MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FULL COUNCIL HELD AT CIVIC SUITE, BROCKS HILL COUNCIL OFFICES, WASHBROOK LANE, OADBY, LEICESTER, LE2 5JJ ON TUESDAY, 28 **OCTOBER 2025 COMMENCING AT 7:00 PM**

PRESENT

J K Chohan Mayor

COUNCILLORS

Meeting ID: 3013

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

M L Darr

J K Ford Deputy Leader of the Opposition

D A Gamble F S Ghattoraya

C S Gore

Leader of the Council S Z Haq

R V Joshi J Kaufman C D Kozlowski K J Loydall C J R Martin

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

S J Ball Legal & Democratic Services Manager / Monitoring Officer (Solicitor)

Chief Executive / Head of Paid Service A E Court

Legal Consultant D M Gill

Strategic Director / Deputy Monitoring Officer T Neal Chief Finance Officer / Section 151 Officer C Warren

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

A Wood **Rutland County Council**

36. **CALLING TO ORDER OF THE MEETING**

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

37. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Councillors H E Darling, G G Hunt, P Joshi, R E R Morris, I K Ridley and C A M Walter.

38. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Full Council

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39. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

By affirmation of the meeting, it was

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT:

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 23 September 2025 be taken as read, confirmed and approved.

40. <u>ACTION LIST ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING</u>

There was no Action List arising from the previous meeting.

41. MOTIONS ON NOTICE

None.

42. PETITIONS, DEPUTATIONS AND QUESTIONS

None.

43. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

43a. 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.

44. **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. This included an update as to the position on Local Government Reorganisation.

45. <u>LOCAL GOVERNMENT REORGANISATION - DRAFT OF CURRENT PROPOSAL</u> (OCTOBER 2025)

The Council gave consideration to the report and appendices (as set out at pages 11-42 of the agenda reports pack) which outlined the work undertaken by the District and Borough Councils in Leicestershire and Rutland County Council to produce the draft final Local Government Reorganisation Proposal for Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland. It also details the public consultation that has been carried out and how this has informed the final submission.

By affirmation of the meeting, it was

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT:

The content of the report and appendices be noted.

46. REVIEW OF POLITICAL PROPORTIONALITY AND MEMBERSHIP OF COUNCIL BODIES (OCTOBER 2025)

The Council gave consideration to the report and appendix (as set out at pages 43 - 53 of the agenda reports pack) which outlined the review of political proportionality following changes in the Council's composition etc.

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

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT:

- (i) That the Political Balance Procedure Rules (as set out in Appendix 1 to the report) be noted and approved;
- (ii) That the new political composition of the Council, and revised proportionality arrangements in relation to the allocation of seats on Council bodies by political grouped Members and ungrouped Independent Members (as set out at section 2 of the report) be noted; and
- (iii) That the revised number of seats on each affected Council body, and the necessary removals and appointments of Members from/to those affected Council bodies for the remainder of the municipal year 2025/26 (as set out at sections 2 and 3 of this report) as may be proposed and seconded at the meeting be resolved.

47. APPOINTMENT OF REGULATOR OF SOCIAL HOUSING TASK & FINISH GROUP

The Council gave consideration to the report and appendix (as set out at pages 54 - 57 of the agenda reports pack) which proposed a politically balanced Task Group of five Members to monitor progress, guide improvements, and liaise with the Regulator during inspections.

It was moved by the Leader of the Council, seconded by Councillor G A Boulter and

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT:

- (i) A Regulator of Social Housing Task & Finish Group be appointed and its Terms of Reference (as set out at Appendix 1) be approved; and
- (ii) The Members of the Task Group (as set out section 3 of this report) be appointed accordingly.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8:53 PM