



**MINUTES
OF THE MEETING OF THE
COUNCIL
THURSDAY 13 MAY 2010**

Held at 7.00 pm in the Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Pavilion Road, West Bridgford

PRESENT:

Councillor P F McGowan – Mayor in the Chair
Councillor Mrs M M Males – Deputy Mayor

Councillors R A Adair, Mrs S P Bailey, D G Bell, S Bennett, Mrs D M Boote, S J Boote, B Buschman, R L Butler, J N Clarke, T Combellack, L B Cooper, J E Cottee, J A Cranswick, B G Dale, G Davidson, C J Evans, J E Fearon, Mrs R E J Godkin, M G Hemsley, R Hetherington, T W Holt, Mrs C E M Jeffreys, R M Jones, T L Kerry, I I Korn, N C Lawrence, A MacInnes, G R Mallender, S E Mallender, Mrs J M Marshall, Mrs D J Mason, F J Mason, G S Moore, B A Nicholls, E A Plant, F A Purdue Horan, Mrs J A Smith, P Smith, P W Smith, J A Stockwood, Mrs M Stockwood, B Tansley, H Tipton, B Venes, T Vennett-Smith, D G Wheeler

OFFICERS PRESENT:

C Bullett	Deputy Chief Executive (CB)
R Fulford	Mayor's Secretary
A Goodman	Member Support Officer
A Graham	Chief Executive
S Griffiths	Deputy Chief Executive (SG)
N Morton	Head of Financial Services
V Nightingale	Senior Member Support Officer
P Randle	Deputy Chief Executive (PR)
D Swaine	Head of Corporate Services

APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE:

Councillor K A Khan

OPENING PRAYER

The Meeting was led in prayer by the Mayor's Chaplain, which was followed by a moment's silence in memory of former Councillor David Barlow who died on Wednesday 14 April 2010.

1. Declarations of Interest

There were none declared.

2. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 4 March 2010 were received as a correct record and signed by the Mayor.

3. Mayor's Announcements

The Mayor thanked the Council for the honour and privilege of being the Mayor of Rushcliffe. Firstly he recognised that during his year the Council had lost four former Members of the Council, Margaret Sheridan (Woodward), Ted Bonham, Ken Keyworth and David Barlow, who had all given long service to the residents of the Borough.

Councillor McGowan informed Members that over £14,000 had been raised for his charity the Neonatal Unit, with the Mayoress raising over £3,500 by completing a parachute jump. He thanked all Members for their support.

He thanked and acknowledged the valuable work undertaken by the staff in the Mayor's Office in support of his role as Mayor. Their enthusiasm and dedication meant that the Mayoral year was run in an efficient and effective way.

He thanked his Chauffeur for his professionalism and always ensuring that he arrived promptly for all engagements. He also thanked his Chaplain, Mike Lees, and presented him with a token gift in recognition of his work.

The Mayor informed Members of some of the memorable events he had attended during his year. Events for young people, including football, rugby, swimming, sea scouts and air cadets. He had held a tea to celebrate 100 years of the Girl Guide movement and also a tea to welcome four new clergy to the area. He had visited many of the villages of the Borough, opening village halls, dedicating church bells, attending flower festivals and art exhibitions, and also visiting new medical centres and skateparks. He had been very proud to attend the Nottinghamshire Victoria Cross Memorial dedication and to visit Ypres in recognition of the Sherwood Foresters.

Finally he thanked his wife Deidre for all her hard work and support during the year and especially her bravery for undertaking the parachute jump.

4. Leader's Announcements

The Leader stated that this year's Town and Parish Conference had been very successful and that it had been very well received by the parishes. He informed Members that Dame Councillor Margaret Eaton, the keynote speaker, had expressed her gratitude to Members and officers, she had been delighted to see how a successful council performed and had been impressed with her tour of the Borough. He felt that this initiative should be continued in future years.

4. Chief Executive's Announcements

There were no announcements.

5. Vote of Thanks - Retiring Mayor

Councillor Clarke proposed a vote of thanks to Councillor Peter McGowan for his successful year of office and for carrying out his duties with great sincerity.

He stated that Councillor McGowan had conducted the Council meetings with extreme fairness. He also thanked the Mayoress for the excellent support she had given during the year.

He then presented Councillor McGowan with a past Mayor's Badge, an album of photographs of the Mayoral year and a photographic portrait, which would be displayed in the Civic Suite.

The other Group Leaders were invited to comment and endorsed the remarks made by the Leader and thanked the retiring Mayor for the dedication, sincerity and professional way he had carried out his duties throughout his year of office and strongly supported the vote of thanks.

