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**DACORUM BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

**11 MAY 2022**

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Present -

**MEMBERS:**

Riddick (Mayor), Adeleke, Allen, Anderson, Arslan, Barry-Mears, Banks, Barrett, Bassadone, Beauchamp, Bhinder, Birnie (Deputy Mayor), Chapman, Claughton, Dhyani, Douris, Elliot, England, Foster, Freedman, Griffiths, Guest, Harden, Hearn, Hobson, Imarni, Johnson, Link, Maddern, Sobaan Mahmood, Suqlain Mahmood, Peter, Oguchi, Pringle, Ransley, Rogers, Sinha, