Thursday, 23 May 2013



At a meeting of the LEICESTER CITY COUNCIL held at the Town Hall at FIVE O'CLOCK in the afternoon on Thursday, 23 MAY 2013 duly convened for the business hereunder mentioned.

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BUSINESS

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- 1. LORD MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS
- 2. ELECTION OF LORD MAYOR
- 3. ELECTION OF HIGH BAILIFF
- 4. ELECTION OF DEPUTY LORD MAYOR
- 5. THANKS TO RETIRING LORD MAYOR
- 6. ESTABLISHMENT OF SCRUTINY COMMISSIONS AND REGULATORY COMMITTEES
- 7. ANNUAL CALENDAR OF MEETINGS
- 8. DATES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS
- 9. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
- 10. **REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER**
 - 10.1 Honorary Aldermen

PRESENT:

ABDUL RAZAK OSMAN, LORD MAYOR CHAIRMAN

Abbey Ward

HARSHAD DAHYABHAI BHAVSAR ANNETTE BYRNE VIJAY SINGH RIYAIT

Aylestone Ward

ADAM CLARKE NIGEL CARL PORTER

Beaumont Leys Ward

VIOLET GEDDES GRAHAM DEMPSTER SUNDIP MEGHANI

Belgrave Ward

RASHMIKANT JOSHI JOHN WILLIAM THOMAS

Braunstone Park and Rowley Fields

MICHAEL ERNEST COOKE WAYNE JAN NAYLOR

Castle Ward

NEIL CLAYTON PATRICK JOSEPH KITTERICK LYNN SENIOR

Charnwood Ward

PAUL DARREN NEWCOMBE

Coleman Ward

MIAN MOHAMMED MAYAT DEBORAH SANGSTER Freemen Ward

ELLY CUTKELVIN WILLIAM HENRY SHELTON

Humberstone and Hamilton Ward

RITA PATEL BARBARA ANNE POTTER GURINDER SINGH SANDHU

Knighton Ward

ROSS GRANT INDERJIT SINGH GUGNANI DR LYNN MOORE

Latimer Ward

VEEJAY PATEL MANJULA PAUL SOOD

New Parks Ward

DAWN ALFONSO STEPHEN PETER CORRALL

Rushey Mead Ward

CULDIPP SINGH BHATTI PIARA SINGH CLAIR ROSS WILLMOTT

Spinney Hills Ward

HANIF AQBANY SHOFIQUL ISLAM CHOWDHURY MOHAMMED DAWOOD

Stoneygate Ward

LUCY CHAPLIN IQBAL ALIBHAI DESAI MUSTAFA KAMAL Evington Ward

DEEPAK BAJAJ BALJIT SINGH

Eyres Monsell Ward

VIRGINIA CLEAVER RORY PALMER

Fosse Ward

TED CASSIDY SUSAN WADDINGTON Thurncourt Ward

LUIS FONSECA

Westcotes Ward

Western Park Ward

DR SUSAN BARTON GEORGE COLE

LORD MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Before the meeting formally commenced the Lord Mayor invited his spiritual adviser to say an appropriate prayer.

ABBEY BY-ELECTION

The Monitoring Officer informed Council that, following the retirement of Councillor Colin Marriott, a By-Election had been held in the Abbey Ward on 9 May 2013. Mr Vijay Singh Riyait had been duly elected to fill the vacancy. Councillor Riyait had made the necessary Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

The City Mayor introduced Councillor Rivait to the Council.

RETIREMENT OF COUNCILLOR

The Lord Mayor referred to the recent retirement of Colin Marriott from the Council. The Lord Mayor and Council formally thanked Colin for his service to the city as a Councillor in the Abbey Ward from 2007 to 2013 and wished him a long and happy retirement. As Colin had to retire due to ill health the Lord Mayor had prepared a certificate expressing the Council's appreciation of his work and a presentation would be arranged.

DEATH OF A FORMER COUNCILLOR

With great regret the Lord Mayor informed Council that former Councillor Phil Swift had passed away on the 11th of April after a short illness aged 74. Phil had been a member of the Council for 20 years, representing Castle ward as a Labour Councillor from 1983 to 2003. He was also Lord Mayor in the 1999 to 2000 municipal year, during which time he raised over £100,000 for the Leicester Children's Holiday Home. Phil would be greatly missed and condolences had been sent to his family.