Councillor Vennett-Smith supported the vote of thanks and explained that Councillor McGowan had been the first Liberal Democrat Mayor of Rushcliffe. He agreed that Councillor McGowan had carried out his duties with great pride and kindness and that this had been appreciated by the residents. He had continued the excellent work carried out by previous Mayors of the Borough with quiet calmness and diligence. He had been a great ambassador for the Borough and should be proud of his year of office.

Councillor Vennett-Smith also thanked the Mayoress, Mrs McGowan, for all her support. He congratulated them both on raising an excellent amount for their charity.

RESOLVED that -

a vote of thanks be accorded to Councillor Peter McGowan and the Mayoress, his wife, Deidre, for the excellent manner in which they had carried out their duties during Councillor McGowan's year of office as Mayor of the Borough of Rushcliffe.

5. **Election of Mayor 2010/11**

Nominations were invited for the election of Mayor of the Borough of Rushcliffe for the 2010/11 Municipal Year.

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs M Stockwood and seconded by Councillor Mrs J A Smith that Councillor Mrs Marie Males be nominated for the Office of Mayor of the Borough for the year 2010/11.

RESOLVED that -

Councillor Mrs Marie Males be elected Mayor of the Borough of Rushcliffe for the 2010/11 Municipal Year.

(Councillor Mrs Males read and signed the declaration of acceptance of office and after thanking her proposer, seconder and Members, took the Chair and was invested with the chain of office by the retiring Mayor).

6. Election of Deputy Mayor 2010/11

Nominations were invited for the election of Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Rushcliffe for the 2010/11 Municipal Year.

It was proposed by Councillor P W Smith and seconded by Councillor R L Butler that Councillor Gordon Moore be nominated for the Office of Deputy Mayor of the Borough for the year 2010/11.

RESOLVED that -

Councillor Gordon Moore be appointed Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Rushcliffe for the 2010/11 Municipal Year.

(Councillor Moore read and signed the declaration of acceptance of office and after thanking his proposer, seconder and Members, was invested with his badge of office by the Mayor).

7. Election of Leader and Deputy Leader 2010/11

It was proposed by Councillor J E Fearon and seconded by Councillor Mrs D J Mason that Councillors J N Clarke and J A Cranswick be nominated for the office of Leader and Deputy Leader of the Council respectively for the year 2010/11.

RESOLVED that –

Councillors J N Clarke and J A Cranswick be appointed as Leader and Deputy Leader of the Council respectively for the 2010/11 Municipal Year.

8. Appointment of Cabinet, Committees and Member Groups 2010/11

It was proposed by Councillor J N Clarke and seconded by Councillor J A Cranswick that the Membership of the following Committees, Member Groups and Working Groups with Chairmen and Vice Chairmen as set out in the attached appendix be appointed for 2010/11.

- Community Development Group
- Corporate Governance Group
- Partnership Delivery Group
- Performance Management Board
- Alcohol and Entertainment Licensing Committee
- Development Control Committee
- Employment Appeals Committee
- Interviewing Committee
- Licensing Committee
- Standards Committee
- Local Development Framework Group
- Member Development Group
- Civic Hospitality Panel

RESOLVED that –

- (a) the Committees and Member Groups set out in the Appendix attached be appointed for 2010/11 with the membership indicated; and
- (b) the Members indicated in the Appendix attached be appointed Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of the respective Committees and Member Groups for the 2010/11 Municipal Year.

9. **Appointments of Representatives to Outside Bodies 2010/11**

It was proposed by Councillor J N Clarke and seconded by Councillor J A Cranswick that the representatives be appointed to the Outside Bodies as set out in the report, excluding the two contested appointments to the Nottingham East Midlands Airport Independent Consultative Forum and the Rural Community Action for Nottinghamshire.

RESOLVED that -

- a) the appointments to Outside Bodies for 2010/11 as indicated in the report, be approved, and
- b) Councillor Mrs MM Males be appointed to the Nottingham East Midlands Airport Independent Consultative Forum and Councillor T Combella be appointed to the Rural Community Action for Nottinghamshire.

The meeting closed at 8.05 pm.

MAYOR

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES AND MEMBER GROUPS 2010/11

CABINET - 6 Members

1.	J N Clarke (Chairman) - Leader
2.	J A Cranswick (Vice Chairman) – Deputy Leader and Portfolio for Finance and Performance
3.	D G Bell - Portfolio for Sustainability
4.	J E Fearon - Portfolio for Community
5.	R Hetherington - Portfolio for Corporate Governance and Support
6.	Mrs D J Mason – Portfolio for Environment

SCRUTINY GROUPS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GROUP

9 Members – Chairman - Lead Group

	Conservative (6)	Lib Dem (2)	Labour (0)	Green (1)
1.	T Combellack	S J Boote		G R Mallender
2.	J E Cottee	T W Holt		
3.	M G Hemsley (VC)			
4.	Mrs J A Smith (C)			
5.	J A Stockwood			
6.	B Tansley			

