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COUNCIL

Wednesday, 19 May 2021

Attendance:

Councillors Present

Achwal (Chairperson)

Cunningham
Becker
Bentote
Bronk
Brook
Clear
Clementson
Cook
Craske
Cutler
Evans
Ferguson
Fern
Gemmell
Godfrey
Gordon-Smith
Green
Horrill
Laming
Learney
Lumby
McLean

Miller
Murphy
Pearson
Power
Prince
Read
Ruffell
Rutter
Scott
Thompson
Tod
Weir
Williams
Cramoysan
Edwards
Isaacs
Kurn
Radcliffe
Tippett-Cooper
Warwick
Westwood

Apologies for Absence:

Councillors Weston

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1. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Councillor Weston.

2. **DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS**

Councillors Lumby, Tod and Warwick each declared personal (but not prejudicial) interests in relation to agenda items which may relate to Hampshire County Council matters due to their role as County Councillors.

3. **TO CONFIRM THE ELECTION OF MAYOR OF THE CITY OF WINCHESTER AND CHAIRPERSON OF COUNCIL FOR THE ENSUING YEAR**

RESOLVED:

That Councillor Vivian Achwal be elected Mayor of the City of Winchester for the period commencing on 18 May 2021.

4. **TO CONFIRM THE ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR OF THE CITY OF WINCHESTER AND VICE CHAIRPERSON OF COUNCIL FOR THE ENSUING YEAR**

RESOLVED:

That Councillor Derek Green be elected Deputy Mayor of the City of Winchester for the period commencing on 18 May 2021.

5. **THE LEADER TO CONFIRM DEPUTY LEADER (VICE CHAIRPERSON OF CABINET) AND THE OTHER MEMBERS OF CABINET**

The Leader, Councillor Thompson, appointed Councillor Cutler as Vice-Chairman of Cabinet and Deputy Leader of the Council for the ensuing year.

The Leader also appointed Councillors Clear, Gordon-Smith, Learney, Murphy, Tod as the remaining Members of Cabinet.

RESOLVED:

That the Cabinet be confirmed as follows

- Councillor Thompson - Leader and Cabinet Member for Partnerships
- Councillor Cutler - Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Finance & Service Quality
- Councillor Clear - Cabinet Member for Communities & Wellbeing
- Councillor Gordon-Smith - Cabinet Member for Built Environment
- Councillor Learney - Cabinet Member for Housing and Asset Management
- Councillor Murphy - Cabinet Member for Climate Emergency
- Councillor Tod – Cabinet Member for Economic Recovery

6. **TO ELECT THE CHAIRPERSONS OF EACH OF THE FOLLOWING BODIES (OR OTHER BODIES AS COUNCIL MAY DETERMINE) FOR THE ENSUING YEAR:-**

RESOLVED:

The following Members be elected Chairpersons of the Committees stated for the ensuing Municipal Year:-

- The Scrutiny Committee – Councillor Brook
- Audit and Governance Committee – Councillor Power
- Licensing and Regulation Committee – Councillor Bentote
- Planning Committee – Councillor Evans
- Business and Housing Policy Committee – Councillor Weir
- Health and Environment Policy Committee – Councillor Ferguson
- Licensing Sub Committee Chairpersons – Councillors Green, Laming, McLean, Read

7. **TO DETERMINE THE NUMBER OF SEATS TO BE ALLOCATED TO EACH GROUP ON, AND TO ELECT THE REMAINING MEMBERS OF, THE FOLLOWING BODIES (OR OTHER BODIES AS COUNCIL MAY DETERMINE) FOR THE ENSUING YEAR:-**

With the exception of Cabinet, the Council reviewed the political representation on Committees in accordance with the provisions of Section 15(1) of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989.

The Council determined the representation on all the bodies as set out below (under alternative arrangements for the Housing Appeals Committee, but having regard to the political balance formula).

RESOLVED:

1. That the Monitoring Officer be authorised to make any minor consequential amendments to the Constitution to give effect to the decisions made.
2. That the allocation of seats to political groups be as follows:

The Scrutiny Committee (10)

Liberal Democrats (6): Conservatives (4)

Audit and Governance Committee (8)

Liberal Democrats (5): Conservatives (3)

Licensing and Regulation Committee (9)

Liberal Democrats (5): Conservatives (4)

Planning Committee (9)

Liberal Democrats (6): Conservatives (3)

Business and Housing Policy Committee (8)
Liberal Democrats (5): Conservatives (3)

Health and Environment Policy Committee (8)
Liberal Democrats (5): Conservatives (3)

Housing Appeals Committee (3)
Liberal Democrats (2): Conservatives (1)

Licensing Sub-Committee Chairpersons (4)
Liberal Democrats (2): Conservatives (2)

Further to the above, and pursuant to Section 16 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, the Chief Executive served notice on each of the Leaders of the two political groups on the Council as to the allocation of seats on Committees as indicated above.

RESOLVED:

That the following appointments to Committees be made (inclusive of the Chairpersons who were appointed earlier in the meeting):-

The Scrutiny Committee

Councillors Becker, Ferguson, Craske, Power, Weir, Williams, Brook, Cook, Horrill, Lumby,

Deputies

Councillors Cramoysan, Laming, Gemmell, Godfrey

Audit and Governance Committee

Becker, Bentote, Craske, Laming, Power, Gemmell, Godfrey, Miller

Deputies

Councillors Bronk, Radcliffe, Cunningham, Lumby

Licensing and Regulation Committee

Bentote, Green, Laming, Westwood, Williams, Cunningham, Kurn, McLean, Read

Deputies

Councillors Fern, Cramoysan, Pearson, Ruffell

Planning Committee

Councillors Bentote, Edwards, Evans, Laming, Rutter, Westwood, Pearson, Read, Ruffell

Deputies

Councillors Bronk, Weir, Cunningham, McLean

Business and Housing Policy Committee

Councillors Bronk, Craske, Fern, Radcliffe, Weir, Isaacs, Lumby, Scott

Deputies

Councillors Edwards, Ferguson, Horrill, Miller

Health and Environment Policy Committee

Councillors Cramoyson, Ferguson, Tippett-Cooper, Westwood, Williams, Kurn, Pearson, Warwick

Deputies

Councillors Fern, Radcliffe, Brook, Cook

8. **TO PASS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION IN RESPECT OF THE WINCHESTER TOWN FORUM:-**

RESOLVED:

That the Winchester Town Forum be established for 2021/22 with membership consisting of all Members who represent the five Winchester Town Wards.

9. **TO PASS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION IN RESPECT OF THE HOUSING (APPEALS) COMMITTEE:-**

RESOLVED:

That alternative arrangements other than proportional representation be agreed in respect of the Housing (Appeals) Committee and that Members of the Committee be appointed as follows:-

Councillors Weir, Power, Scott

The meeting commenced at 7.00 pm and concluded at 7.15 pm

The Mayor

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