



**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
LONDON BOROUGH OF HAVERING
Virtual Meeting
27 April 2021 (7.30 - 8.57 pm)**

Present: The Mayor (Councillor John Mylod) in the Chair

Councillors Councillors Robert Benham, Ray Best, Carole Beth, Michael Deon Burton, Joshua Chapman, John Crowder, Philippa Crowder, Keith Darvill, Osman Dervish, Nic Dodin, David Durant, Brian Eagling, Gillian Ford, Jason Frost, Martin Goode, Linda Hawthorn, Judith Holt, Tele Lawal, Paul McGeary, Paul Middleton, Sally Miller, Robby Misir, Ray Morgon, Barry Mugglestone, Stephanie Nunn, Denis O'Flynn, Gerry O'Sullivan, Ron Ower, Dilip Patel, Nisha Patel, Bob Perry, Viddy Persaud, Roger Ramsey, Timothy Ryan, Jan Sargent, Carol Smith, Christine Smith, Natasha Summers, Matt Sutton, Maggie Themistocli, Jeffrey Tucker, John Tyler, Linda Van den Hende, Christine Vickery, Melvin Wallace, Ciaran White, Damian White, Michael White, Reg Whitney, Christopher Wilkins, Graham Williamson and Darren Wise

Father Dominic Howarth, Parish Priest, St Edward's Catholic Church, Romford opened the meeting with prayers.

The meeting closed with the singing of the National Anthem.

97 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (agenda item 2)

There were no apologies for absence. Councillor Tony Durdin was absent from the meeting.

98 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS (agenda item 3)

10. APPOINTING THE CHAIRMEN AND VICE-CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES.

Councillor Brian Eagling, Personal, Nominated for a position attracting a Special Responsibility Allowance.

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Councillor Carol Smith, Personal, Nominated for a position attracting a Special Responsibility Allowance.

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Councillor Christine Smith, Personal, Nominated for a position attracting a Special Responsibility Allowance.

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Councillor Christine Vickery, Personal, Nominated for a position attracting a Special Responsibility Allowance.

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Councillor Ciaran White, Personal, Nominated for a position attracting a Special Responsibility Allowance.

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Councillor Darren Wise, Personal, Nominated for a position attracting a Special Responsibility Allowance.

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Councillor Dilip Patel, Personal, Nominated for a position attracting a Special Responsibility Allowance.

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Councillor John Crowder, Personal, Nominated for a position attracting a Special Responsibility Allowance.

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Councillor John Mylod, Personal, Nominated for a position attracting a Special Responsibility Allowance.

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Councillor Judith Holt, Personal, Nominated for a position attracting a Special Responsibility Allowance.

10. APPOINTING THE CHAIRMEN AND VICE-CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES.

Councillor Maggie Themistocli, Personal, Nominated for a position attracting a Special Responsibility Allowance.

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Councillor Martin Goode, Personal, Nominated for a position attracting a Special Responsibility Allowance.

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Councillor Matt Sutton, Personal, Nominated for a position attracting a Special Responsibility Allowance.

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Councillor Michael Deon Burton, Personal, Nominated for a position attracting a Special Responsibility Allowance.

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Councillor Michael White, Personal, Nominated for a position attracting a Special Responsibility Allowance.

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Councillor Nisha Patel, Personal, Nominated for a position attracting a Special Responsibility Allowance.

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Councillor Philippa Crowder, Personal, Nominated for a position attracting a Special Responsibility Allowance.

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Councillor Ray Best, Personal, Nominated for a position attracting a Special Responsibility Allowance.

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Councillor Robby Misir, Personal, Nominated for a position attracting a Special Responsibility Allowance.

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Councillor Sally Miller BCAC, Personal, Nominated for a position attracting a Special Responsibility Allowance.

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Councillor Timothy Ryan, Personal, Nominated for a position attracting a Special Responsibility Allowance.

