

MINUTES OF COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

At the Annual Meeting of the Council for the Borough of Slough held at the Small Hall, The Centre, Farnham Road, Slough, SL1 4UT on Thursday, 16th May, 2013 at 7.00 pm

Present:- The Worshipful the Mayor, Councillor Small, in the chair; Councillors Abe, Anderson, Aujla, Bains, Bal, Carter, Chaudhry, Chohan, Coad, Dar, Davis, A S Dhaliwal, S K Dhaliwal, Dhillon, Grewal, Hussain, Malik, M S Mann, P K Mann, Matloob, Minhas, Mittal, Munawar, Nazir, O'Connor, Pantelic, Parmar, Plenty, Plimmer, Rasib, Sandhu, Shah, Sharif, Smith, Sohal, Strutton, Walsh and Wright

Apologies for Absence:- Councillors Brooker and Swindlehurst

1. To Elect the Mayor for the 2013/14 Municipal Year

The Mayor called for nominations for the office of Mayor of the Borough of Slough for the ensuing municipal year. Councillor S K Dhaliwal proposed and Councillor Mittal seconded the nomination of Councillor Bains.

Following a request for a named vote, the voting was as follows:-

There voted for the nomination:-

Councillors Anderson, Aujla, Bains, Bal, Carter, Chohan, Dar, Davis, AS Dhaliwal, S K Dhaliwal, Dhillon, Grewal, Hussain, Malik, M S Mann, P K Mann, Matloob, Minhas, Mittal, Munawar, Nazir, O'Connor, Pantelic, Parmar, Plenty, Rasib, Sandhu, Shah, Sharif, Sohal and Walsh 31

There voted against the nomination:-

Councillor Strutton 1

There abstained from the vote:-

Councillors Abe, Chaudhry, Coad, Plimmer, Small, Smith, and Wright 7

There being no further nominations the Chief Executive declared Councillor Bains be elected Mayor of the Borough of Slough for the 2013/14 municipal year. Councillor Bains, having made and signed the requisite declaration of acceptance of office, was thereupon installed in the Chair.

(The Worshipful the Mayor, Councillor Bains, in the Chair)

2. To Elect the Deputy Mayor for the 2013/14 Municipal Year

The Mayor called for nominations for the office of Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Slough for the ensuing municipal year. Councillor Munawar proposed and Councillor Pantelic seconded the nomination of Councillor Chaudhry.

There being no further nominations, the Mayor declared Councillor Chaudhry to be elected Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Slough for the 2013/14 municipal year. Councillor Chaudhry made and signed the requisite declaration of acceptance of Office of Deputy Mayor.

3. Declarations of Interest

Councillors Bal and Munawar declared a personal interest in that members of their families were employed by Slough Borough Council.

4. Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 23rd April 2013

The minutes of the proceedings of the Council at its meeting held on 23rd April, 2013 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Mayor.

5. To receive the Mayor's Communications

The Mayor was pleased to announce that the Reverend Linda Hillier, had at his personal request, agreed to serve as the Mayor's Chaplain during his term of office. He was very grateful to Linda for undertaking the chaplaincy duties for a further year and looked forward to working with her.

Council was advised that the Mayor's Reception would take place on Monday 3rd June at Baylis House and invitations would be sent out in the near future.

The Mayor advised Members that arrangements for his Civic Service would be notified in due course.

(The meeting adjourned at 7.30 pm and reconvened at 8.05 pm)

6. Recommendation of the Cabinet from its meeting held on 24th April 2013- Corporate Plan 2013/14

It was moved by Councillor Anderson,
Seconded by Councillor Pantelic,

"That the Corporate Plan 2013/14 be approved".

The recommendation was put and carried unanimously.

Resolved - That the Corporate Plan 2013/14 be approved.

7. Annual Reports 2012/13 - Scrutiny and Standards

It was moved by Councillor Anderson,
Seconded by Councillor Pantelic,

“(a) That the Annual Scrutiny Report 2012/13 be received.

(b) The Annual Standards Review 2012/13 be received”.

