

Minutes of: COUNCIL

Date of Meeting: 17 May 2017

Present: The Worshipful the Mayor (Councillor , in the Chair)
Councillors P Adams, N Bayley, I Bevan, S Briggs, R Caserta,
R.Cathcart, M C Connolly, T Cummings, M D'Albert, J Daly,
I Gartside, J Grimshaw, D Gunther, M Hankey, S Haroon,
J Harris, R Hodgkinson, T Holt, K Hussain, M James, D Jones,
G Keeley, J Kelly, Kerrison, O Kersh, J Lewis, J Mallon,
A McKay, S Nuttall, E O'Brien, T Pickstone, C Preston,
A Quinn, Schofield, R Shori, D Silbiger, R Skillen, S Smith,
Sarah Southworth, Susan Southworth, T Tariq, J Walker,
R Walker, S Walmsley, Whitby, S Wright and Y Wright

**Apologies for
Absence** J Black and E Fitzgerald

Public Attendance: 20 members of the public attended Part 1 of the meeting.
160 members of the public attended Part 2 of the meeting.

C. 1 ELECTION OF CHAIR

RESOLVED:

That the election of Chair be adjourned to Part 2 of the Proceedings.

C. 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

1. Councillor Shori declared a personal interest in any item which related to staffing as his partner is an employee of Bury Council.
2. Councillor Jones declared a personal interest in any items related to staffing as his wife is an employee within a school within the Borough.
3. Councillor Mallon declared a personal interest in any item which related to staffing as his wife is an employee within a high school within the Borough.
4. Councillor Bevan declared a personal interest in any items related to staffing as his wife is employed at Summerseat Methodist Primary School.
5. Councillor S Wright declared a personal interest in any items related to staffing as his wife is employed at a Primary School in the Borough.

C. 3 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 19 April 2017 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Mayor.

C. 4 MAYORAL COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor referred to the recent passing of former Council Leader Derek Boden and Members observed a brief silence in his memory.

The Mayor presented certificates to winners of the "Made in Bury: Council Community Awards" as follows:-

Outstanding Contribution to a Township Award: Winner **Joanne Wilcock**

Young Person or Young Persons' Group: Winner **Bury Stars**

Volunteer of the Year Award: Winner **Jacquie Morrison**

Best Community Project funded by the Township Forum: Winner **D-Caff**

The Mayor and Councillors expressed their congratulations to the recipients and their thanks and appreciation to volunteers across the Borough who make Bury such a good place to live, work and visit.

C. 5 ELECTION OF COUNCILLOR 2017

The Mayor reported the election of a Councillor following a by-election held on 4 May 2017 as follows:-

Ward	Councillor Elected
Besses	Andrea Simpson

C. 6 STATE OF THE BOROUGH DEBATE

Councillor Shori, Leader of the Council, made a statement on the State of the Borough describing the main achievements of the Council during 2016/2017.

C. 7 ANNUAL APPOINTMENTS 2017/18

The Leader moved, and Councillor Simpson seconded, that the report on the Annual Appointments for the 2017/18 Municipal Year be approved and adopted, and it was:

RESOLVED:

1. That the Strong Leader arrangements adopted by the Council in 2011/12, with a Cabinet of between two and ten Members be confirmed for 2017/2018.
2. That the appointment of the Political Groups' Leaders and Deputy Leaders as set out in Appendix A to this report be received.
3. That the appointment of the Cabinet, Deputy Cabinet Members and Shadow Cabinet for the 2017/2018 Municipal Year, as set out in Appendix B to this report be noted.

4. That the appointment of the Regulatory Committees, Overview and Scrutiny Committees and other bodies covered by the Political Balance Rules, including the appointment of Chairs, where stated, for the 2017/2018 Municipal Year, as set out in Appendix C to this report, be approved.
5. That the appointments of the Audit Committee and other bodies not covered by or exempted from the Political Balance Rules, including the appointment of Chairs, where stated, for the 2017/2018 Municipal Year, as set out in Appendix D to the report, be approved.
6. That the appointments to Combined Authority and Greater Manchester Joint Authorities for the 2017/2018 Municipal Year as set out in Appendix E to the report, be approved.
7. That the appointments to the various other internal bodies, including the appointment of Chairs, where stated, for the 2017/2018 Municipal Year, as set out in Appendix F to the report, be approved.
8. That the appointments to the outside bodies for the 2017/2018 Municipal Year, as set out in Appendix G to the report, be approved.
9. That the Members Allowance Scheme for 2017/18 as set out in Appendix H be noted.
10. That the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Leaders of the political groups on the Council, be authorised to determine any appointments to bodies which remain to be filled and any changes in appointments or any new appointments to be made during the 2017/2018 Municipal Year.
11. That the Monitoring Officer be authorised to make appropriate consequential changes to the Council's Constitution in order to reflect the allocation of portfolio responsibilities

C. 8 OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY ANNUAL REPORT 2016/17

Councillor Smith moved, and Councillor Kerrison seconded, and it was:

RESOLVED:

That the Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report for 2016/2017 be approved.

C. 9 CORPORATE PARENTING BOARD ANNUAL REPORT 2016/17

Councillor O'Brien moved, and Councillor Briggs seconded, and it was:

RESOLVED:

That the Corporate Parenting Annual Report for 2106/17 be approved.

C. 10 ELECTION OF THE MAYOR 2017/18

Councillor Connolly moved that Councillor Dorothy Gunther be elected to the office of Mayor of the Metropolitan Borough of Bury for the Municipal Year 2017/2018, with Mr Michael Gunther as her Consort.

Councillor Daly seconded the nomination.

The Worshipful the Mayor, after calling for and not receiving any other nominations, declared the nomination carried and it was:-

RESOLVED:

That Councillor Dorothy Gunther be duly elected Mayor of the Metropolitan Borough of Bury for the Municipal Year 2017/2018, with Mr Michael Gunther as her Consort.

The newly-elected Mayor then occupied the Chair, made and signed the Declaration required by the Local Government Act 1972 and thanked the Council for the honour conferred on her in electing her Mayor of the Metropolitan Borough of Bury.

C. 11 VOTE OF THANKS TO THE RETIRING MAYOR AND CONSORT AND APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR

It was moved by Councillor Jones, seconded by Councillor Walmsley and it was:

RESOLVED:

That Councillor Michael Connolly be appointed Deputy Mayor for the Municipal Year 2017/2018 and that this Council hereby expresses its thanks to Councillor Connolly and Mr Ian Hargreaves for the diligent manner in which they have undertaken the duties of Mayor and Consort of the Metropolitan Borough of Bury during the Municipal Year now ending and places on record its appreciation of their devotion and performance of the important duties attaching to their offices and that medallions be presented to them as tokens of appreciation of their services as Mayor and Consort.

C. 12 VOTE OF THANKS TO OUTGOING DEPUTY MAYOR AND OUTGOING DEPUTY MAYORESSES

It was proposed by Councillor D'Albert and it was:-

RESOLVED:

That this Council hereby expresses its thanks to Councillor Stella Smith and Mr John Smith, for the diligent manner in which they have undertaken the duties of Deputy Mayor and Deputy Consort of the Metropolitan Borough of Bury during the Municipal Year now ending and places on record its appreciation of their devotion and performance of the important duties attaching to their offices.

THE WORSHIPFUL THE MAYOR

(NOTES: Part 1 of the meeting started at 2.00 pm and ended at 3.40 pm
Part 2 of the meeting started at 4.00 pm and ended at 5.00pm)