99 **PROTOCOL ON THE OPERATION OF THE ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING DURING THE COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS (agenda item 4)**

The protocol on the operation of the Annual Council meeting during the Covid-19 restrictions was noted by Council.

100 **ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE OUTGOING MAYOR, BY THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL OR BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE (agenda item 5)**

A minute's silence was held in memory of His Royal Highness Prince Philip, the Duke of Edinburgh. Tributes were read out from the local Members of Parliament and also paid from all sides of the Chamber.

The outgoing Mayor wished good luck to Hornchurch Football Club who would shortly be playing in the final of the FA Trophy at Wembley Stadium.

101 **MAYORALTY 2021/22 (agenda item 6)**

Motion on behalf of the Conservative Group

That Councillor John Mylod be elected to the office of Mayor for the municipal year 2021 - 2022.

The motion on behalf of the Conservative Group was AGREED by 36 votes to 0 with 17 abstentions (see division 1).

RESOLVED:

That Councillor John Mylod be elected to the office of Mayor for the municipal year 2021 - 2022.

The Mayor indicated that the Mayoress for the year would be **former Councillor Pat Mylod**.

102 **DEPUTY MAYOR**

In accordance with the Local Government Act 1972, the Mayor signified his appointment of Councillor Christine Vickery as Deputy Mayor for the coming year and to carry out the duties of the Mayor in case of the Mayor's illness or absence.

Councillor Vickery made the Declaration of Acceptance of Office accordingly. The Mayor indicated that the Deputy Mayor's consort for the year would be **Mr Thomas Vickery**.

103 MINUTES (agenda item 7)

The minutes of the Council meeting held on 24 March 2021 were before the Council for approval. Follow up information requested in relation to two Council questions raised would be supplied to Members outside of the meeting.

The minutes were agreed as a correct record and it was **RESOLVED**:

That the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 24 March 2021 be agreed as a correct record.

104 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE INCOMING MAYOR (agenda item 8)

The incoming Mayor thanked Council for giving him the opportunity to serve again as Mayor for the municipal year and undertook to serve the people of Havering to the best of his ability.

The Mayor announced that Father Dominic Howarth, Parish Priest, St Edwards's Catholic Church, Romford would serve as his Official Chaplain for the forthcoming municipal year.

105 APPOINTING THE COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL AND THE SCHEME OF DELEGATION (agenda item 9)

A report of the Chief Executive asked Council to agree the Council's Committee Structure as well as agree the section of the Scheme of Delegation which was within the remit of full Council.

A procedural motion to suspend Council Procedure Rule 10.13 (a) was **NOT AGREED** by 36 votes to 9 with 8 abstentions (see division 2)

The report was **AGREED** by 32 votes to 2 with 19 abstentions (see division 3) and it was **RESOLVED**:

- (1) That, so far as necessary to enable any changes proposed and agreed during this meeting to be carried in to effect, Council Procedure Rule 20.2 (proposals to amend the Constitution to be referred to Governance Committee without discussion) be suspended.**
- (2) That, subject to the Council's consideration of any motion or amendment to this report relating to changes in the Committee structure, the Committees listed in Appendix 1 be appointed for the 2021/22 Municipal Year and that:**
 - (a) As required by statute, two voting co-optees representing the Church of England and the Roman Catholic Church and three parent governor co-optees selected in accordance with the appropriate Regulations, be**

appointed to the Children & Learning Services Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Committee.

(b) The other non-elected member “appointments” and invitations to attend shown in the Appendix (and particularly its annexes) be confirmed.

(3) Those Committees be appointed with:

(a) the membership sizes and

(b) the political balance

indicated in Appendix 2 of the report.

(4) That the delegation of non-executive functions (as defined by the Local Authorities (Functions and Responsibilities) (England) Regulations 2000 (amended) to officers be agreed as set out in the Council’s Constitution.

(5) To agree that all officers with delegated powers have power to further delegate those powers to other officers under s.101 of the Local Government Act 1972 or as provided for by any other legislation and may agree a scheme of delegation to officers for their service areas.

