchliffe
- Cllr Tabois
- Cllr Demir
- Cllr Bull
- Cllr Ibrahim
- Cllr Mark Blake
- Cllr Connor
- Cllr Mitchell
- Cllr Moyeed
- Cllr Stone
- Cllr Hearn

There were apologies for lateness – Cllr Peacock, Cllr Stennett and Cllr Adje.

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 Chief Executive asked the Mayor to agree the admission of the following late items of business that could not be available earlier and needed to be dealt with at the meeting:

- Item 10 – Appointments made by the Political Groups.
- Item 11 - Appointments of Committees for the Municipal Year 2021/22; and

Item 12 - Appointments to outside bodies 2021/22:

Item 14 - Attendance at meetings 2020 - 21

The first three reports outlined, were not available at the time of dispatch as they needed to include recent changes following party group meetings. The fourth report was not available to allow consultation and finalisation of the report.

5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

6. TO RECEIVE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION OF THE APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR

The Chief Executive reported that the Mayor had signified in writing the appointment of Councillor Eldridge Culverwell as Deputy Mayor for the Municipal Year 2021/22. Councillor Culverwell would be given his Badge of Office outside of the meeting.

The Chief Executive announced that the Deputy Mayor's Consorts would be Debbie Brown and Maya Culverwell.

7. TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 18TH OF MARCH 2021

RESOLVED

To agree the minutes of the meeting held on the 18 March 2021 as a true record.

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

The Mayor announced his charities and chosen causes for the coming year would continue to be:

- Pram Depot
- Accumulate
- The Friends of Hornsey Church Tower

Since election the Mayor had attended at least one engagement per ward and would aim to continue to do this in the coming year.

The Mayor welcomed the new Monitoring Officer, Fiona Alderman to the Council and looked forward to working with her.

The Mayor further reported on his goodbye to George Cooper who had served for many years as the Head of Elections and who was now leaving the council to take forward new challenges. The Mayor spoke for all councillors in expressing their thanks and appreciation for George's service and contribution to the borough.

The Mayor spoke of Nicky Gavron, a former Haringey Councillor, GLA Member and former London Deputy Mayor who was stepping down as a GLA member. He gave thanks to her for 40 years of service to the borough and City of London.

The Mayor gave thanks to Councillors who had volunteered in the vaccination drive and contributed to the Mayor's cause to support volunteers and staff with refreshments.

The Mayor advised that he would be opening up his parlour to local community groups to meet with him and spoke of the parlour being available for their use.

9. TO ELECT THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE 2021/22 MUNICIPAL YEAR AND UNTIL THE DAY OF THE ANNUAL MEETING FOLLOWING THE LOCAL ELECTIONS IN MAY 2022.

Councillor Weston proposed that Councillor Peray Ahmet be elected Leader of the Council for the 2021/22 Municipal Year and until the day of the Annual Meeting following the local elections in May 2022, which was seconded by Councillor Brabazon.

There being no other nominations received, the Mayor called a vote on the proposal. With 27 Members voting in favour, and 8 abstaining, it was agreed that Councillor Peray Ahmet be elected Leader.

The Leader of the Council then gave an address to the Council, setting out her aspirations for her term of office. This was responded to by Councillor Cawley-Harrison, after which Councillor Ahmet had opportunity to address the points made by Councillor Cawley- Harrison.

10. TO RECEIVE THE REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE, NOTING THE APPOINTMENTS MADE BY POLITICAL GROUPS, AND TO TAKE SUCH ACTION AS MAY BE APPROPRIATE

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

Councillor Rice, as Chief Whip, introduced the paper that outlined appointments made by Political Groups in their recent annual meetings.

