

# Minutes of a meeting of the COUNCIL on Monday 15 May 2017

## Committee members:

Councillor Altaf-Khan (Lord Mayor for Minute 1, then Sheriff from Minute 3)

Councillor Humberstone (Deputy Lord Mayor until Minute 2)

Councillor Brown (Sheriff until Minute 3)

Councillor Abbasi

Councillor Azad

Councillor Chapman

Councillor Curran

Councillor Gant

Councillor Haines

Councillor Hollingsworth

Councillor Kennedy

Councillor Landell Mills

Councillor Lygo

Councillor Munkonge

Councillor Pegg

Councillor Price

Councillor Sanders

Councillor Sinclair

Councillor Tanner

Councillor Thomas

Councillor Turner

Councillor Wade

Councillor Fooks (Lord Mayor thereafter)

Councillor Simm (Deputy Lord Mayor thereafter)

Councillor Cook

Councillor Anwar

Councillor Brandt

Councillor Clarkson

Councillor Fry

Councillor Goddard

Councillor Hayes

Councillor Iley-Williamson

Councillor Ladbrooke

Councillor Lloyd-Shogbesan

Councillor Malik

Councillor Paule

Councillor Pressel

Councillor Rowley

Councillor Simmons

Councillor Smith

Councillor Taylor

Councillor Tidball

Councillor Upton

Councillor Wilkinson

## Apologies:

Councillors Goff, Henwood, Tarver and Wolff sent apologies.

## **1. Election of Lord Mayor for the Council year 2017/18**

Councillor Gant proposed and Councillor Price seconded, and there being no other nominations, Council resolved that Councillor Fooks be elected as Lord Mayor of Oxford for the Council Year 2017/18.

Councillor Fooks took the Chair from Councillor Altaf-Khan and subsequently signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

## **2. Election of Deputy Lord Mayor for the Council year 2017/18**

Councillor Price proposed and Councillor Malik seconded, and there being no other nominations, Council resolved that Councillor Simm be elected as Deputy Lord Mayor of Oxford for the Council Year 2017/18.

Councillor Simm subsequently signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

## **3. Election of Sheriff for the Council year 2017/18**

Councillor Wilkinson proposed and Councillor Simmons seconded, and there being no other nominations, Council resolved that Councillor Altaf Khan be elected as Sheriff of Oxford for the Council Year 2017/18.

Councillor Altaf Khan subsequently signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

## **4. Declarations of interest**

There were no declarations.

## **5. Announcements by the Lord Mayor**

The Lord Mayor welcomed the newly elected councillor for Barton and Sandhills, Councillor Mark Ladbroke, to the Council.

She also welcomed Gordon Mitchell, Interim Chief Executive, to the Council.

## **6. Announcements by the Chief Executive**

The Chief Executive made no announcements.

## 7. Report of the Leader of the Council

Councillor Price congratulated Councillor Fooks on her election as Lord Mayor.

He notified Council that:

- there were no changes to the Executive Scheme of delegation as set out in the Council's Constitution:
- Councillor Turner would continue as Deputy Leader
- City Executive Board portfolio holders for 2017/18 were:

Portfolio	Councillor
Corporate Strategy and Economic Development <b>Council representative on:</b> Oxford Strategic Partnership Oxfordshire Partnership Growth Board	Councillor Price (Leader)
Finance and Asset Management	Councillor Turner (Deputy Leader)
Customer and Corporate Services	Councillor Brown
Community Safety <b>Council representative on:</b> Oxfordshire Safer Communities Partnership Thames Valley Police and Crime Panel Safer Oxfordshire Partnership	Councillor Hayes
Planning and Regulatory Services	Councillor Hollingsworth
Housing	Councillor Rowley
Culture and Communities	
Leisure, Parks and Sport	Councillor Smith
Climate Change and Cleaner Greener Oxford <b>Council representative on:</b> Oxfordshire Environment Partnership Oxford Strategic Partnership	Councillor Tanner
Young People, Schools and Public Health <b>Council representative on:</b> Health & Well Being Board Health Improvement Board	Councillor Tidball

He informed Council that shareholder groups and arrangements for the Council's companies were:

**Wholly owned companies**

Oxford Direct Services Limited	City Executive Board
Oxford Housing Limited	City Executive Board

**Jointly owned company**

Oxford West End Development Limited (OXWED)	City Executive Board, with the representative on the Joint Shareholder Group to be the Leader of the Council or his appointee
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**8. Appointment of Committees for the Council Year 2017/18**

The Acting Head of Law and Governance submitted a report and supplementary paper which invited Council to appoint Committees for the Council Year 2017/18 and appoint councillors to these.

