DACORUM BOROUGH COUNCIL

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

12 MAY 2021

Present -

MEMBERS:

Douris (Mayor), Allen, Anderson, Arslan, Banks, Bassadone, Barrett, Barry, Beauchamp, Birnie, Chapman, Claughton, Durrant, Elliot, Griffiths, Guest, Harden, Hearn, Hollinghurst, Johnson, Link, Maddern, So Mahmood, Su Mahmood, Peter, Riddick (Deputy Mayor), Rogers, Sinha, Sutton, Symington, Taylor, Tindall, Timmis, Wilkie, Williams, Woolner and Wyatt-Lowe (37)

OFFICERS:

The Chief Executive, Assistant Director (Corporate & Contracted Services), C O'Neil (Corporate Support Team Leader), D Bulpit (Civic Events & Mayoral Support Officer) and T Angel (Corporate and Democratic Support Officer)

The meeting began at 7.30 pm.

1. THE MAYOR

Councillor Douris presented a video and made a speech in relation to his two years as Mayor.

Councillor Douris asked for nominations for the election of a Mayor to hold office until the appointment of a successor at the Annual Meeting of the Council in 2022.

It was moved by Councillor Birnie, seconded by Councillor Barrett and unanimously

Resolved:

That Councillor Stewart Riddick be appointed Mayor to the Borough of Dacorum until the appointment of a successor at the Annual Meeting of the Council in 2022.

Councillor Douris vacated the chair which was taken by Councillor Riddick who made his declaration of acceptance of office.

The Mayor delivered a speech of acceptance.

COUNCILLOR RIDDICK

The newly elected Mayor referred to the duties carried out by Councillor Douris as Mayor of the Borough of Dacorum during the previous two years.

It was moved by the Mayor, seconded by Councillor Williams and unanimously;

Resolved:

That the Council tender to Councillor Terry Douris their most cordial thanks for the admirable manner in which he has discharged the duties of the office of Mayor of the Borough of Dacorum

during the past two years and place on record their appreciation of the energy and sound judgement which distinguished his actions during that period: That the Seal of the Council be affixed to a copy of this resolution and that it be presented to him in recognition of his services as Mayor of the Borough of Dacorum.

2. DEPUTY MAYOR

The Mayor asked for nominations for the appointment of the Deputy Mayor to hold office until the appointment of a successor at the Annual Meeting of the Council in 2022.

It was moved by Councillor Griffiths, seconded by Councillor Rogers and unanimously;

Resolved:

That Councillor John Birnie be appointed Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Dacorum until the appointment of a successor at the Annual Meeting of the Council in 2022.

Councillor Birnie made his declaration of acceptance of office.

3. MINUTES

There were no minutes available to be signed at this meeting.

4. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors Adeleke, England, Freedman, Hobson, McDowell, Pringle, Ransley, Silwal, Stevens, Townsend and Uttley.

5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chief Executive advised, following the Elections on 6th May that Neil Harden of the Conservative Party was elected the borough councillor for Leverstock Green, and Sheron Wilkie of the Liberal Democrat Party was elected as the borough councillor for Tring Central Ward.

7. APPOINTMENT OF THE CABINET, OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEES AND REGULATORY COMMITTEES 2021/22

a) The Council received from Councillor Williams the appointments of the Deputy Leader and the other Members of the Cabinet and their respective Portfolios.

Councillor Williams – Leader of the Council, Portfolio Holder for Corporate & Contracted Services

Councillor Mrs Griffiths - Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Housing

Councillor Banks - Portfolio Holder for Community and Regulatory Services

Councillor Elliot - Portfolio Holder for Finance and Resources

Councillor Anderson - Portfolio Holder for Planning and Infrastructure

Councillor Barrett - Portfolio Holder for Environmental Services

b) Proposals for the Cabinet, Chairs and Vice-Chairs and Members to serve on the Standing Committees until the Annual Meeting of the Council in 2022 were circulated as set out in Annex A to these minutes and agreed.

The Mayor advised that concluded the business for the evening and declared the meeting closed.

The meeting ended at 8.17 pm.