RESOLVED

That the constitution of the political groups be noted:

The Labour Group

Leader:	Councillor Ahmet
Deputy Leader:	Councillor Hakata
Chief Whip:	Councillor Rice
Chair:	Councillor Williams
Vice Chair:	Councillor Weston

Secretary:
Assistant Whips:
Group Treasurer
Non-Executive members

Councillor Mitchell
Councillors, Gunes, Say, Stennett
Councillor Gordon
Councillors, Brabazon, Dogan

Councillors:
Adamou
Adje
Amin
Basu
Berryman
Bevan
B Blake
M Blake
Bull
Carlin
Carroll
Chandwani
Chiriyankandath
Culverwell
das Neves
Davies
Demir
Diakides
Ejiofor
Hearn
Ibrahim
James
Jogee
Moyeed
Opoku
Peacock
Stone
Tabois
Tucker
White

The Liberal Democrat Group

Leader:
Deputy Leader:
Chief Whip:
Deputy Whip:
Group Chair:
Deputy Group Chair:

Councillor Cawley- Harrison
Councillor Dixon
Councillor Ogiehor
Councillor Emery
Councillor da Costa
Councillor Ross

Councillors:

Barnes
Chenot

Connor
Dennison
Hare
Hinchcliffe
Morris
Palmer
Rossetti

Opposition Spokespeople:

Cllr Luke Cawley-Harrison – Leader

Cllr Josh Dixon - Youth, Human Rights & Civil Society

Cllr Paul Dennison - Spokesperson for Finance, Business & Local Investment

Cllr Dawn Barnes - Spokesperson for Housing, Regeneration and Estate Renewal

Cllr Julia Ogiehor - Spokesperson for Crime, Communities & Equalities

Cllr Alessandra Rossetti - Spokesperson for Arts, Leisure & Culture

Cllr Justin Hinchcliffe - Spokesperson for Customer & Civic Services

Cllr Tammy Palmer - Spokesperson for Children & Families

Cllr Sakina Chenot - Spokesperson for Education

Cllr Scott Emery - Spokesperson for Environment

Cllr Nick da Costa - Spokesperson for Mental Health & Wellbeing

Cllr Viv Ross - Spokesperson for Borough Heritage and Regulations

Cllr Bob Hare – Spokesperson for Planning, Parks & Green spaces

Cllr Pippa Connor - Spokesperson for Health, Social Care & Adults

Cllr Liz Morris - Transport & Neighbourhoods

11. TO AGREE THE APPOINTMENTS PROCEDURE AND TO APPOINT COMMITTEES AND OTHER BODIES FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2021/22, INCLUDING THE SELECTION OF THE CHAIRS AND VICE CHAIRS

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

The Chief Whip moved recommendation 1, as detailed in the circulated report.

The Chief Whip moved recommendation 2, as detailed in the circulated report,

Councillor Dixon moved an amendment to Recommendation 3, seconded by Councillor Ogiehor, as follows: -

“Agree the membership of Committees and the appointment of Chairs as detailed at Appendix 1 subject to Cllr Connor being made the Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Committee.”

Councillor Rice responded to the amendment.

A vote was taken on the amendment to Recommendation 3, as follows:

8 in FAVOUR,

28 AGAINST

NO abstentions

The amendment was lost. On a vote on the original motion, this was agreed.

The Chief Whip moved recommendation 4, as detailed in the circulated report.

RESOLVED

1. To Appoint to the Committees on the "slate" basis.
2. To agree the allocation of seats on Committees and appointments in accordance with paragraphs 4.1 to 4.5.
3. To agree the membership of Committees and the appointment of Chairs as detailed at Appendix 1 giving effect to the wishes of the political groups.
4. To note the proposed membership of the Cabinet as detailed at Appendix 2 appointed by the Leader in accordance with paragraph 7.05 ii.

12. TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES

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 moved the report, as tabled.

RESOLVED

1. To note the appointments to the Partnership and Association bodies which mainly exercise 'executive' functions set out at Appendix 1 and in accordance with article 10.8b(i)
2. To approve the appointments to the remainder of outside bodies set out at Appendix 1.

13. TO NOTE THE END OF MUNICIPAL YEAR FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR 2020/21

The Chief Whip moved the report as circulated.

RESOLVED

That the End of Municipal Year Financial statement for 2020/21 be noted.

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

The Mayor agreed the admittance of this report as late business.
The Chief Whip moved the report as circulated.

RESOLVED

That the statement of attendance, as attached, be noted.

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

The Monitoring Officer had no matters to report.

CHAIR:

Signed by Chair

Date