

**Coventry City Council**  
**Minutes of the Meeting of Council held at 11.00 am on Thursday, 17 May 2018**

Present:

Members: Councillor J Blundell (Chair)

Councillor F Abbott	Councillor A Lucas
Councillor N Akhtar	Councillor P Male
Councillor P Akhtar	Councillor K Maton
Councillor R Ali	Councillor T Mayer
Councillor A Andrews	Councillor J McNicholas
Councillor R Auluck	Councillor C Miks
Councillor S Bains	Councillor J Mutton
Councillor L Bigham	Councillor M Mutton
Councillor J Birdi	Councillor J O'Boyle
Councillor R Brown	Councillor G Ridley
Councillor K Caan	Councillor E Ruane
Councillor J Clifford	Councillor Sandhu
Councillor G Crookes	Councillor T Sawdon
Councillor G Duggins	Councillor P Seaman
Councillor L Harvard	Councillor B Singh
Councillor Hetherton	Councillor R Singh
Councillor J Innes	Councillor D Skinner
Councillor B Kaur	Councillor T Skipper
Councillor L Kelly	Councillor H Sweet
Councillor D Kershaw	Councillor K Taylor
Councillor T Khan	Councillor R Thay
Councillor A Khan	Councillor S Walsh
Councillor R Lakha	Councillor D Welsh
Councillor R Lancaster	Councillor G Williams
Councillor M Lapsa	

Honorary Alderman: D Batten, S Collins, H Fitzpatrick, J Gazey, M Hammon, K Mulhall, H Noonan, A Waugh

Apologies: Councillor R Bailey, D Gannon, J Lepoidevin and C Thomas

**Public Business**

**1. Correspondence and Announcements of the Lord Mayor**

There were no announcements from the Lord Mayor.

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

It was moved by Councillor Sawdon, seconded by Councillor Crookes and supported by Councillor Duggins, that Councillor John Blundell be elected as Chair of the Council (being the Lord Mayor of the City) for the ensuing year.

**RESOLVED that Councillor John Blundell be elected as Chair of the Council for the 2018/19 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. The Lord Mayor's Address**

The Lord Mayor, Councillor Blundell, addressed the City Council.

**4. Vote of thanks to the Retiring Lord Mayor**

A vote of thanks for the retiring Lord Mayor, Councillor Tony Skipper, was moved by Councillor M Mutton, seconded by Councillor Duggins and supported by Councillor Ridley..

Councillor Skipper responded to the vote of thanks.

**RESOLVED:**

**(1) That the warmest thanks of the Council were due and were thereby given to Councillor Tony Skipper for the zeal and impartiality with which he has discharged the arduous duties of the office of Lord Mayor during the year 2017/18; and**

**(2) That a copy of this resolution, under the common seal, be presented to Councillor Tony Skipper.**

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

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

**RESOLVED that Councillor Linda Bigham be elected as Vice Chair of the Council for the 2018/19 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.**

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

(a) The Leader of the Council announced that Coventry would be the European City of Sport 2019.

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

<b>Member</b>	<b>Portfolio</b>
The Leader Policy and Leadership	Council Plan City of Culture

Councillor Duggins	Scrutiny External relations / public relations Image and reputation Chair of Cabinet / Management Board meetings Emergency Planning Regional Matters West Midlands Combined Authority Corporate Governance Information Management and Governance Risk Management
The Deputy Leader Policing and Equalities  Councillor A Khan  Deputy Cabinet Member  Councillor P Akhtar	Community Safety Community Cohesion Public Protection and Licensing Prosecution and Enforcement Democratic Services, including Lord Mayor's Electoral Services Equalities Legal Services Training (Members) Constitutional Matters and Political Management Domestic Violence and Sexual Exploitation Local Policing Media Strategy Events Parks International Liaison Deputising on Leader Items
Cabinet Member Strategic Finance and Resources  Councillor J Mutton	Strategic Finance Medium Term Financial Strategy Budget Setting External Resources Operational Finance incl. Revenues and Benefits Service Transformation and value for money Procurement Human Resources Key Staff Recruitment and Retention Information Technology and Customer Services Health and Safety Pensions
Cabinet Member Children and Young People  Councillor Seaman  Deputy Cabinet Member	Children and Families Children and Young People's Social Care Child Sexual Exploitation Young People Youth Offending Service Safeguarding *S19 Children Act 2004 Lead Member Fostering and Adoption

