

**BRIGHTON & HOVE CITY COUNCIL**

**COUNCIL**

**4.30pm 19 MAY 2011**

**COUNCIL CHAMBER, HOVE TOWN HALL**

**MINUTES**

**Present:** Councillors Wells (Chair), A Norman (Deputy Chair), Barnett, Bennett, Bowden, Brown, Buckley, Carden, Cobb, Davey, Deane, Duncan, Farrow, Fitch, Follett, Gilbey, Hamilton, Hawtree, Hyde, Janio, Jarrett, Jones, Kennedy, Kitcat, Kitcat, Lepper, Littman, MacCafferty, Marsh, Meadows, Mears, Mitchell, Morgan, K Norman, Oxley, Peltzer Dunn, Phillips, Pidgeon, Pissaridou, Powell, Randall, Robins, Rufus, Shanks, Simson, Smith, Summers, Sykes, C Theobald, G Theobald, Turton, Wakefield, Wealls and West

**PART ONE**

**1. COUNCIL BUSINESS**

**(a) Newly Elected Councillors**

- 1.1 The Mayor welcomed the newly elected councillors to the Council Chamber and introduced them to the council:

Councillor Bowden representing Queen's Park Ward;  
Councillor Buckley representing Goldsmid Ward;  
Councillor Farrow representing Moulsecoomb & Bevendean Ward;  
Councillor Fitch representing Hangleton & Knoll Ward;  
Councillor Follett representing Hanover & Elm Grove Ward;  
Councillor Gilbey representing North Portslade Ward;  
Councillor Hawtree representing Central Hove Ward;  
Councillor Jarrett representing Goldsmid Ward;  
Councillor Jones representing Preston Park Ward;  
Councillor Kitcat representing Regency Ward;  
Councillor Littman representing Preston Park Ward;  
Councillor MacCafferty representing Brunswick & Adelaide Ward;  
Councillor Pissaridou representing Wish Ward;  
Councillor Powell representing Queen's Park Ward;  
Councillor Robins representing South Portslade Ward;  
Councillor Shanks representing Withdean Ward;  
Councillor Summers representing Hollingdean & Stanmer Ward;  
Councillor Sykes representing Brunswick & Adelaide Ward;  
Councillor Wakefield representing Hanover & Elm Grove Ward;  
Councillor Wealls representing Central Hove Ward.

**(b) Declarations of Interest**

1.2 There were no declarations of interest in items appearing on the agenda.

**(c) Vote of Thanks to Past Councillors**

1.3 The Mayor stated that he wished to move a vote of thanks those previous councillors who had chosen not stand in the recent elections and to those past councillors who had not been re-elected on this occasion. In so doing he also wished to present a certificate of thanks in recognition of the service given by those previous councillors to the council, their respective wards and the city itself as listed below:

Trevor Alford, Kevin Allen, Maria Caulfield, Melanie Davis, Pat Drake, Paul Elgood, Ayas Fallon-Khan, Rachel Fryer, Steve Harmer-Strange, Pat Hawkes, Ted Kemble, Juliet McCaffery, Averil Older, Christine Simpson, Paul Steedman, Vicky Wakefield-Jarrett, David Watkins, Georgia Wrighton and Jan Young.

1.4 The Mayor noted that the vote of thanks had been moved and sought confirmation from the council.

1.5 The vote of thanks was duly agreed.

**2. MAYORAL REPORT FOR 2010/11.**

2.1 The Mayor formally moved the Mayoral report for 2010/11 be noted.

2.2 **RESOLVED** – That the report be noted.

**3. ELECTION OF THE MAYOR OF BRIGHTON AND HOVE FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2011/12.**

3.1 The Mayor invited nominations for the position of Mayor of Brighton & Hove for the municipal year 2011/12.

3.2 Councillor Anne Meadows was proposed by Councillor Mitchell and seconded by Councillor Marsh.

3.3 Councillors Theobald and Randall supported the nomination of Councillor Meadows as Mayor for 2011/12.

3.4 The Mayor declared that, there being no other nominations, Councillor Anne Meadows be duly elected Mayor of Brighton & Hove for the forthcoming municipal year.

