

# **MINUTES OF MEETING Full Council HELD ON Monday, 23rd May, 2022, 7.30pm**

## **PRESENT:**

**Councillors: Adam Jogee (Mayor), Abela, Gina Adamou, Adje, Peray Ahmet, Dawn Barnes, John Bevan, Barbara Blake, Zena Brabazon, Dana Carlin, Luke Cawley-Harrison, Seema Chandwani, Culverwell, da Costa, Lucia das Neves, Julie Davies, Diakides, Dogan, Scott Emery, Ruth Gordon, Makbule Gunes, Mike Hakata, Ibrahim, Khaled Moyeed, Felicia Opoku, Sheila Peacock, Reg Rice, Rossetti, Yvonne Say, Elin Weston, Matt White, Sarah Williams, Ali, Arkell, Nicola Bartlett, Brennan, Lester Buxton, Collett, George Dunstall, Gourtsoyannis, Harrison-Mullane, Hymas, Thayahlan Iyngkaran, Jameson, Johnson, Mahbub, Mason, Ajda Ovat, Simmons-Safo, Wallace and Alexandra Worrell**

## **1. FILMING AT MEETINGS**

The Mayor welcomed Members to the Annual Meeting of Full Council and notified attendees that it was being recorded for publication on the Council's website.

## **2. TO ELECT THE MAYOR FOR THE ENSUING YEAR 2022/23**

Cllr Jogee, the Mayor, invited nominations for the office of the Mayor of Haringey for the municipal Year 2022- 23.

Councillor Ahmet nominated, and Councillor Brabazon seconded that Councillor Gina Adamou be elected Mayor for the forthcoming municipal year.

There being no other nominations, and further to adherence to Council Order 17.3, the Mayor duly announced Councillor Gina Adamou as Mayor for the forthcoming municipal year.

## **RESOLVED**

1. That Councillor Gina Adamou be elected Mayor for the Municipal Year 2022/23
2. The Mayor made and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office, which was witnessed by Councillors Ahmet and Brabazon.
3. The Mayor then addressed the Council, reflected on her experiences in Haringey, gave thanks for her election and outlined her objectives for her year of office.

4. The Mayor's Consorts Andreas Adamides and Jonathan Vellapah were invested with a Badge of Office.

**3. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were noted from:

Councillor Elliott  
Councillor M Blake  
Councillor Stennett  
Councillor Isilar – Gosling  
Councillor Connor  
Councillor Amin

Apologies for lateness from Councillor 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 this meeting.

Item 11 – Appointments made by the political groups  
Item 12 - Appointments of Committees for the Municipal Year 2022/23; and  
Item 13: Appointments to outside bodies 2022/23:  
Item 14 – Approval of Council Calendar of meetings 2022/23  
Item 16: End of the year financial statement 2021/22 of allowances paid to Members  
Item 17 Attendance of councillors at meetings for 2021/22

The first three reports outlined, were not available at the time of dispatch as they included recent changes following party group meetings and the final three report outlined required verification of information.

**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 Lester Buxton as Deputy Mayor for the Municipal Year 2022/23.

Councillor Buxton was invested with his Badge of Office.

The Mayor announced that the Deputy Mayor's Consort would be Alexander Ritchie who was then invested with the Badge of Office.

**7. TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 14TH OF MARCH 2022 AND 27TH OF APRIL 2022**

**RESOLVED**

To approve the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on the 14<sup>th</sup> of March, adding Cllr Julie Davies apologies for the meeting.

To approve the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on the 27<sup>th</sup> of April 2022.

**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, Deputy Mayor and Consorts was moved by Councillor Ahmet and seconded by Councillor Cawley – Harrison.

The retiring Mayor was presented with a badge and a framed collage in honour of his 2 municipal years of office. He addressed the meeting, thanking the Council for the honour of being Mayor. He thanked officers and residents that had supported him in his Mayoral years, outlining the past difficult two years of the pandemic for the borough, country and the world. His mayoralty had started with meetings online and no vaccine and were now ending with a vaccine that has been rolled out to communities and social distancing measures lifted with meetings in person.

