

**Minutes of: COUNCIL**

**Date of Meeting:** 22 May 2024

**Present:** The Worshipful the Mayor (in the Chair)  
Councillors A Arif, S Arif, N Bayley, R Bernstein, D Berry, C Birchmore, C Boles, A Booth, R Brown, C Cummins, U Farooq, E FitzGerald, I Gartside, R Gold, D Green, J Grimshaw, S Haroon, J Harris, M Hayes, J Hook, K Hussain, B Ibrahim, J Lancaster, G Marsden, L McBriar, G McGill, C Morris, E Moss, E O'Brien, T Pilkington, A Quinn, D Quinn, T Rafiq, M Rahimov, I Rizvi, M Rubinstein, J Rydeheard, L Ryder, K Simpson, L Smith, M Smith, J Southworth, G Staples-Jones, T Tariq, S Thorpe, D Vernon, S Walmsley, M Walsh and Y Wright

**Apologies for Absence** D Duncalfe and N Frith

**Public Attendance:** 3 members of the public attended Part 1 of the meeting.

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**C. 19 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL PART 1**  
**C. 20 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

**C. 21 MINUTES**

The minutes of the Council meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> March 2024 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Mayor.

**C. 22 ELECTION OF COUNCILLORS MAY 2024**

The Mayor reported the outcome of the Election of Councillors held on 2 May 2024 for each of the seventeen wards of the Metropolitan Borough:-

Besses	Miriam Rahimov	Labour
Bury East	Gavin McGill	Labour
Bury West	Dene Vernon	Conservative
Elton	Martin Hayes	Labour
Holyrood	Imran Rizvi	Labour
Moorside	Ciaron Boles	Labour
North Manor	John Southworth	Labour
Pilkington Park	Elizabeth FitzGerald	Labour
Radcliffe East	Ken Simpson	Radcliffe First

Radcliffe North & Ainsworth	Andrea Booth	Radcliffe First
Radcliffe West	Des Duncalfe	Radcliffe First
Ramsbottom	Tom Pilkington	Labour
Redvales	Tamoor Tariq	Labour
Sedgley	Alan Quinn	Labour
St Marys	Debra Green	Labour
Tottington	Luis McBriar	Conservative
Unsworth	Jodie Hook	Labour

**C. 23 ANNUAL CONSTITUTION UPDATE REPORT**

It was moved by Councillor Rafiq and seconded by Councillor O'Brien and Council agreed to:

1. Adopt the proposed changes regarding Schemes of Delegation and Local Choice Functions (appendix 1 a-g and appendix 2);
2. Note the selections reviewed during the 2023/24 municipal year; and
3. Note the selections proposed for review during the 2024/25 municipal year.

**C. 24 ANNUAL APPOINTMENTS 2024/25**  
**C. 25 APPOINTMENT OF LEADER OF THE COUNCIL**

It was moved by Councillor Tariq and seconded by Councillor L Smith and it was agreed;

That Councillor Eamonn O'Brien be elected as the Leader of the Council for a four year term of office.

**C. 26 ANNUAL APPOINTMENTS REPORT**

It was moved by Councillor O'Brien and seconded by Councillor Tariq and it was agreed that:

1. That the Strong Leader arrangements adopted by the Council in 2011/12, be confirmed for 2024/2025.
2. That the appointments 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 Members and Deputy Cabinet Members for the 2024/2025 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 Classification Open Item No. the appointment of Chairs, where stated, for the 2024/2025 Municipal Year, as set out in Appendix C to this report, be approved.

5. That the appointment of other bodies not covered by or exempted from the Political Balance Rules, including the appointment of Chairs, where stated, for the 2024/2025 Municipal Year, as set out in Appendix D to the report, be approved.
6. That the appointments to the Combined Authority and Greater Manchester Joint Authorities for the 2024/2025 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 2024/2025 Municipal Year, set out in Appendix F to the report, be approved.
8. That the appointments to outside bodies for the 2024/2025 Municipal Year as set out in Appendix G to the report, be approved.
9. That the Member Allowance as agreed in May 2022 and the maternity policy appended to this report, 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 2024/2025 Municipal Year and that any such appointments be reported to the Cabinet for information.
11. That the Monitoring Officer be authorised to make consequential changes to the Constitution.
12. That the Council be recommended to authorise the establishment of the Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee for Northern Care Alliance.
13. The membership of the HWB will be extended to include 2 additional deputy Cabinet members and Council authorise the consequential changes to the HWB terms of reference to reflect these changes.

## **C. 27 OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY ANNUAL REPORT 2023/24**

It was moved by Councillor Vernon and seconded by Councillor FitzGerald, supported by Councillor Boles and it was agreed to:

Note the contents of the report and progress made by the Council's Scrutiny Committees over the past year.

## **C. 28 STATE OF THE BOROUGH DEBATE**

Councillor E O'Brien Leader of the Council, made a statement on the State of the Borough describing the main achievements of the Council during 2023/2024.

## **C. 29 \*\*\*\* FOR MEMBERS INFORMATION ONLY \*\*\*\* DETAILS OF URGENT COUNCIL DECISION FORM**

## **C. 30 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL PART 2**

## **THE WORSHIPFUL THE MAYOR**

**(Notes: Part 1 of the meeting started at 2pm and ended at 3.10pm)**