106 **APPOINTING THE CHAIRMEN AND VICE-CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES (agenda item 10)**

A procedural motion that uncontested nominations at agenda items 10 and 11 be dealt with via single block votes was **AGREED** by 32 votes to 4 with 17 abstentions (see division 4).

Motion on behalf of the Conservative Group

Committee	Chairman Councillor	Vice-Chairman Councillor
Adjudication and Review (2 Vice-Chairmen)	Matt Sutton	1. Tim Ryan 2. Ray Best
Audit		Viddy Persaud
Governance	Ciaran White	Damian White
Highways Advisory		Christine Vickery

Licensing (3 Vice-Chairmen)	Philippa Crowder	1. Christine Smith 2. Christine Vickery 3. Sally Miller
Pensions	John Crowder	
Planning	Robby Misir	Carol Smith
Strategic Planning	Dilip Patel	Tim Ryan
Joint Venture Working Party	Michael Deon Burton	Christine Vickery
Overview and Scrutiny Board		Michael White
Children and Learning Overview and Scrutiny Sub- Committee	Judith Holt	Robby Misir
Crime & Disorder Sub-Committee	Sally Miller	Matt Sutton
Environment Overview and Scrutiny Sub- Committee	Maggie Themistocli	Michael Deon Burton
Health Overview and Scrutiny Sub- Committee	Nisha Patel	Ciaran White
Individuals Overview and Scrutiny Sub- Committee	Christine Smith	Michael White
Towns and Communities Overview and Scrutiny Sub- Committee	Ray Best	Robby Misir

Sub-Committee of the Governance Committee:

Appointments	Damian White	Robert Benham
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Motion on behalf of the North Havering Residents' Association Group

Committee	Chairman Councillor	Vice-Chairman Councillor
Adjudication and Review (2 Vice-		1. 2.

Chairmen)		
Audit	Martin Goode	
Governance		
Highways Advisory	Brian Eagling	
Licensing (3 Vice-Chairmen)		1. 2. 3.
Pensions		Martin Goode
Planning		
Strategic Planning		
Joint Venture Working Party		
Overview and Scrutiny Board	Darren Wise	
Children and Learning Overview and Scrutiny Sub- Committee		
Crime & Disorder Sub-Committee		
Environment Overview and Scrutiny Sub- Committee		
Health Overview and Scrutiny Sub- Committee		
Individuals Overview and Scrutiny Sub- Committee		
Towns and Communities Overview and Scrutiny Sub- Committee		

Sub-Committee of the Governance Committee:

Appointments		
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Motion on behalf of the Labour Group

Committee	Chairman Councillor	Vice-Chairman Councillor
Adjudication and Review (2 Vice- Chairmen)		1. 2.
Audit		
Governance		
Highways Advisory		
Licensing (3 Vice-Chairmen)		1. 2. 3.
Pensions		
Planning		
Strategic Planning		
Joint Venture Working Party	Paul McGeary	
Overview and Scrutiny Board	Keith Darvill	
Children and Learning Overview and Scrutiny Sub- Committee		
Crime & Disorder Sub-Committee		
Environment Overview and Scrutiny Sub- Committee		
Health Overview and Scrutiny Sub- Committee		
Individuals Overview and Scrutiny Sub- Committee		

Towns and Communities Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Committee		
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Sub-Committee of the Governance Committee:

Appointments		
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The following appointments were **AGREED** by 31 votes to 2 with 20 abstentions (see division 5).

