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Minutes of the ANNUAL MEETING of the MILTON KEYNES COUNCIL held on
WEDNESDAY 18 MAY 2022 at 7.30 pm

Present: Councillor M Khan (Mayor)

Councillors Andrews, Balazs, Bowyer, K Bradburn, M Bradburn, R Bradburn, Cannon, A Carr, J Carr, Clarke, Crooks, Cryer-Whitehead, Darlington, De Villiers, Exon, Ferrans, Fuller, Geary, Hall, Hearnshaw, D Hopkins, V Hopkins, Hume, Imran, Jenkins, N Khan, Lancaster, Legg, Long, Mahendran, Marland, Marlow, McLean, McQuillan, Middleton, Montague, Muzammil, Nazir, B Nolan, Z Nolan, Oguntola, Rolfe, Taylor, Trendall, Verma, Walker, Wallis, Wardle and Wilson-Marklew

Aldermen Bartlett, Connor, Howell, McKenzie, Miles and Alderwoman Lloyd and Saunders

Apologies: Councillors Hosking, Hussain, McPake, Priestley, Raja and Townsend and Aldermen Beeley, Bristow, Coventry, Henderson, Lewis, McCall and Tallack and Alderwomen Irons, Henderson and Seymour.

CL01 ELECTION OF MAYOR

It was moved by Councillor Walker and seconded by Councillor Marland that Councillor Amanda Marlow be elected Mayor of Milton Keynes for the Council Year 2022/23.

Other councillors spoke in support of the nomination.

RESOLVED -

That Councillor Amanda Marlow be elected Mayor of Milton Keynes for the Council Year 2022/23.

Councillor Marlow signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

The Mayor, on accepting the office of Mayor, thanked the Council for granting her the honour of becoming the fiftieth Mayor of Milton Keynes and the many kind messages of support she had received. The Mayor advised that her son, James Marlow, would be her consort.

The Mayor referred to the fact that she had lived in Milton Keynes since moving here as a teenager and that she was proud to be part of the rich fabric of Milton Keynes which was a forward thinking and innovative place to live, work and to bring up a family.

The Mayor noted that her theme for the year would be to shine a light on recognising the complex and multi-faceted nature of disability within our society.

The Mayor reported that her chosen charities would be MK Snap and Medical Detection Dogs both of which did important work in Milton Keynes.

The Mayor summed up by noting that this would be an amazing year for Milton Keynes including the Platinum Jubilee celebrations, the Women's Euros at Stadium MK and finding out whether Milton Keynes would be awarded city status. She asked all Councillors to be kind, understanding, true to their beliefs but respectful and mindful of others.

CL02

VOTE OF THANKS

Councillor Darlington moved a vote of thanks to the retiring Mayor (Councillor M Khan), which was seconded by Councillor R Bradburn.

Other councillors spoke in support of the vote of thanks.

The vote of thanks was approved unanimously.

Councillor M Khan received a Past Mayor's badge.

Councillor M Khan noted that he was very proud to have represented Milton Keynes as the Mayor. He had met many amazing people and had been made to feel very welcome by the many groups he had met across the Borough. He hoped that he had helped to inspire the next generation of leaders from across our rich and diverse community.

Councillor M Khan thanked a number of Council colleagues for their support, including Councillor Marlow, the new Mayor who had been his Deputy. Staff in Democratic Services and in particular: Angie Deacon; Siobhan Pitkin; and David Broom.

CL03

APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR

The Council considered the request from Councillor Marland that the appointment of the Deputy Mayor of Milton Keynes for the Council Year 2022/23 be deferred.

RESOLVED -

That the appointment of the Deputy Mayor of Milton Keynes for the Council Year 2022/23 be deferred until the June meeting of the Council at the earliest.

CL04

MINUTES

RESOLVED -

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 9 March 2022 be approved and signed by the Mayor as a correct record, subject to a note immediately after the question from Councillor Clarke at Minute CL124 (a) (Question from Councillor Clarke to Councillor Townsend) to clarify that while Councillor Clarke was recorded as an apology he joined the meeting remotely and asked his question with the permission of the Mayor.

CL05

DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

None.

CL06

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor made announcements in respect of:

- (a) Training for members of the Planning Committee;
- (b) The birth of Councillor McQuillan's son; and
- (c) The death of Councillor Carole Baume.

CL07

VOTE OF THANKS TO HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN

The Mayor moved, and Councillor M Khan seconded the Vote of Thanks to Her Majesty the Queen.