SPEECHES AT THIS MEETING

The Lord Mayor reminded Members that whilst a very special meeting there was a lot of business and that it would help if Members addressing Council tonight were able to keep their speeches brief.

THANKS TO OUTGOING LORD MAYOR'S SPIRITUAL ADVISER AND CHAPLAIN

The Lord Mayor thanked his outgoing Spiritual Adviser, Shaykh Ibrahim Mogra and Chaplain, Mr Khalid Abdulla for their contributions and present framed Certificates of Thanks.

ELECTION OF LORD MAYOR

Moved by the City Mayor, seconded by Councillor Sood, and carried:-

1. That Councillor Mustafa Kamal be elected to the Office of Lord Mayor of the City for the ensuing year.

ELECTION OF HIGH BAILIFF

The Lord Mayor, Mustafa Kamal in the Chair.

Moved by Councillor Clarke, seconded by Councillor Waddington, and carried:

2. That Councillor Ted Cassidy be elected to the Office of High Bailiff of the City for the ensuing year.

ELECTION OF DEPUTY LORD MAYOR

Moved by Councillor Rita Patel, seconded by Councillor Potter, and carried:

3. That Councillor John Thomas be elected to the Office of Deputy Lord Mayor of the City for the ensuing year.

THANKS TO THE RETIRING LORD MAYOR

Moved by Councillor Potter, seconded by Councillor Kitterick, and carried :

4. Councillor Potter

Thank you my Lord Mayor. My Lord Mayor, City Mayor, distinguished guests and honoured guests. It gives me great pleasure to say thank you to our existing Lord Mayor, Cllr. Osman, who has done some outstanding work within the City. I am just about to recall some of the events that he has undertaken for us. In total he has attended 546 engagements. That is outstanding. So, certainly a round of applause would be very nice for that. All of these have come from the Lord Mayor's office, 494 - 90% of these have been within the City boundary. So thank you again Cllr. The Lord Mayor started the year with the afternoon teas for couples Osman. celebrating their diamond wedding anniversary at the County Hall and as part of the Jubilee celebrations followed by several street parties. The Civic Service was held at the Leicester Cathedral attended by the Lord Mayor himself. The Lord Mayor has hosted overseas visitors on 16 occasions. He also visited the 9th/12th Royal Lancers at their barracks in Germany. He carried out six Freemen ceremonies throughout the year with the applicants travelling from the USA and Australia to take up their freedom, as a result 49 people have been made free this year, well done. A reception has been hosted to celebrate various sporting achievements including the Jelson Homes DMU Leicester Riders, the Cobra Karate Club, Leicester Ladies Hockey Club and the Gateway College Basketball Team. He also helped and chose 'select a card' which was designed by the young person at the Highfields School care and chose to use a need card from a need competition with the spiritual adviser. He also assisted in judging at the Looked After Children's event and appeared on the Ramadhan Radio for young people's talent events. Not to mention his Stroke Appeal of course. Dedicated commitment from himself, his wife the Lady Mayoress, and his treasured family, little Osman. Little mini-Mayor Osman, who sits there very proudly at the front of the Chambers this evening. He also attended various charity events including charity dinners, coffee mornings, a quiz evening and the Lord Mayor's special Royal Ball too. He has helped to raise the funds for the Lord Mayor's appeal and the Leicester Hospital Charity the Stroke Appeal. It gives me great pleasure to say thank you and well done, clearly honoured Cllr. Osman, Well done. Thank you.

Councillor Kitterick.

