

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FULL COUNCIL HELD AT CIVIC SUITE, BROCKS HILL
COUNCIL OFFICES, WASHBROOK LANE, OADBY, LEICESTER, LE2 5JJ ON TUESDAY, 9
DECEMBER 2025 COMMENCING AT 7.00 PM**

PRESENT

J K Chohan	Mayor
C A M Walter	Deputy Mayor



Meeting ID: 2950

COUNCILLORS

R H Adams	
N Alam	Leader of the Opposition
S S Athwal	
L A Bentley	Deputy Leader of the Council
G A Boulter	
L M Broadley	
F S Broadley	
M H Charlesworth	
H E Darling	
M L Darr	
D A Gamble	
F S Ghattoraya	
C S Gore	
S Z Haq	Leader of the Council
P Joshi	
R V Joshi	
J Kaufman	
C D Kozlowski	
K J Loydall	
C J R Martin	
I K Ridley	

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

S J Ball	Legal & Democratic Services Manager / Monitoring Officer (Solicitor)
T Neal	Strategic Director / Deputy Monitoring Officer
M Smith	Community Safety & Youth Officer
A Thorpe	Head of Built Environment
C Warren	Chief Finance Officer / Section 151 Officer
J Wells	Senior Strategic Development Manager
S Wheeliker	Senior Democratic & Electoral Services Officer

52. CALLING TO ORDER OF THE MEETING

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

53. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Councillors J K Ford and G G Hunt.

54. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

55. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

56. TUESDAY, 28 OCTOBER 2025

By affirmation of the meeting, it was

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT:

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 28 October 2025 be taken as read, confirmed and approved.

57. WEDNESDAY, 19 NOVEMBER 2025 (EXTRAORDINARY)

By affirmation of the meeting, it was

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT:

The minutes of the previous extraordinary meeting held on 19 November 2025 be taken as read, confirmed and approved.

58. ACTION LIST ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

None.

59. MOTIONS ON NOTICE

60. MEADOWS ESTATE PUBLIC BINS

Council gave consideration to the Motion on Notice (as set out at page 13 of the agenda reports pack) regarding public bins on the Meadows estate.

It was moved by Councillor M H Charlesworth, seconded by Councillor P Joshi and

DEFEATED THAT:

The motion be approved.

For 7
Against 15
Abstentions 1

The Deputy Leader of the Council proposed the motion be brought back to Full Council after Officers examined the motion, providing a comprehensive report to next Full Council outlining the costs, responsibility of the Council, responsibility of private estate management, number of bins and location of bins.

It was moved by the Deputy Leader of the Council, seconded by Councillor J Kaufman and

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT:

The motion be brought back to Full Council after a comprehensive report is written on the matter.

61. PETITIONS, DEPUTATIONS AND QUESTIONS

None.

62. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

62a. OFFICIAL MAYORAL / DEPUTY MAYORAL ENGAGEMENTS

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.

63. LEADER'S STATEMENT

The Leader of the Council presented a statement outlining her recent work and meetings she has attended, the administration's plans and an overview of recent decisions taken since the previous meeting of the Council, together with fielding questions in relation to her statement.

The Leader of the Council also expressed her appreciation for receiving a letter from Neil O'Brien MP expressing his support for the North-City-South proposal for local government reorganisation, after having made a request for his support at the previous meeting of the Council. The Leader of the Council went on to request further assistance from the constituency MP in arranging a meeting with government ministers and lobbying for the success of the North-City-South proposal.

64. STATEMENT OF GAMBLING POLICY (2025-2028)

Council gave consideration to the report and appendix (as set out at pages 18 – 50 of the agenda reports pack) which sought approval of the Statement of Gambling Policy (2025-2028).

It was moved by Councillor G A Boulter, seconded by Councillor C J R Martin and

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT:

- i) That the Statement of Gambling Policy (2025- 2028) be approved and adopted; and**
- ii) That delegated authority be granted to the Chief Finance Officer / Section 151 Officer to ensure that the policy is advertised and published in the correct manner.**

65. BIODIVERSITY DUTY REPORT (WINTER 2025)

Council gave consideration to the report and appendix (as set out at pages 51 – 64 of the agenda reports pack) which sought approval to publish the Biodiversity Duty Report on the Council's website and to forward a copy of the report to the Department of the

Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA).

It was moved by Councillor G A Boulter, seconded by Councillor K J Loydall and

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT:

- i) The publication of the Biodiversity Duty Report (attached as Appendix 1) on the Council website be approved; and**
- ii) A copy of the report be forwarded to DEFRA in line with the requirements of the Environment Act 2021.**

66. COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP REPORTING (Q1 & 2 2025/26)

Council gave consideration to the report and appendix (as set out at pages 65 – 104 of the agenda reports pack) which provided Members with an overview of the actions and work of the Borough's Community Safety Partnership ("The Partnership") in Q1 & Q2 2025/26, and on Crime and Disorder in the Borough for the same period.

By affirmation of the meeting, it was

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT:

The content of the report and appendix be noted.

67. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS & PUBLIC

By affirmation of the meeting, it was

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT:

The press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (Exempt Information) during consideration of the item below on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information, as defined in the respective paragraphs 1 and 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act and, in all the circumstances, the public interest in maintaining the exempt item outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information.

68. RESOLUTION TO EXTEND SIX-MONTH MEETING ATTENDANCE RULE (EXEMPT)

Council gave consideration to the exempt report (as set out at pages 105 – 106 of the private agenda reports pack) which sought approval to extend the six-month meeting attendance rule for a Councillor.

It was moved by the Deputy Leader of the Council, seconded by Councillor L M Broadley and

RESOLVED THAT:

The recommendation be approved.

For	15
Against	3

Abstentions 4

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8.23 pm