

EAST STAFFORDSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of East Staffordshire Borough Council held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Burton upon Trent on Friday 13th May 2022.

Present:

Councillor Mrs P L Ackroyd (Mayor) in the Chair

Councillors	G A Allen	H Hall
	Mrs B Ashcroft	S A Hussain
	E W R Barker	P Hudson (Deputy Mayor)
	L Beech	Mrs J Jones
	Mrs B Brady	Mrs J A Killoran
	K J Builth	G Lamb
	A A Chaudhry	Ms A J Legg
	A Clarke	R Lock
	R A Faulkner	S McGarry
	M T Fitzpatrick	S McKiernan
	D F Fletcher	M Metcalfe
	D Florence-Jukes	S Sankey
	S P Gaskin	Mrs B Toon
	D Goodfellow	L Walker
	Mrs V J Gould	P Walker
	R G W Grosvenor	C V Whittaker
	T Hadley	C Wileman
	G Hall	

Officers Present:

The Chief Executive, the Heads of Service (Thomas Deery, Sal Khan and Mark Rizk), the Monitoring Officer, the Corporate and Commercial Manager, the Programmes and Transformation Team Leader and the Senior Democratic Services Officer.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors M Shrive, C Sylvester and B G Peters.

226/22 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest at the commencement of the meeting.

227/22 **MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting of the Borough Council held on 21st March 2022 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Mayor.

Voting concerning the above decision was as follows:

THOSE VOTING FOR THE MOTION Councillor	THOSE VOTING AGAINST	THOSE ABSTAINING
Mrs P L Ackroyd		D Goodfellow
G Allen		P Hudson
Mrs B Ashcroft		
E W R Barker		
L Beech		
Mrs B Brady		
K J Builth		
A A Chaudhry		
A Clarke		
R A Faulkner		
M T Fitzpatrick		
D F Fletcher		
D Florence-Jukes		
S P Gaskin		
V J Gould		
R G W Grosvenor		
T Hadley		
G Hall		
H Hall		
S A Hussain		
J Jones		
J A Killoran		
G Lamb		
Ms A J Legg		
R Lock		
S McGarry		
S McKiernan		
M Metcalfe		
S Sankey		
Mrs B Toon		
L Walker		
P Walker		
C V Whittaker		
C Wileman		

228/22 **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no announcements at the meeting.

229/22 **APPOINTMENT TO COMMITTEES**

The report of the Head of Service (Sal Khan) on the changes to the Committees agreed at the Council meeting held on 13th December 2021, to be implemented with effect from the Annual Council meeting and the resignation of Councillor C V Whittaker from the Conservative Group on 13th May 2022 was considered.

Appendix 1: List of Member nominated to serve on Committees and Panels (May 2022) (a copy of which is appended to these minutes) had been circulated at the meeting.

Council noted the number of seats to be allocated following the application of the political balance calculations, as follows:

	Conservative	Labour	Independent Alliance	Ungrouped Member	Total
Licensing Committee	6	3	1	1*	11
Planning Committee	6	3	1	1*	11
Audit (Statement of Accounts) Committee	5	3	0	0	8
Audit Committee	5	3	0	0	8
Scrutiny (Community Regeneration) Committee	5	2	1	0	8
Scrutiny (Environment and Health and Well Being) Committee	5	2	1	0	8
Scrutiny (Value for Money Council Services) Committee	5	2	1	0	8
Chief Officer Standards Committee	3	1	1	0	5
Development Plan Committee	3	1	1	0	5
Standards Committee	3	1	1	0	5
Appeals Panel	2	1	0	0	3
Complaints Panel	2	1	0	0	3
Total	50	23	8	2	83

*Residual seats allocated to ungrouped Members.

Resolved:

- 1) That the number and allocation of Councillors serving on each Committee and Panel as set out in paragraph 5.3 of the report be agreed;
- 2) That, subject to the above, the Council note the nominations of the political groups to the Committees and Panels (including that Councillor H Hall be appointed to sit on the Scrutiny (Environment and Health and Well Being) Committee - appendix 1 appended to these minutes refers);

- 3) That, subject to the above, the Council appoint Councillors to serve on each Committee and Panel in accordance with those nominations;
- 4) That the ungrouped Independent Member be appointed to the residual seats on the Planning Committee and the Licensing Committee.

