

Minutes of the **Council**
of the **Test Valley Borough Council**
held in The Plaza Theatre, Winchester Road, Romsey, Hampshire SO51 8JA
on 19 May 2021 at 11.00 am

Attendance:

Councillor M Hatley (Chairman)

Councillor M Cooper (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor I Andersen
Councillor G Bailey
Councillor C Borg-Neal
Councillor Z Brooks
Councillor J Budzinski
Councillor P Bundy
Councillor T Burley
Councillor J Burnage
Councillor C Donnelly
Councillor A Dowden
Councillor C Dowden
Councillor D Drew
Councillor C Ecclestone
Councillor M Flood
Councillor S Gidley
Councillor K Hamilton

Councillor I Jeffrey
Councillor A Johnston
Councillor L Lashbrook
Councillor P Lashbrook
Councillor N Lodge
Councillor M Maltby
Councillor N Matthews
Councillor R Meyer
Councillor J Neal
Councillor K North
Councillor P North
Councillor J Parker
Councillor T Swain
Councillor T Tasker
Councillor C Thom
Councillor A Ward
Councillor A Warnes

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Prayers

Prayers were led by Reverend Thomas Wharton.

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Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Adams-King, Baverstock, Coole, Cross, Daas, Gwynne, Harber and Rowles.

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Election of a Mayor for the ensuing year

Councillor Celia Dowden moved:

“That Councillor Cooper be elected as Mayor of the Borough for the ensuing year and until the appointment of his successor”.

Councillor Hatley seconded the motion.

There were no other nominations and upon being put to the vote, the motion was carried.

Councillor Cooper then made in statutory form the declaration of acceptance of office of Mayor.

The new Mayoress Mrs Sue Tippett robed the new Mayor and invested him with the insignia of office.

The Worshipful the Mayor announced the appointment of Reverend Thomas Wharton as his chaplain, and returned thanks for his election.

Councillor Cooper took the chair for the remainder of the meeting.

4 **Vote of thanks to the retiring Mayor and Mayoress**

Councillor Bailey moved:

“That the thanks of the Council be extended to Councillor Hatley and Mrs Jo Hatley for the excellent manner in which they have carried out their duties as Mayor and Mayoress of the Borough during the two years, and that they be accorded the privilege at their discretion of wearing the Past Mayor’s badge and the Past Mayoress’s badge respectively”.

Councillor Alan Dowden seconded the motion.

Upon being put to the meeting the motion was carried.

Councillor Hatley then replied to the vote of thanks.

5 **Election of a Deputy Mayor for the ensuing year**

Councillor Celia Dowden moved:

“That Councillor Alan Dowden be appointed Deputy Mayor of the Borough for the ensuing year and until the appointment of his successor.”

Councillor Hatley seconded the motion.

Upon being put to the meeting the motion was carried.

Councillor Alan Dowden would make in statutory form the declaration of acceptance of office outside of the meeting which would be witnessed by the Monitoring Officer.

6 **Leader's Annual Council Speech**

Councillor North gave his annual Leader’s speech which reflected on the work of the Council being undertaken in the continued response to the Coronavirus pandemic and highlighted key priorities the Council would continue to take forward in the coming year.

7 Local Government and Housing Act 1989 Committees - Voting Rights and Political Balance

Councillor Phil North introduced the item by setting out that for the purposes of the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990 and the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, a political group called The Andover Independents had given notice.

A group having been registered, the Council had to determine the allocation of seats on the committees of the Council to that political group. It was noted that the seats allocated to a political group should bear the same proportion to that group's share of the total Council elected membership.

Resolved:

That for the purposes of Part 1 of the Local Government and Housing Act, 1989 the allocation of seats on the Standing Committees of the Council be as follows:

<u>COMMITTEE</u>	<u>Andover Independents Group</u>
General Purposes	1
Licensing	1
Overview and Scrutiny Committee	1
Northern Area Planning Committee	2
Southern Area Planning Committee	0

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Appointments to Committees and Outside Bodies and dates and times of meetings of the Council

Resolved:

That appointments be made to the following positions:

1. **Committees**

a) **Overview and Scrutiny Committee (18)**

Councillors Bailey, Baverstock, Borg-Neal, Brooks, Burley, C Dowden, Gwynne, Hamilton, Harber, Hatley, Lodge, Matthews, Meyer, Neal, Parker, Swain, Ward and Warnes

b) **Northern Area Planning Committee (13)**

Councillor Borg-Neal (Chairman), Councillor Burley (Vice-Chairman) and Councillors Brooks, Budzynski, Coole, Ecclestone, Harber, L Lashbrook, P Lashbrook, Lodge, Neal, K North and Rowles.