The recommendations were put and carried unanimously.

Resolved -

(a) That the Annual Scrutiny Report 2012/13 be received.

(b) The Annual Standards Review 2012/13 be received.

8. Membership of Slough Aspire

It was moved by Councillor Anderson,
Seconded by Councillor Pantelic,

“That the Council become a member of the Slough Aspire Community Interest Company (CIC) and that the Head of Strategic Policy and Communications become a director of the CIC, subject to final agreement on financial and other liabilities for the council and the nominated director”.

The recommendation was put and carried unanimously.

Resolved - That the Council become a member of the Slough Aspire Community Interest Company (CIC) and that the Head of Strategic Policy and Communications become a director of the CIC, subject to final agreement on financial and other liabilities for the council and the nominated director.

9. Review of the Constitution

It was moved by Councillor Plenty,
Seconded by Councillor Mittal,

“This Council resolves:

“(a) That progress on the Review of the Constitution be noted.

(b) That the revised Access to Information Procedure Rules and Schedule of Significant Decisions be agreed as set out at Appendix 1 and 2 of the report respectively and the Constitution amended accordingly.

- (c) That the proposed changes to the Seven Principles of Public Life put forward by the Committee on Standards in Public Life be endorsed and revisions to the Code of Conduct be approved, as set out at Appendix 3 of the report.
- (d) That the Code of Conduct for Members and Officers in relation to Planning and Licensing Members matters be agreed as set out at Appendix 4 of the report and incorporated in the Code of Conduct.
- (e) That the Financial Procedure Rules relating to External Audit as set out at Appendix 5 of the report be agreed.
- (f) That, pending the comprehensive review of the Constitution, the Head of Democratic Services be authorised to amend the current published Constitution to reflect Council Structures, legislative requirements and other necessary administrative amendments.
- (g) That a work programme and schedule of meetings be produced for the Panel to undertake the detailed review work on the Constitution from May 2013 with a view to recommending a revised Constitution to the Council in the course of 2013”.

The recommendations were put and carried unanimously.

Resolved -

- (a) That progress on the Review of the Constitution be noted.
- (b) That the revised Access to Information Procedure Rules and Schedule of Significant Decisions be agreed as set out at Appendix 1 and 2 of the report respectively and the Constitution amended accordingly.
- (c) That the proposed changes to the Seven Principles of Public Life put forward by the Committee on Standards in Public Life be endorsed and revisions to the Code of Conduct be approved, as set out at Appendix 3 of the report.
- (d) That the Code of Conduct for Members and Officers in relation to Planning and Licensing Members matters be agreed as set out at Appendix 4 of the report and incorporated in the Code of Conduct.
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10. Appointment of Committees, Quasi Judicial, and Other Bodies

The Mayor advised that nominations had been circulated within a supplementary agenda and further nominations/ alterations to nominations had been received:

Licensing Committee

Councillor Sandhu (superseded nomination of Councillor Aujla)

Planning Committee

Councillor Aujla (superseded nomination of Councillor Sandhu)

Standards Advisory Committee

Councillor Grewal (Chair)
Councillor M S Mann (Vice Chair)

It was moved by Councillor Anderson,
Seconded by Councillor Pantelic,

- “(a) That Committees be appointed and seats thereon allocated to political groups in accordance with the rules of proportionality, as set out in Appendix 1.
- (b) That appointments be made to Committees in accordance with the nominations received from political groups.
- (c) That the report of the Leader on appointment of the Deputy Leader and Commissioners (the Cabinet) and their portfolios be received.
- (d) That the Chairs and Vice-Chairs of Committees be appointed as submitted.
- (e) That appointments be made to quasi-judicial and other bodies as set out in Appendix 3 (as amended), in accordance with the requirements of proportionality (where applicable) and group nominations.
- (f) That the timetable of ordinary meetings of the Council for the 2013/14 municipal year as set out in Paragraph 5.6 be approved”.

The recommendations were put and carried unanimously.