Thank you very much Lord Mayor. It gives me a great deal of honour to second the vote of thanks for Cllr. Abdul Osman's dedication in his year of service. I will always remember that Cllr. Abdul Osman was the first person I ever met when I came into

Leicester Labour Party, so anybody who actually asks the question how on earth did Patrick Kitterick ever get on to Leicester City Council it is Cllr. Abdul Osman who is to blame. It was Wycliffe Ward labour party held in the Highfield Centre and it was a good opportunity to get to know Abdul because we were the only people who turned up to the meeting. In that year Abdul has met far more distinguished persons other than myself. He has visited 42 places of worship spanning all of the rich variety of religions in our City. Abdul as part of that attended the farewell service of the Dean of Leicester who moved on to an obscure little place called York - not quite sure where that is. Apparently they have written us a letter asking us for something that belongs to us but Vivian Fall has now moved on to York and we now have a new Dean and Abdul was part of the welcome for that. We have appointed five new Honorary Aldermen, nine people or groups were beneficiaries of the honoured citizens award of the Lord Mayor. Anybody who knows Abdul will know he was in his element entertaining at restaurants for the stroke appeal including Bobby's, Harmony, T&K Balti restaurants and that his links with the various communities in Leicester resulted in donations to his stroke appal by the Mamon Centre, Islamic Central Mosque, Help Multi-Cultural Society organisation and Evington Muslim Centre. Abdul reached out to people young and old during his year as Lord Mayor, hosting a 19 young people civic dinner in January and visiting a total of 49 schools. Abdul also visited all of the Council's elderly person's homes and attended 200th birthday celebrations. Abdul could not have done this without the support of his family and his Mini-Mayor and they have helped him greatly throughout this year and I know that they will be thanked later on in the ceremony. Those are some statistics and facts and figures kindly supplied to us by the Lord Mayor's office, but actually the presence of the Lord Mayor, the delight that the post and the individual brings to the people of Leicester is truly valued I believe by everybody who experiences it. Abdul has continued a fine tradition and we thank him for that Lord Mayor.

ESTABLISHMENT OF SCRUTINY COMMISSIONS AND REGULATORY COMMITTEES

Moved by Councillor Clayton, seconded by the City Mayor and carried:

- 5.
- (i) That the Overview Select Committee, Adult Social Care Scrutiny Commission, Children, Young People and Schools Scrutiny Commission, Economic Development, Transport and Tourism Scrutiny Commission, Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Commission, Heritage, Culture, Leisure and Sport Scrutiny Commission, Housing Scrutiny Commission, and the Neighbourhood Services and Community Involvement Scrutiny Commission all be established in according with the existing Terms of Reference and the size of each being in accordance with the (attached) lists circulated to all Members with the remaining membership filled in consultation with the relevant Members.
- (ii) That the Audit and Risk Committee, Health and Wellbeing Board, Standards Committee, Planning and Development Control Committee, Licensing Committee and Licensing Enforcement Sub-Committee all be established in accordance with the existing Terms of Reference and the size of each in accordance with the (attached) list circulated to all Members with the remaining membership filled in consultation with the relevant Members.
- (iii) That the Chairs of Audit and Risk Committee and Health and Wellbeing Board, and Chair and Vice Chair of the Planning and Development Control

Committee, Chair and Vice Chair of the Standards Committee, Chair and Vice Chairs of the Licensing Committee and Licensing Enforcement Sub-Committee be in accordance with the (attached) lists circulated to all Members;

(iv) That the Employees Committee be established with the Terms of Reference and size as specified within the Council's Constitution, with the process for the appointment of Chair and membership being in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution.

ANNUAL CALENDAR OF MEETINGS

Moved by Councillor Clayton, seconded by City Mayor and carried:

6. That the cycle of meetings of the Scrutiny, Regulatory and Standing Committees and Ward Community Meetings be confirmed as set out in the schedule of meetings attached to the Council Script.

DATES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

Moved by Councillor Clayton, seconded by City Mayor and carried:

7. That the Council meet on Wednesday 26 February 2014 to consider the estimates for 2014/15, and the ordinary meetings of Council be held on

27 June 2013 19 September 2013 21 November 2013 23 January 2014 20 March 2014

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Lord Mayor invited Members to declare any interests they might have in the business on the agenda.

No declarations of interest were made.

REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER

It was noted that this item had been included in accordance with the requirements of Council Procedure Rule 8b.

HONORARY ALDERMEN

Moved by Councillor Clayton, seconded by City Mayor and carried:

8. That the amendments to the nomination criteria for the title of Honorary Aldermen indicated in paragraph 3.4 of the report be approved.

The meeting closed at 6.23pm.