

THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF THE CITY & COUNTY OF CARDIFF

The County Council of the City & County of Cardiff met at County Hall, Cardiff on 25 May 2017 to transact the business set out in the Council summons dated Friday, 19 May 2017.

Present: Monica Walsh (Lord Mayor for municipal year 2016-2017 in the Chair)

County Councillors Ahmed, Asghar Ali, Dilwar Ali, Bale, Berman, Bowden, Bowen-Thomson, Boyle, Bradbury, Bridgeman, Burke-Davies, Carter, Congreve, Cowan, Cunnah, Davies, De'Ath, Derbyshire, Driscoll, Ebrahim, Elsmore, Ford, Goddard, Goodway, Gordon, Henshaw, Gavin Hill-John, Philippa Hill-John, Hinchey, Howells, Hudson, Jacobsen, Jenkins, Jones-Pritchard, Keith Jones, Owen Jones, Joyce, Kelloway, Lancaster, Lay, Lent, Lister, Mackie, McEvoy, McGarry, McKerlich, Merry, Michael, Molik, Morgan, Murphy, Naughton, Owen, Parkhill, Jackie Parry, Keith Parry, Patel, Phillips, Dianne Rees, Robson, Sandrey, Sattar, Simmons, Singh, Stubbs, Taylor, Graham Thomas, Huw Thomas, Lynda Thorne, Walker, Weaver, Wild, Williams, Wong and Wood

***Min No: 6 was amended at the meeting of the Full Council on 29 June 2017. The Amendment appears in bold italics.***

1 : MINUTE SILENCE

Manchester Arena 22 May 2017

A minute silence was held as a mark of respect for those who tragically lost their lives at the event at Manchester Arena on 22 May 2017.

Group Leaders and Members spoke to reflect on sad loss of life, those seriously injured and the support given by the emergency services.

The Lord Mayor advised that she had written to the Mayor and people of Manchester to express sincere and profound sympathy to all those affected by such a tragic event.

Rhodri Morgan

A minute silence was observed for Rhodri Morgan, former MP for Cardiff West and First Minister of Wales who passed away suddenly on 17 May 2017.

Group Leaders and Members paid tribute to the contributions Rhodri made to life and politics in Wales and Cardiff.

The Lord Mayor advised that she had written to Julie Morgan and her family to express the Members and Council sincere condolences for their loss.

2 : APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for this meeting.

3 : DECLARATION OF INTEREST

In accordance with the Members Code of Conduct, all Councillors declared a personal interest in Item 16 Members' Remuneration & Allowances 2017/18.

4 : TO ELECT THE LORD MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN OF COUNCIL FOR 2017/18

The Council received nominations for Lord Mayor and Chairman of the Council for 2017- 2018.

Councillor Huw Thomas proposed Councillor Bob Derbyshire and this was seconded by Councillor Adrian Robson.

There were no other nominations

RESOLVED – That Councillor Bob Derbyshire be elected as Lord Mayor and Chairman of the County Council of the City and County of Cardiff for 2017 - 2018.

*Monica Walsh invested the Right Honourable the Lord Mayor of the City and County of Cardiff, Councillor Bob Derbyshire with the chains of office.*

*(Members showed their appreciation with applause).*

*The Lord Mayor, County Councillor Bob Derbyshire had pleasure in investing the Lady Mayoress, Mrs Caroline Derbyshire with her chain of office.*

5 : CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Lord Mayor and Chair of Council addressed the Council following his election as 113th Lord Mayor of the City & County of Cardiff. It was an honour and delight to be elected and he thanked Councillor Huw Thomas and Councillor Adrian Robson for their kind words in nominating him, and family and friends and many colleagues for their support.

The Lord Mayor recognised the high expectations that come with the role of first citizen and with the support of his wife Caroline the Lady Mayoress, the Deputy Lord Mayor - Councillor Daniel De'Ath and the Deputy Lady Mayoress Rebecca Crump, family, friends and colleagues was looking forward to the challenge and being wonderfully assisted in this important role. .

The Lord Mayor charities for 207-2018 were the RSPB and Bug Life, Forest Farm.

