

MINUTES OF COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

At an Extraordinary Meeting of the Council for the Borough of Slough held at Herschel Grammar School, Northampton Avenue, Slough, SL1 3BW on Tuesday, 18th January, 2022 at 7.00pm

Present:- The Worshipful the Mayor (Councillor Nazir), in the chair; Councillors Ajaib, Akram (from 7.06pm), Ali, Anderson, Bal (from 7.07pm), Bains, Basra, Bedi, Brooker, Carter, A Cheema, H Cheema, Dar, Dhaliwal, Gahir, Grewal, Hulme, Kaur, Kelly, Malik, Mann, Matloob, Minhas, Mohammad, Muvvala, Pantelic, D Parmar, S Parmar, Qaseem (from 7.05pm), Sabah, Sandhu, Sharif, Smith and Swindlehurst.

Apologies for Absence:- Councillors Begum, J Davis, R Davis, Gill, Hussain, Strutton and Wright.

49. Declarations of Interest

None received.

50. Proposed move to whole Council elections and request to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England for a review of ward patterns

It was moved by Councillor Swindlehurst,
Seconded by Councillor Mann,

- (a) "That the Council move to whole Council elections to be held every four years, with the first such election to take place in May 2023.
- (b) To give notice to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England that it has resolved to move to whole council elections
- (c) To submit a request to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England to conduct an electoral review for the purpose of designing a pattern of wards consistent with the move to whole Council elections; accompanied by the Council Size Submission at Appendix A
- (d) To request the Secretary of State to exercise his powers under sections 15 (5) and (6) of the Local Government Act 1999 to make a Direction for the postponement for one year of the May 2022 elections of one third of Slough Borough Councillors and to extend terms of office accordingly."

A prior request having been made for the record of the voting:

There voted for recommendation (a)

Councillors Ajaib, Akram, Ali, Anderson, Bains, Bal, Basra, Bedi, Brooker, Carter, A.Cheema, H.Cheema, Dar, Dhaliwal, Gahir, Grewal, Hulme, Kaur, Kelly, Malik, Mann, Matloob, Minhas, Mohammad, Muvvala, Pantelic, S.Parmar, Qaseem, Sabah, Sandhu, Sharif, Smith and Swindlehurst..... 33

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There voted against the recommendation: Nil

There abstained from voting on the recommendation:

Councillor D.Parmar and The Worshipful the Mayor, Councillor Nazir..... 2

Resolved - That the Council move to whole Council elections to be held every four years, with the first such election to take place in May 2023.

There voted for recommendation (b)

Councillors Ajaib, Akram, Ali, Anderson, Bains, Bal, Basra, Bedi, Brooker, Carter, A.Cheema, H.Cheema, Dar, Dhaliwal, Gahir, Grewal, Hulme, Kaur, Kelly, Malik, Mann, Matloob, Minhas, Mohammad, Muvvala, Pantelic, S.Parmar, Qaseem, Sabah, Sandhu, Sharif, Smith and Swindlehurst..... 33

There voted against the recommendation: Nil

There abstained from voting on the recommendation:

Councillor D.Parmar and The Worshipful the Mayor, Councillor Nazir..... 2

Resolved - To give notice to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England that it has resolved to move to whole council elections.

There voted for recommendation (c)

Councillors Ajaib, Akram, Ali, Anderson, Bains, Bal, Basra, Bedi, Brooker, Carter, A.Cheema, H.Cheema, Dar, Dhaliwal, Gahir, Grewal, Hulme, Kaur, Kelly, Malik, Mann, Matloob, Minhas, Mohammad, Muvvala, Pantelic, S.Parmar, Qaseem, Sabah, Sandhu, Sharif, Smith and Swindlehurst..... 33

There voted against the recommendation: Nil

There abstained from voting on the recommendation:

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Resolved - To submit a request to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England to conduct an electoral review for the purpose of designing a pattern of wards consistent with the move to whole Council elections; accompanied by the Council Size Submission at Appendix A.

There voted for recommendation (d)

Councillors Ajaib, Akram, Ali, Anderson, Bains, Bal, Basra, Brooker, Carter, A.Cheema, H.Cheema, Dar, Dhaliwal, Gahir, Grewal, Hulme, Kaur, Malik, Mann, Matloob, Minhas, Mohammad, Pantelic, S.Parmar, Qaseem, Sabah, Sandhu, Sharif and Swindlehurst..... 29

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There voted against the recommendation:

Councillors Kelly, Muvvala and Smith 3

There abstained from voting on the recommendation:

Councillors Bedi, D.Parmar and The Worshipful the Mayor, Councillor Nazir..... 3

Resolved – That the Secretary of State be requested to exercise his powers under sections 15 (5) and (6) of the Local Government Act 1999 to make a Direction for the postponement for one year of the May 2022 elections of one third of Slough Borough Councillors and to extend terms of office accordingly.

Chair

(Note: The Meeting opened at 7.00 pm and closed at 7.37 pm)