



**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
LONDON BOROUGH OF HAVERING
Council Chamber - Town Hall
17 May 2017 (7.30 - 8.25 pm)**

Present: The Mayor (Councillor Philippa Crowder, then Councillor Linda Van den Hende) in the Chair

Councillors Councillors June Alexander, Clarence Barrett, Robert Benham, Ray Best, Wendy Brice-Thompson, Michael Deon Burton, Joshua Chapman, John Crowder, Keith Darvill, Meg Davis, Ian de Wulverton, Osman Dervish, Alex Donald, David Durant, Brian Eagling, Gillian Ford, Jason Frost, Jody Ganly, John Glanville, Linda Hawthorn, David Johnson, Steven Kelly, Phil Martin, Robby Misir, Ray Morgon, Barry Mugglestone, John Mylod, Stephanie Nunn, Denis O'Flynn, Ron Ower, Garry Pain, Dilip Patel, Viddy Persaud, Roger Ramsey, Keith Roberts, Patricia Rumble, Carol Smith, Frederick Thompson, Linda Trew, Jeffrey Tucker, Melvin Wallace, Lawrence Webb, Roger Westwood, Damian White, Michael White, Reg Whitney, Julie Wilkes, Graham Williamson, Darren Wise and John Wood.

Approximately 50 Members' guests and members of the public and a representative of the press were also present.

The Mayor advised Members and the public of action to be taken in the event of emergency evacuation of the Town Hall becoming necessary.

Father Roderick Hingley, of the Church of St Alban, Protomartyr, Romford opened the meeting with prayers.

The meeting closed with the singing of the National Anthem.

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (agenda item 2)

Apologies were received for the absence of Councillors Nic Dodin and Barbara Matthews.

2 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS (agenda item 3)

The following interests were disclosed:

Councillor Alex Donald, Personal, Nominated for a position attracting a Special Responsibility Allowance.

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

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

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

Councillor Frederick Thompson, Personal, Nominated for a position attracting a Special Responsibility Allowance.

Councillor Garry Pain, Personal, Nominated for a position attracting a Special Responsibility Allowance.

Councillor Gillian Ford, Personal, Nominated for a position attracting a Special Responsibility Allowance.

Councillor Ian de Wulverton, Personal, Nominated for a position attracting a Special Responsibility Allowance.

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

Councillor Keith Roberts, Personal, Nominated for a position attracting a Special Responsibility Allowance.

Councillor Lawrence Webb, Personal, Nominated for a position attracting a Special Responsibility Allowance.

Councillor Linda Trew, Personal, Nominated for a position attracting a Special Responsibility Allowance.

Councillor Linda Van den Hende, Personal, Nominated for a position attracting a Special Responsibility Allowance.

Councillor Meg Davis, Personal, Nominated for a position attracting a Special Responsibility Allowance.

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

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

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

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

Councillor Viddy Persaud, Personal, Nominated for a position attracting a Special Responsibility Allowance.

3 **ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE MAYOR, BY THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL OR BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE (agenda item 4)**

The Mayor thanked her consort – Councillor John Crowder for his support as well as her Official Chaplain – Father Hingley, the Leader of the Council, senior Council officers and the Mayoral Support Team.

The text of the announcements made by the Leader of the Council, including some changes to Cabinet portfolios are shown in Appendix 1 to these minutes.

4 **MAYORALTY 2017/18 (agenda item 5)**

Motion on behalf of the East Havering Residents Group

That Councillor Linda Van den Hende be elected Mayor for the Municipal Year 2017/18.

Following a proposing speech by Councillor Ron Ower, Councillor Linda Van den Hende was **ELECTED** as Mayor for the municipal year 2017/18, without division.

Councillor Linda Van den Hende, having made the Declaration of Acceptance of Office of Mayor as required by the Local Government Act 1972, then took the Chair and thanked the Council for the honour conferred upon her. The Mayor indicated that her consort would be her husband, Laurence Chalk.

The Cabinet Member for Children & Learning, and other Members, expressed the thanks of the Council to Councillor Philippa Crowder for her services during 2016/17. Councillor Crowder suitably replied.

5 **DEPUTY MAYOR (agenda item)**

In accordance with the Local Government Act 1972, the Mayor signified in writing her appointment of **Councillor Dilip Patel** as Deputy Mayor for the ensuing year and to carry out the duties of the Mayor in case of the Mayor's illness or absence.

