

Minutes

OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE LONDON BOROUGH OF BARNET
held at Hendon Town Hall, The Burroughs, London NW4 4BQ, on 13 May 2015

PRESENT:-

The Worshipful the Mayor (Councillor Hugh Rayner)
The Deputy Mayor (Councillor David Longstaff)

Councillors:

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| Maureen Braun | Andreas Ioannidis | Tim Roberts |
| Rebecca Challice | Dr Devra Kay | Gabriel Rozenberg |
| Pauline Coakley Webb | Sury Khatri | Lisa Rutter |
| Dean Cohen | Adam Langleben | Shimon Ryde |
| Jack Cohen | Kathy Levine | Brian Salinger |
| Melvin Cohen | Kitty Lyons | Gill Sargeant |
| Philip Cohen | John Marshall | Joan Scannell |
| Geof Cooke | Kath McGuirk | Alan Schneiderman |
| Alison Cornelius | Arjun Mittra | Mark Shooter |
| Richard Cornelius | Alison Moore | Agnes Slocombe |
| Tom Davey | Ammar Naqvi | Stephen Sowerby |
| Val Duschinsky | Nagus Narenthira | Caroline Stock |
| Paul Edwards | Charlie O-Macauley | Daniel Thomas |
| Claire Farrier | Graham Old | Reuben Thompstone |
| Anthony Finn | Alon Or-Bach | Jim Tierney |
| Brian Gordon | Reema Patel | Amy Trevethan |
| Eva Greenspan | Bridget Perry | Laurie Williams |
| Rohit | Wendy Prentice | Peter Zinkin |
| Helena Hart | Sachin Rajput | Zakia Zubairi |
| John Hart | Barry Rawlings | |
| Ross Houston | | |

Apologies for Absence

Councillor Anne Hutton

1. PRAYER - MAYOR'S CHAPLAIN

The Mayor's Chaplain, Pastor Doreen Teh offered prayer.

2. ELECTION OF THE MAYOR

The Worshipful the Mayor called for nominations for the election of Mayor of the London Borough of Barnet for the ensuing municipal year.

Councillor Maureen Braun moved, seconded by Councillor Anthony Finn, that Councillor Mark Shooter be elected Mayor.

Upon being put to the vote the nomination was declared carried.

RESOLVED – That Councillor Mark Shooter be elected Mayor of the London Borough of Barnet for the ensuing municipal year 2015-16.

Councillor Mark Shooter then left the Council Chamber to robe. Upon his return, he was invested with the badge and chain of the office of Mayor.

THE WORSHIPFUL THE MAYOR COUNCILLOR MARK SHOOTER IN THE CHAIR

The Worshipful the Mayor thanked the Council for the honour conferred upon him by his election and informed the Council that the Mayor's Charity will reflect the tone of the 2015/16 Mayoralty, leadership and modernity.

The Worshipful the Mayor noted that the Mayoralty will support charities and adopt as its slogan D.A.R.E; for dignity, assistance, respect and education.

Under the heading of Dignity, the Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy charity will be supported.

Under the heading of Assistance, Chai Cancer Care – supporting Cancer sufferers

Under the heading of Respect, Homeless Action Barnet – respecting all, regardless of economic situation

Under the heading of Education, a charity helping our children achieve will be supported.

The Worshipful the Mayor announced the appointment of Councillor Alison Cornelius to act as Deputy Mayor during his term of office.

The Worshipful the Mayor appointed Dayan Yonason Abraham to be his Chaplain during his term of office.

3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 14 APRIL 2015

RESOLVED – The minutes of the meeting held on 14 April 2015 were agreed as a correct record.

4. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Anne Hutton.

5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

6. OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Worshipful the Mayor made the following announcements.

On behalf of the Council, the Worshipful the Mayor offered congratulations to the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge on the birth of the new princess.

Congratulations were also given to Barnet FC on their recent promotion from the Conference to the Football League.

Council noted the results of the General Election held on 7 May 2015, and welcomed the election of the three Members of Parliament for Barnet: Matthew Offord (Hendon); Mike Freer (Finchley & Golders Green); and Theresa Villers (Chipping Barnet).

Council welcomed the election of a new Member representing the Garden Suburb Ward, Councillor Rohit Grover, following a By-Election on 7 May.

