

BOROUGH OF REIGATE AND BANSTEAD

COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Council held at the New Council Chamber - Town Hall, Reigate on 24 May 2018 at 7.30 pm.

Present: Councillors R. C. Newstead (Mayor), F. Kelly (Deputy Mayor), Mrs. R. Absalom, D. Allcard, T. Archer, L. S. Ascough, R. H. Ashford, R. Biggs, M. S. Blacker, Mrs. N. J. Bramhall, Mrs. J. S. Bray, H. Brown, M. A. Brunt, R. W. Coad, G. P. Crome, G. R. Curry, J. E. Durrant, J. M. Ellacott, J. C. S. Essex, K. Foreman, J. S. Godden, Dr. L.R. Hack, R. Harper, N. D. Harrison, A. C. J. Horwood, J. P. King, G. J. Knight, V. H. Lewanski, A. M. Lynch, S. McKenna, R. Michalowski, Mrs. R. Mill, G. Owen, S. Parnall, J. Paul, D. T. Powell, Mrs. D. A. Ross-Tomlin, T. Schofield, M. J. Selby, B. A. Stead, J. M. Stephenson, C. Stevens, Mrs. A. F. Tarrant, Ms. B. J. Thomson, Mrs. R. S. Turner, S. T. Walsh, C. T. H. Whinney, J. C. White and J. F. White

Note: Before the start of the meeting the Mayor reminded all present that this meeting of the Council would be webcast live on the Council's website.

1. ELECTION OF MAYOR

The Mayor announced that the first business of the meeting was the election of the Mayor for the ensuing Municipal Year.

It was moved by Councillor A.M. Lynch and seconded by Councillor Mrs R.S. Turner that Councillor Mrs D.A. Ross-Tomlin be elected Mayor for the ensuing Municipal Year.

There being no other nominations it was

RESOLVED that Councillor Mrs D.A. Ross-Tomlin be elected Mayor of the Borough of Reigate and Banstead for the Municipal Year 2018/19.

The retiring Mayor then vacated the Chair and the newly elected Mayor (Councillor Mrs D.A. Ross-Tomlin) made the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and returned thanks for her election.

Councillor Mrs R.S. Turner expressed the Council's thanks and appreciation to the retiring Mayor (Councillor R.C. Newstead) and Mayoress (Mrs Newstead) for their services during the past Municipal Year.

The Mayor presented the outgoing Mayor with a medallion, denoting their past office, and a framed union flag, to acknowledge serving a third term of office as the Mayor of the Borough of Reigate and Banstead. The Mayor's Consort (Mr Ross-Tomlin) presented the outgoing Mayoress with a badge of office, denoting their past office, and an engraved crystal bowl, to acknowledge serving a third term as Mayoress.

The outgoing Mayor responded.

2. ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR

It was moved by Councillor Mrs R.S. Turner and seconded by Councillor Mrs N.J. Bramhall that Councillor J.M. Ellacott be elected Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Reigate and Banstead for the ensuing Municipal Year. There being no other nominations it was

RESOLVED that Councillor J.M. Ellacott be elected Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Reigate and Banstead for the Municipal Year 2018/19.

The Deputy Mayor made the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and returned thanks for his election.

Councillor M.A. Brunt expressed the Council's thanks and appreciation to the retiring Deputy Mayor (Councillor F. Kelly) and retiring Deputy Mayoress (Mrs Kelly) for their services during the past Municipal Year. The outgoing Deputy Mayor responded.

3. MINUTES

RESOLVED that, subject to Councillor F. Kelly being shown as attending the meeting, the Minutes of the meeting of Council held on 12 April 2018 be approved as a correct record and signed.

4. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor V.W. Broad and Councillor E. Humphreys.

5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

6. THE RESULT OF LOCAL ELECTIONS - 3 MAY 2018

The Chief Executive reported that at the election of Borough Councillors, held on 3 May 2018, eleven serving Members had been re-elected together with the following new Members:

Chipstead, Hooley and Woodmansterne	Tim Archer
Earlswood and Whitebushes	Hal Brown
Horley West	Richard Biggs
Meadvale and St. John's	Jonathan F. White
Redhill West	Rich Michalowski
Reigate Hill	Gareth Owen
South Park and Woodhatch	Victor Lewanski

RESOLVED that the report of the Chief Executive be noted.

7. ELECTION OF LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

It was moved by Councillor G.J. Knight and seconded by Councillor J.M. Ellacott that Councillor M.A. Brunt be elected Leader of the Council for the Municipal Year 2018/19.

There being no other nominations it was

RESOLVED that Councillor M.A Brunt be elected Leader of the Council for the Municipal Year 2018/19.

8. ALLOCATION OF SEATS ON COMMITTEES 2018/19

RESOLVED that the allocation of seats on Committees for the Municipal Year 2018/19 as set out in Annex A to these Minutes be approved.

