

**Coventry City Council**  
**Minutes of the Meeting of Council held at 12.45 pm on Thursday, 19 May 2022**

Present:

Members: Councillor K Maton (Chair)

Councillor F Abbott	Councillor AS Khan
Councillor N Akhtar	Councillor R Lakha
Councillor P Akhtar	Councillor R Lancaster
Councillor M Ali	Councillor M Lapsa
Councillor R Bailey	Councillor G Lloyd
Councillor L Bigham	Councillor P Male
Councillor J Birdi	Councillor A Masih
Councillor J Blundell	Councillor J McNicholas
Councillor R Brown	Councillor C Miks
Councillor K Caan	Councillor B Mosterman
Councillor J Clifford	Councillor S Nazir
Councillor G Duggins	Councillor J O'Boyle
Councillor B Gittins	Councillor G Ridley
Councillor S Gray	Councillor K Sandhu
Councillor L Harvard	Councillor T Sawdon
Councillor G Hayre	Councillor P Seaman
Councillor M Heaven	Councillor R Simpson
Councillor P Hetherington	Councillor R Singh
Councillor A Hopkins	Councillor R Thay
Councillor J Innes	Councillor CE Thomas
Councillor T Jandu	Councillor A Tucker
Councillor A Jobbar	Councillor S Walsh
Councillor S Keough	Councillor D Welsh
Councillor T Khan	

Honorary Alderman D Batten, H Fitzpatrick, K Mulhall, K Taylor and J Wright

Apologies: Councillor R Auluck, J Innes, J Lepoidevin, M Mutton, E Ruane and B Singh

## **Public Business**

### **1. Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **2. Conferring the Title of Honorary Aldermen**

The City Council considered a report of the Chief Executive which set out the details of nominations for Honorary Aldermen. The following nominations had been received and were presented for approval:

**Ann Lucas OBE**

Ann Lucas was a Member of the City Council for 26 years representing Bablake Ward between 1995-99 and then Holbrook Ward between 2000 to 2022. During that time, Ann served on many Committees, holding a number of positions, including Chair of Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee and Chair of the Health and Care Policy Team and Ann was a Cabinet Member for a number of portfolios, including Health and Community Services, Social Services and Area Co-ordination and Leisure.

From 2013-2016, Ann was Leader of the Council, the first female Leader of the Council. Ann was Lord Mayor in 2020/21.

Ann has been an active campaigner against domestic violence for many years and was awarded an OBE in 2014 for her national and local work as a champion of domestic violence issues and her services to local government. She was also awarded the Coventry Award of Merit in 2014.

**It was proposed by Councillor R Lancaster, seconded by Councillor J Clifford and RESOLVED unanimously that the title of Honorary Alderman be conferred on Ann Lucas as a past member of the City Council in recognition of giving eminent services to the Council and the City for at least 16 years, and that a copy of this resolution, under the Common Seal, be presented to mark the conferment.**

The Lord Mayor, on behalf of the City Council, presented Ann with a badge and framed certificate to commemorate his appointment and he signed the 'Roll of Honorary Aldermen'.

Honorary Alderman Lucas then gave an acceptance speech.

### **David Skinner**

David Skinner was a Member of the City Council for 16 years representing Westwood Ward from 2006-2022. During that time, David served on Ward Forums, Licensing and Regulatory Committee, Planning Committee and Scrutiny Boards.

David was awarded an MBE in 2020 for services to Coventry communities.

**It was proposed by Councillor M Lapsa, seconded by Councillor A Masih and RESOLVED unanimously that the title of Honorary Alderman be conferred on David Skinner as a past member of the City Council in recognition of giving eminent services to the Council and the City for at least 15 years, and that a copy of this resolution, under the Common Seal, be presented to mark the conferment.**

The Lord Mayor, on behalf of the City Council, presented David with a badge and framed certificate to commemorate his appointment and he signed the 'Roll of Honorary Aldermen'.

Honorary Alderman Skinner then gave an acceptance speech.

(Meeting closed at 1.05 pm)