

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF COUNCIL THURSDAY 24 MAY 2012

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

PRESENT:

Councillor G S Moore – Mayor Councillor I I Korn – Deputy Mayor

Councillors L J Abbey, R A Adair, J R Bannister, D G Bell, Mrs D M Boote, S J Boote, N K Boughton-Smith, B Buschman, R L Butler, H A Chewings, J N Clarke, T Combellack, L B Cooper, J E Cottee, J A Cranswick, B G Dale, G Davidson, A M Dickinson, J E Fearon, J E Greenwood, M G Hemsley, R Hetherington, R M Jones. K A Khan, N C Lawrence, E J Lungley. S E Mallender. A MacInnes. Mrs M M Males. G R Mallender. Mrs J M Marshall, D J Mason, F J Mason, B A Nicholls, E A Plant, F A Purdue-Horan, S J Robinson, D V Smith, Mrs J A Smith, P Smith, J A Stockwood, Mrs M Stockwood, B Tanslev, H Tipton, D G Wheeler

OFFICERS PRESENT:

C Bullett Deputy Chief Executive (CB)

A Graham Chief Executive

L Reid Jones Democratic Services Manager

Peter Steed Director of Finance

D Swaine Head of Corporate Services

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Councillors Mrs S P Bailey, N A Brown, T Vennett-Smith

OPENING PRAYER

The Meeting was opened by the Mayor paying tribute to Guardsman Michael Roland from the 1st Battalion Grenadier Guards, who had been killed in Afghanistan recently. Guardsman Roland had grown up in Tollerton, where his parents still lived. The Meeting was then led in prayer by the Mayor's Chaplain

1. Declarations of Interest

There were none declared.

2. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 1 March 2012 were received as a correct record and signed by the Mayor.

3. Address of the Retiring Mayor

The Retiring Mayor, Councillor Moore, addressed the Council giving the highlights of his year from the 185 engagements he had undertaken. In particular the Mayor spoke of the Scouts Parade, the 10k run and the walk at the Rushcliffe Country Park. He thanked the staff of the Council's Cultural Services Department for the well executed events they managed. The Mayor announced that he had raised over £25,000 for his Maggie's Charity during his year as Mayor. He thanked those who had supported his charity events, and those who had supported him during his time as Mayor, particular the Deputy Mayor, the Mayor's Secretary, the driver and his Chaplain. He concluded by saying that he had thoroughly enjoyed his year.

4. Vote of Thanks to the Retiring Mayor

Councillor Clarke proposed a vote of thanks to Councillor Moore for his successful year in office as the Mayor. He said that the Mayor's energy, enthusiasm and exuberance had been an asset during his year and that the Mayor had risen to the challenge of the role. He referred to the engagements carried out by the Mayor and Mayoress, in particular attending the Garden Party at Buckingham Palace and the Mayor's Charity Golf Day on a very rainy day. He recognised the amount of work the Mayor and Mayoress had accomplished in order to raise such a significant sum of money for Maggie's Charity. He added that Councillor Moore had been a great ambassador for the Borough of Rushcliffe and that he should be proud of his year in office.

Councillor Clarke then presented Councillor Moore with his Past Mayor's Bade, an album of photographs from his year, and a photographic portrait.

The other Group Leaders endorsed the remarks of Councillor Clarke, and thanked the Retiring Mayor for his great work and enthusiasm during his term of office. They also thanked the Mayoress for her role in achieving such a large sum of money for their charity.

RESOLVED that:

A vote of thanks be accorded to Councillor Moore and Mrs Moore for the excellent manner in which they had carried out their duties during Councillor Moore's year of office as Mayor of the Borough of Rushcliffe.

5. Election of Mayor 2012/13

Nominations were invited for the election of Mayor of the Borough of Rushcliffe for the 2012/13 municipal year.

It was proposed by Councillor Nicholls and seconded by Councillor Fearon that Councillor Korn be nominated for the Office of Mayor of the Borough for the year 2012/13.

RESOLVED that:

Councillor Irving Korn be elected Mayor of the Borough of Rushcliffe for the 2012/13 municipal year.

Councillor Korn read and signed the declaration of acceptance of office and after thanking his proposer, seconder and Members, took the Chair and was invested with the Chain of Office by the Retiring Mayor. The Mayor announced his chosen charity for the year, that being the Cardiac Department at Nottingham Hospital's Trust.

6. Election of Deputy Mayor 2012/13

Nominations were invited for the election of Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Rushcliffe for the 2012/13 municipal year.

It was proposed by Councillor Wheeler and seconded by Councillor Tipton that Councillor Buschman be nominated for the Office of Deputy Mayor of the Borough for the year 2012/13.

It was proposed by Councillor Davidson and seconded by Councillor S Boote that Councillor Khan be nominated for the Office of Deputy Mayor of the Borough for the year 2012/13.

The nominations were put to a vote.

RESOLVED that:

Councillor Brian Buschman be appointed Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Rushcliffe for the 2012/13 Municipal Year.

Councillor Buschman read and signed the declaration of acceptance of office and after thanking his proposer, seconder and Members, was invested with his Chain of Office by the Mayor.

7. Appointment of Committees and Member Groups 2012/13

It was proposed by Councillor Clarke and seconded by Councillor Cranswick that the Membership of the following Committees, Member Groups and Working Groups with Chairmen and Vice Chairmen as set out in the appendix be appointed for 2012/13.

- 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

Councillor Clarke stated that the Standards Committee appointments were for the period up to 30 June 2012, after which point new arrangements would be in place.

Councillor Davidson expressed his disappointment that all of the scrutiny chairmen positions were being taken by the lead group. He stated that in the interests of the independence of scrutiny the positions should have been taken by Members other than those in the lead group. This, he said, would give confidence to the public that scrutiny was truly independent.

RESOLVED that:

the Committees and Member Groups set out in the Appendix be appointed to for 2012/13 with the membership as indicated.

8. Appointment of Representatives to Outside Bodies 2012/13

It was proposed by Councillor Clarke and seconded by Councillor Cranswick that the representatives be appointed to the Outside Bodies as set out in the appendix to the report, excluding the two contested appointments to the Rushcliffe Community and Voluntary Service and the Trent Valley Internal Drainage Board.

RESOLVED that:

- the appointments to Outside Bodies for 2012/13, excluding the contested appointments, as indicated in the appendix to the report, be approved, and
- b) For the contested appointments Members be appointed to the outside bodies as follows:
 - (i) Rushcliffe Community and Voluntary Service Councillor Cooper
 - (ii) Trent Valley Internal Drainage Board Councillors Cranswick, Hetherington, Lawrence and P Smith.

The meeting closed at 8.10 pm.

MAYOR