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**MINUTES
OF THE MEETING OF THE
COUNCIL
THURSDAY 15 MAY 2014**

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

PRESENT:

Councillor B Buschman - Mayor
Councillor R Hetherington – Deputy Mayor

Councillors L J Abbey, R A Adair, Mrs S P Bailey, J R Bannister, D G Bell, Mrs D M Boote, S J Boote, N K Boughton-Smith, N A Brown, R L Butler, H A Chewings, J N Clarke, T Combella, L B Cooper, J A Cranswick, G Davidson, A M Dickinson, J E Fearon, J E Greenwood, I I Korn, N C Lawrence, E J Lungley, A MacInnes, Mrs M M Males, G R Mallender, S E Mallender, Mrs J M Marshall, D J Mason, F J Mason, G S Moore, B A Nicholls, E A Plant, F A Purdue-Horan, S J Robinson, Mrs J A Smith, P Smith, J A Stockwood, Mrs M Stockwood, B Tansley, J E Thurman, H Tipton, T Vennett-Smith, D G Wheeler, J G A Wheeler

OFFICERS PRESENT:

D Banks	Executive Manager - Neighbourhoods
C Caven-Atack	Service Manager – Operations and Corporate Governance
R Fulford	Mayor's Secretary
A Graham	Chief Executive
K Marriott	Executive Manager - Transformation
D Mitchell	Executive Manager - Communities
V Nightingale	Senior Member Support Officer
P Steed	Executive Manager – Finance and Commercial
D Swaine	Executive Manager - Operations and Corporate Governance
E Walters	Democratic Services Assistant

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Councillors J E Cottee, R M Jones, K A Khan, D V Smith

OPENING PRAYER

The Meeting was led in prayer by the Mayor's Chaplain

1. Declarations of Interest

There were none declared.

2. **Urgent Item – Failure to Attend Meetings – Part 2 Local Government Act 1972 Section 85 (1)**

The Chief Executive presented an urgent report for consideration as a decision was required on an issue which had only come to light after the agenda had been produced. Members considered the report which related to the non-attendance of Councillor D V Smith at meetings of the Authority due to ill health.

Members were aware that Councillor Smith had been unwell for some time and unfortunately he remained too ill to attend any meetings at present.

RESOLVED that

- a) the failure of Councillor Smith to attend a meeting since 12 December 2013 due to ill health be noted
- b) the reason for his non-attendance be approved for the purposes of Section 85 (1) of the Local Government Act 1972
- c) the best wishes of Members and officers be passed to Councillor Smith and his family.

3. **Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 6 March 2014 were received as a correct record and signed by the Mayor.

4. **Address of the Retiring Mayor**

Councillor Buschman stated that since the last Council meeting he had attended 31 engagements, including the raising of the Commonwealth Flag which had been undertaken by all local authorities in the United Kingdom. He said that he had been impressed by the enthusiasm of the young people when he had attended the YouNG showcase event in Bingham. Other events included the dedication of the Memorial Gates in Keyworth, an evening at Southwell Minister to celebrate British Citizenship and a reception to celebrate the success of the Nottinghamshire County Cricket Club.

He thanked all Members and his family for supporting him in raising funds for his charity, the Hayward House Tree of Life appeal, especially Councillors Bannister and Fearon. He informed Members that so far he had raised over £8,000. Throughout the year he had attended over 140 different events and had learnt a great deal about the people who live and work in Rushcliffe. He had been overwhelmed by the dedication of the parishes and the other volunteers who had made these events a success.

In conclusion, Councillor Buschman thanked his Chaplain for all the assistance he had given him and the Borough.

5. **Vote of Thanks to the Retiring Mayor**

Councillor Clarke proposed a vote of thanks to Councillor Buschman for his successful year in office as the Mayor. He said that Councillor Buschman had performed his duties with an inimitable style and that he had been an excellent ambassador for Rushcliffe. He referred to the many engagements carried out by the Mayor, including royal events, diamond weddings, fetes and the inaugural raising of the Commonwealth Flag. Councillor Clarke stated that Councillor Buschman had hosted a very successful Civic Dinner which had focussed on businesses within the Borough. He also thanked Mrs Bushcman for all her support at these occasions.

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

Councillors Davidson, MacInnes, S Mallender and T Vennett-Smith endorsed the remarks of Councillor Clarke, and thanked the retiring Mayor for his great work and enthusiasm during his term of office and his fairness at Council meetings.

RESOLVED that:

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

6. **Election of Mayor 2014/15**

Nominations were invited for the election of Mayor of the Borough of Rushcliffe for the 2014/15 municipal year.

It was proposed by Councillor Butler and seconded by Councillor Mrs Males that Councillor Hetherington be nominated for the Office of Mayor of the Borough for the year 2014/15.

RESOLVED that:

Councillor Ron Hetherington be elected Mayor of the Borough of Rushcliffe for the 2014/15 municipal year.

