

# Annual Meeting of the Council

Minutes - 17 May 2017

## Attendance

**Mayor** Cllr Elias Mattu (Lab)  
**Deputy Mayor** Cllr Phil Page (Lab)

## Labour

Cllr Ian Angus  
Cllr Harbans Bagri  
Cllr Harman Banger  
Cllr Mary Bateman  
Cllr Philip Bateman MBE  
Cllr Payal Bedi-Chadha  
Cllr Peter Bilson  
Cllr Alan Bolshaw  
Cllr Greg Brackenridge  
Cllr Ian Brookfield  
Cllr Paula Brookfield  
Cllr Ian Claymore  
Cllr Craig Collingswood  
Cllr Claire Darke  
Cllr Steve Evans  
Cllr Val Evans

Cllr Bhupinder Gakhal  
Cllr Val Gibson  
Cllr Dr Michael Hardacre  
Cllr Julie Hodgkiss  
Cllr Keith Inston  
Cllr Jasbir Jaspal  
Cllr Milkinderpal Jaspal  
Cllr Andrew Johnson  
Cllr Rupinderjit Kaur  
Cllr Welcome Koussoukama  
Cllr Roger Lawrence  
Cllr Linda Leach  
Cllr Hazel Malcolm  
Cllr Louise Miles  
Cllr Lynne Moran  
Cllr Anwen Muston

Cllr Peter O'Neill  
Cllr Rita Potter  
Cllr John Reynolds  
Cllr John Rowley  
Cllr Judith Rowley  
Cllr Zee Russell  
Cllr Sandra Samuels OBE  
Cllr Caroline Siarkiewicz  
Cllr Stephen Simkins  
Cllr Mak Singh  
Cllr Tersaim Singh  
Cllr Paul Sweet  
Cllr Jacqueline Sweetman  
Cllr Martin Waite  
Cllr Daniel Warren

## Conservative

Cllr Barry Findlay  
Cllr Christopher Haynes  
Cllr Christine Mills  
Cllr Patricia Patten  
Cllr Paul Singh

Cllr Udey Singh  
Cllr Wendy Thompson  
Cllr Andrew Wynne  
Cllr Jonathan Yardley

## UKIP

Cllr Malcolm Gwinnett

## Employees

Keith Ireland  
Kevin O'Keefe  
Claire Nye  
Mark Taylor  
Linda Sanders  
Tim Johnson  
Laura Phillips  
Ian Fegan  
Jaswinder Kaur  
Colin Parr

Managing Director  
Director of Governance  
Director of Finance  
Director  
Strategic Director – People  
Strategic Director - Place  
Head of Business Management  
Head of Communications  
Democratic Services Manager  
Head of Governance

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The proceedings opened with Prayers

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*Item No.*     *Title*

**1        Apologies for absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Arun Photay.

**2        Declarations of interest**

There were no declarations of interests made.

**3        Minutes of previous meeting**

The retiring Mayor proposed, the retiring Deputy Mayor seconded, and it was:

Resolved

That the minutes of the previous meeting, held on 5 April 2017, be agreed as a correct record and signed accordingly by the retiring Mayor.

**4        To elect a Mayor**

It was proposed by Councillor John Reynolds, seconded by Councillor Jacqueline Sweetman and was:

Resolved:

That Councillor Elias Mattu be elected as Mayor for the 2017/18 municipal year.

**5        To appoint a Deputy Mayor**

It was proposed by Councillor Milkinder Jaspal, seconded by Councillor Keith Inston and was:

Resolved:

That Councillor Phil Page be appointed as Deputy Mayor for the 2017/18 municipal year.

**6        To pass a vote of thanks to the retiring Mayor**

It was proposed by Councillor Christine Mills, seconded by Councillor Val Gibson, and was:

Resolved:

1. That the Council expresses to Councillor Barry Findlay and Mrs Margaret Findlay its grateful appreciation for their work and service as Mayor and Mayoress of the city during the 2016/17 municipal year.

2. That a copy of the resolution of thanks to the retiring Mayor should be transcribed and presented to the retiring Mayor as a memento of his year in office.

## **7 Communications**

### **Armed Forces Day**

The Mayor reported that the city would be marking Armed Forces Day between the 19 and 24 June 2017. The week would begin with a flag-raising ceremony on Monday 19 June 2017 at the flagpole on the piazza, which would signify the build-up to an Armed Forces Day event in the City Centre on Saturday 24 June 2017.

### **Civic Sunday**

The Mayor informed Councillors of the arrangements for the Civic Sunday service which was taking place on Sunday 21 at the Collegiate Church of St Peter's at 11 am.

The Mayor welcomed the West Midlands Mayor Andy Street to the Council meeting.

## **8 The appointment of Executive, Scrutiny and Regulatory Bodies, etc.**

Councillor Roger Lawrence presented a report (appendices one to six were tabled) on the appointment of the Cabinet and Cabinet Panels, the Scrutiny Board and Scrutiny Panels, Regulatory and other Committees, and representation on Joint Authorities/Committees and outside bodies.

Councillor Roger Lawrence proposed the recommendations and Councillor Andrew Johnson seconded the recommendations.

Resolved:

1. That the political composition of the Council, and how this is applied to appointments to Council bodies as set out in appendix 1 to the report be approved.
2. That the appointment, by the Leader of the Council, of Councillors to the Cabinet, the specified lead Cabinet Member roles and Cabinet Panels as set out in appendix 2 to the report be approved.
3. That the appointment of Councillors to the Scrutiny Board, and Scrutiny Panels, including Chairs and Vice-chairs as set out in appendix 3 to the report be approved.
4. That the appointment of Councillors to Regulatory, Oversight and other Committees and advisory groups, including Chairs and Vice-Chairs, and the appointment of Councillor Champions, as set out in appendix 4 to the report be approved subject to Councillor Paul Sweet sitting on Corporate Parenting Board.

5. That the appointments to Joint Authorities/Committees and Outside Bodies, including lead, substitute lead and voting Councillors as set out in appendices 5 and 6 to the report be approved.