



HILLINGDON  
LONDON

## Minutes

### COUNCIL

9 May 2019

Meeting held at Council Chamber - Civic Centre, High Street, Uxbridge

Councillor John Morgan (Mayor in the Chair - agenda items 1 to 3)

Councillor David Yarrow (Deputy Mayor - agenda items 1 to 3)

Councillor David Yarrow (Mayor in the Chair - agenda items 4 to 10)

Councillor Teji Barnes (Deputy Mayor - agenda items 4 to 10)

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Councillors:	Shehryar Ahmad-Wallana	Ian Edwards	Richard Mills
	Lynne Allen	Tony Eginton	Peter Money
	Simon Arnold	Scott Farley	John Morse
	Teji Barnes	Duncan Flynn	June Nelson
	Jonathan Bianco	Neil Fyfe	Susan O'Brien
	Mohinder Birah	Martin Goddard	John Oswell
	Lindsay Bliss	Raymond Graham	Jane Palmer
	Wayne Bridges	Becky Haggart	Kerri Prince
	Nicola Brightman	John Hensley	Ray Puddifoot MBE
	Keith Burrows	Henry Higgins	Devi Radia
	Roy Chamdal	Vanessa Hurhangee	John Riley
	Alan Chapman	Allan Kauffman	Paula Rodrigues
	Farhad Choubedar	Kuldeep Lakhmana	Raju Sansarpuri
	Judith Cooper	Eddie Lavery	Scott Seaman-Digby
	Philip Corthorne	Richard Lewis	David Simmonds CBE
	Peter Curling	Heena Makwana	Jagjit Singh
	Nick Denys	Michael Markham	Brian Stead
	Alan Deville	Stuart Mathers	Jan Sweeting
	Jazz Dhillon	Carol Melvin	Steve Tuckwell
	Jas Dhot	Ali Milani	
	Janet Duncan	Douglas Mills	

**OFFICERS PRESENT:** Jean Palmer, Paul Whaymand, Tony Zaman, Raj Alagh, Lloyd White, Mark Braddock, Steven Clarke, Morgan Einon, Beth Rainey and Nikki O'Halloran

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** (*Agenda Item 1*)

Apologies for absence had been received from Councillors Janet Gardner and Pat Jackson.

2. **ELECTION OF MAYOR 2019/2020** (*Agenda Item 3*)

The Mayor thanked his Mayoress and Mayor's Escort, the Deputy Mayor and Deputy Mayoress, his fellow Councillors and officers for the support that they had given him. He also thanked the organisations and volunteers that did so much for the Borough.

The Mayor provided the Council with some brief highlights of his Mayoral year, during

which he had attended 668 events and had raised over £48k for his charities.

Nominations were invited for a Mayor to hold office for the 2019/20 municipal year. Councillor Yarrow was nominated by Councillor Goddard and seconded by Councillor Graham. There were no further nominations.

**RESOLVED: That Councillor David Yarrow be elected as Mayor for the 2019/2020 municipal year.**

*The Council adjourned for robing of the new Mayor at 7.52pm and reconvened at 8.08pm.*

3. **ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE BY THE MAYOR** (*Agenda Item 4*)

The newly elected Mayor signed the declaration of acceptance of office.

4. **APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR** (*Agenda Item 5*)

The Mayor informed the Council that he had appointed Councillor Teji Barnes as Deputy Mayor.

**RESOLVED: That the Deputy Mayor for 2019/2020 be noted.**

5. **NEW MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS** (*Agenda Item 6*)

The new Mayor thanked those present for electing him. He advised that his Mayoress for the year would be Mrs Mary O'Connor. The Mayor stated that his nominated charities for the year would be Hillingdon Autistic Care and Support and Hillingdon Brain Tumour and Injury Support.

6. **VOTE OF THANKS TO OUTGOING MAYOR** (*Agenda Item 7*)

Councillor Puddifoot moved a vote of thanks to the retired Mayor, Councillor Morgan, his Mayoress, Mrs Fiona Morgan, and his Escort, Mrs Pauline Bianco. This was seconded by Councillor Curling.

The Mayor (Councillor Yarrow) presented a Past Mayor's badge to Councillor Morgan, a Past Mayoress' badge to Mrs Fiona Morgan and a Past Mayor's Escort badge to Mrs Pauline Bianco. Councillor Puddifoot advised that, as the Council had come in under budget during the previous year, he would be recommending that Cabinet double the funds raised by Councillor Morgan for his charities to £96k.