3.5 **The motion was agreed.**

3.6 The Mayor then adjourned the meeting at 4.55pm in order for Councillor Meadows as the incoming Mayor to be robed and to take the Chair for the meeting.

**Councillor Meadows in the Chair**

- 3.7 Councillor Meadows reconvened the meeting at 5.05pm and then made and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.
- 3.8 The Mayor then thanked the Council for her appointment and called on Councillor Mears.
- 3.9 Councillor Mears moved a vote of thanks to Councillor Geoff Wells as the retiring Mayor for his services during his term of office.
- 3.10 Councillor Simson formally seconded the motion and this was supported by Councillors Mitchell and Randall.
- 3.11 The Mayor put the motion to the vote.
- 3.12 **The motion was carried.**
- 3.13 The Mayor presented Councillor Geoff Wells and Mrs Sally Wells with commemorative badges in recognition of their year of office.
- 3.14 Councillor Geoff Wells thanked the Council.

**4. ELECTION OF THE DEPUTY MAYOR OF BRIGHTON AND HOVE FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2011/12.**

- 4.1 The Mayor moved that the Council appoint Councillor Geoff Wells as Deputy Mayor for the forthcoming municipal year.
- 4.2 The Motion was seconded by Councillor Theobald.
- 4.3 The Mayor declared that, there being no other nominations, Councillor Geoff Wells be duly elected as Deputy Mayor of Brighton & Hove for the forthcoming municipal year.
- 4.4 **The motion was agreed.**
- 4.5 Councillor Geoff Wells made and signed his Declaration of Acceptance of Office as Deputy Mayor and was presented with his badge of office by the Mayor.

**5. MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS**

- 5.1 The Mayor informed the council that following on from the vote of thanks to past councillors; she wished to announce that she had agreed to call a Special Council Meeting on the 21<sup>st</sup> July to consider the conferral of Honorary Aldermen. The special meeting would take place prior to the Ordinary Council meeting scheduled for the 21<sup>st</sup> July.
- 5.2 The Mayor invited councillors to join her at the civic service to be held at 10.30am in the Parish Church of All Saints on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> May.

**6. APPOINTMENT OF THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL**

- 6.1 The Mayor invited Councillor Kennedy to propose the appointment of the Leader of the Council.
- 6.2 Councillor Kennedy proposed that Councillor Bill Randall should be appointed as the Leader of the Council for the term of the council.
- 6.3 Councillor Davey formally seconded the proposal.
- 6.4 The Mayor noted that there were no other nominations and put the motion to the vote which was agreed.
- 6.5 **RESOLVED:** That Councillor Randall be appointed as the Leader of the Council.

**7. REVIEW OF POLITICAL BALANCE AND APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES, SUB-COMMITTEES, FORUMS AND OUTSIDE BODIES**

- 7.1 The Mayor moved that:
- (i) The allocation of seats as detailed in the report and in appendix 1 to the report be approved;
- (ii) For the municipal year 2011/2012 the following Committees and Sub-Committees be constituted and appointed to hold office until the next Annual Meeting of the Council and the number of Members and allocation of seats to the Party Groups (apart from co-opted Members) as detailed in appendix 1 to the report and as specified below be agreed:

<b>Committee/Sub-Committee</b>	<b>Seats</b>	<b>Green</b>	<b>Conservative</b>	<b>Labour</b>
Governance	10	5	3	2
Audit	10	4	3	3
Licensing*	15	6	5	4
Planning	12	5	4	3
Overview & Scrutiny Commission	10	5	3	2
Adult Social Care & Housing Overview & Scrutiny	8	3	3	2
Children & Young People Overview & Scrutiny	8	3	3	2

Culture, Tourism & Enterprise Overview & Scrutiny	8	3	3	2
Environment & Community Safety Overview & Scrutiny	8	4	2	2
Health Overview & Scrutiny	8	3	3	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>24</b>
<i>Licensing 2003 Act* - has the same membership as Licensing and does not come into the equation for the allocation of seats</i>	15	6	5	4

- (iii) That the membership of the committees and sub-committees as detailed in appendix 2 to the report and set out below be agreed;

**Governance Committee** – Councillors Littman (Chair), A Norman (Deputy Chair), Kennedy, J Kitcat, Mitchell, Morgan, Oxley, Powell, Randall and G Theobald.

