

Minutes of: **AN ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

Date of Meeting: 10 April 2019

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

Apologies from: Councillor R Caserta

Public attendance: 35 members of the public attended the meeting

C.001 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

1. Councillor S Wright declared a personal interests in any matter relating to staffing as his wife is employed in a Bury School.
2. Councillors Gartside, N Jones, Harris and Y Wright declared personal interests in respect of Item 6, Leader's Question Time, as members of Bury Folk Keep It Green.
3. Councillor Quinn declared a personal interest in relation to Item 6, Leader's Question Time as his son and daughter in law work for the NHS.
4. Councillors Leach and Simpson declared personal interests as they are employed by the NHS.

C.002 MINUTES

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the Meeting of Council held on 20 February 2019 be signed by the Mayor as a true and correct record.

C.003 MAYORAL COMMUNICATIONS

The Mayor reported on a recent visit to holocaust memorial sites in Poland.

The Mayor thanked the staff and organisers involved in the Bury Pride event, to be held on 13 April.

The Mayor reminded Members that the Gallipoli Service would be held on 28 April at the Parish Church.

The Mayor paid tribute to Councillors D'Albert, Hodkinson, James, Kelly, Preston and Skillen who are not seeking re-election in May.

C.004 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

The Mayor reported the receipt of three written questions as set out below:

No.	Issue	Questioner	Answered By
1.	Orthodox Jewish Community	Mr R Gold	Councillor Shori
2.	Bury Housing Target	Mr S Turner	Councillor Shori
3.	Foster Care Ambassadors	Ms H Atkinson	Councillor Briggs

On inviting questions from members of the public present, the following issues were raised:-

No.	Issue	Questioner	Answered By
1.	Dog Fouling	Ms D Green	Councillor Quinn
2.	Greater Manchester Spatial Framework (GMSF)	Mr C Russell	Councillor Shori
3.	GMSF	Mr S Cluer	Councillor Shori
4.	Springwater Park, licensing of dog walkers	Mr T Brice	Councillor Quinn

C.005 RECOMMENDATIONS OF CABINET AND COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Meeting of the Licensing and Safety Panel held on 10 January 2019 – Changes to the Constitutional Make-up and Frequency of Meetings

It was moved by Councillor D Jones and seconded by Councillor Shori that:-

Council accept the proposals with regard to altering the frequency and constitution of licensing and safety panel meetings dealing with hackney carriage and private hire matters.

It was moved by Councillor Kersh and seconded by Councillor N Jones as an amendment to:-

Retain the current constitutional arrangements

On being put, with 19 voting for, 31 voting against and with the Mayor abstaining, the Mayor declared the amendment lost.

On being put, with 31 voting for, 19 voting against and with the Mayor abstaining, the Mayor declared the substantive motion carried.

Meeting of the Cabinet held on 12 March 2019 – Mayoralty 2019/2020

It was moved by Councillor Shori and seconded by Councillor Simpson and it was:-

RESOLVED:

That Council note that Councillor Trevor Holt has been proposed as Mayor of Bury for 2019/20

Meeting of the Democratic Arrangements Forum held on 1 April 2019 – Timetable of Meetings 2019/20

It was moved by Councillor Shori and seconded by Councillor Daly and it was:-

RESOLVED:

That the Timetable of Meetings for 2019/20 be approved.

Meeting of the Human Resources and Appeals Panel held on 4 April 2019 – Pay Policy Statement 2019/2020

It was moved by Councillor Holt and seconded by Councillor Shori and it was:-

RESOLVED:

That the Pay Policy Statement for 2019/20 be approved.

C.006 LEADER'S STATEMENT AND CABINET QUESTION TIME

(a) Written question (Notice given)

The Leader of the Council, Councillor Shori, made a statement on the work undertaken by him since the date of the last Council meeting.