Voting concerning the above decision was as follows:

THOSE VOTING FOR THE MOTION Councillor	THOSE VOTING AGAINST	THOSE ABSTAINING
Mrs P L Ackroyd		
G Allen		
Mrs B Ashcroft		
E W R Barker		
L Beech		
Mrs B Brady		
K J Builth		
A A Chaudhry		
A Clarke		
R A Faulkner		
M T Fitzpatrick		
D F Fletcher		
D Florence-Jukes		
S P Gaskin		
D Goodfellow		
V J Gould		
R G W Grosvenor		
T Hadley		
G Hall		
H Hall		
P Hudson		
S A Hussain		
Mrs J Jones		
Mrs J A Killoran		
G Lamb		
Ms A J Legg		
R Lock		
S McGarry		
S McKiernan		
M Metcalfe		
S Sankey		
Mrs B Toon		
L Walker		
P Walker		
C V Whittaker		
C Wileman		

230/22 **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMEN**

Resolved:

That the Council approve the appointment of the Members listed below as Chairman of each of the following:

Appeals Panel	Councillor Mrs J A Killoran
Audit Committee	Councillor E W R Barker
Audit (Statement of Accounts) Committee	Councillor E W R Barker
Chief Officer Standards Committee	Councillor G Allen
Complaints Panel	Councillor E W R Barker
Development Plan Committee	Councillor G Allen
Planning Committee	Councillor Mrs V J Gould
Licensing Committee	Councillor S P Gaskin
Scrutiny (Community Regeneration) Committee	Councillor S McGarry
Scrutiny (Environment and Health & Well Being) Committee	Councillor Mrs P L Ackroyd
Scrutiny (Value for Money Council Services) Committee	Councillor R Lock
Standards Committee	Councillor Mrs J A Killoran

Voting concerning the above decision was as follows:

THOSE VOTING FOR THE MOTION Councillor	THOSE VOTING AGAINST	THOSE ABSTAINING
Mrs P L Ackroyd	D Florence-Jukes	T Hadley
G Allen	R G W Grosvenor	S Hussain
B Ashcroft		L Walker
E W Barker		P Walker
L Beech		
Mrs B Brady		
K Builth		
A A Chaudhry		
A Clarke		
R A Faulkner		
M T Fitzpatrick		
D F Fletcher		
S P Gaskin		
D Goodfellow		
V J Gould		
G Hall		
H Hall		
P Hudson		
Mrs J Jones		
Mrs J A Killoran		
G Lamb		
Ms A J Legg		
R Lock		
S McGarry		
S McKiernan		
M Metcalfe		
S Sankey		
Mrs B Toon		
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231/22 **CABINET**

The Leader confirmed he had appointed the following Councillors with the following portfolios:

Councillor B G Peters – Communities and Housing Standards;
Councillor Mrs B Ashcroft – Tourism and Cultural Development;
Councillor R A Faulkner – Environment and Climate Change;
Councillor S Sankey – Finance, Treasury Management and Communications.

He also confirmed that Councillor R A Faulkner had been appointed Deputy Leader of the Council and that the Leader's portfolio would also include Economic Growth. Council noted that the following Councillors had been appointed to serve as Cabinet Support Members - Councillor M Metcalfe and Councillor A Clarke.

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232/22 **APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER TO SERVE ON THE HEALTH AND CARE OVERVIEW SCRUTINY COMMITTEE OF THE STAFFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

Resolved:

That Councillor Mrs P L Ackroyd be appointed to serve on the Health and Care Overview Scrutiny Committee of the Staffordshire County Council.

Voting concerning the above decision was as follows:

THOSE VOTING FOR THE MOTION Councillor	THOSE VOTING AGAINST	THOSE ABSTAINING
Mrs P L Ackroyd	R G W Grosvenor	T Hadley
G Allen		S McKiernan
Mrs B Ashcroft		L Walker
E W Barker		P Walker
L Beech		
Mrs B Brady		
K J Builth		
A A Chaudhry		
A Clarke		
R A Faulkner		
M T Fitzpatrick		
D F Fletcher		
D Florence-Jukes		
S P Gaskin		
D Goodfellow		
Mrs V J Gould		
G Hall		
H Hall		
P Hudson		
S A Hussain		
Mrs J Jones		
Mrs J A Killoran		
G Lamb		
R Lock		
S McGarry		
M Metcalfe		
S Sankey		
Mrs B Toon		
C V Whittaker		
C Wileman		

233/22 **APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER (AND ALTERNATE MEMBER) TO SERVE ON THE GREATER BIRMINGHAM AND SOLIHULL LOCAL ENTERPRISE PARTNERSHIP JOINT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

Resolved:

That Councillor S McKiernan be appointed to serve on the Greater Birmingham and Solihull Local Enterprise Partnership.

Voting concerning the above decision was as follows:

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Mrs P L Ackroyd		
G Allen		
Mrs B Ashcroft		
E W Barker		
L Beech		
B Brady		
K J Builth		
A A Chaudhry		
A Clarke		
R A Faulkner		
M T Fitzpatrick		
D F Fletcher		
D Florence-Jukes		
S P Gaskin		
D Goodfellow		
Mrs V J Gould		
R G W Grosvenor		
T Hadley		
G Hall		
H Hall		
P Hudson		
S A Hussain		
Mrs J Jones		
Mrs J A Killoran		
G Lamb		
R Lock		
S McGarry		
S McKiernan		
M Metcalfe		
S Sankey		
Mrs B Toon		
L Walker		
P Walker		
C V Whittaker		
C Wileman		

234/22 **2022/23 COUNCIL MEETING DATES**

Resolved:

That the following Council meeting dates be approved:

27th June 2022;

26th September 2022;

12th December 2022;

20th February 2023;

20th March 2023;

19th May 2023 (Annual Council meeting to be held at 6pm).