The Lord Mayor on behalf of my council colleagues, the people of Cardiff and those benefitting from the outgoing Lord Mayor's charitable work, thanked Monica and Maria for being superb ambassadors for our capital city.

*(Members showed their appreciation with applause).*

6 : TO APPOINT THE DEPUTY LORD MAYOR AND DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF COUNCIL FOR 2017/18

The Council received nominations for Deputy Lord Mayor and Chairman.

Councillor Joe Boyle proposed Councillor Dan De'Ath as Deputy Lord Mayor and this was formally seconded by Councillor Neil McEvoy.

There were no other nominations.

***RESOLVED – That Councillor Dan De'Ath be appointed Deputy Lord Mayor and Deputy Chairman of the County Council of the City and County of Cardiff for 2017 - 2018.***

*The Lord Mayor invested the Deputy Lord Mayor of the City and County of Cardiff, Councillor Dan De'Ath with the chains of office.*

*The Lord Mayor invested the Deputy Lord Mayor, Ms Rebecca Crump with her chain of office.*

*The Chief Executive invited the Lord Mayor and Deputy Lord Mayor to sign the Declarations of Acceptance.*

*(Members showed their appreciation in the appropriate way).*

There followed a vote of thanks from the Huw Thomas, Leader of the Labour Group to the outgoing Lord Mayor, Monica Walsh and presented Monica Walsh and Maria Harvey with their badges of office as a mark of their year in office. Councillor Thomas also acknowledged the work of Councillor Georgina Phillips and the Deputy Lord Mayor Consort Len for their significant contribution as ambassadors for Cardiff during the last twelve months.

Each of Party Group Leader acknowledged the work of the outgoing Lord Mayor, her work in raising over £100,000 for Cancer Research Wales; and wishes her all the very best for the future

Monica Walsh responded and acknowledged the support that she had received over her year; the events and community representatives and people of Cardiff and South Wales she had met during her year; and the support given to her charitable fundraising. In particular, she thanked Councillor Dilwar Ali who had raised over £7,000 with his Walk the Wall in China in earlier in the month.

7 : ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF CARDIFF

Details of Members elected to Cardiff County Council on 4 May 2017, were submitted for information.

The Lord Mayor congratulated those who were successful during the recent elections and expressed the Council's appreciation of the work carried out by those Members who were not successful in gaining re-election to the Council and to those Members who did not seek re-election.

#### 8 : THE CARDIFF UNDERTAKING

All Elected Members were required to sign the Cardiff Undertaking and Members were asked to endorse their commitment to the Cardiff Undertaking at the meeting.

RESOLVED – That all Members endorsed and signed the Cardiff Undertaking.

#### 9 : TO ELECT THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

The Chair invited nominations for Leader.

It was proposed by Councillor Sarah Merry and seconded by Councillor Bernie Bowen-Thomson that Councillor Huw Thomas be elected as Leader of the County Council.

RESOLVED – That Councillor Huw Thomas be elected Leader of the County Council.

#### 10 : ELECTION OF CABINET MEMBERS

The Leader provided his nominations for the Cabinet, which were seconded by Councillor Bernie-Bowen Thomson.

RESOLVED - That the Election of Cabinet Members were approved as follows: -

- Deputy Leader & Cabinet Member, Education, Employment, Skills – Councillor Sarah Merry;
- Cabinet Member for Children and Families – Councillor Graham Hinchey;
- Cabinet Member for Clean Streets, Recycling and Environment – Councillor Michael Michael;
- Cabinet Member for Culture and Leisure – Councillor Peter Bradbury;
- Cabinet Member for Finance, Modernisation and Performance - Councillor Christopher Weaver;
- Cabinet Member for Housing and Communities – Councillor Lynda Thorne;
- Cabinet Member for Investment and Development – Councillor Russell Goodway;
- Cabinet Member for Social Care, Health and Well-being – Councillor Susan Elsmore;
- Cabinet Member for Strategic Planning and Transport – Councillor Caro Wild.