The Leader and the relevant Cabinet Members answered questions raised by Councillors on the following issues:

No.	Issue	Questioner	Answered by
1.	No Outsiders Programme	Councillor James	Councillor Briggs
2.	Railings on Walmsley Road	Councillor Sarah Southworth	Councillor Kelly
3.	GMSF Advertising costs	Councillor N Jones	Councillor O'Brien

4.	Flood Defences	Councillor Skillen	Councillor Quinn
5.	Single Use Plastics	Councillor Thomas	Councillor Quinn
6.	GMSF Housing Targets	Councillor Harris	Councillor O'Brien
7.	Volunteering	Councillor Whitby	Councillor Tariq
8.	IT Strategy	Councillor J Walker	Councillor Kelly
9.	Brexit Preparations	Councillor Pickstone	Councillor Shori
10.	GMSF	Councillor Daly	Councillor O'Brien
11.	Climate Change Strikes	Councillor Preston	Councillor Quinn
12.	Victoria Wood Statue	Councillor Hayes	Councillor Kelly
13.	GMSF	Councillor Daly	Councillor O'Brien

Due to the lack of time to answer questions 12 to 23 inclusive, the Leader gave an undertaking that copies of those questions and responses will be circulated to all Councillors. The Leader also gave an undertaking to make these available on the Council Web Site.

(b) Oral questions on Leader's Speech and the work of the Cabinet since the last Council meeting (without Notice)

1.	Withdrawal of Notice of Motion	Councillor Silbiger	Councillor Shori
2.	Ramsbottom Chocolate Festival	Councillor Hodkinson	Councillor Shori
3.	Bury Pride	Councillor Pickstone	Councillor Shori
4.	Flood Defences/Tree Felling	Councillor Cathcart	Councillor Quinn
5.	Water Fountains - Whitefield	Councillor N Jones	Councillor Quinn
6.	Extra Care Scheme – North of the Borough	Councillor Y Wright	Councillor Shori
7.	Planned Free School	Councillor Daly	Councillor Shori
8.	Selection Criteria Water Fountains	Councillor Kersh	Councillor Quinn
9.	Radcliffe Town Centre Regeneration	Councillor Leach	Councillor Shori

C.007 JOINT AUTHORITIES – REPORTS BY THE COUNCIL’S REPRESENTATIVE AND QUESTIONS

- (a) Councillor Quinn, the Council’s representative on the Greater Manchester Waste Authority reported on the work of the Authority to all Members of the Council.
- (b) The following questions had been received in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 11.2.

No.	Issue	Questioner	Answered by
1.	Queens Road Depot	Councillor Walmsley	Councillor Bayley (Representative on Transport for Greater Manchester)
2.	Hate Crime	Councillor Walmsley	Councillor Tariq (Representative on Police and Crime Panel)
3.	Hate Crime	Councillor Pickstone	Councillor Tariq (Representative on Police and Crime Panel)
4.	Subsidised Bus Emissions	Councillor Pickstone	Councillor Bayley (Representative on Transport for Greater Manchester)
5	Heywood Link	Councillor D’Albert	Councillor Bayley (Representative on Transport for Greater Manchester)

C.008 NOTICES OF MOTION

Notices of Motion published in the Summons for the meeting had been withdrawn following advice provided by the Council Solicitor relating to Purdah.

C.009 SCRUTINY REPORTS AND SPECIFIC ITEMS “CALLED IN” BY SCRUTINY COMMITTEES

There were no Scrutiny Review Reports or specific items “called in” by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to be considered at this Council meeting.

C.010 QUESTIONS ON THE WORK OF OUTSIDE BODIES OR PARTNERSHIPS

There were no questions received in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 11.2.

C.011 DELEGATED DECISIONS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

There were no written questions asked on the delegated decisions of the Committees or Scrutiny Committee contained in the Digest of Decision 4 (2018/19).

THE WORSHIPFUL THE MAYOR

NOTE: The meeting started at 7.00 pm and ended at 9.50pm