

FULL COUNCIL

16 MAY 2018

Present: The Right Worshipful the Mayor (Nigel Sinden) in the Chair, Councillors Bacon (Vice-Chair), Barnett, Batsford, Battley, S Beaney, Berelson, Bishop, Charman, Chowney, Cox, Davies, Evans, Fitzgerald, Forward, Levane, Louise, O'Callaghan, Roberts, Rogers, Sabetian, Scott, Sinden, Turner, Webb, Lee, Patmore, K Beaney, Beaver, Edwards, Foster, Marlow-Eastwood, Rankin

1. ELECTION OF MAYOR

Councillor Sinden announced that he was seeking election as Mayor of the Borough of Hastings and withdrew from the meeting.

Councillor Colin Fitzgerald proposed that Councillor Nigel Sinden be elected as Mayor of the Borough of Hastings for the current municipal year, which was seconded by Councillor Turner. No further nominations were received.

RESOLVED (unanimously) that Councillor Nigel Sinden is elected as Mayor of the Borough of Hastings for the current municipal year.

Councillor Sinden made the declaration prescribed by Section 83 of the Local Government Act 1972.

2. ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR

Councillor Bacon announced that he was seeking election as Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Hastings and withdrew from the meeting.

Councillor Davies proposed that Councillor James Bacon be elected as Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Hastings for the current municipal year, which was seconded by Councillor Forward. No further nominations were received.

RESOLVED (unanimously) that Councillor James Bacon is elected Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Hastings for the current municipal year

Councillor Bacon made the declaration prescribed by Section 83 of the Local Government Act 1972.

3. TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 18 APRIL 2018

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 18 April 2018 be signed by the Mayor as a correct record of the proceedings.

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4. MAYORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor made an acceptance of office speech, and set out the priorities for his year ahead.

He also congratulated Prince Henry of Wales and Meghan Markle on their wedding, and stated he would send a letter in his capacity as Mayor of the historic borough of Hastings.

5. TO RECEIVE THE LEADER'S REPORT ON THE APPOINTMENT OF THE DEPUTY LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

Councillor Chowney announced that Councillor Forward has been appointed as Deputy Leader of the Council and Regeneration and Culture Portfolio Holder.

6. TO RECEIVE THE LEADER'S REPORT ON THE APPOINTMENT OF THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS TO BE APPOINTED TO THE CABINET AND THE NAMES OF THE MEMBERS OF CABINET APPOINTED

Councillor Chowney reported that:

- 1) Membership of the council's Cabinet be 8 Councillors
- 2) The seats on Cabinet be allocated 6 to the Labour group (to include the Chair of Charity Committee) and 2 to the Conservative group and members be appointed in accordance with the nomination of the groups as shown in appendix A to the minutes.

7. TO RECEIVE THE LEADER'S REPORT ON THE CABINET PORTFOLIOS AND THEIR ALLOCATION TO MEMBERS OF THE CABINET

Councillor Chowney reported that the allocation of responsibilities for cabinet portfolios be as follows:

Cabinet Lead Member	Portfolio
Councillor Chowney	Leader of the Council and finance and property Portfolio Holder
Councillor Forward	Deputy Leader of the Council and Regeneration and Culture Portfolio

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	Holder
Councillor Fitzgerald	Environment and Equalities Portfolio Holder
Councillor Rogers	Corporate Services Portfolio Holder
Councillor Batsford	Housing and Leisure Portfolio Holder
Councillor S Beaney	Charity Committee Chair

8. **TO AGREE THE APPOINTMENT OF THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE AND ITS TERMS OF REFERENCE**

Councillor Chowney proposed the following terms of reference for Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

RESOLVED that Overview and Scrutiny Committee be appointed with the following key areas of responsibility:

Overview and Scrutiny Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Strategy Targets• Reviewing progress on the implementation of Cabinet decisions• Policy development work with Portfolio Holders, officers and partners• Service reviews• Collection of Council tax and other charges• Payment of benefits• Management of resources• Public sector efficiency programmes

9. **TO APPOINT COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL, TO DETERMINE THE REPRESENTATION OF POLITICAL GROUPS ON THOSE COMMITTEES, TO APPOINT MEMBERS TO THOSE COMMITTEES AND TO APPOINT THE CHAIRS AND VICE CHAIRS (AS INDICATED) FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2017/18 (LIST TO BE CIRCULATED SEPARATELY)**

Councillor Chowney proposed a motion regarding the appointment of committees as set out in the resolution below.

RESOLVED that the council adopts the following arrangements for the membership of committees:

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	Councillors	Non-Councillors
Overview and Scrutiny Committee	11	-
Audit Committee	5	-
Standards Committee	5	2
Licensing Committee	15	-
Council Appointments Committee	5	-
Employment Committee	4	-
Employment Appeals Committee	4	-
Planning Committee	10	-
Environment and Safety Committee	5	-

(2) the seats on the committees of the Council be allocated to political groups and members be appointed to those committees in accordance with the nominations of the political groups as shown in appendix A to the minutes; and

(3) the Chairs and Vice – Chairs of the committees be appointed as shown on appendix A to the minutes.

10. THE YEAR'S PROGRAMME

In accordance with the constitution rule 1.1 (xii) the Leader of the Council proposed the programme for the ensuing municipal year, which was seconded by Councillor Forward.

RESOLVED (by 22 votes for, 8 against with 0 abstentions) that the council agrees the programme for ensuing municipal year as proposed by the Leader of the Council.

11. COUNCIL MEETINGS 2018/19

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RESOLVED that the meetings of the council be held on the following dates:

6.00pm on 3 July 2018

6.00pm on 11 July 2018

6.00pm on 17 October 2018

6.00pm on 19 December 2018

6.00pm on 13 February 2019

6.00pm on 27 February 2019 (Budget Meeting)

6.00pm on 24 April 2019

6.00pm on 15 May 2019 (Annual Meeting)

(The Chair declared the meeting closed at 8:10pm)