Councillors Bianco, Corthorne, Duncan and Flynn spoke in support of the vote of thanks to the outgoing Mayor, Councillor John Morgan.

**RESOLVED: That the vote of thanks to the Outgoing Mayor, Councillor Morgan, be agreed.**

7. **REPORT OF THE HEAD OF DEMOCRATIC SERVICES** (*Agenda Item 8*)

**8.1 APPOINTMENT OF THE CABINET**

Councillor Puddifoot advised Council that he had made the following appointments:

<b>Position/Portfolio</b>	<b>Councillor</b>
Deputy Leader and Education and Children's Services	David Simmonds
Central Services, Culture and Heritage	Richard Lewis
Finance, Property and Business Services	Jonathan Bianco
Community, Commerce and Regeneration	Douglas Mills
Planning, Transportation and Recycling	Keith Burrows
Social Services, Housing, Health and Wellbeing	Philip Corthorne

## **8.2 APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL CHAMPION**

Councillor Puddifoot moved the motion, which was seconded by Councillor Simmonds, and it was:

**RESOLVED: That Councillor Tuckwell be appointed as Council Champion for Mental Health.**

## **8.3 STANDARDS COMMITTEE – APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT PERSON**

Councillor Puddifoot moved the motion, which was seconded by Councillor Simmonds, and it was:

**RESOLVED: That Mr David Smith be re-appointed as Independent Person for a further three year period, to June 2022, and that thereafter the position be re-advertised.**

## **8.4 REVIEW OF COUNCIL CONSTITUTION**

Councillor Puddifoot moved the motion as set out on the Order of Business, which was seconded by Councillor Simmonds. Following debate (Councillors Allen, Curling, Duncan, Eginton and Money), the motion was put to a recorded vote:

Those voting for: The Mayor (Councillor Yarrow), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor Barnes), Councillors Ahmad-Wallana, Arnold, Bianco, Bridges, Brightman, Burrows, Chamdal, Chapman, Choubedar, Cooper, Corthorne, Denys, Deville, Edwards, Flynn, Fyfe, Goddard, Graham, Haggar, Hensley, Higgins, Hurhangee, Kauffman, Lavery, Lewis, Makwana, Markham, Melvin, D Mills, R Mills, Morgan, O'Brien, Palmer, Puddifoot, Radia, Riley, Rodrigues, Seaman-Digby, Simmonds, Stead and Tuckwell.

Those voting against: Councillors Allen, Birah, Bliss, Curling, Dhillon, Dhot, Duncan, Eginton, Farley, Lakhmana, Mathers, Milani, Money, Morse, Nelson, Oswell, Prince, Sansarpuri, Singh and Sweeting.

Those abstaining: None.

The motion was carried and it was:

**RESOLVED: That the following amendments to the Council Constitution (shown in italics) be approved:**

### **a) Protocol for Member / Officer Relations - Regarding Member Enquiries:**

**A Member is free to approach any Council Department to provide such information, explanation and advice about the Department's functions as**

may reasonably be required in order to assist with discharging his/her role. Such requests must be reasonable and will be met subject to any overriding legal considerations (determined by Monitoring Officer).

If the recipient of any request considers the cost of providing the information requested or the nature of the request to be unreasonable, they will raise the matter with the relevant Corporate Director who will discuss the issue with the relevant Group Leader or, in the absence of a Group Leader, with the Member concerned. *Should a Member wish for information that is not specific to their own Ward (e.g. is regarding matters affecting the whole Borough or is cross-cutting for a part of the Borough wider than a single Ward) then such a request must be made through the Group Leader with an explanation as to why such information is required.*

*Should a Member wish to raise, or be asked to raise by a member of the public, a matter in another Member's Ward there is an expectation that they will refer the matter to the appropriate Ward Member(s), unless a valid reason why this would not be appropriate is provided by the Group Leader.*

Where a Member requests such factual information, that information will also be supplied to the relevant Cabinet Member, Chairman of the appropriate Committee or relevant Officers.

