# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FULL COUNCIL HELD AT CIVIC SUITE, BROCKS HILL COUNCIL OFFICES, WASHBROOK LANE, OADBY, LEICESTER, LE2 5JJ ON TUESDAY, 11 JULY 2023 COMMENCING AT 7.02 PM

#### **PRESENT**

R H Adams Mayor

C D Kozlowski Deputy Mayor

COUNCILLORS

Meeting ID: 25

N Alam

L A Bentley Deputy Leader of the Council

G A Boulter

M H Charlesworth

H E Darling Deputy Leader of the Opposition

M L Darr J K Ford

F S Ghattoraya

C S Gore

S Z Haq Leader of the Council P Joshi Leader of the Opposition

R V Joshi J Kaufman K J Loydall C J R Martin I K Ridley

#### **OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE**

S J Ball Legal & Democratic Services Manager / Deputy Monitoring Officer

B Bull Head of Finance / Deputy Section 151 Officer

A E Court Chief Executive / Head of Paid Service

C Eyre Housing Manager P Fisher Strategic Director

D M Gill Head of Law & Democracy / Monitoring Officer T Hatton Head of Customer Service & Transformation

A Thorpe Head of Built Environment

# 13. CALLING TO ORDER OF THE MEETING

The meeting of the Council was called to order to receive Her Worship The Mayor and Deputy Mayor.

# 14. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Councillors S S Athwal, F S Broadley, L M Broadley, D A Gamble, G G Hunt, R E R Morris and C A M Walter.

# 15. <u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u>

None.

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# 16. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

# 16a. <u>TUESDAY 18 APRIL 2023</u>

By affirmation of the meeting, it was

#### **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT:**

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 18 April 2023 be taken as read, confirmed and approved.

#### 16b. THURSDAY 18 MAY 2023 - AGM (2023/24)

By affirmation of the meeting, it was

# **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT:**

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting (AGM) held on 18 May 2023 be taken as read, confirmed and approved.

# 17. ACTION LIST ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

There was no Action List(s) arising the previous meeting(s).

# **18.** MOTIONS ON NOTICE

#### 18a. NEW PROPOSED START TIME FOR COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Council gave consideration to the Motion on Notice (as set out at page 12 of the agenda reports pack) regarding a new proposed start time for Council meetings.

It was moved by the Leader of the Opposition, seconded by the Deputy Leader of the Opposition and

# **DEFEATED THAT:**

Oadby and Wigston Borough Council resolves that the start time of meetings of the Full Council, its Committees and Sub-Committees be changed to 6:00 pm to provide for a better work/life balance for both Officers and Members.

Votes For 7 Votes Against 11 Abstentions 0

# 19. PETITIONS, DEPUTATIONS AND QUESTIONS

#### 19a. SECURITY AND MAINTENANCE OF BUSHLOE HOUSE

The Head of Built Environment, on behalf of the Leader of the Council, provided the response (as set out on pages 13 - 14 of the agenda reports pack) to the Question on Notice (as set out on page 13 of the agenda reports pack) as posed by Councillor M H Charlesworth in relation to the security and maintenance of Bushloe House

No supplementary question was asked by Councillor M H Charlesworth.

# 20. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### 20a. LIST OF OFFICIAL MAYORAL / DEPUTY MAYORAL ENGAGEMENTS (JULY 2023)

By affirmation of the meeting, it was

#### **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT:**

The list of Official Engagements attended by The Mayor and/or Deputy Mayor be noted.

#### 21. LEADER'S STATEMENT

The Leader of the Council presented her maiden Statement since being appointed Leader outlining her administration's plans and aspirations, her recent work and an overview of recent decisions taken since the previous meeting(s) of the Council together with fielding questions from Members in relation to her Statement.

# 22. SENIOR MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE (JULY 2023)

The Council gave consideration to the report and appendices (as set out at pages 16 - 19 of the agenda reports pack and page 3 of the agenda update) which provided Members with information on the current Senior Management Structure to enable a comparison with similar authorities.

By affirmation of the meeting, it was

#### **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT:**

The content of the report and appendices be noted.

# 23. <u>HOMELESSNESS / ASYLUM SEEKERS / AFGHAN RESETTLEMENT SCHEME UPDATE (JULY 2023)</u>

The Council gave consideration to the report and appendices (as set out at pages 20 - 24 of the agenda reports pack) which informed Members on the current position in respect of homelessness, and the management of the asylum seeker, Afghan and Ukraine relocation schemes.

By affirmation of the meeting, it was

#### **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT:**

The content of the report be noted.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8.19 pm