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE GROUP

9 Members – Chairman - Opposition Group

	Conservative (6)	Lib Dem (3)	Labour (0)	Green (0)
1.	B G Dale	G Davidson (C)		
2.	Mrs C E M Jeffreys	C J Evans		
3.	T L Kerry	P F McGowan		
4.	F A Purdue-Horan (VC)			
5.	P W Smith			
6.	H Tipton			

PARTNERSHIP DELIVERY GROUP
9 Members – Chairman - Lead Group

	Conservative (7)	Lib Dem (2)	Labour (0)	Green (0)
1.	R L Butler	R M Jones		
2.	L B Cooper	T Vennett-Smith		
3.	B G Dale (VC)			
4.	Mrs C E M Jeffreys			
5.	N C Lawrence (C)			
6.	B A Nicholls			
7.	Mrs M Stockwood			

PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT BOARD
9 Members – Chairman - Opposition Group

	Conservative (6)	Lib Dem (2)	Labour (1)	Green Group (0)
1.	Mrs S P Bailey	S Bennett (C)	A MacInnes	
2.	B R Buschman	K A Khan		
3.	M M Champion			
4.	Mrs J M Marshall			
5.	J A Stockwood			
6.	D G Wheeler (VC)			

COMMITTEES

ALCOHOL AND ENTERTAINMENT LICENSING COMMITTEE

15 Members – Chairman - Cabinet Portfolio Holder for Community

	Conservative (10)	Lib Dem (3)	Labour (1)	Green (1)
1.	B R Buschman	Mrs D M Boote	E A Plant	G R Mallender
2.	R L Butler	G Davidson (VC)		
3.	T Combellack	B Venes		
4.	J E Fearon (C)			
5.	Mrs C E M Jeffreys			
6.	I I Korn			
7.	F J Mason			
8.	G S Moore			
9.	P Smith			
10.	J A Stockwood			

DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE

15 Members – Chairman - Lead Group

(Leader and Deputy Leader are ex officio non-voting Members)

	Conservative (10)	Lib Dem (3)	Labour (1)	Green (1)
1.	M G Hemsley	Mrs D M Boote	E A Plant	S E Mallender
2.	I I Korn	R M Jones		
3.	Mrs D J Mason	B Venes		
4.	F J Mason			
5.	Mrs J A Smith			
6.	P Smith			
7.	P W Smith (C)			
8.	Mrs M Stockwood (VC)			
9.	B Tansley			
10.	D G Wheeler			

LICENSING COMMITTEE

5 Members - Chairman - Cabinet Portfolio Holder for Community

	Conservative (3)	Lib Dem (1)	Labour (0)	Green (0)
1.	B R Buschman	B Venes		
2.	J E Fearon (C)			
3.	R E J Godkin			
4.	H Tipton			

EMPLOYMENT APPEALS COMMITTEE
5 Members - Chairman - Leader

	Conservative (4)	Lib Dem (1)	Labour (0)	Green (0)
1.	J N Clarke (C)	S J Boote		
2.	J A Cranswick (VC)			
3.	B A Nicholls			
4.	Mrs M Stockwood			

INTERVIEWING COMMITTEE
5 Members - Chairman - Leader

	Conservative (4)	Lib Dem (1)	Labour (0)	Green (0)
1.	J N Clarke (C)	S Bennett		
2.	J A Cranswick (VC)			
3.	R Hetherington			
4.	P W Smith			

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

12 seats (6 Elected Members, 3 Parish Members and 3 Independent Members)

	Conservative (3)	Lib Dem (2)	Labour (1)	Green (0)
1.	R A Adair	C J Evans	A MacInnes	
2.	B A Nicholls	K A Khan		
3.	F A Purdue-Horan			

- R Brooks – Parish Member
- G Norbury – Parish Member
- W Wood – Parish Member
- P Joyce QC – Chairman – Independent Member
- N Waterston – Independent Member
- K White – Independent Member

LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK GROUP
15 Members – Chairman - Lead Group

	Conservative (10)	Lib Dem (3)	Labour (1)	Green (1)
1.	R A Adair	G Davidson	A MacInnes	S E Mallender
2.	Mrs S P Bailey	C J Evans		
3.	D G Bell (C)	T W Holt		
4.	L B Cooper			
5.	N C Lawrence			
6.	F A Purdue-Horan			
7.	P Smith			
8.	P W Smith (VC)			
9.	Mrs M Stockwood			
10.	B Tansley			