#### 11 : LEADER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Leader welcomed and congratulated new and returning Members and thanked all those retired or who had not returned after the election for their positive and

significant contributions. The Leader also paid tribute to former leaders Councillor Bale, Councillor Walker and former Councillor Clark.

The Leader referred to the tragic events in Manchester, which was a stark reminder of the impotence values of freedom, tolerance and democracy. The Leader spoke about social justice; equality of opportunity; and the importance that every Cardiff citizen has an opportunity to contribute to life in Cardiff, and his ambitions to meet these values.

The Leader updated Council on arrangements for the forthcoming Champions League Final in light of recent events and discussions with South Wales Police; operational teams supporting the event. This was a great event and opportunity for Cardiff and the Region.

## 12 : PLANNING COMMITTEE - NEW REGULATIONS

The Council was advised of new legislation made by Welsh Government in relation to the Planning Committee and recommend the necessary amendments to the Planning Committee Procedure Rules.

The report was proposed by Councillor Caro Wild and seconded by Councillor Keith Jones.

RESOLVED – That

1. noted the provisions of the new subordinate legislation relating to Planning Committees be noted and adopted;
2. the requisite amendments to the Planning Committee Procedure Rules, as set out in the report be approved; and
3. the Monitoring Officer be instructed to make the necessary Constitution amendments.

## 13 : THE ESTABLISHMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL 2017/ 18

The Constitution provides that the Council will at its Annual meeting decide any amendments to its standing committees for the municipal year, and the size and terms of reference of those committees.

RESOLVED – That the Council the establishment of the Council Committees; their size as set out in that Table A; and the terms of reference of each Committee, as set out in Appendix A to the report be approved the 2017 - 2018 Municipal Year.

## 14 : THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SCRUTINY COMMITTEES FOR 2017/18

The Council was requested to consider the recommendations of the Constitution Committee 2 March 2017 on a future model for scrutiny. The Lord Mayor advised that

an amendment to the report in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 24A. This amendment is included on the amendment sheet.

The report was proposed by Councillor De'Ath and seconded by Councillor Gordon.

The amendment was proposed by Councillor Chris Weaver and seconded by Councillor Bernie Bowen-Thomson.

Following discussion on the item the Lord Mayor took the vote on the amendment.

The Amendment was **CARRIED**.

RESOLVED – That

1. the Council agreed to retain the existing five committee scrutiny structure with its existing terms of reference for the municipal year 2017-18;
2. Membership of Scrutiny committees be agreed as nine Elected Members each; and
3. all non-Executive Elected Members be encouraged to participate in Scrutiny, as committee members and / or as members of task and finish inquiries. The maximum number of Members to sit on a task and finish inquiry be nine.

15 : ALLOCATION OF SEATS AND NOMINATIONS OF MEMBERS TO COMMITTEES

The Council was requested to approve the Allocation of Seats on the Established Committees and receive nominations from the political groups to the seats.

Nominations received in accordance with Party Group wishes appeared on the amendment sheet that had been circulated around the Chamber. The Lord Mayor advised that since the Party Group Whips meeting and the printing of the amendment sheet the Plaid Group had indicated that it wished to take up some of its allocated seats on Committees.

RESOLVED – That

1. the 'alternative arrangements' for the allocation of seats on each Committee to political groups as set out in Appendix A were approved, subject to further discussions with the Party Group Whips;
2. the nominations received from the political groups to the seats allocated to each group and the corresponding appointments be approved subject to further discussions with the Chief Whips;
3. the Monitoring Officer be requested to report to the next Council meeting the details of all appointments to committees for information, taking into account any further nominations or changes notified following this meeting.

16 : ELECTION OF CHAIRS AND DEPUTY CHAIRS OF COMMITTEES

The Council was requested to elect the Chairs and Deputy Chairs of Committees in accordance with Party Group wishes. The Party Group nominations appeared on the amendment sheet. There are no contested Chairs.