c) **Southern Area Planning Committee (13)**

Councillor Cooper (Chairman), Councillor Hatley (Vice-Chairman) and Councillors Bailey, Bundy, Burnage, A Dowden, C Dowden, Gidley, Jeffrey, Maltby, Parker, Ward and Warnes.

d) **General Purposes Committee (11)**

Councillor Hamilton (Chairman), Councillor K North (Vice Chairman) and Councillors Adams-King, Baverstock, Burnage, Coole, Donnelly, A Dowden, Drew, Flood and P North.

e) **Licensing Committee (15)**

Councillor Bailey (Chairman), Councillor P Lashbrook, (Vice-Chairman) and Councillors Andersen, Budzynski, Burley, Daas, Donnelly, A Dowden, Gwynne, Johnston, L Lashbrook, Matthews, Meyer, Rowles and Parker.

2. To select representatives to sit on various Committees and Outside Bodies for a further period of one year or for the period specified:-

a) Local Organisations and Charities

Andover Charities Trustees

Councillors Burley and Coole, and Mr M Lloyd
(Period of 4 years until May 2022)

Councillors Lodge, J Budzynski and Mr Barlow
(Period of 4 years until May 2024)

Andover Crisis and Support Centre
Councillor Bundy

Andover Cruse Bereavement Care
Councillor Budzynski

Andover Town Football Club Board
Mr I Carr

Enham Trust
The Mayor (Ex officio)

John Hanson Foundation Trust
Councillors Brooks, Ecclestone and Neal

Michelmersh Silver Band
The Mayor (Ex officio)

North Wessex Downs AONB Management Committee
Councillor P North

Romsey Agricultural and Horse Show
The Mayor (Ex officio)

Sambourne Foundation Trustee
Councillor P North

Test Valley Arts Foundation
Councillor Brooks

Test Valley Brass Band
The Mayor (Ex officio)

Test Valley Citizens Advice Bureau Management Committee
Councillor Hamilton

Tourism South East
Councillor Drew

Unity
Councillor Hamilton

b) Local Authority Co-operation

Hampshire & Isle of Wight Local Government Association
The Chief Executive together with Councillors P North and Flood

Hampshire Police and Crime Panel
Councillor P Lashbrook

Local Government Association General Assembly
Councillor P North

New Forest Consultative Panel
Councillor Bailey

New Forest National Park Authority
Councillor Bailey

Project Integra Management Board
(1) Councillor P North
(2) Deputy: Councillor Johnston

PUSH (Partnership for Urban South Hampshire) Joint Overview and Scrutiny

(1) Councillor Bundy

(2) Deputy: Councillor Bailey

Southampton International Airport Consultative Committee

(1) Councillor Hatley

(2) Deputy: Councillor A Dowden

South East Employers

Councillor Flood

c) Liaison Panels

Yokesford Liaison Panel (Ampfield & Braishfield Ward)

Councillor Hatley

Roke Manor Liaison Panel (Blackwater Ward)

Councillor Adams-King

Lee Lane Liaison Panel (Chilworth Nursling & Rownhams Ward)

Councillors Bundy and Maltby

A303 Facility at Longparish Liaison Panel

Councillor Drew

3. Dates and Times of Meetings of the Council

<u>Venue</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>
Andover	9 June 2021	5:30 pm
Romsey	1 September 2021	5:30 pm
Andover	10 November 2021	5:30 pm
Romsey	26 January 2022	5:30 pm
Andover	25 February 2022	5:30 pm
Romsey	6 April 2022	5:30 pm
Andover	18 May 2022	11:00 am

9 **Appointment of Chairman to Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

Councillor Donnelly moved:

“That Councillor Lodge be appointed as the Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.”

Councillor Johnston seconded the motion.

Resolved:

That Council appoint Councillor Lodge as the Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

10 **Scheme of Delegations**

Resolved:

1. **That the Scheme of Delegations as set out in the Annex 1 to the report in so far as it applies to Council be approved.**
2. **That the Scheme set out in the Annex 1 to the report be incorporated into the Constitution.**

(The meeting terminated at 12.15 pm)