Councillor Patel made the Declaration of Acceptance of Office accordingly. The Mayor indicated that the Deputy Mayoress would be Mrs Nisha Patel.

6 **MINUTES (agenda item 6)**

The minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 22 March 2017 were before the Council for approval.

It was **AGREED**, without division, that the minutes be signed as a correct record.

7 **ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE INCOMING MAYOR (agenda item 7)**

The Mayor announced that the first of her three charities would be First Step. Details of the other Mayor's charities would be announced in due course.

A Mayor's charity ball in aid of First Step had been arranged for 1 July.

8 **APPOINTING THE COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL AND SCHEME OF DELEGATION (agenda item 8)**

There was before Council a report of the Monitoring Officer concerning the appointment of the Committees of the Council, and advising on political balance issues and the scheme of delegation.

The report was **AGREED** without division 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 of the report to Council be appointed for the 2017/18 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's 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 to Council.

- (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.

9 APPOINTING THE CHAIRMEN AND VICE-CHAIRS OF COMMITTEES (agenda item 9)

Motion on behalf of the United Kingdom Independence Party Group

That the following Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen be appointed –

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		Cllr David Johnson
Regulatory Services		
Rainham and Wennington and South Hornchurch Working Party (No Vice-Chairmen)		-----
Overview and Scrutiny Board		
Children and Learning Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Committee		

Crime & Disorder Sub-Committee	Cllr Ian De Wulverton	
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	Cllr Lawrence Webb	

Sub-Committee of the Governance Committee:

Appointments		
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Motion on behalf of the Independent Residents' Group

That the following Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen be appointed –

Committee	Chairman Councillor	Vice-Chairman Councillor
Adjudication and Review (2 Vice-Chairmen)		1. 2.
Audit		
Governance		
Highways Advisory		
Licensing (3 Vice-Chairmen)		1. Keith Roberts 2. 3.

Pensions		
Regulatory Services		
Rainham and Wennington and South Hornchurch Working Party (No Vice-Chairmen)	Michael Deon Burton	-----
Overview and Scrutiny Board		
Children and Learning Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Committee		
Crime & Disorder Sub-Committee		David Durant
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 East Havering Residents' Group

That the following Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen be appointed –

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

Audit		
Governance		
Highways Advisory	Brian Eagling	
Licensing (3 Vice-Chairmen)		1. 2. 3.
Pensions		
Regulatory Services		Alex Donald
Rainham and Wennington and South Hornchurch Working Party (No Vice- Chairmen)		-----
Overview and Scrutiny Board	Gillian Ford	
Children and Learning Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Committee	Gillian Ford	
Crime & Disorder Sub- Committee		
Environment Overview and Scrutiny Sub- Committee	Darren Wise	
Health Overview and Scrutiny Sub- Committee		
Individuals Overview and Scrutiny Sub- Committee		
Towns and Communities Overview and Scrutiny Sub- Committee		Linda Hawthorn

Sub-Committee of the Governance Committee:

Appointments		Clarence Barrett
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Motion on behalf of the Conservative Group

That the following Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen be appointed –

Committee	Chairman Councillor	Vice-Chairman Councillor
Adjudication and Review (2 Vice-Chairmen)	Garry Pain	1. Roger Westwood 2.
Audit	Viddy Persaud	
Governance	Meg Davis	Melvin Wallace
Highways Advisory		Frederick Thompson
Licensing (3 Vice-Chairmen)	Linda Trew	1. Dilip Patel 2. Frederick Thompson 3.
Pensions	John Crowder	
Regulatory Services	Robby Misir	
Rainham and Wennington and South Hornchurch Working Party (No Vice-Chairmen)		-----
Overview and Scrutiny Board		Viddy Persaud
Children and Learning Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Committee		Meg Davis
Crime & Disorder Sub-Committee		
Environment Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Committee		Carol Smith
Health Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Committee	Michael White	Dilip Patel
Individuals Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Committee	Ray Best	Linda Trew

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

Appointments	Philippa Crowder	
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Amendment on behalf of the Residents' Group

That the following Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen be appointed –

Committee	Chairman Councillor	Vice-Chairman Councillor
Adjudication and Review (2 Vice-Chairmen)		1. 2. John Mylod
Audit		Julie Wilkes
Governance		
Highways Advisory		
Licensing (3 Vice-Chairmen)		1. 2. 3.
Pensions		
Regulatory Services		
Rainham and Wennington and South Hornchurch Working Party (No Vice-Chairmen)		-----
Overview and Scrutiny Board		