ANNEX A

MEMBERSHIP OF CABINET, OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEES, REGULATORY COMMITTEES AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE 2019-2023

CABINET

Cabinet Portfolio Holder	Conservative
Leader of the Council	Cllr Williams
Finance & Resources	Cllr Elliot
Housing	Cllr Mrs Griffiths (Deputy Leader)
Environmental Services	Cllr Barrett
Community and Regulatory Services	Cllr Banks
Planning & Infrastructure	Cllr Anderson
Corporate & Contracted Services	Cllr Williams

OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEES

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY (13 members = 8:5)

Conservative	Liberal Democrats	
Gbola Adeleke (Vice Chair)	Ron Tindall	
Neil Harden	Lara Pringle	
Hazel Bassadone	Nick Hollinghurst	
Nigel Durrant	Sammy Barry	
Isy Imarni (Chair)	Rick Freedman	
Alan Johnson		
Suqlain Mahmood		
Pearl Oguchi		

FINANCE AND RESOURCES (13 members = 8:5)

Conservative	Liberal Democrats
Gbola Adeleke	Christopher Townsend (Vice Chair)
Frances Arslan	Stephen Claughton
Terry Douris	Sally Symington
Bert Chapman	Ron Tindall
Fiona Guest	William Allen
Sobaan Mahmood	
Suqlain Mahmood (Chair)	
Babita Sinha	

STRATEGIC PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT (13 members = 8:5)

Conservative	Liberal Democrats
Neil Harden	Garrick Stevens
Rob Beauchamp	Adrian England
John Birnie (Chair)	Sheron Wilkie
Penny Hearn	Nigel Taylor
Colette Wyatt-Lowe	Phil McDowell
Mark Rogers	

Goverdhan Silwal (Vice Chair)	
Jane Timmis	

HEALTH IN DACORUM COMMITTEE (10 members = 6:3:1)

Conservative	Liberal Democrats	Independent	
Rob Beauchamp	William Allen	Jan Maddern	
Alex Bhinder (Chair)	Nick Hollinghurst		
Nigel Durrant	Lara Pringle		
Fiona Guest (Vice Chair)			
Alan Johnson			
Babita Sinha			

AUDIT COMMITTEE (6 members = 4:2)

Conservative	Liberal Democrats
John Birnie	Christopher Townsend
Bert Chapman (Chair)	Sally Symington
Sobaan Mahmood	
Goverdhan Silwal	

DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (13 members = 7:5:1)

Conservative	Liberal Democrats	Independent
Rob Beauchamp	Phil McDowell	Jan Maddern
Nigel Durrant	Liz Uttley	
Fiona Guest (Chair)	Nicky Woolner	
Pearl Oguchi	Nick Hollinghurst	
Terry Douris	Claire Hobson	
Colette Wyatt-Lowe (Vice Chair)		
Andrew Williams		

APPEALS AND REVIEWS COMMITTEE

APPEALS (8 members = 5:3)

Conservative	Liberal Democrats
Gbola Adeleke	Brenda Link
Hazel Bassadone (Chair)	Phil McDowell
Penny Hearn (Vice Chair)	Roxanne Ransley
Rosie Sutton	
Colette Wyatt-Lowe	

LICENSING AND HEALTH AND SAFETY ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE (12 members = 8:4)

Conservative	Liberal Democrats
Hazel Bassadone	Brenda Link
Alex Bhinder (Vice Chair)	William Allen
Penny Hearn (Chair)	Lara Pringle
Isy Imarni	Nicky Woolner
Alan Johnson	
Colin Peter	
Mark Rogers	
Rosie Sutton	

LICENSING AND HEALTH AND SAFETY ENFORCEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE (6 members = 4:2:0)

Conservative	Liberal Democrats	
Hearn (Chairman)	Link	
Bhinder (Vice-Chairman)	Pringle	
Bassadone		
R Sutton		

LICENSING OF ALCOHOL & GAMBLING SUB-COMMITTEE (3 members = 2:1:0)

This Committee consists of a Panel of 3 Members who are picked from the Members of the Licensing and Health and Safety Enforcement Committee. Only Members who have had training on the Licensing of Alcohol & Gambling Sub-Committee can sit on this Panel.

Conservative	Liberal Democrat

STANDARDS COMMITTEE (5 members = 3:2)

Conservative	Liberal Democrats	
Alan Anderson	Roxanne Ransley	
Goverdhan Silwal	Rick Freedman	
Colette Wyatt-Lowe		
Independent Town Council Rep		

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE (5 members = 3:2)

Conservative	Liberal Democrats
Margaret Griffiths	Ron Tindall
Andrew Williams	Stephen Claughton
Colette Wyatt-Lowe	

ELECTORAL REVIEW COMMITTEE (6 members = 4:2)

Conservative	Liberal Democrats
Alan Anderson	Garrick Stevens
Terry Douris	Nick Hollinghurst
Margaret Griffiths	
Andrew Williams	

OTHERS

JNC (JOINT NEGOTIATING COMMITTEE) (4 members = 3:1)

Conservative	Liberal Democrats
Bert Chapman	Ron Tindall
Isy Imarni	
Gbola Adeleke	

MEMBER DEVELOPMENT STEERING GROUP (6 members = 4:2)

Conservative	Liberal Democrats
Goverdhan Silwal	Rick Freedman
Alex Bhinder	Sammy Barry
Terry Douris (Chair)	
Margaret Griffiths	