He thanked the Council, partners, businesses, community groups and schools for all their efforts in supporting residents through the last couple of difficult years and hoped they could all continue working together to make Haringey even better.

There was special mention made of the outgoing Mayor's charities Pram Depot and The Friends of Hornsey Church Tower whom he hoped that Councillors would continue to support in their work for the community.

**RESOLVED**

That the Council extend its thanks and appreciation to the retiring Mayor, Adam Jogee, and his consorts Alison Lawther and Haroon Jogee for the services they had rendered to the Borough during the past municipal year.

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

The Mayor announced her focus, for the forthcoming year ,would be on Mental Health. Her charity for the coming year, was MIND in Haringey. Mental Health would be a prominent issue as the country moved forward out of the pandemic. She noted that there had been some stark experiences of the pandemic for residents and there would be differing mental health challenges for the residents in the borough as a result of this with the need for support and services.

Information on the Mayor's chosen charity would be included on the Council mayoral webpages.

**10. TO ELECT THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL FOR FOUR CONSECUTIVE MUNICIPAL YEARS**

Councillor Williams proposed that Councillor Peray Ahmet be elected Leader of the Council for 2022 - 2026, which was seconded by Councillor Ovat.

There being no other nominations received, the Mayor called a vote on the proposal. With 45 Members voting in favour, and 5 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.

**11. 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 had 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 Weston, 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 Weston
Chair:	Councillor Bartlett
Vice Chair:	Councillor Abela
Secretary:	Councillor Arkell
Assistant Whips:	Councillors , Ali, Dogan, Say
Group Treasurer	Councillor Dunstall
Non-Executive members	Councillors Culverwell, B. Blake

Councillors

Adamou  
Adje  
Amin

Bevan  
M Blake  
Brabazon  
Brennan  
Buxton  
Carlin  
Chandwani  
Collett  
das Neves  
Davies  
Diakides  
Elliott  
Gordon  
Gourtsyannis  
Gunes  
Harrison – Mullane  
Hymas  
Ibrahim  
Iyngkaran  
Jameson  
Jogee  
Johnson  
Mahbub  
Mason  
Moyeed  
Opoku  
Ovat  
Peacock  
Rice  
Simmons- Safo  
Stennett  
Wallace  
White  
Williams  
Worrell

The Liberal Democrat Group

Leader:	Councillor Cawley- Harrison
Deputy Leader:	Councillor Barnes
Chief Whip:	Councillor Emery
Deputy Whip:	Councillor Rossetti

Councillors:

Cllr Connor  
Cllr da Costa  
Cllr Isilar-Gosling

**12. TO AGREE THE APPOINTMENTS PROCEDURE AND TO APPOINT COMMITTEES AND OTHER BODIES FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2022/23, INCLUDING THE SELECTION OF THE CHAIRS AND VICE CHAIRS**

The Mayor had 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 and this was agreed.

The Chief Whip moved recommendation 2, as detailed in the circulated report and this was agreed.

Councillor Barnes moved an amendment to Recommendation 3, seconded by Councillor Emery,

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 Weston responded to the amendment.

Cllr Barnes continued to speak in favour of the amendment and Cllr Emery spoke in support of the amendment.

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

5 in FAVOUR,

45 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 and this was agreed.

**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 4.6.
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 Article 7 paragraph 7.05 ii of the Council Constitution.

### **13. 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.

### **14. TO RECEIVE THE REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

#### **RESOLVED**

To agree the attached schedule of meetings for 2022/23.

#### **Reasons for decision**

The early notification of the schedule of meetings for 2022/23 will allow for the effective planning of meetings and in turn decision making of the council.

Publication of forthcoming committee meeting dates will further support residents, stakeholders and partners participation in council decision making.

#### **Alternative options considered**

The alternative was not to publish the council schedule of meetings which would not be keeping with transparency and openness objectives of the council.

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

There were no matters to report on.

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

**RESOLVED**

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

**17. TO NOTE THE END OF MUNICIPAL YEAR FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR 2021/22**

**RESOLVED**

That the allowances paid to each Member, as set out at Appendix 1, be noted.

CHAIR:

Signed by Chair .....

Date .....