

MINUTES OF COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

At a Meeting of the Council for the Borough of Slough held at The Curve - William Street, Slough, Berkshire, SL1 1XY on Tuesday, 25th April, 2017 at 7.00 pm

Present:- The Worshipful the Mayor (Arvind Dhaliwal), in the chair; Councillors Ajaib, Anderson, Bains, Bal, Bedi, Brooker, Carter, Chahal, Chaudhry, Cheema, Chohan, Dar, Davis, Amarpreet Dhaliwal, M Holledge, N Holledge, Hussain, Mann, Matloob, Munawar, Nazir, Pantelic, Parmar, Plenty, Qaseem, Rana, Rasib, Sadiq, A Sandhu, R Sandhu, Sarfraz, Shah, Sharif, Smith, Sohal, Strutton, Swindlehurst and Wright

Apologies for Absence:- Councillors Coad and Usmani

69. Declarations of Interest

Councillor Bal declared that his daughter worked for Slough Borough Council

70. To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the Council held on 31 January 2017 and 23 February 2017

Resolved - That the Part I Minutes of the Council meeting held on 31st January 2017 and minutes from 23 February 2017 be approved as a correct record.

71. To receive the Mayor's Communications.

This was the last full Council Meeting at which the Mayor would preside and he conveyed his thanks to his Chaplain, the Reverend Linda Hillier who had attended Council meetings during the year. It was noted that Reverend Hillier had taken up her duties as the Mayor's Chaplain in 2009. The Mayor expressed his thanks for her help and support, particularly when she was so busy helping the community.

Members were informed that the Council's Superintendent Registrar, Yvonne Summersgill, had received a prestigious High Sheriff's Award. The Commissioner for Regulation and Consumer Protection, Councillor Sohal, said a few words in recognition of Ms Summersgill service over the past 15 years.

The Mayor expressed his appreciation to the Mayor's Executive Assistant, Suzanne Mason, for her professionalism and efficiency; which had contributed towards him carrying out his Mayoral duties effectively and ensured that it had been a successful year.

72. Questions from Electors under Procedure Rule 9.

None received.

73. Recommendation of the Cabinet from its meeting held on 18th April 2017

It was moved by Councillor Ajaib,
Seconded by Councillor Munawar,

“That the draft Housing Strategy 2016-2021, as at Appendix C to the report, be approved.”

The recommendation was put to the vote and carried unanimously.

Resolved - That the draft Housing Strategy 2016-2021, as at Appendix C to the report, be approved.

74. Recommendation of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee from its meeting held on 13th April 2017

It was moved by Councillor Nazir,
Seconded by Councillor Munawar,

“That the Annual Scrutiny Report 2016/17 be endorsed.”

The recommendation was put to the vote and carried unanimously.

Resolved - That the Annual Scrutiny Report 2016/17 be endorsed.

75. To note Questions from Members under Procedure Rule 10 (as tabled).

Copies of questions received from Councillors Strutton and Wright, together with the replies, were tabled.

76. Vote of Thanks

The Mayor thanked all who had provided him with help and support throughout the year, including the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Shah, the Mayor’s Chaplain, the Reverend Linda Hillier, and his wife and family for their encouragement and support throughout the year.

The Mayor also thanked all staff in the Mayoral Office, Democratic Services, Facilities and other council departments who had supported him, before extending his best wishes to his successor for the municipal year ahead.

Councillor Munawar moved and Councillor Matloob seconded a vote of thanks to the retiring Mayor for his service during the past municipal year. A number of other Members added their thanks to the Mayor.

The Deputy Mayor was also thanked for her services during the municipal year.

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77. Exclusion of the Press and Public

Resolved - That the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the item in Part 2 of the Agenda, as it involves information relating to an individual and the likely disclosure of exempt information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Authority holding the information) as defined in Paragraphs 1 and 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (amended).

78. Part II Minutes - 31 January 2017

Resolved – That the Part II minutes of the meeting held on 31st January 2017 be approved as a correct record.

Chair

(Note: The Meeting opened at 7.00 pm and closed at 8.07 pm)