Councillor Hetherington 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, The Friary. He stated that the work of this charity had already been acknowledged when the Council had given Ann Bremner MBE the honorary Freedom of the Borough of Rushcliffe during the previous municipal year.

7. **Election of Deputy Mayor 2014/15**

Nominations were invited for the election of Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Rushcliffe for the 2014/15 municipal year.

It was proposed by Councillor Greenwood and seconded by Councillor Korn that Councillor Purdue-Horan be nominated for the Office of Deputy Mayor of the Borough for the year 2014/15.

It was proposed by Councillor S Boote and seconded by Councillor G R Mallender that Councillor Davidson be nominated for the Office of Deputy Mayor of the Borough for the year 2014/15.

On being put to the vote Councillor Purdue-Horan was appointed as Deputy Mayor.

RESOLVED that:

Councillor Francis Purdue-Horan be appointed Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Rushcliffe for the 2014/15 Municipal Year.

Councillor Purdue-Horan 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.

8. Leader's Announcements

Councillor Clarke informed Members of the changes he had made to his Cabinet and their portfolios. He stated that as 2014/15 would be a challenging year he had increased the number of Cabinet Members to seven.

9. Appointment of Committees and Member Groups 2014/15

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 2014/15.

- 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:

the nominations as set out in the Appendix to the report be approved.

10. **Appointment of Representatives to Outside Bodies 2014/15**

Members were informed that there was now only one contested appointment, the Nottingham and District Citizens' Advice Bureau. 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 contested appointment which would be put to the vote.

RESOLVED that:

- a) the appointments to Outside Bodies for 2014/15, excluding the contested appointment, as indicated in the appendix to the report, be approved, and
- b) for the contested appointment Councillor D G Bell be appointed as the Council's representative to the Nottingham and District Citizens' Advice Bureau.

The meeting closed at 8.10 pm.

MAYOR

APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES AND MEMBER GROUPS

A SCRUTINY GROUPS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GROUP - 9 Members. Chairman from Lead Group

	Conservative (6)	Lib Dem (1)	Labour (1)	Green (1)	Independent (0)
1.	T Combellack (C)	S J Boote	E A Plant	G R Mallender	
2.	L B Cooper (VC)				
3.	D G Bell				
4.	B Buschman				
5.	Mrs M M Males				
6.	J E Thurman				

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE GROUP - 9 Members. Chairman from Lead Group

	Conservative (7)	Lib Dem (1)	Labour (1)	Green (0)	Independent (0)
1.	G S Moore (C)	K A Khan	N K Boughton-Smith (VC)		
2.	N A Brown				
3.	L B Cooper				
4.	A M Dickinson				
5.	I I Korn				
6.	J E Thurman				
7.	H Tipton				

PARTNERSHIP DELIVERY GROUP - 9 Members. Chairman from Lead Group

	Conservative (6)	Lib Dem (1)	Labour (1)	Green (0)	Independent (1)
1.	Mrs J A Smith (C)	Mrs D M Boote	H A Chewings		T Vennett-Smith
2.	J E Greenwood (VC)				
3.	J E Cottee				
4.	E J Lungley				
5.	Mrs M Stockwood				
6.	J A Wheeler				

PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT BOARD - 9 Members. Chairman from Lead Group

	Conservative (7)	Lib Dem (1)	Labour (1)	Green (0)	Independent (0)
1.	D G Wheeler (C)	R M Jones (VC)	A MacInnes		
2.	Mrs S P Bailey				
3.	Mrs M M Males				
4.	B A Nicholls				
5.	F A Purdue-Horan				
6.	D V Smith				
7.	J A Stockwood				

B COMMITTEES

ALCOHOL AND ENTERTAINMENT LICENSING COMMITTEE

15 Members. Chairman from Lead Group

	Conservative (11)	Lib Dem (1)	Labour (1)	Green (1)	Independent (1)
1.	D J Mason (C)	G Davidson (VC)	E A Plant	G R Mallender	T Vennett-Smith
2.	R A Adair				
3.	B Buschman				
4.	T Combellack				
5.	I I Korn				
6.	G S Moore				
7.	P Smith				
8.	J A Stockwood				
9.	B Tansley				
10.	J E Thurman				
11.	H Tipton				

DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE
15 Members. Chairman from Lead Group

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

	Conservative (10)	Lib Dem (2)	Labour (2)	Green (1)	Independent (0)
1.	Mrs M Stockwood (C)	L J Abbey	J R Bannister	S E Mallender	
2.	F J Mason (VC)	R M Jones	H A Chewings		
3.	J E Greenwood				
4.	I I Korn				
5.	Mrs M M Males				
6.	D J Mason				
7.	Mrs J A Smith				
8.	P Smith				
9.	B Tansley				
10.	D G Wheeler				

EMPLOYMENT APPEALS COMMITTEE

5 Members. Chairman - Leader

	Conservative (4)	Lib Dem (1)	Labour (0)	Green (0)	Independent (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 (3)	Lib Dem (1)	Labour (1)	Green (0)	Independent (0)
1.	J N Clarke (C)	G Davidson	N K Boughton-Smith		
2.	J A Cranswick (VC)				
3.	N C Lawrence				

