

**Coventry City Council**  
**Minutes of the Meeting of Council held at 11.00 am on Thursday, 16 May 2019**

Present:

Members: Councillor L Bigham (Chair)

Councillor F Abbott	Councillor J Lepoidevin
Councillor N Akhtar	Councillor A Lucas
Councillor P Akhtar	Councillor J McNicholas
Councillor R Ali	Councillor P Male
Councillor A Andrews	Councillor K Maton
Councillor R Auluck	Councillor C Miks
Councillor R Bailey	Councillor J Mutton
Councillor J Birdi	Councillor M Mutton
Councillor J Blundell	Councillor O'Boyle
Councillor R Brown	Councillor G Ridley
Councillor K Caan	Councillor E Ruane
Councillor Clifford	Councillor K 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 H Sweet
Councillor L Kelly	Councillor R Thay
Councillor AS Khan	Councillor C Thomas
Councillor T Khan	Councillor S Walsh
Councillor R Lakha	Councillor D Welsh
Councillor R Lancaster	Councillor G Williams
Councillor M Lapsa	

Honorary Alderman

Apologies: Councillor S Bains and T Mayer

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

**RESOLVED that Councillor Linda Bigham be elected as Chair of the Council for the 2019/20 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 Bigham, addressed the City Council.

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

A vote of thanks for the retiring Lord Mayor, Councillor John Blundell, was moved by Councillor Sawdon, seconded by Councillor Crookes and supported by Councillor Duggins.

Councillor Blundell responded to the vote of thanks.

**RESOLVED:**

**(1) That the warmest thanks of the Council were due and were thereby given to Councillor John Blundell for the zeal and impartiality with which he has discharged the arduous duties of the office of Lord Mayor during the year 2018/19; and**

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

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

It was moved by Councillor Lancaster, seconded by Councillor Clifford and supported by Councillor Ridley that Councillor Ann Lucas be elected as Vice Chair of the Council (being the Deputy Lord Mayor of the City) for the ensuing year.

**RESOLVED that Councillor Ann Lucas be elected as Vice Chair of the Council for the 2019/20 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 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**

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  Councillor G Duggins	One Coventry Council Plan City of Culture 2021 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 S 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 and diplomacy Peace, reconciliation and twinning 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 Organisational Development Key Staff Recruitment and Retention Information Technology Customer Services Health and Safety Pensions
<b>Member</b>	<b>Portfolio</b>
Cabinet Member Children and Young People  Councillor P 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 Corporate Parenting

Councillor B Gittins	
Cabinet Member Education and Skills  Councillor K Maton	Post 16 Education and Training Schools Early Years Special Educational Needs and Disability Libraries Adult Education Higher and Further Education (incl. Universities) Skills and Employability
Cabinet Member Jobs and Regeneration  Councillor J O'Boyle  Deputy Cabinet Member  Councillor D Welsh	Economic Development City Centre International Trade and Inward Investment Commercial and Operational Property (including catering) Local Enterprise Partnership Urban Regeneration Transportation Tourism and Marketing Sustainability and climate change Digital Strategy
Cabinet Member City Services  Councillor P Hetherton  Deputy Cabinet Member  Councillor G Lloyd	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 Parking policy and operations
Cabinet Member Adult Services  Councillor M Mutton	Social Care for Adults and Older People Better Care Fund Transforming Care Carers Adult Safeguarding Adult social care integration with health
Cabinet Member Public Health and Sport  Councillor K Caan  Deputy Cabinet Member  Councillor R Ali	Health Strategy and Policy Integrated Care Systems development Health Inequalities and Marmot Air Quality Local Health Economy Public Health Sexual Health Teenage Pregnancies Mental Health Poverty Fuel Poverty Sport and physical activity

Cabinet Member Housing and Communities  Councillor T Khan  Deputy Cabinet Member  Councillor D Welsh	Archives Arts Heritage Museums Conservation Social Enterprise Strategy Mutuals Community and Voluntary Sector Relations Community Centres Refugees and Asylum Seekers Welfare Advice Services Housing and Homelessness Planning Policy

\*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 19 March 2019 were signed as a true record.

## 8. Return of persons elected as Councillors for the City on 2 May 2019

The return of Councillors elected for the following wards of the City on 2 May 2019 was reported:

Ward	Name	Political Party	Year of Retirement
<b>BABLAKE</b>	Tarlochan Singh Jandu	Conservative	2023
<b>BINLEY AND WILLENHALL</b>	Ram Parkash Lakha	Labour	2023
<b>CHEYLESMORE</b>	Richard James Brown	Labour	2023
<b>EARLSDON</b>	Becky Gittins	Labour	2023
<b>FOLESHILL</b>	Abdul Salam Khan	Labour	2023
<b>HENLEY</b>	Patricia Seaman	Labour	2023
<b>HOLBROOK</b>	Joe Clifford	Labour	2023

<b>LONGFORD</b>	Linda Joyce Bigham	Labour	2023
<b>LOWER STOKE</b>	John Douglas McNicholas	Labour	2023
<b>RADFORD</b>	Maya Ali	Labour	2023
<b>SHERBOURNE</b>	Gavin John Lloyd	Labour	2023
<b>ST MICHAEL'S</b>	Jim O'Boyle	Labour	2023
<b>UPPER STOKE</b>	Randhir Kaur Auluck	Labour	2023
<b>WAINBODY</b>	Tim Sawdon	Conservative	2023
<b>WESTWOOD</b>	Marcus Edgar Lapsa	Conservative	2023
<b>WHOBBERLEY</b>	Pervez Akhtar	Labour	2023
<b>WOODLANDS</b>	Peter Roger Male	Conservative	2023
<b>WYKEN</b>	Hazel Jean Sweet	Labour	2023

**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 2019/20 including the date and time of the next Annual Meeting and agree the scheme of delegations as set out in the Constitution.

**RESOLVED that the City Council approve the allocation of seats, appointments and programme of meetings together with the appointments to outside bodies (as appended to these minutes).**

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 12.50 pm)