On behalf of the Council, the Worshipful the Mayor drew attention to the services held across the country on 8 May to commemorate the 70th anniversary of VE Day. In Barnet, the Mayor joined veterans and scouts at Frith Grange to light Barnet's VE Day Beacon.

Council noted that a Memorial Service for Sydney Chapman was planned for Wednesday 10th June 2015 at St Margaret's, Westminster.

7. REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Council noted the result of the Garden Suburb By-election held on 7 May 2015.

8. NOTING THE APPOINTMENT OF THE DEPUTY LEADER

Council noted the appointment of Councillor Daniel Thomas as Deputy Leader.

9. NOTING OF THE APPOINTMENT OF THE LEADER OF THE SECOND LARGEST POLITICAL GROUP AS THE LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION

Council noted the appointment of Councillor Alison Moore as Leader of the Opposition.

10. REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER

There was none.

11. REPORT OF THE HEAD OF GOVERNANCE

A separate vote was taken on each of the recommendations in each of the Appendices as set out in the report.

APPENDIX A and A1 – CALCULATION OF POLITICAL BALANCE (PROPORTIONALITY) AND APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES AND OUTSIDE BODIES

1. That Council note the political balance of the Council is 32 Members of the Conservative Group; 30 Members of the Labour Group; 1 Liberal Democrat.

RESOLVED – Council noted the political balance as set out above.

2. That Council agree the allocation of seats as set out in the table to this report in order to comply with the political balance regulations

requiring seats to be allocated proportionately to the political groups represented on Council.

RESOLVED – Council agreed the allocation of seats as set out in the table to the report.

3. That Council determine whether it wishes to allocate a seat(s) to the member not part of a political group on such Committee as Council may determine.

RESOLVED – Council agreed to the allocation of a seat to the member not part of a political group and in accordance with the circulated schedule Councillor Jack Cohen was allocated a seat on the Finchley and Golders Green Area Planning Committee.

4. That Council consider the nominations for appointments to Committees and other bodies as set out in Appendix A1 and agree the appointments.

The Group secretaries moved the nominations in their names.

Councillor Joan Scannell moved the following amendment:

Health and Well-being Board

The Conservative Group nomination for Vice-Chairman to be Dr Debbie Frost.

A separate vote was taken on the Conservative Group nominations and the Labour Group nominations where there was competition for roles, as follows:

Chairman and Vice Chairman:

- Policy and Resources Committee
- Performance and Contract Monitoring Committee
- Children, Education Libraries and Safeguarding Committee
- Environment Committee
- Assets, Regeneration and Growth Committee
- Adults and Safeguarding Committee
- Housing Committee
- Community Leadership Committee
- Chief Officer Appointment Panel

Councillors Joan Scannell (Conservative) and Nagus Narenthira (Labour) moved the nominations in their name. Upon the Conservative nominations being put to the vote, the votes were declared as follows:

For: 32
Against: 29
Abstain: 1
Absent: 1
TOTAL: 63

The Conservative nominations were declared carried.

RESOLVED –

- a. That the Conservative Group nominations for Chairman and Vice-Chairman on the above committees be approved.**
- b. That the Labour Group nominations for Chairman and Vice-Chairman become appointments as Committee Members instead.**
- c. That those remaining Chairman and Vice-Chairman nominations that are uncontested be approved.**

Chairman only:

- Licensing Committee
- Audit Committee
- Planning Committee
- General Functions Committee
- Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee
- Constitution, Ethics and Probity Committee
- Pension Fund Committee
- Urgency Committee
- Finchley and Golders Green Area Committee
- Finchley and Golders Green Area Planning Committee
- Chipping Barnet Area Committee
- Chipping Barnet Area Planning Committee
- Hendon Area Committee
- Hendon Area Planning Committee
- Corporate Parenting Advisory Panel
- Health and Wellbeing Board
- Finchley and Golders Green Residents Forum
- Chipping Barnet Residents Forum
- Hendon Residents Forum

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RESOLVED –

- a. That the Conservative Group nominations for Chairman on the above committees be approved.**
- b. That the Labour Group nominations for Chairman become appointments as Committee Members instead.**

- c. That those remaining Chairman nominations that are uncontested be approved.**

Membership:

- Safer Communities Partnership Board
- North Central London Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee
- Health and Well-Being Board

Upon nominations in the names of Councillors Joan Scannell and Nagus Narenthira being put to the vote, the votes were declared as follows:

Conservative Group nominations:
For: 32

Labour Group nominations:
For: 29

The Conservative Group nominations were declared carried.