RESOLVED – That

- (1) the nominations received for the Chairs and Deputy Chairs (as appropriate) to the Regulatory and Other Committees were approved as follows:

|      | <b>Committee</b>   | <b>Chair/ Deputy</b>                   |
|------|--|--|
| (1). | Licensing Committee/<br>Public Protection Committee<br><br>Chair<br><br>Deputy Chair | <br><br>Jackie Parry<br><br>Jim Murphy |
| (2)  | Democratic Services Committee<br><br>Chair   | <br><br>Mike Jones-Pritchard           |
| (3). | Planning Committee<br><br>Chair<br><br>Deputy Chair                                  | <br><br>Keith Jones<br><br>Iona Gordon |

- (2) the proportional allocation of Scrutiny Chairs as set out in paragraph 4, Table A of the report was approved; and
- (3) subject to approval of recommendation (2), the Council note the appointment of the Scrutiny Chairs in accordance with the wishes of Party Groups pursuant to Part 6 of The Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011.

|      | <b>Committee</b>  | <b>Chair/ Deputy</b>  |
|------|---|-----------------------|
| i.   | Children & Young People Scrutiny Committee<br><br>Chair | <br><br>Lee Bridgeman |
| ii.  | Community & Adult Services Committee<br><br>Chair       | <br><br>Mary McGarry  |
| iii. | Economy and Culture Scrutiny Committee                  |                       |

|     | <b>Committee</b>  | <b>Chair/ Deputy</b> |
|-----|---|----------------------|
|     | Chair   | Nigel Howells        |
| iv. | Environmental Scrutiny Committee<br>Chair               | Ramesh Patel         |
| v.  | Policy Review & Performance Scrutiny Committee<br>Chair | David Walker         |

#### 17 : NOMINATION OF MEMBERS TO SERVE ON OUTSIDE BODIES

The Council received nominations to those outside bodies for which nominations are required on an annual basis or are required at this time in order to meet particular deadlines. Nominations received from Party Groups were included on the amendment sheet.

In respect of the Local Government Association, the following amended names were proposed: by Councillor Bernie Bowen-Thomson and seconded by Councillor Ed Stubbs.: -

*Councillors Huw Thomas, Merry, Bale and Robson.*

Councillor Joe Carter requested that the initial proposal that appeared on the amendment sheet be proposed, as this was in accordance with normal convention. This was seconded by Councillor Joe Boyle as follows: -

*Councillors Huw Thomas, Merry, Robson and Boyle.*

The Lord Mayor took a vote on the nominations for the Local Government Association as they appeared on the amendment sheet as proposed by Councillor Joe Carter.

The Vote was **LOST**.

The Lord Mayor took a vote on the amended proposal from Councillor Bernie Bowen-Thomson on the amended nominations to the Local Government Association.

The vote was **CARRIED**

RESOLVED – That

1. following appointments to outside bodies were received and approved-

Cardiff Business Improvement District Board (1 Member) - Councillor Huw Thomas



Cardiff Bus (7 Members - 4 Labour, 2 Conservative & 1 Liberal Democrat)  
Labour - Councillors Chris Lay, Ramesh Patel, Elaine Simmons and Ed Stubbs  
(Chair)  
Conservative - Councillors Gavin Hill-John and Adrian Robson  
Liberal Democrats - Councillor Emma Sandrey

Cardiff & Vale of Glamorgan Community Health Council (3 Members)  
Labour - Councillor Iona Gordon  
Conservative - Councillor Lyn Hudson

Local Government Association (4 Members)  
Labour - Councillors Phil Bale, Sarah Merry and Huw Thomas  
Conservative - Councillor Robson

Millennium Stadium Plc  
Labour - Councillor Huw Thomas

National Adoption Service Governance Board (1 Member)  
Labour - Councillor Hinchey

South Wales Fire & Rescue Authority  
Labour - Councillors Dilwar Ali, Heather Joyce and Peter Wong  
Conservative - Councillors Mile Phillips  
Liberal Democrats - Councillors Dan Naughton

South Wales Police & Crime Panel (2 Members)  
Labour - Councillor Bernie Bowen-Thomson  
Conservative - Councillor Tim Davies

WLGA (8 Member)  
Labour - Councillors Peter Bradbury, Susan Elsmore, Russell Goodway, Sarah Merry, Michael Michael, Huw Thomas, Lynda Thorne and Chris Weaver

WLGA Executive Board (1 Member) - Councillor Huw Thomas

2. agreed to delegate authority to the Corporate Director (Resources) and the Director of Governance and Legal Services and Monitoring Officer to proceed with the advertising and appointment to the independent Non-Executive Director positions and to establish a politically balanced Members Appointment Panel for the purpose of the appointment process (based on three Labour; one Liberal Democrat and one Conservative Members).