**Audit Committee** – Councillors Hamilton (Chair), Follett (Deputy Chair), Jarrett, Mitchell, A Norman, Pissaridou, Sykes, G Theobald, Wakefield and Wealls.

**Licensing & Licensing (2003) Committee** – Councillors Deane (Chair), Cobb, Duncan, Hyde, A Kitcat, Lepper, Marsh, Pidgeon, Rufus, Simson, Sykes, C Theobald, Turton and West.

**Planning Committee** – Councillors MacCafferty (Chair), Hyde (Deputy Chair), Carden, Cobb, Davey, Farrow, Hamilton, Hawtree, Kennedy, Summers, C Theobald and Wells.

**Overview & Scrutiny Commission** – Councillors Mitchell (Chair), Janio (Deputy Chair), Brown, Follett, Littman, Morgan, K Norman, Powell, Rufus and Summers.

**Adult Social Care & Housing Overview & Scrutiny Committee** – Councillors K Norman (Chair), Phillips (Deputy Chair), Buckley, Gilbey, Jones, Smith, Turton and Wealls.

**Children & Young People Overview & Scrutiny Committee** – Councillors Powell (Chair), Lepper (Deputy Chair), Bennett, Brown, Jones, A Kitcat, Pissaridou and Wealls.

**Culture, Tourism & Enterprise Overview & Scrutiny Committee** – Councillors Brown (Chair), Marsh (Deputy Chair), Deane, Farrow, Hawtree, Hyde, A Kitcat and C Theobald.

**Environment & Community Safety Overview & Scrutiny Committee** – Councillors Morgan (Chair), Sykes (Deputy Chair), Buckley, Cobb, Gilbey, Janio, Jones and Littman.

**Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee** – Councillors Rufus (Chair), C Theobald (Deputy Chair), Barnett, Bennett, Follett, Marsh, Phillips and Turton.

**Licensing 2003 Sub-Committee** (3 from the parent committee with designated reps) – Councillors Deane (Chair), Simson and Lepper.

**Personnel Committee** – (3 from a pool of Members with designated reps) Councillors Powell, Pidgeon and Marsh.

**Standards Committee** – (6 Councillors and 6 Independent Members) Councillors J Kitcat, Lepper, Littman, A Norman, Phillips and Wells.

Dr Wilkinson (Chair), Mr J Bustard, Mr P Cecil, Mr G Rhodes, Mr P Rose and 1 vacancy.

**Housing Management Consultative Committee** – Councillors Wakefield (Chair), Duncan, Farrow, Peltzer Dunn, Pidgeon, Randall, Robins, Summers and Wells.

**Community Safety Forum** – Councillors Duncan (Chair), Barnett, Carden, Deane, Janio, MacCafferty, Morgan, Pidgeon, Robins and Summers.

- (iv) That in having regard to (iii) above, those Members listed as Chair and Deputy Chair of the respective Committees, Sub-Committees and Forums as detailed in appendix 2 to the report be agreed;
- (iv) (a) That with regard to (iii) above and subject to (b) and (c) below, all Members of the Council be appointed as Substitute Members of each Committee of the Council in accordance with Standing Orders.
  - (b) That no Member may act as a Substitute Member of the Planning Committee or the Personnel Committee unless he/she has received the appropriate training to enable them to serve on the respective Committee.
  - (c) There are restrictions on membership of the Overview & Scrutiny Committees as set out in the Overview & Scrutiny Procedure rules.
- (v) That in having regard to (ii) above, an Urgency Sub-Committee for each Committee be approved in accordance with Procedure Rule 22;
- (vi) That those appointments listed in appendix 3 to the report being the responsibility of the Executive and as such made by the Leader of the Council be noted as detailed below:

	<b>Seats</b>	<b>Green</b>	<b>Conservative</b>	<b>Labour</b>
Housing Management Consultative Committee	9	4	3	2
Community Safety Forum	10	4	3	3

(viii) That the appointments of representatives to the list of Outside Bodies as detailed in appendix 4 to the report and specified below be agreed:

	<b>Name of Organisation</b>	<b>Term of Office</b>	<b>Nominations 2011/12</b>
1	Admissions Forum	Annual	Wakefield Wealls
2	Adoption & Permanence Panel	Annual	Wakefield
3	Age Concern	Annual	Jarrett and A Kitcat
4	Arc Manche	Annual	Phillips
5	Arts Commission	Annual	Bowden, A Kitcat, Hawtree Brown, C Theobald Fitch
6	Brighton Dome & Festival Limited	Annual	Bowden Marsh
7	Brighton Housing Trust	Annual	Phillips
8	Brighton & Hove in Bloom	Annual	Deane, Jones, Shanks Barnett, K Norman, Pissaridou
9	Brighton & Hove Allotment Federation	Annual	Rufus
10	Brighton & Hove Business Forum	Annual	Kennedy Wealls
11	Brighton & Hove Economic Partnership	Annual	Kennedy G Theobald
12	Brighton & Hove Estates Conservation Trust	Annual	West Mitchell
13	Brighton & Hove Federation of Disabled People	Annual	Caulfield
14	Brighton & Hove Food Partnership Board of Directors	Annual	Sykes
15	Brighton & Hove Foster Panel	Annual	Shanks
16	Brighton & Hove Foyer	Annual	Wakefield
17	Brighton & Hove Music Trust	Annual	Kennedy, MacCafferty A Norman

18	Brighton & Hove Seaside Community Homes Ltd	3-year 2011-14	Randall, Summers Wells Fitch
19	Brighton Unemployed Centre Families Project	Annual	Duncan
20	Citizen's Advice Bureau	Annual	MacCafferty Robins
21	City Inclusion Partnership	Annual	Shanks, Wakefield Cobb Marsh
22	City Sustainability Partnership	Annual	Littman, West Janio Mitchell
23	City Sports Forum	Annual	Phillips Janio Robins
24	Coast to Capital Local Enterprise Partnership	4-year term	Randall
25	Coastal Issues Special Interest Group	Annual	Rufus
26	Consumer Direct	Annual	Deane
27	Cornerstone Community Centre Board of Management	Annual	Sykes
28	Councillor Disability Champion	Annual	Powell
29	Dialog 50/50	Annual	Duncan
30	East Sussex Fire Authority	Annual	MacCafferty, Rufus, Wakefield Pidgeon, C Theobald Carden
31	East Sussex Gypsy & Traveller Forum	Annual	Wakefield Peltzer Dunn
32	East Sussex Pension Fund Investment Panel	Annual	Rufus Wealls
33	Eurocities Network	Annual	A Kitcat
34	Fair Trade Steering Group	Annual	Littman, Rufus
35	Gorham's Gift	4-year term 2011-15	Hawtree K Norman Fitch
36	Healthy City Partnership	Annual	Jones K Norman
37	INTERREG Iva	Annual	Phillips
38	Joint Committee for Appointment of Local Authority members to Sussex Police Authority	Annual	Randall G Theobald



39	Local Government Association	Annual	Follett, J Kitcat G Theobald Mitchell
40	LGA Rural Commission	Annual	West
41	LGA Urban Commission	Annual	Follett, Kennedy
42	Local Housing Allowance Steering Group	Annual	Wakefield
43	Local Strategic Partnership	Annual	Randall G Theobald Mitchell
44	Members Advisory Group on Grants (MAG)	Annual	Rufus Hyde Hamilton
45	MIND	Annual	Jarrett
46	Patrol Adjudication Joint Committee (Appointee also sits on the Bus Lane Adjudication Service Joint Committee)	Annual	Davey
47	Pre-School Learning Alliance (South)	Annual	Buckley
48	Race Ground Trustees	Annual	Kennedy, Powell, Wakefield, West Brown, C Theobald Fitch, Lepper
49	Resource Centre	Annual	Davey
50	SACRE	4-year term 2011-15	Powell, Summers Wealls Hamilton
51	Shoreham Port Authority LA Liaison Committee	Annual	Kennedy Peltzer Dunn
52	South Downs National Park Authority	4-year term 2011-15	West
53	South East England Employers	Annual	Powell, Rufus Pidgeon
54	Sussex IFCA	4-year term 2011-15	Sykes
55	Transitional Southern Regional Flood & Coastal Committee	Annual	Rufus
56	The Brighton Fund	4-year term 2011-15	Mayor (ex-officio) Meadows Bowden, Powell A Norman Lepper
57	The Sussex Deaf Association	Annual	Jarrett
58	The Royal Pavilion and Museums Foundation	Annual	Shanks