**b) Article 2 – regarding Member Attendance at Committees**

If Members (including a co-opted member) fail to attend any meeting of the Committee or advisory group to which they are appointed/co-opted throughout a period of six consecutive months, they will cease to be a member of that committee or group unless their absence is due to a reason which has been previously approved *by the Head of Democratic Services in consultation with the relevant Group Leader and/or Chief Whip.*

8.	<p><b>COMMITTEE ALLOCATIONS AND MEMBERSHIP 2019/2020</b> (<i>Agenda Item 9</i>)</p> <p>It was moved by Councillor O'Brien, seconded by Councillor Denys, and:</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> That the appointment of Committees, Sub-Committees and their memberships, as set out in Minute Annex A, be approved.</p>
9.	<p><b>POLICY OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEES' ANNUAL REPORT</b> (<i>Agenda Item 10</i>)</p> <p>The Council received a report of the work covered by the Policy Overview and Scrutiny Committees in 2018/19. It was moved by Councillor R Mills, seconded by Councillor Palmer, and:</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> That the Policy Overview and Scrutiny Committees' Annual Report 2018/2019 be endorsed.</p>
10.	<p><b>STATEMENT BY THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL</b> (<i>Agenda Item 11</i>)</p> <p>The Leader of the Council advised that the London Borough of Hillingdon was in a sound position and continued to provide facilities, services and a level of financial and business management that were the envy of many other councils. As well as freezing</p>

Council Tax for ten years for all residents and this year having the lowest rise in London, Hillingdon had frozen Council Tax this year for those over 65 for the thirteenth consecutive year. The Council had built up substantial levels of cash reserves to help in dealing with the financial challenges that lay ahead. It also had some of the best staff working in local government.

Nearly all elected Councillors were in the Chamber because they wanted to make a difference in Hillingdon. It was the ability to work together as a team towards a common vision that was important; the ability to direct individual skills towards common objectives was the formula that allowed a collection of individuals to produce outstanding results.

The Leader thanked the opposition for the part that they had played at a Committee and Council level. He paid tribute to the Leader of the Opposition, Councillor Curling, who had served the Borough well despite having experienced poor health. The Leader stated that he had a first class Deputy Leader in Councillor Simmonds, who was an asset to Hillingdon as well as local government in general. Councillor Puddifoot believed he had a highly competent and experienced Cabinet and a unified and skilled Group to captain.

As he approached his twentieth year as Leader of the Council, Councillor Puddifoot had experienced nine changes to the Leader of the Opposition. He was proud that Hillingdon was recognised as one of the best run councils in the country. The Conservative administration had delivered a great deal for the residents of the Borough which had been achieved through strong political leadership, sound financial management and good business practice.

What Hillingdon had achieved, and continued to achieve, through times of financial constraint on local government had been amazing. The Leader believed that the administration would be measured on its achievements to date as well as its potential to continue to deliver to residents of the Borough in the future.

The Leader stated that all elected Members in the Chamber were there to serve and protect Hillingdon's residents, environment and heritage. He thanked all Members of the Council from both parties for the part that they played in doing so.

**MINUTE ANNEX A: COMMITTEE ALLOCATIONS AND MEMBERSHIP 2019/2020**

The meeting, which commenced at 7.30 pm, closed at 8.58 pm.

These are the minutes of the above meeting. For more information on any of the resolutions please contact Lloyd White, Head of Democratic Services on 01895 556743. Circulation of these minutes is to Councillors, Officers, the Press and Members of the Public.

## COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP 2019/2020

### ORDINARY COMMITTEES

#### EXECUTIVE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE: 8 (5-3)

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
Higgins (Chairman)	Curling (Lead)
Riley (Vice-Chairman)	Money
Arnold	Prince
Bridges	
Denys	

Other Voting Members (for education related items only):

Parent Governor (3)	Vacant
Church of England Diocesan Representative	Vacant
Roman Catholic Diocesan representative	Anthony Little

#### EXTERNAL SERVICES SELECT COMMITTEE: 8 (5-3)

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
Riley (Chairman)	Lakhmana (Lead)
Denys (Vice-Chairman)	Milani
Arnold	Nelson
Hurhangee	
Radia	

#### RESIDENTS, EDUCATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES POLICY OVERVIEW COMMITTEE: 9 (7-2)

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
Bridges (Chairman)	Sweeting (Lead)
Markham (Vice-Chairman)	Mathers
Kauffman	
Makwana	
Radia	
Rodrigues	
Tuckwell	

