Coventry City Council Minutes of the Meeting of Council held at 11.00 am on Thursday, 21 May 2015

Present:

Members: Councillor H Noonan (Chair)

Councillor F Abbott Councillor N Akhtar Councillor P Akhtar Councillor M Ali

Councillor A Andrews Councillor M Auluck Councillor R Auluck Councillor R Bailey Councillor S Bains Councillor L Bigham Councillor J Birdi Councillor J Blundell Councillor R Brown Councillor K Caan Councillor J Clifford Councillor G Crookes Councillor G Duggins Councillor D Galliers Councillor D Gannon Councillor A Gingell

Councillor M Hammon
Councillor L Harvard
Councillor J Innes

Councillor D Kershaw Councillor T Khan Councillor A Khan

Councillor R Lakha Councillor R Lancaster Councillor M Lapsa

Councillor J Lepoidevin

Councillor A Lucas Councillor P Male

Councillor K Maton

Councillor J McNicholas

Councillor C Miks

Councillor K Mulhall

Councillor J Mutton

Councillor M Mutton

Councillor J O'Boyle

Councillor E Ruane

Councillor T Sawdon

Councillor P Seaman

Councillor T Skipper

Councillor H Sweet

Councillor K Taylor

Councillor R Thay

Councillor S Thomas Councillor P Townshend Councillor S Walsh Councillor D Welsh

Honorary Alderman J. Gazey

Apologies: Councillor D Chater, B Singh and D Skinner

Public Business

1. Correspondence and announcements of the Lord Mayor

The Lord Mayor read out the following response received from Kensington Palace to a letter to the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge extending congratulations on the safe arrival of Her Royal Highness Princess Charlotte.

"The Duke and Duchess of Cambridge have asked me to write and thank you very much for the leter which you so kindly sent on the occasion of the birth of their daughter, Princess Charlotte.

Their Royal Highnesses are so grateful for the kind messages they have received; it is a very special time for them as a family.

The Duke and Duchess would have me send their warmest thanks and best wishes to all of the Council and citizens of Coventry."

2. Election of the Chair of the Council (being the Lord Mayor of the City)

It was moved by Councillor Taylor and seconded by Councillor Kershaw that Councillor Michael Hammon be elected as Chair of the Council (being the Lord Mayor of the City) for the ensuing year.

RESOLVED that Councillor Michael Hammon be elected as Chair of the Council for the 2015/16 municipal year, having made the declaration of office prescribed by the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) and having been invested with the Lord Mayor's Chain of Office and Robe.

3. Lord Mayor's Address

The Lord Mayor, Councillor Hammon, addressed the City Council

4. Vote of Thanks to the Retiring Lord Mayor

A vote of thanks for the retiring Lord Mayor, Councillor Hazel Noonan, was moved by Councillor Bailey and seconded by Councillor Townshend.

Councillor Noonan responded to the vote of thanks.

RESOLVED:

- (1) That the warmest thanks of the Council were due and were thereby given to Councillor Hazel Noonan for the zeal and impartiality with which he has discharged the arduous duties of the office of Lord Mayor during the year 2015/15 and to Christopher as Lord Mayor's consort.
- (2) That a copy of this resolution, under the common seal, be presented to Councillor Hazel Noonan.

5. Medallions for the Retiring Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress

The Lord Mayor, on behalf of the City Council, presented to Councillor Noonan and Christopher, Lord Mayor and consort during 2014/15, medallions inscribed with their names

6. Election of the Vice-Chair of the Council (being the Deputy Lord Mayor of the City)

It was moved by Councillor Duggins and seconded by Councillor Bigham that Councillor Lindsley Harvard be elected as Vice Chair of the Council (being the Deputy Lord Mayor of the City) for the ensuing year.

RESOLVED that Councillor Lindsley Harvard be elected Vice Chair of the Council for the 2015/16 municipal year, having made the declaration of office prescribed by the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) and having been invested with the Deputy Lord Mayor's Badge and Robe.

7. Official Badge of the Deputy Lady Mayoress

The Lord Mayor invested Ms Shirley Bush with the Badge of Office of the Deputy Lady Mayoress.