Resolved -

- (a) That Committees be appointed and seats thereon allocated to political groups in accordance with the rules of proportionality, as set out in the supplementary report.
- (b) That appointments be made to Committees in accordance with the nominations received from political groups, as set out in Annexe A.
- (c) That the report of the Leader on appointment of the Deputy Leader and Commissioners (the Cabinet) and their portfolios be received.
- (d) That the Chairs and Vice-Chairs of Committees be appointed as submitted, as set out in Annexe A attached.
- (e) That appointments be made to quasi-judicial and other bodies as set out in Appendix 3 (as amended) of the report, in accordance with the requirements of proportionality (where applicable) and group nominations, as set out in Annexe B attached.
- (f) That the timetable of ordinary meetings of the Council for the 2013/14 municipal year as set out in Paragraph 5.6 of the report be approved.

11. Appointments to Outside Bodies

The Mayor advised that nominations had been circulated in a supplementary agenda.

An addition to nominations was received as follows:

- Councillor Anderson proposed that Councillor Sohal be nominated as Deputy to the Slough Local Asset Backed Vehicle (LABV) Board.

It was moved by Councillor Anderson,
Seconded by Councillor Pantelic,

“That appointments be made to Outside Bodies for the Municipal year 2013/14 as now submitted”.

The recommendation was put and carried unanimously.

Resolved - That appointments to Outside Bodies for the Municipal year 2013/14 be as set out in Annex C attached.

Chair

(Note: The Meeting opened at 7.00 pm, adjourned at 7.30 pm, reconvened at 8.05 pm, and closed at 8.15 pm)

ANNEXE A

APPOINTMENTS TO CABINET AND COMMITTEES 2013/2014

CABINET

| | |
|---|-------------------------|
| Leader of the Council - Finance & Strategy | Councillor Anderson |
| Community & Leisure | Councillor Pantelic |
| Education & Children | Councillor P K Mann |
| Environment & Open Spaces | Councillor Parmar |
| Health and Wellbeing | Councillor Walsh |
| Neighbourhoods & Renewal (& Deputy Leader) | Councillor Swindlehurst |
| Performance & Accountability | Councillor Sharif |
| Social and Economic Inclusion | Councillor Munawar |

LICENSING COMMITTEE (Chair – Councillor Davis, Vice-Chair-Councillor Mittal)

Councillors Aujla, Dhillon, Malik, Munawar, Plimmer, Rasib, Shah, Sohal, Wright

PLANNING COMMITTEE (Chair – Councillor Carter, Vice-Chair-Councillor Dar)

Councillors Hussain, Mittal, Plenty, Sandhu, Smith, Rasib, Swindlehurst

EMPLOYMENT & APPEALS COMMITTEE (Chair – Councillor Rasib, Vice-Chair- Councillor Plenty)

Councillors Brooker, Chohan, Coad, Davis, AS Dhaliwal, SK Dhaliwal, Sharif

OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE (Chair – Councillor O'Connor, Vice-Chair- Councillor Smith)

Councillors Bal, Hussain, Malik, MS Mann, Minhas, Nazir, Small

AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE (Chair- Councillor Nazir, Vice-Chair, Councillor Sharif)

Councillors Abe, Bal, Chohan, SK Dhaliwal

Independent Co-opted Member

Mr Ajay Kwatra

STANDARDS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (Chair Councillor Grewal, Vice-Chair Councillor M S Mann)

Councillors AS Dhaliwal, Matloob, Minhas, Strutton

Independent Members

Vacancy (4 year appointment)

Mr A Sunderland (appointed to the Annual meeting 2015)

Mr Roberts (appointed to the Annual meeting 2015)

Independent Person

Mr Fred Ashmore (for the municipal year 2013/2014)

Parish Council Representatives

Councillor Alan Tilbury (Britwell Parish Council)

Councillor Harjinder Singh (Wexham Court Parish Council)

Councillor Charles Burke (Colnbrook with Poyle Parish Council)