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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The following appointments were unopposed and were **AGREED** without division:

Committee	Chairman Councillor	Vice-Chairman Councillor
Adjudication and Review (2 Vice-Chairmen)	Garry Pain (Cons)	1. Roger Westwood (Cons) 2. John Mylod (Res)
Audit	Viddy Persaud (Cons)	Julie Wilkes (Res)
Governance	Meg Davis (Cons)	Melvin Wallace (Cons)
Highways Advisory	Brian Eagling (EHRG)	Frederick Thompson (Cons)
Licensing (3 Vice-Chairmen)	Linda Trew (Cons)	1. Keith Roberts (IRG) 2. Dilip Patel (Cons) 3. Frederick

		Thompson (Cons)
Pensions	John Crowder (Cons)	David Johnson (UKIP)
Regulatory Services	Robby Misir (Cons)	Alex Donald (EHRG)
Rainham & Wennington and South Hornchurch Working Party (No Vice-Chairman)	Michael Deon Burton (IRG)	-----
Overview and Scrutiny Board	Gillian Ford (EHRG)	Viddy Persaud (Cons)
Children & Learning Overview & Scrutiny Sub-Committee	Gillian Ford (EHRG)	Meg Davis (Cons)
Crime & Disorder Sub-Committee	Ian de Wulverton (UKIP)	David Durant (IRG)
Environment Overview & Scrutiny Sub-Committee	Darren Wise (EHRG)	Carol Smith (Cons)
Health Overview and Scrutiny Sub-Committee	Michael White (Cons)	Dilip Patel (Cons)
Individuals Overview & Scrutiny Sub-Committee	Ray Best (Cons)	Linda Trew (Cons)
Towns and Communities Overview & Scrutiny Sub-Committee	Lawrence Webb (UKIP)	Linda Hawthorn (EHRG)

Sub-Committee of the Governance Committee:

Appointments	Philippa Crowder (Cons)	Clarence Barrett (EHRG)
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10 APPOINTMENT OF THE MEMBER CHAMPIONS (agenda item 10)

The following Member Champions were **AGREED** without division:

For the Armed Forces – Cllr John Crowder (Cons)

For Equalities and Diversity - Cllr Stephanie Nunn (RA)

For the Historic Environment – Cllr Linda Hawthorn (EHRG)

For the Over 50's – Cllr Linda Van den Hende (EHRG)

For the Voluntary Sector Compact – Cllr Viddy Persaud (Cons)

For Younger Persons – Cllr Alex Donald (EHRG)

Mayor

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Appendix 1

LEADER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS TO ANNUAL COUNCIL WEDNESDAY 17 May 2017

Madam Mayor

I rise to announce some changes to Cabinet Portfolios in accordance with the Local Government Act 2000 which I would like recorded in the minutes of the meeting.

The Portfolios of Cllr. Osman Dervish, assisted by Deputy Cabinet Member Cllr. Jason Frost will be amended to:

**HIGHWAYS
ENVIRONMENTAL STRATEGY & STRATEGIC
TRANSPORATION PLANNING
STREETCARE
COMMUNITY SAFETY
HEALTH AND SAFETY
PUBLIC PROTECTION
LICENSING
EMERGENCY PLANNING**

The Portfolios of Cllr. Damian White, assisted by Deputy Cabinet Member Joshua Chapman, will be amended to:

**HOUSING MANAGEMENT
HOUSING POLICY AND ALLOCATION
DEVELOPMENT CONTROL
BUILDING CONTROL
STRATEGIC & SPECIAL PLANNING**

My Portfolio will be amended to:

**STRATEGIC & POLICY AND DIRECTION OF THE COUNCIL
STRATEGIC FINANCIAL PLANNING**

PROPERTY STRATEGY AND ASSET MANAGEMENT

HR AND WORKFORCE STRATEGY

COMMUNICATIONS

REGENERATION

Cllr. Frost will assist me in relation to Regeneration.

Cllr. Frost will continue to have particular responsibility for the PSPO roll out and Cllr. Chapman will continue to have particular responsibility for Romford Housing Zone.

All other Portfolios will remain the same.

I would also like to confirm the executive scheme of delegation to cabinet, to individual cabinet member and to officers as set out in Part 3 of the Council's Constitution. I will notify the Proper Officer in writing who will make the necessary changes to the Constitution.

Thank you.