Council resolved to:

1. note the arrangements for determining Political Groups and achieving political balance within the Political Governance arrangements;
2. appoint the committees and other bodies as currently defined within the Council's Constitution and included in the table in the report;
3. agree the nominations to committees made by political groups as shown below;
4. appoint Councillor Pressel to the Joint Oxfordshire Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee;
5. agree that all members of Council will form the pool of members able to observe on appeals and some grievances; and
6. authorise the Head of Law and Governance to make any changes to the Constitution as a consequence of these decisions.

**Committee membership**

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Labour Membership Councillors</b>	<b>Liberal Democrat Membership Councillors</b>	<b>Green Membership Councillors</b>
Licensing and Gambling Acts Committee	Farida Anwar Mary Clarkson Colin Cook James Fry Chewe Munkonge Dee Sinclair Dan Iley-Williamson Nigel Chapman Mark Lygo	Liz Wade Tom Landell Mills Angie Goff	Ruthi Brandt

	Rae Humberstone Christine Simm		
Oxfordshire Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Susanna Pressel		
General Purposes and Licensing Committee	Mary Clarkson Colin Cook Chewe Munkonge Rae Humberstone Ben Lloyd-Shogbesan Farida Anwar Jamila Azad	Liz Wade Tom Landell Mills	Ruthi Brandt
Appointments Committee	Pat Kennedy Bob Price Gill Sanders Ed Turner	Andrew Gant	
Audit and Governance Committee	Sian Taylor James Fry Michele Paule Chewe Munkonge Mark Ladbrooke	Andrew Gant	Craig Simmons
Standards Committee	Louise Upton James Fry Susanna Pressel Gill Sanders Mike Rowley	Liz Wade	Dick Wolff
East Area Planning Committee	David Henwood Mary Clarkson Ben Lloyd-Shogbesan Nigel Chapman Sian Taylor Saj Malik John Tanner	Ruth Wilkinson	Dick Wolff

West Area Planning Committee	Colin Cook Alex Hollingsworth Bob Price Louise Upton Jennifer Pegg Jamila Azad Dan Illey-Williamson	Jean Fooks Tom Landell Mills	
Planning Review Committee	James Fry Pat Kennedy Ed Turner Farida Anwar Chewe Munkonge Dee Sinclair Michelle Paule	Mohammed Altaf-Khan	Ruthi Brandt
Scrutiny Committee	Steve Curran Jennifer Pegg James Fry Mark Lygo Mark Ladbrooke David Henwood Nigel Chapman Jamila Azad Ben Lloyd-Shogbesan	Andrew Gant Mohammed Altaf-Khan	David Thomas
Disciplinary Committee	James Fry Susanna Pressel Bob Price	Liz Wade	

## 9. Appointment of Head of Paid Service, Returning Officer and Electoral Registration Officer

Council considered the revised report of the Acting Head of Law and Governance recommending the appointment of officers to three statutory roles as required in the Constitution and by law. These roles were currently held by the Chief Executive and his resignation necessitated new appointments. Council noted that the Appointments Committee, in line with delegation from Council on 24 April, had agreed that Gordon Mitchell be appointed as the Interim Chief Executive.

### Council resolved to:

1. **confirm the appointment** of Gordon Mitchell as the Council's Interim Chief Executive and as Head of Paid Service with effect from 15 May 2017; and
2. **appoint** Tim Sadler, Executive Director of Sustainable City, as the Council's Returning Officer and Electoral Registration Officer with effect from 15 May 2017.

**10. Council scheme of delegation for 2017/18**

Council resolved to agree the Council’s Scheme of Delegation as set out in Section 5 of the Council’s Constitution for the Council Year 2017/18.

**The meeting started at 4.00 pm and ended at 4.10 pm**

**Chair .....**

**Date: Thursday 20 July 2017**

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