Other Voting Members (for education related items only):

Parent Governor (3)	Vacant
Church of England Diocesan Representative	Vacant
Roman Catholic Diocesan representative	Anthony Little

#### CORPORATE SERVICES, COMMERCE AND COMMUNITIES POLICY OVERVIEW COMMITTEE: 9 (6-3)

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
R.Mills (Chairman)	Dhillon (Lead)
Bridges (Vice-Chairman)	Bliss
Brightman	Farley
Choubedar	
Deville	
Goddard	

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## COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP 2019/2020

### SOCIAL CARE, HOUSING AND PUBLIC HEALTH POLICY OVERVIEW COMMITTEE: 9 (7-2)

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
Palmer (Chairman)	Eginton (Lead)
Flynn (Vice-Chairman)	Gardner
Cooper	
Deville	
Edwards	
Haggar	
Rodrigues	

*SUBSTITUTES FOR SCRUTINY AND POLICY OVERVIEW COMMITTEES ARE ALL COUNCILLORS EXCEPT THOSE IN THE CABINET, GROUP LEADERS AND CHIEF WHIPS.*

### CENTRAL & SOUTH PLANNING COMMITTEE: 9 (6-3)

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
Edwards (Chairman)	Duncan (Lead)
Chamdal (Vice-Chairman)	Birah
Ahmad-Wallana	Dhillon
Brightman	
Chapman	
Tuckwell	

### NORTH PLANNING COMMITTEE: 9 (6-3)

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
Lavery (Chairman)	Oswell (Lead)
Flynn (Vice-Chairman)	Dhot
Goddard	Sansarpuri
Haggar	
Higgins	
Melvin	

### MAJOR APPLICATIONS PLANNING COMMITTEE: 9 (6-3)

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
Lavery (Chairman)	Morse (Lead)
Edwards (Vice-Chairman)	Duncan
Goddard	Oswell
Higgins	
Melvin	
Tuckwell	

### MAJOR APPLICATIONS PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE: 7 (5-2)

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
Edwards (Chairman)	Duncan (Lead)
Lavery (Vice-Chairman)	Oswell
Brightman	
Chamdal	
Tuckwell	

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**COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP 2019/2020**

*(ALL PLANNING COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND ALL THAT HAVE RECEIVED APPROPRIATE PLANNING TRAINING TO BE SUBSTITUTES FOR ALL FOUR COMMITTEES)*

**PENSIONS COMMITTEE: 5 (3-2)**

<b>CONSERVATIVE</b>		<b>LABOUR</b>
Goddard (Chairman)		Morse (Lead)
Corthorne (Vice-Chairman)		Eginton
Barnes		
<b>Substitutes</b>		<b>Substitutes</b>
Fyfe		Dhillon
Markham		

**APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE: 8 (5-3)**

<b>CONSERVATIVE</b>		<b>LABOUR</b>
Puddifoot (Chairman)		Curling (Lead)
Simmonds (Vice-Chairman)		Duncan
Burrows		Money
Corthorne		
D.Mills		
<b>Substitutes</b>		<b>Substitutes</b>
Bianco		Dhillon
Lavery		Eginton
Lewis		Sweeting
R.Mills		
Riley		

**REGISTRATION & APPEALS COMMITTEE: 8 (5-3)**

<b>CONSERVATIVE</b>		<b>LABOUR</b>
O'Brien (Chairman)		Allen (Lead)
R.Mills (Vice-Chairman)		Dhot
Bridges		Singh
Denys		
Flynn		
<b>Substitutes</b>		<b>Substitutes</b>
Bianco	D.Mills	All Labour Members except Group Leader, Deputy Leader and Chief Whip
Burrows	Puddifoot	
Corthorne	Seaman-Digby	
Edwards	Simmonds	
Higgins	Palmer	
Lavery		

*SUBSTITUTES ON THIS COMMITTEE MAY COMPRISE CABINET MEMBERS FOR THE PURPOSES OF BEING MEMBERS OR SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS OF THE THREE SUB-COMMITTEES, BUT NO CABINET MEMBERS SHOULD SIT AS MEMBERS OF THE MAIN REGISTRATION AND APPEALS COMMITTEE*

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## COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP 2019/2020