The vote of thanks was approved unanimously.

RESOLVED -

That the Vote of Thanks to Her Majesty the Queen on the occasion of her Platinum Jubilee be agreed.

CL08

RETURNING OFFICERS REPORT

The Mayor moved, and Councillor M Khan seconded, the following motion:

“That the report of the Returning Officer following the Elections held on 5 May 2022 be received.”

The Mayor invited the Councillors new to the Council in 2022/23 to stand and welcomed them to the Council.

RESOLVED -

That the report of the Returning Officer following the Elections held on 5 May 2022 be received.

CL09

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND HOUSING ACT 1989 AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT (COMMITTEES AND POLITICAL GROUPS) REGULATIONS 1990.

The Mayor moved, and Councillor M Khan seconded, the following motion:

“That, in accordance with the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990, the Council note that the Conservative Group is entitled to 40.4% of the seats on the Council’s Committees, the Labour Group is entitled to 35.1% of the seats and the Liberal Democrat Group is entitled to 24.6% of the seats on the Council”.

RESOLVED -

That, in accordance with the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990, the Council note that the Conservative Group is entitled to 40.4% of the seats on the Council’s Committees, the Labour Group is entitled to 35.1% of the seats and the Liberal Democrat Group is entitled to 24.6% of the seats on the Council.

CL10

APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY LEADER AND CABINET

Councillor Marland, the Leader of the Council, informed the Council that the Deputy Leader would be Councillor R Bradburn and that, in addition to himself and Councillor R Bradburn, the Cabinet would comprise Councillors Carr, Darlington, Middleton, Z Nolan, Townsend, Trendall and Wilson-Marklew.

CL11

APPOINTMENT TO COMMITTEES/ SUB-COMMITTEES / GROUPS / PANELS

The Council considered:

- (a) The appointment of the committees and sub-committees, the number of councillors that would comprise the committees and sub-committees, together with the membership of those committees and sub-committees;
- (b) the number of members on the Chief Officer Appointments Panel;
- (c) the number of members to comprise the Chief Officer

Appointments Panel; and

- (d) the appointment of substitutes to the committees, sub-committees and panels.

The Mayor moved, and Councillor M Khan seconded, the following motion:

“1. That the following Committees, Sub-Committees, Panels and Working Groups be appointed for the Council Year 2022/23, with the number of members as detailed in brackets, in accordance with the political proportionalities on the Council, where applicable:

- (b) Audit Committee (9)
- (c) Budget and Resources Scrutiny Committee (9)
 - Budget and Resources Scrutiny Committee Call-In Sub-Committee (5)
- (d) Chief Officer Appointments Panel (3/5)
- (e) Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee (11)
 - Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee Call-In Sub-Committee (5)
- (f) Community and Housing Scrutiny Committee (11)
 - Community and Housing Scrutiny Committee Call-In Sub-Committee (5)
- (g) Corporate Parenting Panel (9)
- (h) Planning Committee (11)
 - Planning Panel (5)
- (i) Health and Adult Social Care Scrutiny Committee (9)
 - Health and Adult Social Care Scrutiny Committee Call-In Sub-Committee (5)
- (j) Health and Care Partnership Board (4)
- (k) Joint Negotiating Committee (Employer’s Side) (9)
- (l) Licensing Committee (11)
 - Licensing Sub-Committee (3)
- (m) Regeneration and Renewal Scrutiny Committee (9)
 - Regeneration and Renewal Scrutiny Committee Call-In Sub-

Committee (5)

- (n) Regulatory Committee (11)
 - Regulatory Sub-Committee (3)
 - (o) Scrutiny Management Committee (12)
 - Scrutiny Management Committee Call-In Sub-Committee (5)
 - (p) Standards Committee (9)
 - Standards Sub-Committee (3)
 - (q) Strategic Placemaking Scrutiny Committee (11)
 - Strategic Placemaking Scrutiny Committee Call-In Sub-Committee (5)
2. That the Chief Officer Appointments Panel be treated as not needing to comply with the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990.
 3. That Group Leaders be given delegated authority to appoint members to Appointment Panels for Directors on a one member per Political Group basis, to include a member of the Cabinet, and for the Deputy Chief Executive, a Panel of 5 members on a 2:2:1 member per Political Group basis, to include a member of the Cabinet.
 4. That all Members of the Council, with the exception of Cabinet members (unless they are substituting for another Cabinet member), be appointed as substitutes to all bodies listed above, noting the requirement for councillors to be trained before participating in meetings of the Planning Committee, Licensing Committee and Regulatory Committee.
 5. That the Committees, Sub-Committees and Panels comprise the reported to the Council”.