59	United Nations Association	Annual	A Kitcat
60	University of Sussex Court	01/08/11- 31/07/12	(Mayor) Meadows Summers A Norman
61	West Pier Trust	Annual	Shanks

7.2 **The motion was carried.**

## 8. APPOINTMENTS

8.1 The Mayor moved that for the municipal year 2011/2012 the following appointments to the positions as agreed by the various Groups represented on the Council be noted:

- |       |                                  |                              |
|-------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| (i)   | Convenor of the Green Group      | Councillor Bill Randall      |
| (ii)  | Leader of the Conservative Group | Councillor Geoffrey Theobald |
| (iii) | Leader of the Labour Group       | Councillor Gill Mitchell     |

8.2 **The motion was carried.**

8.3 The Mayor moved that for the municipal year 2011/12 Councillor Ian Davey be appointed as the Deputy Leader (non-Executive) of the Council.

8.4 **The motion was carried.**

8.5 The Mayor moved that for the municipal year 2011/12 Councillor G Theobald be appointed as the Leader of the Official Opposition.

8.6 **The motion was carried.**

8.7 The Mayor moved that the appointments made by the Leader as detailed below and listed in appendix 1 circulated with the addendum papers be noted:

- (i) That Councillor Amy Kennedy be appointed as the Deputy Leader (Executive) of the Council;
- (ii) That the following Members be appointed to the Cabinet with the respective portfolios:

1	Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care & Health	Councillor Rob Jarrett
2	Cabinet Member for Children & Young People	Councillor Sue Shanks
3	Cabinet Member for Communities, Equalities &	Councillor Ben Duncan

	Public Protection	
4	Cabinet Member for Culture, Recreation & Tourism	Councillor Geoffrey Bowden
5	Cabinet Member for Environment & Sustainability	Councillor Pete West
6	Cabinet Member for Finance & Central Services	Councillor Jason Kitcat
7	Cabinet Member for Housing	Councillor Liz Wakefield
8	Cabinet Member for Planning, Employment, Economy & Regeneration	Councillor Amy Kennedy
9	Cabinet Member for Transport & Public Realm	Councillor Ian Davey

(iii) That the following Members be appointed to the following bodies as listed below:

1	Area Housing Panels x 4	Annual	Appropriate Ward Councillors	Appropriate Ward Councillors
2	Children & Young People's Trust Board	Annual	Cabinet Member for Children & Young People plus: 1 Green 1 Conservative 1 Labour	Cllr Shanks  Cllr Ruth Buckley Cllr Andrew Wealls Cllr Gill Mitchell
3	Community Safety Forum	Annual	4 Green  3 Conservative  2 Labour	Cllr Ben Duncan (Chair) Cllr Lizzie Deane Cllr Phelim MacCafferty Cllr Christina Summers Cllr Dawn Barnett Cllr Tony Janio Cllr Brian Pidgeon Cllr Warren Morgan Cllr Alan Robins
4	Housing Management Consultative Committee	Annual	4 Green  3 Conservative  2 Labour	Cllr Liz Wakefield (Chair) Cllr Ben Duncan Cllr Bill Randall Cllr Christina Summers Cllr Garry Peltzer Dunn Cllr Brian Pidgeon Cllr Geoff Wells Cllr Leigh Farrow Cllr Alan Robins

5	Joint Commissioning Board	Annual	Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care & Health Cabinet Member for Housing 1 Conservative 1 Labour	Cllr Rob Jarrett  Cllr Liz Wakefield  Cllr Ken Norman Cllr Brian Fitch
6	Staff Consultation Forum	Annual	3 Green  2 Conservative  1 Labour	Cllr Mike Jones Cllr Phelim MacCafferty Cllr Stephanie Powell Cllr Brian Pidgeon Cllr Geoffrey Theobald Cllr Gill Mitchell

8.8 **The motion was carried.**

**9. CLOSE OF MEETING**

9.1 The Mayor thanked everyone for attending and invited her assembled guests to join her at a reception in the Royal Pavilion; before closing the meeting.

The meeting concluded at 5.40pm

Signed

Chair

Dated this

day of