APPOINTMENTS TO QUASI-JUDICIAL AND OTHER BODIES 2013/14**MEMBER PANEL ON THE CONSTITUTION**

Councillors Matloob, Mittal, Plenty, Small, Strutton, Swindlehurst

CORPORATE PARENTING PANEL

Councillors Brooker, Chaudhry, PK Mann (Chair), O'Connor, Pantelic (Vice-Chair), Small, Strutton

SOCIAL SERVICES COMPLAINTS REVIEW PANEL

Councillors Davis, (Deputies: Aujla, Dhillon, Mittal)

FOSTER PANEL 1 Member

Councillor Rasib

SLOUGH WELLBEING BOARD 2013/ 2014

| | |
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| Leader of the Council | Healthwatch representative |
| Cabinet Member for Health and Wellbeing | Local Police Area Commander |
| Chief Executive, Slough BC | Royal Berkshire Fire and Rescue Service representative |
| Strategic Director of Wellbeing | Local Business representative |
| Strategic Director of Public Health for Berkshire | Voluntary and Community Sector representative |
| Slough Clinical Commissioning Group representative | NHS Commissioning Board representative |

STANDING ADVISORY COUNCIL ON RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**Committee 1 - Christian Denomination and other Faiths**

| | |
|---------------------------|---|
| The Free Churches | Sue Elbrow |
| Black Free Churches | Vacancy |
| The Roman Catholic Church | Vacancy |
| Hinduism | Naresh Saraswat |
| Islam | Julie Siddiqi Moulana Saeed Ziaee Zubayr Abbas-Bowkan |
| Judaism | Vacancy |

Sikhism

Hardip Singh Sohal
Ashpreet Singh Nainu

Baha'is

Vacancy

Committee 2 – The Church of England

The Church of England

The Rev Andrew Allen
The Rev Alan Bignell
Jo Fageant
Christine Isles

National Union of Teachers

Lynda Bussley

Professional Association of Teachers

Vacancy

National Association of Head Teachers

Vacancy

Secondary Heads Association

Vacancy

National Association of School
Masters/Union of Women Teachers

Vacancy

Association of Teachers and Lecturers

Vacancy

Committee 4 – Representatives of LA

Councillors Brooker, Chaudhry, MS
Mann (one Labour vacancy) (one
Conservative vacancy)

SCHOOL ADMISSION/EXCLUSION APPEALS – POOL OF PANELLISTS

Mrs S Baig (Education)

Mrs T Khan (Education)

Mrs A M Bolton (Education)

Ms R Mohan (Education)

Mr D Bryce (Lay)

Mrs J Morgan (Education)

Mr D Burbedge (Lay)

Mrs P Prescott (Education)

Miss J Coakley (Education)

Mrs S Punj (Lay)

Mrs P Delamere (Education)

Mrs J Putnam (Education)

Mrs R Fawcett (Education)

Mrs D Sandhu (Lay)

Mr H Gahir (Lay)

Mr R Saund (Lay)

Mr A Ghanie (Lay)

Ms L Shekiluwa (Education)

Mr P Godliman (Lay)

Mrs L Simmons (Lay)

Mr J Griffiths (Education)

Mrs L Smit (Lay)

Dr P Johnson (Education)

Mrs E Strange (Lay)

Mrs J Jones (Education)

Mr CH Stone (Education)

MUNICIPAL YEAR 2013/14
APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES (LEVEL 1)