MEMBER DEVELOPMENT GROUP

9 Members – Chairman - Cabinet Portfolio Holder for Environment

	Conservative (6)	Lib Dem (2)	Labour (1)	Green (0)
1.	R E J Godkin	Mrs D M Boote	E A Plant	
2.	N C Lawrence	S J Boote		
3.	Mrs J M Marshall			
4.	Mrs D J Mason (C)			
5.	G S Moore			
6.	H Tipton			

CIVIC HOSPITALITY PANEL

6 Members – Chairman - Mayor

Consisting Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Leader, Deputy Leader, Liberal Democrat representative and Labour representative

	Conservative (4)	Lib Dem (1)	Labour (1)	Green (0)
1.	J N Clarke	P F McGowan	A MacInnes	
2.	J A Cranswick			
3.	Mrs M M Males (C)			
4.	G S Moore			

REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES 2010/11

	Name of Organisation	Number of Representatives	Councillor
1.	Campaign to Protect Rural England	1	F J Mason
2.	Carters' Charity For the Poor of Wilford	3	I I Korn
			B A Nicholls
			H Tipton
3.	District Council Network	1	Leader
4.	East Midlands Area Museum Service PLC	1	P F McGowan
5.	East Midlands Councils	1	Leader
			Deputy Leader (Substitute)
6.	East Midlands Leaders Board	1	Leader
			Deputy Leader (Substitute)
7.	Edwalton Municipal Golf and Social Club Ladies Committee	1	Mrs M M Males
8.	European Regional Development Fund – Programme Monitoring Committee	1	Leader
			Deputy Leader (Substitute)
9.	European Social Fund - Regional Monitoring Committee	1	Leader
			Deputy Leader (Substitute)
10.	Friends of Rushcliffe Country Park	1	R A Adair
11.	Grantham Canal Partnership - Council of Management	1	D G Bell
			B Tansley (Substitute)
12.	Greater Nottingham Partnership	1	J A Cranswick
13.	Internal Drainage Boards - Fairham Brook	8	S J Boote
			B G Dale
			M G Hemsley
			Mrs C E M Jeffreys
			Mrs M M Males

	Name of Organisation	Number of Representatives	Councillor
			P Smith
			P F McGowan
			B Venes
14.	Internal Drainage Boards - Kingston Brook	6	R Hetherington
			T W Holt
			Mrs C E M Jeffreys
			Mrs M M Males
			P F McGowan
			P Smith
15.	Internal Drainage Boards - Newark Area	2	J A Cranswick
			N C Lawrence
16.	Joint LAA Scrutiny Group	1	Chairman of Partnership Delivery Group
17.	Leicestershire and Northamptonshire Rail Action Committee	2	R Hetherington
			T W Holt
18.	Local Area Forum - West Bridgford		
	Abbey Ward	1	B R Buschman
	Compton Acres	1	D G Wheeler
	Edwalton Village	1	M M Champion
	Gamston	1	M G Hemsley
	Lady Bay	1	G R Mallender
	Lutterell	1	H Tipton
	Melton	1	D G Bell
	Musters	1	K A Khan
	Trent Bridge	1	E A Plant
19.	Local Government Association - General Assembly	1	Leader
			Deputy Leader (Substitute)
20.	Local Government Association – Rural Commision	2	Leader
			N C Lawrence

	Name of Organisation	Number of Representatives	Councillor
21.	Local Government Association – Urban Commison	1	Leader
			Deputy Leader (Substitute)
22.	Nottingham and District Citizens' Advice Bureau	1	D G Bell
23.	Nottingham East Midlands Airport Independent Consultative Forum	1	Mrs M M Males
24.	Nottingham Express Transit – Development Board	1	Cabinet Member for Sustainability
25.	Nottinghamshire Building Preservation Trust Ltd	1	Mrs M Stockwood
26.	Nottinghamshire Local Government Leaders Group	1	Leader
			Deputy Leader (Substitute)
27.	Nottinghamshire RELATE	1	S E Mallender
28.	Nottinghamshire Supporting People Commissioning Body	1	Cabinet Member for Sustainability
29.	Nottinghamshire Waste Management Board	1	Cabinet Member for Environment
30.	REACT 21 Management Board	1	S E Mallender
31.	Rural Community Action for Nottinghamshire	1	T Combellack
32.	Rushcliffe Barn Owl Project	2	B Tansley
			B Venes
33.	Rushcliffe Community Partnership (LSP)	2	Leader
			Cabinet Member for Environment
34.	Rushcliffe Community Voluntary Service	1	Mrs C E M Jeffreys
35.	Rushcliffe Nature Conservation Strategy Implementaion Group	2	Mrs D J Mason
			J A Stockwood
36.	Spirita – South Area Scrutiny Committee	3	R A Adair
			S J Boote
			B Tansley
37.	Spirita Main Board	1	Mrs D J Mason