Voting concerning the above decision was as follows:

THOSE VOTING FOR THE MOTION Councillor	THOSE VOTING AGAINST	THOSE ABSTAINING
Mrs P L Ackroyd	G Lamb	
G Allen		
Mrs B Ashcroft		
E W Barker		
L Beech		
Mrs B Brady		
K J Builth		
A A Chaudhry		
A Clarke		
R A Faulkner		
M T Fitzpatrick		
D F Fletcher		
D Florence-Jukes		
S P Gaskin		
D Goodfellow		
Mrs V J Gould		
R G W Grosvenor		
T Hadley		
G Hall		
H Hall		
P Hudson		
S A Hussain		
Mrs J Jones		
Mrs J A Killoran		
Ms A J Legg		
R Lock		
S McGarry		
S McKiernan		
M Metcalfe		
S Sankey		
Mrs B Toon		
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235/22 **URGENT BUSINESS**

There was no urgent business for consideration at the meeting.

236/22 **QUESTIONS**

No questions had been received prior to the meeting.

237/22 **APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR**

It was moved by Councillor G Allen and seconded by Councillor D Goodfellow and

Resolved:

That Councillor P Hudson be elected the thirtieth Mayor of the Borough of East Staffordshire until the Annual Meeting in May 2023.

Voting concerning the above decision was as follows:

THOSE VOTING FOR THE MOTION Councillor	THOSE VOTING AGAINST	THOSE ABSTAINING
Mrs P L Ackroyd	D Florence-Jukes	T Hadley
G Allen	R G W Grosvenor	L Walker
Mrs B Ashcroft		P Walker
E W Barker		C V Whittaker
L Beech		
Mrs B Brady		
K J Builth		
A A Chaudhry		
A Clarke		
R A Faulkner		
M T Fitzpatrick		
D F Fletcher		
S P Gaskin		
D Goodfellow		
Mrs V J Gould		
G Hall		
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P Hudson		
S A Hussain		
Mrs J Jones		
Mrs J A Killoran		
G Lamb		
Ms A J Legg		
R Lock		
S McGarry		
S McKiernan		
M Metcalfe		
S Sankey		
Mrs B Toon		
C Wileman		

The Mayor gave his speech of thanks and intentions during his year of office and announced that Mrs Karen Hudson would be his Mayoress; Reverend Margaret Sherwin would be her Chaplain and Sgt Sam Bennett would be his cadet.

238/22 **APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR**

It was moved by Councillor G Allen and seconded by Councillor D Goodfellow.

Resolved:

That Councillor C Sylvester be appointed the Deputy Mayor of the Borough of East Staffordshire until the Annual Meeting in May 2023.

Voting concerning the above decision was as follows:

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G Allen	R G W Grosvenor	L Walker
Mrs B Ashcroft		P Walker
E W Barker		
L Beech		
Mrs B Brady		
K J Builth		
A A Chaudhry		
A Clarke		
R A Faulkner		
M t Fitzpatrick		
D F Fletcher		
S P Gaskin		
D Goodfellow		
Mrs V J Gould		
G Hall		
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P Hudson		
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Mrs J A Killoran		
G Lamb		
Ms A J Legg		
R Lock		
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S McKiernan		
M Metcalfe		
S Sankey		
Mrs B Toon		
C V Whittaker		
C Wileman		

239/22 **VOTE OF THANKS TO THE RETIRING MAYOR AND MAYOR'S CONSORT**

It was moved by Councillor P Hudson and seconded by Councillor S McGarry and

Resolved:

That we, the Council, record our sincere appreciation of the excellent manner in which Councillor Patricia Ackroyd has carried out her duties as the Mayor of the Borough of East Staffordshire over the last year, and we acknowledge the interest she has shown in the welfare of all parts of the Borough following a very difficult time

in our history. We would particularly acknowledge the manner in which she has calmly and politely presided over this Council's business through many challenging long meetings and on many contentious issues. We also wish to place on record our thanks to her for representing the Council at approximately 95 events during her year of office and we also thank the Mayor's consort Mr Michael Ackroyd, for the help and support he has so readily given to her during her year of office."

Voting concerning the above decision was as follows:

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Mrs B Ashcroft		D Florence-Jukes
E W Barker		R G W Grosvenor
L Beech		T Hadley
Mrs B Brady		L Walker
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Mrs B Toon		
P Walker		
C V Whittaker		
C Wileman		

Councillor Mrs P L Ackroyd replied suitably.

240/22 **PRESENTATION TO PAST MAYORS BADGE**

The Mayor presented a Past Mayor's badge to Councillor Mrs P L Ackroyd and a Past Consort badge to Mr Michael Ackroyd.

Mayor