| OUTSIDE BODY | APPOINTMENT(S) REQUIRED | MEMBER(S) APPOINTED |
|--|---|---|
| Berkshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust | 1 Member (preferably Commissioner for Health and Wellbeing) | Walsh |
| Berkshire Local Transport Body | 1 Member (preferably Social and Economic Inclusion) and 1 named Deputy | Munawar & Davis (Deputy) |
| Berkshire Pension Fund Advisory Panel | 1 Member (Chair of Employment & Appeals Committee) | Rasib |
| Board of Development Initiative Slough Housing Ltd (DISH) | 3 Members | None required this year |
| Heatherwood and Wexham Park Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust | 1 Member (preferably Commissioner for Health and Wellbeing) | Walsh |
| Heathrow Airport Consultative Committee | 1 and 1 Deputy (Member or Officer) | Munawar & Walsh (Deputy) |
| James Elliman Trust | 3 Members to serve until 2017 | Small (2 vacancies) |
| Joint East Berkshire Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee | 3 Members plus 3 Deputies (proportional) | SK Dhaliwal Sharif Strutton (vacancies for 3 Deputies-proportional) |
| Slough Local Asset Backed Vehicle (LABV) Board | 1 elected Member and 1 named Deputy | Nazir appointed to 2014 Sohal (Deputy) |
| Older Persons' Champion | 1 Member | Small |
| Parking & Traffic Regulation Outside London Joint Committee (PATROLJC) | 1 Member | Munawar |
| Royal Berkshire Fire Authority (allowance payable 12/13 £1800 pa) | 4 Members including Commissioners for Public Protection & Young People's Services and Community Safety (proportional 3:1) | Coad Dar Rasib Plenty |
| Safer Slough Partnership | 1 Member | Sharif |
| Secure Accommodation Panel | 1 Member | No nominations received |

| OUTSIDE BODY | APPOINTMENT(S) REQUIRED | MEMBER(S) APPOINTED |
|---|---|---|
| Slough Children's Partnership Board | 1 Member (Commissioner for Education and Children) | P K Mann |
| Slough Local Access Forum | 2 Members | Parmar Strutton |
| Slough Local Safeguarding Children Board | 1 Member (Commissioner for Education and Children) | P K Mann |
| Slough Safeguarding Adults Partnership Board | 2 Members (including the Commissioner for Health & Wellbeing) | Small Walsh |
| South East Employers | 2 Members & 2 Deputies (Chair of Employment & Appeals Committee plus a Commissioner) (NB. Should not be employee of another local authority or official of any of the local government unions) | P K Mann Rasib (vacancies for 2 Deputies) |
| St Mary's School Charity | 2 Members | Plenty Small |
| Standing Conference on Archives | 1 Member | Hussain |
| Strategic Aviation Special Interest Group (SASIG) | 1 Member (plus deputy) | Plenty (vacancy for Deputy) |
| Sustainability Champion | 1 Member | Parmar |
| Thames Valley Athletics Centre Management Committee | 1 (Commissioner for Environment and Open Spaces) +1 Deputy | Parmar Bains (Deputy) |
| Thames Valley Athletics Centre Trust | 1 (Commissioner for Environment and Open Spaces) +1 Deputy | Parmar Bains (Deputy) |
| Thames Valley Police and Crime Panel | 1 Member | Sharif |

MUNICIPAL YEAR 2013/14
APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES (LEVEL 2) (OBSERVER)

| OUTSIDE BODY | APPOINTMENT(S) REQUIRED | MEMBER(S) APPOINTED |
|---|--|---------------------------------|
| Age Concern Slough | 2 (Commissioner for Health and Wellbeing or nominee and Older Persons' Champion) | Carter Small |
| Berkshire Community Foundation | 1 (Member or Officer) | Hussain Munawar (Deputy) |
| Citizens' Advice Slough | 1 Member observer (nominee subject to approval of organisation) | A S Dhaliwal |
| Groundwork South | 1 (Member or Officer) | Davis |
| Local Authorities' Aircraft Noise Council | 3 (Member or Officer) | Strutton |
| Middle Thames Relate | 1 (Member or Officer) | Appointment no longer required |
| Slough Community Leisure Limited | 1 Member (Commissioner for Community and Leisure) | Pantelic |
| Slough Council for Voluntary Service | 1 Member + 1 Deputy + Chief Executive or Nominee | A S Dhaliwal Malik (Deputy) |
| Slough Museum Board of Trustees | 1 (Commissioner for Community and Leisure or Nominee who is ex-officio member of the Trust) + Deputy | Chaudhry & Davis (Deputy) |
| Stoke Park Trust Management Committee | 1 (Member or Officer) | Coad |