## 18 : MEMBERS' REMUNERATION & ALLOWANCES 2017/18

The Council received the determined of the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales on the prescribed levels of Members' Remuneration and Allowances that are payable in 2017/18, and was requested to agree those matters reserved for local determination by the Council.

RESOLVED – That

1. the determinations of the Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales made in its Annual Report 2017, as set out in the report be noted;
2. the annual Basic Salary of £13,400 is payable to all elected members for the municipal year 2017/18 be noted;
3. the Band 2 Senior Salary payable in 2017/18 to all Cabinet Members (except for the Leader and Deputy Leader) at Level 1 (prescribed by the Panel as £32,100 for this Council was approved;
4. the Band 3 Senior Salary payable in 2017/18 to those Committee Chairs that are remunerated at Level 1 (prescribed by the Panel as £22,100) was approved;
5. the maximum of 19 Senior Salary positions be allocated and payable for 2017/18 as follows:

| Bands of Responsibility | Role(s)   | No. of Senior Salary Positions |
|-------------------------|---|--------------------------------|
| Band 1                  | Leader  | 1                              |
|                         | Deputy Leader   | 1                              |
| Band 2 (Level1)         | Other Cabinet Members                                   | 8                              |
| Band 3 (Level1)         | Scrutiny Committee Chairs                               | 5                              |
|                         | Planning Committee Chair                                | 1                              |
|                         | Licensing / Public Protection Committees Chair          | 1                              |
| Band 4                  | Leader of largest opposition group (Conservative Group) | 1                              |
| Band 5                  | Leader of the Liberal Democrat Group                    | 1                              |
| Total                   |   | 19                             |

6. the Civic Salary payable in 2017/18 for the positions of Civic Head/Lord Mayor (£24,100) and Deputy Civic Head/Deputy Lord Mayor (£18,100) at Level 1 as prescribed by the Panel was approved and
7. the payment of Co-opted Member fees in 2017/18 should continue to be capped at a maximum of the equivalent of 10 full days a year was approved.

19 : REVIEW OF THE COUNCIL MEETING PROCEDURE RULES

The Council received proposed Constitution Amendments to the Council Procedure Rules recommended by Constitution Committee 2 March 2017.

The report was proposed by Councillor De'Ath and seconded by Councillor Gordon.

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 25(a) (iv), Councillor Bowen- Thomson moved that the report be referred back to the Constitution Committee to allow the new Council and Councillors to make a decision on the proposed changes.

The Motion without notice was seconded by Councillor Rod McKerlich.

The Lord Mayor took a vote on the motion to reference the report back.

The vote was **CARRIED**

RESOLVED – That the report be referred back to be considered by the Constitution Committee at its next meeting.

20 : CALENDAR OF FULL COUNCIL MEETINGS FOR 2017/18

The Council Procedure Rules provide that the Council approved a programme of ordinary meetings of the Council for each municipal year. A list of meetings currently scheduled to end of August 2017 was included on the amendment sheet.

A full schedule of meetings for the Municipal Year 2017/18 will be submitted to the June meeting of Council, this will allow for Chairs to Committees appointed by Annual Council to be consulted on the frequency and times for Committees.

RESOLVED – That

1. the Interim Calendar of Council, Cabinet & Regulatory Committee meetings for June & August 2017 be noted and approved;
2. the outcome of the Members Timing of Meeting Survey be noted, and that this information be taken into account in finalising a composite programme of Council, Cabinet and Committee meetings for 2017/18;
3. a programme of meeting dates for 2017 - 2018 and indicative dates for 2018-2019 be submitted for consideration at Council on 29 June 2017 following consultation with the elected Chairs of Committee.

21 : URGENT BUSINESS

There was no urgent business

*(Meeting closed at 18.28)*