Councillor Skipper	Corporate Parenting
Cabinet Member Education and Skills  Councillor Maton	Post 16 Education and Training Schools Early Years Libraries Adult Education Higher and Further Education (incl. Universities) Skills and Employability
Cabinet Member Jobs and Regeneration  Councillor O'Boyle  Deputy Cabinet Member  Councillor Welsh	Economic Development City Centre International Trade and Inward Investment Commercial and Operational Property Local Enterprise Partnership Urban Regeneration Transportation Tourism and Marketing Climate Change Strategy and Development Energy Policy, Conservation and Renewables Sustainability Digital Strategy
Cabinet Member City Services  Councillor Innes  Deputy Cabinet Member  Councillor Lakha	Highways, Drainage and Lighting Licensing Policy (Hackney Carriage and Private Hire) Public Realm Street Services (Ground Maintenance, Refuse (domestic and commercial), (Street Cleaning) Waste Management Flood Management Environment Bereavement Services Traffic Management and Road Safety
Cabinet Member Adult Services  Councillor Abbott	Social Care for Adults, Older People and People with Disabilities Carers Sustainability and Transformation Plans
Cabinet Member Public Health and Sport  Councillor K Caan  Deputy Cabinet Member  Councillor R Ali	Health Strategy and Policy Health and Wellbeing Board Health Inequalities Air Quality Local Health Economy Public Health Sexual Health Teenage Pregnancies Mental Health Fuel Poverty Sport

Cabinet Member Housing and Communities	Archives
Councillor Ruane	Arts
Deputy Cabinet Member	Heritage
Councillor Kaur	Museums
	Conservation
	Social Enterprise Strategy
	Catering
	Mutuals
	Community and Third Sector Relations
	Community Centres
	Refugees and Asylum Seekers
	Voluntary Sector
	Welfare Advice Services
	Housing and Homelessness
	Planning

\*Cabinet Member Children and Young People is designated as the Lead Member for Children's Services as required by Section 19 of the Children's Act 2004

## 7. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 13 March 2018 were signed as a true record.

## 8. To receive the return of persons elected as Councillors for the City on 3 May 2018

The return of Councillors elected for the following wards of the City on 3 May 2018 was reported:

Ward	Name	Political Party	Year of Retirement
<b>BABLAKE</b>	Jaswant Singh Birdi	Conservative	2022
<b>BINLEY AND WILLENHALL</b>	John Roderick Mutton	Labour	2022
<b>CHEYLESMORE</b>	Roger Maurice James Bailey	Conservative	2022
<b>EARLSDON</b>	Kindy Sandhu	Labour	2022
<b>FOLESHILL</b>	Tariq Khan	Labour	2022
<b>HENLEY</b>	Kevin Barry Maton	Labour	2022
<b>HOLBROOK</b>	Evelyn Ann Lucas	Labour	2022
<b>LONGFORD</b>	Lindsley Harvard	Labour	2022
<b>LOWER STOKE</b>	Rupinder Singh	Labour	2022

<b>RADFORD</b>	Patricia Maria Hetherton	Labour	2022
<b>SHERBOURNE</b>	Seamus Walsh	Labour	2022
<b>ST MICHAEL'S</b>	David Stuart Welsh	Labour	2022
<b>UPPER STOKE</b>	Sucha Singh Bains	Labour	2022
<b>WAINBODY</b>	Gary Edward Crookes	Conservative	2022
<b>WESTWOOD</b>	David John Skinner	Conservative	2022
<b>WHOBBERLEY</b>	Bally Singh	Labour	2022
<b>WOODLANDS</b>	Julia Elizabeth Lepoidevin	Conservative	2022
<b>WYKEN</b>	Faye Abbott	Labour	2022

9. **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

10. **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, Ethics Committee, Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee and other such Committee 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 included the appointment of the Chair and Deputy Chair of those bodies.
- (ii) The size and terms of reference for those Boards and Committee (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, Committee and Advisory Panels for 2018/19 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 together with the appointments to outside bodies.**

11. **If required, to consider any changes to the Constitution or any other matters arising from the Annual Meeting decisions and appointments**

There were no other matters arising.

(Meeting closed at 12.20 pm)