Committee	Chairman Councillor	Vice-Chairman Councillor
Adjudication and Review (2 Vice-Chairmen)	Matt Sutton	1. Tim Ryan 2. Ray Best
Audit	Martin Goode	Viddy Persaud
Governance	Ciaran White	Damian White
Highways Advisory	Brian Eagling	Christine Vickery
Licensing (3 Vice-Chairmen)	Philippa Crowder	1. Christine Smith 2. Christine Vickery 3. Sally Miller
Pensions	John Crowder	Martin Goode
Planning	Robby Misir	Carol Smith
Strategic Planning	Dilip Patel	Tim Ryan
Joint Venture Working Party	<i>Position contested.</i>	Christine Vickery
Overview and Scrutiny Board	<i>Position contested.</i>	Michael White
Children and Learning Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Committee	Judith Holt	Robby Misir

Crime & Disorder Sub-Committee	Sally Miller	Matt Sutton
Environment Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Committee	Maggie Themistocli	Michael Deon Burton
Health Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Committee	Nisha Patel	Ciaran White
Individuals Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Committee	Christine Smith	Michael White
Towns and Communities Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Committee	Ray Best	Robby Misir

Sub-Committee of the Governance Committee:

Appointments	Damian White	Robert Benham
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The following appointments were also agreed:

Chairman of Joint Venture Working Party

Conservative Group nominee Councillor	Labour Group nominee Councillor
Michael Deon Burton	Paul McGeary

Councillor Michael Deon Burton was **ELECTED** as Chairman of the Joint Venture Working Party by 27 votes to 8 with 18 abstentions (see division 6).

Chairman of Overview and Scrutiny Board

North Havering Residents' Association Group nominee Councillor	Labour Group nominee Councillor
Darren Wise	Keith Darvill

Councillor Darren Wise was **ELECTED** as Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Board by 29 votes to 8 with 16 abstentions (see division 7).

For ease of reference, the full list of Members appointed was as follows:

Committee	Chairman Councillor	Vice-Chairman Councillor
Adjudication and Review (2 Vice-Chairmen)	Matt Sutton	1. Tim Ryan 2. Ray Best
Audit	Martin Goode	Viddy Persaud
Governance	Ciaran White	Damian White
Highways Advisory	Brian Eagling	Christine Vickery
Licensing (3 Vice-Chairmen)	Philippa Crowder	1. Christine Smith 2. Christine Vickery 3. Sally Miller
Pensions	John Crowder	Martin Goode
Planning	Robby Misir	Carol Smith
Strategic Planning	Dilip Patel	Tim Ryan
Joint Venture Working Party	Michael Deon Burton	Christine Vickery
Overview and Scrutiny Board	Darren Wise	Michael White
Children and Learning Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Committee	Judith Holt	Robby Misir
Crime & Disorder Sub-Committee	Sally Miller	Matt Sutton
Environment Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Committee	Maggie Themistocli	Michael Deon Burton
Health Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Committee	Nisha Patel	Ciaran White
Individuals Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Committee	Christine Smith	Michael White
Towns and Communities Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Committee	Ray Best	Robby Misir

Sub-Committee of the Governance Committee:

Appointments	Damian White	Robert Benham
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107 **APPOINTMENT OF THE MEMBER CHAMPIONS (agenda item 11)****Motion on behalf of the Conservative Group**

That the following be appointed Champions as indicated:

For the Armed Forces –

For Equality and Diversity – Robby Misir

For the Historic Environment – Judith Holt

For the Over 50's – Christine Smith

For the Voluntary Sector Compact – Christine Vickery

For Young People – Ciaran White

Motion on behalf of the Labour Group

That the following be appointed Champions as indicated:

For the Armed Forces – Denis O'Flynn

For Equality and Diversity –

For the Historic Environment –

For the Over 50's –

For the Voluntary Sector Compact –

For Young People –

The following appointments were AGREED by 32 votes to 1 with 20 abstentions (see division 8).

Member Champion	Councillor
For the Armed Forces	Denis O'Flynn
For Equality & Diversity	Robby Misir
For the Historic Environment	Judith Holt
For the Over 50's	Christine Smith
For the Voluntary Sector Compact	Christine Vickery
For Young People	Ciaran White

108 STATEMENT BY THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL (agenda item 12)

The Leader of the Council stated that he was proud of the Council's response to the pandemic. This had included initiatives such as the Winter Support Grant, Havering Helps Scheme and the Living in Havering e-mail bulletin.