RESOLVED –

- a. That the Conservative Group nominations for Membership on the above bodies be approved**
- b. That those remaining nominations that are uncontested are agreed**

Lead Member for Children's Services

Upon nominations in the names of Councillors Joan Scannell and Nagus Narenthira being put to the vote, the votes were declared as follows:

Conservative Group nomination:
For: 32

Labour Group nomination:
For: 29

The Conservative Group nomination was declared carried.

RESOLVED – That the Conservative Group nomination for Lead Member for Children's Services be approved.

APPENDIX B – APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES

The Group secretaries moved the nominations in their names.

Councillor Joan Scannell moved the following amendments:

- a. That the appointments to the following bodies be deferred to a future meeting of the General Functions Committee or Council:
 - One vacancy on the Eleanor Palmers Trust

- One vacancy on the Henry Smith Charity
- b. That the Conservative Group nominations be amended to include the nomination of Councillor Steven Sowerby to London Youth Games Limited

RESOLVED - That the appointments to the following bodies be deferred to a future meeting of the General Functions Committee or Council:

- One vacancy on the Eleanor Palmers Trust
- One vacancy on the Henry Smith Charity

A separate vote was taken on the Conservative Group nominations and the Labour Group nominations where there was competition for roles, as follows:

Outside Bodies:

- Grahame Park Partnership Board – Councillor Tom Davey vs. Councillor Nagus Narenthira only
- Greater London Enterprise
- Hampstead Garden Suburb Institute Council
- Hampstead Heath Management Committee (City of London)
- London Councils Greater London Employment Forum
- London Youth Games Limited
- Reserve Forces and Cadets Association for Greater London
- Stonegrove and Spur Road Partnership Board
- Totteridge Manor Association – Councillor Tim Roberts vs. Councillor Richard Cornelius only
- Valentine Poole Charity
- Wright Community Development Trust
- Youth Sport and Leisure Foundation

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For: 32
Against: 29
Abstain: 1
Absent: 1
TOTAL: 63

The Conservative nominations were declared carried.

RESOLVED –

1. That the Conservative Group nominations for appointments to the above Outside Bodies be approved.
2. That those remaining nominations that are uncontested be approved

APPENDIX C – CALENDAR OF MEETINGS 2015-16

RESOLVED – That Council agree the Calendar of Meetings 2015/16 as set out in Appendix C

APPENDIX D – RESPONSIBILITY FOR FUNCTIONS, ANNEX A

RESOLVED – That Council agree the amendments to Responsibility for Functions, Annex A as set out in Appendix D

APPENDIX E –APPOINTMENT OF CO-OPTED MEMBERS TO THE CHILDREN, EDUCATION, LIBRARIES & SAFEGUARDING COMMITTEE

RESOLVED – That Council extend the membership of the following co-opted members of the Children, Education, Libraries and Safeguarding Committee for a further two years until May 2017:

- Mr Simon Clifford (Parent Governor Representative)
- Mr Darren Warrington (Parent Governor Representative)
- Mr Denis Carey (Roman Catholic Diocese of Westminster)
- Ms Gladys Vendy (Church of England)
- Ms Marilyn Nathan (Jewish Schools)

APPENDIX F – OFFICER AND EXTERNAL PARTNER APPOINTMENTS TO THE HEALTH AND WELL BEING BOARD

RESOLVED - That Council agree the appointments of the following officers and external partners to the membership of the Health and Well-Being Board as detailed below:

Barnet Healthwatch

TBC

Julie Pal (Substitute)

Barnet Clinical Commissioning Group Board Members

Dr Debbie Frost

Dr Clare Stephens

Dr Charlotte Benjamin

Dr Barry Subel (Substitute)

Bernadette Conroy (Substitute)

Dr Ahmer Farooqui (Substitute)

Barnet Clinical Commissioning Group Chief Officer

Regina Shakespeare

Maria O'Dwyer (Substitute)

Director of Adult Social Services

Dawn Wakeling

Mathew Kendall (Substitute)

Director of Children's Services

Chris Munday

Nicola Francis (Substitute)

Director for Public Health

Dr. Andrew Howe

Dr. Jeff Lake (Substitute)

12. REPORT OF THE LEADER (IF ANY)

There was none.

The meeting finished at 8.05 pm