8. To receive a report of the Leader of the Council on the appointment of the Deputy Leader, composition of the Cabinet and the appointment of Deputy Cabinet Members and allocation of Executive Functions within the Cabinet

The City Council received a report of the Leader, Councillor Ann Lucas, which confirmed the composition of the Cabinet and the allocation of executive portfolios/functions within the Cabinet (detailed below):

Member	Portfolio
The Leader	Corporate Plan
Policy and Leadership	Scrutiny
,	External relations / public relations
Cllr Mrs Lucas	Image and reputation
	Partnership companies
	Liaison with Management Board
	Emergency Planning
	Regional Matters
	Risk Management
	Local Enterprise Partnership

The Deputy Leader	Community Safety		
Policing and Equalities	Community Cohesion		
	Refugees and Asylum Seekers		
Cllr Townshend	Welfare Advice Services		
	Public Protection and Licensing		
Deputy Cabinet Member	Democratic Services (incl. Lord Mayor's)		
	Equalities		
Cllr Dr Auluck (Special emphasis on	i i		
Domestic Violence and Sexual			
Exploitation)	Neighbourhood Services		
	Constitutional Matters + Political Management		
	Delivering A Programme for Action Deputising on Leader items Domestic Violence and Sexual Exploitation Local Policing		
Cabinet Member	Strategic Finance including Budget Setting External Resources		
Strategic Finance and Resources			
	Operational Finance incl. Revenues and		
Cllr Gannon	Benefits		
	Service Transformation		
	Procurement		
	Value for Money		
	Medium Term Financial Strategy		
	Corporate Service Performance, Policy and		
	Quality		
	Human Resources		
	e-Government		
	Key Staff Recruitment and Retention		
	Information Technology and Customer Services		
	Health and Safety		
	Single Status		
	Operational Property		
	Catering		
	Fuel Poverty		

Cabinet Member	Children and Families	
Children and Young People	Children and Young People's Social Care	
	Young People	
Cllr Ruane	Youth Offending Service	
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	Safeguarding	
	*S19 Children Act 2004 Lead Member	
	Fostering and Adoption	
Cabinet Member	Post 16 Education and Training	
Education	Schools	
	Early Years	
Cllr Kershaw	Libraries	
- Cili resistian	Adult Education	
Deputy Cabinat Mambar		
Deputy Cabinet Member	Higher and Further Education (incl. Universities)	
Cllr Thomas		
Cabinet Member	Community Economic Development	
Business, Enterprise and	City Centre	
Employment	International liaison (including Lord Mayor's)	
Employment	Inward Investment	
Cllr Maton		
Cili Matori	Property (Commercial)	
	Urban Regeneration	
Deputy Cabinet Members:	Regional Housing and Planning	
	Transportation	
Cllr McNicholas (Transportation)	Tourism and Marketing	
, , ,	Agenda 21	
Cllr Brown (Special emphasis on	Climate Change Strategy and Development	
Small and Medium Size	Carbon Footprint	
	Green Travel	
Enterprises)		
	Nottingham Declaration	
	Energy Conservation and Renewal	
	Sustainability	
	Energy Policy	
Cabinet Member	Building Cleaning	
Public Services	Highways, Drainage and Lighting	
	Licensing Policy (Hackney Carriage and Private	
Cllr Lancaster	Hire)	
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	Street Services (Ground Maintenance, Refuse	
	(domestic and commercial), (Street Cleaning)	
	Waste Management	
	Flood Management	
	Building Services	
	Environment	
	Bereavement Services	
	Traffic Management and Road Safety	
	Traine Management and Noad Salety	

Cabinet Member	Social Care for Adults, Older People and People		
Health and Adult Services	with Disabilities		
	Carers		
Cllr Caan	Health Strategy and Policy		
	Health Inequalities		
Deputy Cabinet Member	Local Health Economy		
	Public Health		
Councillor Clifford	Teenage Pregnancies		
	Sexual Health		
	Marmot		
Cabinet Member	Archives		
Culture, Leisure, Sports and Parks	Arts		
, , ,	Heritage		
Cllr A Khan	Museums		
	Conservation		
	Sport		
	Parks		
	Events		
Cabinet Member	Social Enterprise Strategy		
Community Development, Co-	Mutuals		
Operatives and Social Enterprise	Community and Third Sector Relations		
	City Centre Management		
Cllr Abbott	City of Culture Bid		
	Community Centres		
	Homelessness		
	Voluntary Sector		

^{*}Councillor Ruane is designated as the Lead Member for Children's Services as required by Section 19 of the Children's Act 2004

9. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of the City Council held on 17 March were signed as a true record.