Vaccine support had been led by the Council's Directors of Public Health and Adult Services and Council staff had given a great deal of Covid-secure advice to businesses. Fifty Covid marshalls had also been recruited.

Councillor Dilip Patel would be appointed as Assistant Cabinet Member for business recovery and the Council's leisure centres were also reopening, with a new leisure centre scheduled to open in Rainham in 2022.

Free parking would continue to be available for 'NHS heroes' and moves to electrify the Council's vehicle fleet would include the provision of electric vehicle charging points across the borough.

A memorial garden would be established to remember the 922 Havering residents who had lost their lives to Covid-19.

109 VOTING RECORD

The record of voting decisions is attached as appendix 1 to these minutes.

Mayor

DIVISION NUMBER:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
The Mayor [Cllr. Cllr John Mylod]	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
The Deputy Mayor [Cllr Christine Vickery]	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
CONSERVATIVE GROUP								
Cllr Robert Benham	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cllr Ray Best	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cllr Joshua Chapman	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cllr John Crowder	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cllr Philippa Crowder	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cllr Michael Deon Burton	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cllr Osman Dervish	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cllr Jason Frost	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cllr Judith Holt	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cllr Sally Miller	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cllr Robby Misir	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cllr Dilip Patel	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cllr Nisha Patel	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cllr Viddy Persaud	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cllr Roger Ramsey	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cllr Timothy Ryan	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cllr Carol Smith	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	0	✓	✓
Cllr Christine Smith	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cllr Matt Sutton	✓	0	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cllr Maggie Themistocli	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cllr Ciaran White	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cllr Damian White	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cllr Michael White	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
RESIDENTS' GROUP								
Cllr Nic Dodin	0	0	0	0	0	X	X	0
Cllr Paul Middleton	0	✓	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cllr Raymond Morgon	0	X	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cllr Barry Mugglestone	0	✓	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cllr Stephanie Nunn	0	✓	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cllr Gerry O'Sullivan	0	0	0	0	0	0	X	0
Cllr Reg Whitney	0	✓	0	0	0	0	0	0
UPMINSTER & CRANHAM RESIDENTS' GROUP								
Cllr Gillian Ford	✓	X	0	✓	0	0	0	0
Cllr Linda Hawthorn	✓	X	✓	0	0	0	0	0
Cllr Ron Ower	✓	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cllr John Tyler	✓	X	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cllr Linda Van den Hende	✓	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cllr Christopher Wilkins	0	X	0	X	0	0	0	0
INDEPENDENT RESIDENTS' GROUP								
Cllr David Durant	✓	✓	X	0	X	0	0	X
Cllr Tony Durdin	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
Cllr Natasha Summers	0	✓	0	0	0	X	0	0
Cllr Jeffrey Tucker	✓	✓	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cllr Graham Williamson	0	✓	0	0	0	0	0	0
LABOUR GROUP								
Cllr Carole Beth	0	0	0	X	X	X	X	0
Cllr Keith Darvill	0	X	0	X	0	X	X	✓
Cllr Tele Lawal	0	X	✓	✓	✓	X	X	0
Cllr Paul McGeary	0	X	X	X	0	X	X	✓
Cllr Denis O'Flynn	0	X	✓	✓	✓	X	X	✓
NORTH HAVERING RESIDENTS' GROUP								
Cllr Brian Eagling	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cllr Martin Goode	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cllr Jan Sargent	✓	0	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓
Cllr Darren Wise	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
INDEPENDENT								
Cllr Bob Perry	0	✓	0	0	0	0	X	0
Cllr Melvin Wallace	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
TOTALS								
✓ = YES	36	9	32	32	31	27	29	32
X = NO	0	36	2	4	2	8	8	1
0 = ABSTAIN/NO VOTE	17	8	19	17	20	18	16	20
ID = INTEREST DISCLOSED/NO VOTE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
A = ABSENT FROM MEETING	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
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