9. CONSTITUTION AND MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES 2018/19

RESOLVED that the Constitution and membership of the Committees (including substitutes as provided by the Constitution) for the Municipal Year 2018/19 be in accordance with the nominations of the various Groups as set out in Annex B to these Minutes.

10. SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL LOCAL COMMITTEE - 2018/19

Consideration was given to the appointment of ten Members to represent the Council on the Surrey County Council Local Committee.

RESOLVED: that the following appointments be made in respect of the Surrey County Council Local Committee for the Municipal Year 2018/19:

Councillors	R.H. Ashford	Councillors	T. Schofield
	R. Biggs		J.M. Stephenson
	M.S. Blacker		Mrs R.S. Turner
	H. Brown		J.C. White
	G. Owen		J.F. White

11. BOUNDARY REVIEW MEMBERS WORKING GROUP - 2018/19

Consideration was given to the appointment of nine Members to serve on the Boundary Review Members Working Group.

RESOLVED that the following appointments be made in respect of the Boundary Review Members Working Group for the Municipal Year 2018/19:

Councillors	T Archer	Councillors	N.D. Harrison
	J.E. Durrant		A.M. Lynch
	J.M. Ellacott		J. Paul
	J.C.S. Essex		T. Schofield
	K. Foreman		

12. POLICE AND CRIME PANEL: JOINT COMMITTEE 2018/19

RESOLVED that Councillor V.W. Broad be elected as the Council's representative on the Police and Crime Panel: Joint Committee for the Municipal Year 2018/19.

13. RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMITTEES

The Council received Recommendations arising from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 19 April 2018, the Employment Committee meeting held on 26 April 2018, and the Executive meeting held on 26 April 2018.

RESOLVED that:

- (i) the Recommendation of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Minute 59) Overview and Scrutiny Committee: Annual Report 2017/18 be adopted;
- (ii) the Recommendations of the Employment Committee (Minute 11) Appointment of Monitoring Officer be adopted; and
- (iii) the Recommendation of the Executive (Minute 92) Development of Unit 1, Pitwood Park, Tadworth be adopted.

14. URGENCY DECISIONS UNDER PROCEDURE RULE 5.15.7

RESOLVED: That the report set out on the Order Paper, concerning decisions taken as a matter of urgency under Procedure Rule 5.15.7 of the Constitution, be noted.

15. URGENT BUSINESS

None.

16. VOTE OF THANKS TO COUNCIL EMPLOYEES

Councillor M.A. Brunt expressed the Council's thanks to the Council's employees for their services during the Municipal Year and the Chief Executive responded.

17. LEADER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councillor M.A. Brunt, Leader of the Leader, in returning thanks for the Council electing him as Leader, announced that he had appointed the following Executive Portfolio Holders for the Municipal Year 2018/19:

Councillor G.J. Knight	Deputy Leader, Housing and Benefits
Councillor R. Ashford	Community Wellbeing
Councillor Mrs N.J. Bramhall	Property and Regeneration
Councillor J. Durrant	Community Safety
Councillor K. Foreman	Planning
Councillor A.C.J. Horwood	Neighbourhood Services
Councillor Humphreys	Economic Development
Councillor T. Schofield	Finance

18. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor announced that the Civic Church Service would be held at Reigate Park Church on Sunday 3 June 2018.

The Meeting closed at 9.48 pm

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Allocation of seats on Committees for the Municipal Year 2018/19

Committees (No. of Seats available)	Conservative	Residents' Associations	Green	Liberal Democrat	Allocated Total
Overview and Scrutiny (15)	11	2	1	1	15
Employment (5)	4	1	0	0	5
Planning (19)	15	3	1	0	19
Licensing and Regulatory (15)	12	1	2	0	15
Standards (5)	4	1	0	0	5
No. of Seats on Committees	46	8	4	1	59

Surrey County Council Local Committee (10)	8	1	1	0	10
Boundary Review Members Working Group (9)	7	1	1	0	9

CONSTITUTION AND MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES 2018/19

Notes:

(i) the Council is required to make appointments to Committees in accordance with statutory political balance requirements and to give effect to the wishes of political groups;

(ii) substitute Members can be appointed to the Overview and Scrutiny, Employment, Licensing and Regulatory, Planning, and Standards Committees. The Council's Constitution provides for no limitation on the number of substitutes but Executive Members cannot be appointed in respect of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee. The Constitution also indicates that Group Leaders will be expected to ensure that nominated substitutes have received appropriate training on the role and functions of the relevant Committee.)

Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Politically Balanced) 15 Members

Political Group	
1. Conservative	Cllr T. Archer
2. Conservative	Cllr M. S. Blacker
3. Conservative	Cllr R. W. Coad
4. Conservative	Cllr G. R. Curry
5. Conservative	Cllr J. S. Godden
6. Conservative	Cllr J. P. King
7. Conservative	Cllr R. Michalowski
8. Conservative	Cllr D. T. Powell
9. Conservative	Cllr J. M. Stephenson
10. Conservative	Cllr Mrs R. S. Turner
11. Conservative	Cllr J. F. White
12. Residents Association	Cllr B. A. Stead
13. Residents Association	Cllr J. C. White
14. Green	Cllr J. C. S. Essex
15. Liberal Democrat	Cllr Mrs A. F. Tarrant

Substitutes:

Conservative Cllr Mrs R. Absalom, Cllr R. Biggs, Cllr J. M Ellacott, Cllr G. Owen, Cllr V. H. Lewanski and Cllr C. Stevens

Residents Association Cllr Mrs J. S. Bray, Cllr R. Harper, Cllr N. D. Harrison, Cllr M. J. Selby and Cllr C. T. H. Whinney

Green Cllr H. Brown and Cllr S. McKenna

Employment Committee (Politically Balanced – must include at least one Executive Member). 5 Members

Political Group	
1. Conservative	Cllr M. A. Brunt
2. Conservative	Cllr J. E. Durrant
3. Conservative	Cllr J. M Ellacott
4. Conservative	Cllr Mrs R. Mill
5. Residents Association	Cllr N. D. Harrison

Substitutes:

Conservative Cllr R. H. Ashford, Cllr Mrs N. J. Bramhall, Cllr K. Foreman, Cllr A. C. J. Horwood, Cllr E. Humphreys, Cllr G. J. Knight and Cllr T. Schofield

Residents Association Cllr Mrs J. S. Bray, Cllr R. Harper and Cllr M. J. Selby

Planning Committee (Politically Balanced) 19 Members

Political Group	
1. Conservative	Cllr Mrs R. Absalom
2. Conservative	Cllr L. S. Ascough
3. Conservative	Cllr M. S. Blacker
4. Conservative	Cllr R. Biggs
5. Conservative	Cllr G. P. Crome
6. Conservative	Cllr J. M Ellacott
7. Conservative	Cllr V. H. Lewanski
8. Conservative	Cllr R. Michalowski
9. Conservative	Cllr S. Parnall
10. Conservative	Cllr J. Paul
11. Conservative	Cllr J.M. Stephenson
12. Conservative	Cllr C. Stevens
13. Conservative	Cllr Ms B. J. Thomson
14. Conservative	Cllr Mrs R. S. Turner
15. Conservative	Cllr S. T. Walsh
16. Residents Association	Cllr Mrs J. S. Bray
17. Residents Association	Cllr M. J. Selby
18. Residents Association	Cllr C. T. H. Whinney
19. Green	Cllr S. McKenna

Substitutes:

Conservative Cllr T. Archer, Cllr M. A. Brunt, Cllr J.E. Durrant, Cllr J. S. Godden, Cllr Dr L. R. Hack, Cllr A. C. J. Horwood, Cllr F. Kelly, Cllr G. J. Knight, Cllr G. Owen, Cllr D. T. Powell, Cllr T. Schofield and Cllr J. F. White

Residents Association Cllr R. Harper, Cllr N. D. Harrison, Cllr B. A. Stead and Cllr J. C. White

Green Cllr H. Brown and Cllr J. C. S. Essex

Licensing and Regulatory Committee (Politically Balanced) 15 Members

Political Group	
1. Conservative	Cllr Mrs R. Absalom
2. Conservative	Cllr D. Allcard
3. Conservative	Cllr R. Biggs
4. Conservative	Cllr Mrs N. J. Bramhall
5. Conservative	Cllr G. R. Curry
6. Conservative	Cllr K. Foreman
7. Conservative	Cllr Dr L. R. Hack
8. Conservative	Cllr F. Kelly
9. Conservative	Cllr A. M. Lynch
10. Conservative	Cllr R. C. Newstead
11. Conservative	Cllr Ms B. J. Thomson
12. Conservative	Cllr Mrs R. S. Turner
13. Residents Association	Cllr R. Harper
14. Green	Cllr H. Brown
15. Green	Cllr S. McKenna

Substitutes:

Conservative	Cllr L. S. Ascough, Cllr J. S. Godden and Cllr J. F. White
Residents Associations	Cllr B. A. Stead, Cllr C. T. H. Whinney and Cllr J. C. White
Green	Cllr J. C. S. Essex

Standards Committee (5 Members – Politically balanced, together with 2 non-voting co-opted Members).

Political Group	
1. Conservative	Cllr T. Archer
2. Conservative	Cllr Mrs R. Mill
3. Conservative	Cllr R. C. Newstead
4. Conservative	Cllr Mrs R. S. Turner
5. Residents Association	Cllr N. D. Harrison
6. Salfords and Sidlow Parish Council	Cllr J. Ashton
7. Horley Town Council	Cllr J. Baird

Substitutes:

Conservative	Cllr M. A. Brunt, Cllr J. M. Ellacott, Cllr F. Kelly and Cllr J. M. Stephenson
Residents Association	Cllr B. A. Stead
Salfords and Sidlow Parish Council	Cllr C. Clarke