OTHER COMMITTEES / PANELS (OUTSIDE THE OVERALL CALCULATION BUT ALLOCATED ON THE BASIS OF OVERALL POLITICAL BALANCE)

### STANDARDS COMMITTEE: 4 (3-1)

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
Riley (Chairman)	Duncan(Lead)
Denys (Vice-Chairman)	
Flynn	
Substitutes	Substitutes
Bridges	Allen
	Money

Non-voting Independent Person:

Mr David Smith

### AUDIT COMMITTEE: 4 (3-1)

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
Goddard (Vice Chairman)	Eginton (Lead)
Lavery	
O'Brien	
Substitutes	Substitutes
Graham	Dhillon
R.Mills	

Independent Member:

John Chesshire (Chairman)

*NO MEMBER OF CABINET OR EXECUTIVE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE MAY SIT ON AUDIT COMMITTEE.*

### LICENSING COMMITTEE: 10 (7-3)

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
Chamdal (Chairman)	Allen (Lead)
Barnes (Vice-Chairman)	Gardner
Arnold	Oswell
Kauffman	
Lavery	
Melvin	
Stead	

*N.B. NO SUBSTITUTES ALLOWED FOR LICENSING COMMITTEE*

### LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE (2-1)

*The sub-committee to comprise three Members of the Licensing Committee (2 Conservative and 1 Labour) selected on a rota basis from the membership of the Licensing Committee. Meetings of the Sub-Committee must be chaired by either the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Licensing Committee.*

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## COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP 2019/2020

### APPOINTMENTS SUB COMMITTEE: 4 (3-1)

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
Puddifoot	Curling (Lead)
D.Mills	
Simmonds	
Substitutes	Substitutes
Bianco	Duncan
Burrows	Money
Corthorne	
Lewis	

### INVESTIGATING AND DISCIPLINARY SUB-COMMITTEE (SENIOR OFFICER): 4 (3-1)

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
Puddifoot	Curling (Lead)
D.Mills	
Simmonds	
Substitutes	Substitutes
Bianco	Allen
Burrows	Duncan
Corthorne	Money
Lewis	Sweeting

### APPEALS SUB-COMMITTEE (SENIOR OFFICER): 4 (3-1)

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
To be appointed as required.	Curling (Lead)

### GRIEVANCE SUB-COMMITTEE (SENIOR OFFICER): 4 (3-1)

CONSERVATIVE	LABOUR
To be appointed as required.	Curling (Lead)

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## COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP 2019/2020

**HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD:** *Outside of the overall calculation and subject to the Local Authority (Public Health, Health and Wellbeing Boards and Health Scrutiny) Regulations 2013.*

Organisation	Name of Member	Substitute
<b>STATUTORY MEMBERS (VOTING)</b>		
Chairman	Councillor Corthorne	Any Elected Member
Vice-Chairman	Councillor Simmonds	Any Elected Member
Members	Councillor Puddifoot	Any Elected Member
	Councillor D.Mills	Any Elected Member
	Councillor Bianco	Any Elected Member
	Councillor Burrows	Any Elected Member
	Councillor Lewis	Any Elected Member
Healthwatch Hillingdon	Ms Lynn Hill	Mr Turkey Mahmood
Clinical Commissioning Group	Dr Ian Goodman	Dr Kuldhir Johal
For information Membership also includes:		
<b>STATUTORY MEMBERS (NON-VOTING)</b>		
Statutory Director of Adult Social Services	Mr Tony Zaman	Ms Sandra Taylor
Statutory Director of Children's Services	Mr Tony Zaman	Ms Ana Popovici
Statutory Director of Public Health	Dr Steve Hajioff	Ms Sharon Daye
<b>CO-OPTED MEMBERS (NON-VOTING)</b>		
The Hillingdon Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	Ms Sarah Tedford	Mr Richard Sumray
Central and North West London NHS Foundation Trust	Ms Robyn Doran	Ms Maria O'Brien
Royal Brompton and Harefield NHS Foundation Trust	Mr Robert J Bell	Mr Nick Hunt
LBH	Mr Dan Kennedy	N/A
Clinical Commissioning Group (1)	Mr Mark Easton	Ms Caroline Morison
Clinical Commissioning Group (2)	Ms Sarah Crowther	Dr Kuldhir Johal