LICENSING COMMITTEE

5 Members. Chairman from Lead Group

	Conservative (4)	Lib Dem (1)	Labour (0)	Green (0)	Independent (0)
1.	D J Mason (C)	L J Abbey			
2.	A M Dickinson				
3.	E J Lungley				
4.	Mrs J M Marshall				

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

9 seats (6 Elected Members, 3 Co-optees: 2 Parish Members and 1 Independent)

	Conservative (4)	Lib Dem (1)	Labour (1)	Green (0)	Independent (0)
1.	R A Adair (C)	G Davidson	A MacInnes		
2.	J E Fearon				
3.	J E Greenwood				
4.	B A Nicholls				

G Norbury Parish Member
K White Independent Member
W Wood Parish Member

C MEMBER GROUPS

LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK GROUP

15 Members. Chairman from Lead Group

	Conservative (10)	Lib Dem (2)	Labour (2)	Green (1)	Independent (0)
1.	R L Butler (C)	Mrs D M Boote	J R Bannister	S E Mallender	
2.	Mrs M Stockwood (VC)	S J Boote	A MacInnes		
3.	R A Adair				
4.	Mrs S P Bailey				
5.	D G Bell				
6.	L B Cooper				
7.	F J Mason				
8.	F A Purdue-Horan				
9.	P Smith				
10.	B Tansley				

MEMBER DEVELOPMENT GROUP

9 Members. Chairman – Cabinet Portfolio Holder for Safety and Well Being

	Conservative (6)	Lib Dem (1)	Labour (1)	Green (1)	Independent (0)
1.	D J Mason (C)	S J Boote	N K Boughton-Smith	G R Mallender	
2.	N A Brown				
3.	A M Dickinson				
4.	Mrs J M Marshall				
5.	F Purdue-Horan				
6.	J G Wheeler				

CIVIC HOSPITALITY PANEL

6 Members – Chairman - Mayor

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

	Conservative (4)	Lib Dem (1)	Labour (1)	Green (0)	Independent (0)
1.	Mayor (C)	Mrs D M Boote	H A Chewings		
2.	Deputy Mayor				
3.	J N Clarke				
4.	J A Cranswick				

REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES 2014/15

	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.	East Midlands Museum Service PLC	1	N K Boughton-Smith
4.	City of Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Economic Prosperity Committee	1	Leader Deputy Leader (Substitute)
5.	Edwalton Municipal Golf and Social Club Ladies Committee	1	Mrs M M Males
6.	East Midlands Councils <i>(including other representative roles within this appointment)</i>	1	Leader Deputy Leader (Substitute)
7.	Friends of Rushcliffe Country Park	1	R A Adair
8.	Grantham Canal Partnership - Council of Management	1	B Tansley D G Bell (Substitute)
9.	Greater Nottingham Joint Planning Advisory Board	1	Cabinet Member for Sustainability D G Bell (Substitute)

	Name of Organisation	Number of Representatives	Councillor
10.	Leicestershire and Northamptonshire Rail Action Committee	2	J Bannister N C Lawrence
11.	Health and Well Being Board	1	Cabinet Member for Safety and Well Being
12.	Local Area Forum - West Bridgford Abbey Ward Compton Acres Edwalton Village Gamston Lady Bay Lutterell Melton Musters Trent Bridge	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	B R Buschman D G Wheeler S J Robinson J A Wheeler G R Mallender I I Korn A M Dickinson K A Khan E A Plant
13.	Local Government Association - General Assembly <i>(including other representative roles within this appointment)</i>	1	Leader Deputy Leader (Substitute)
14.	Nottingham and District Citizens' Advice Bureau	1	D G Bell
15.	Nottingham East Midlands Airport Independent Consultative Forum	1	Mrs M M Males
16.	Nottingham Express Transit – Development Board	1	Cabinet Member for Sustainability
17.	Nottinghamshire Building Preservation Trust Ltd	1	Mrs M Stockwood

	Name of Organisation	Number of Representatives	Councillor
18.	Nottinghamshire Local Government Leaders Group	1	Leader Deputy Leader (Substitute)
19.	Nottinghamshire Joint Leaders Board	1	Leader Deputy Leader (Substitute)
20.	Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Panel	1	Cabinet Member for Safety and Well Being
21.	Nottinghamshire Relate	1	E A Plant
22.	Nottinghamshire Waste Management Board	1	Cabinet Member for Environment
23.	Rural Community Action for Nottinghamshire	1	T Combellack
24.	Rushcliffe Community and Voluntary Service	1	L B Cooper
25.	Rushcliffe Nature Conservation Strategy Implementation Group	1	N C Lawrence D J Mason (substitute)
26.	Trent Valley Internal Drainage Board	4	R Hetherington N C Lawrence P Smith J A Stockwood