The Council’s agreement was given by acclamation.

RESOLVED -

1. That the following Committees, Sub-Committees, Panels and Working Groups be appointed for the Council Year 2022/23, with the number of members as detailed in brackets, in accordance with the political proportionalities on the Council, where

applicable:

- (b) Audit Committee (9)
- (c) Budget and Resources Scrutiny Committee (9)
 - Budget and Resources Scrutiny Committee Call-In Sub-Committee (5)
- (d) Chief Offer Appointments Panel (3/5)
- (e) Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee (11)
 - Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee Call-In Sub-Committee (5)
- (f) Community and Housing Scrutiny Committee (11)
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 - Regulatory Sub-Committee (3)
- (o) Scrutiny Management Committee (12)
 - Scrutiny Management Committee Call-In Sub-Committee (5)
- (p) Standards Committee (9)
 - Standards Sub-Committee (3)

- (q) Strategic Placemaking Scrutiny Committee (11)
 - Strategic Placemaking Scrutiny Committee Call-In Sub-Committee (5)
- 2. That the Chief Officer Appointments Panel be treated as not needing to comply with the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990.
- 3. That Group Leaders be given delegated authority to appoint members to Appointment Panels for Directors on a one member per Political Group basis, to include a member of the Cabinet, and for the Deputy Chief Executive, a Panel of 5 members on a 2:2:1 member per Political Group basis, to include a member of the Cabinet.
- 4. That all Members of the Council, with the exception of Cabinet members (unless they are substituting for another Cabinet member), be appointed as substitutes to all bodies listed above, noting the requirement for councillors to be trained before participating in meetings of the Planning Committee, Licensing Committee and Regulatory Committee.
- 5. That the Committees, Sub-Committees and Panels comprise the members as set out in **Annex A** to these minutes.

CL12

HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

The Mayor moved, and Councillor M Khan seconded, the following motion:

“To revise the Terms of Reference and change the name of the Health and Wellbeing Board to the Health and Care Partnership.”

The Council’s agreement was given by acclamation.

RESOLVED -

That the change of name from the Health and Wellbeing Board to the Health and Care Partnership and the revised Terms of Reference be agreed.

CL13**APPOINTMENTS TO OTHER BODIES**

The Mayor moved, and Councillor M Khan seconded, the following motion:

- “1. That Councillors Darlington, Exon, D Hopkins, Marland and McLean be appointed to the Buckinghamshire and Milton Keynes Combined Fire Authority.
2. That Councillors M Bradburn, Jenkins and Long be appointed as the Council’s representatives on the Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee and Councillors Clarke, Fuller and Walker be appointed as substitute representatives.
3. That Councillors R Bradburn be appointed to the Thames Valley Police and Crime Panel and that Councillor McLean be appointed as the co-opted representative.”

The Council’s agreement was given by acclamation.

RESOLVED -

1. That Councillors Darlington, Exon, D Hopkins, Marland and McLean be appointed to the Buckinghamshire and Milton Keynes Combined Fire Authority.
2. That Councillors M Bradburn, Jenkins and Long be appointed as the Council’s representatives on the Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee and Councillors Clarke, Fuller and Walker be appointed as substitute representatives.
3. That Councillors R Bradburn be appointed to the Thames Valley Police and Crime Panel and that Councillor McLean be appointed as the co-opted representative.

CL14**THE EXECUTIVE SCHEME OF DELEGATION**

The Council received the Leader’s Executive Scheme of Delegation which detailed the delegations to individual Cabinet Portfolio holders.

CL15**CALENDAR OF MEETINGS 2021/22**

The Mayor moved, and Councillor M Khan seconded, the following motion:

- “1. That the Calendar of Meetings for 2022/23, be agreed, subject to a revision of the date of the first Audit Committee meeting from 29 June to 27 July 2022.

2. That authority be delegated to the Director of Law and Governance to make amendments to the calendar of meetings, in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chairs of the relevant body.”

The Council’s agreement was given by acclamation.

RESOLVED -

1. That the Calendar of Meetings for 2022/23, be agreed, subject to a revision of the date of the first Audit Committee meeting from 29 June to 27 July 2022.
2. That authority be delegated to the Director of Law and Governance to make amendments to the calendar of meetings, in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chairs of the relevant body.

THE MAYOR CLOSED THE MEETING AT 9:09 PM