10. Return of persons elected as Councillors for the City on 7 May 2015

The return of Councillors elected for the following wards of the City on 7 May 2015 was reported:

Ward	Name	Year of Retirement
Bablake	David E Kershaw	2019
Binley and Willenhall	Ram P Lakha	2019
Cheylesmore	Richard J Brown	2019
Earlsdon	Ken Taylor	2019

Foleshill	Abdul S Khan	2019
Henley	Patricia Seaman	2019
Holbrook	Joe Clifford	2019
Longford	Linda J Bigham	2019
Lower Stoke	John D McNicholas	2019
Radford	Tony Skipper	2019
Sherbourne	Damian Gannon	2019
St Michael's	Jim O'Boyle	2019
Upper Stoke	Randhir K Auluck	2019
Wainbody	Tim Sawdon	2019
Westwood	Marcus E Lapsa	2019
Whoberley	Pervez Akhtar	2019
Woodlands	Peter R Male	2019
Wyken	Hazel J Sweet	2019

11. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

12. Matters for determination by the City Council

The Council considered and approved the following documents which were tabled at the meeting:

(i) Details of Licensing and Regulatory Committee, Planning Committee, Health and Wellbeing Board, Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee, Scrutiny Boards, Audit and Procurement Committee, an Ethics Committee and such other Committees as the Council considers appropriate to deal with matters which are neither reserved to the Council nor are executive functions as set out in the Constitution. This also includes the appointment of the Chair and Deputy Chair of those bodies.

- (ii) The size and terms of reference for those Boards and Committees (as set out in the Constitution).
- (iii) The allocation of seats to political groups in accordance with the political balance rules.
- (iv) The nominations of Councillors to serve on each Scrutiny Board, Committee and Cabinet Advisory Panel.
- (v) The nominations and appointments to outside bodies.
- (vi) The programme of ordinary meetings of the Council, Cabinet, Scrutiny Boards, Committees and Advisory Panels for 2015/16 including the date and time of the next Annual Meeting.

RESOLVED that the City Council approve the allocation of seats, appointments and programme of meetings as appended to these minutes.

13. Changes to the Governance Arrangements of the West Midlands Integrated Transport Authority

The City Council considered a report of the Executive Director of Resources which detailed changes to the governance arrangements of the West Midlands Integrated Transport Authority and sought approval to the establishment of the Centro Members Joint Committee.

RESOLVED that the City Council:

- (1) Notes the changes to the terms of reference of the West Midlands Integrated Transport Authority and endorses the changes to the governance arrangements as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report.
- (2) Approves the reduction in membership of the Transport Delivery Committee of the Integrated Transport Authority as per the amended Scheme of Delegation and the change in name to set out in the Authority's amended terms of reference.
- (3) Authorises the Assistant Director of Legal and Democratic Services to agree and enter into such documents as are necessary to give effect to these decisions

14. Amendments to the Terms of Reference of the West Midlands Joint Committee

The City Council considered a report of the Executive Director of Resources which set out proposed changes to the terms of reference of the West Midlands Joint Committee which were needed now that the West Midlands Integrated Transport Authority (ITA) was operational.

The main changes to the Joint Committee's Constitution were:

 To remove responsibilities for the shadow ITA, now that the formal West Midlands ITA is up and running; and To include reference to the role of the WMJC in confirming the appointment of the 5 additional members of the ITA's Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee to achieve the balanced appointment.

Each local authority member of the Joint Committee must agree the changes before they can be implemented.

RESOLVED that the City Council:

- (1) Approve the changes to the Terms of Reference and Constitution of the West Midlands Joint Committee as set out in Appendix 1 to the report.
- (2) Authorise the Assistant Director of Legal and Democratic Services to agree and enter into such documents are necessary to give effect to the above recommendation.
- 15. If required, to consider any changes to the Constitution or any other matters arising from the Annual Meeting decisions and appointments

This item was not required.

(Meeting closed at 12.15 pm)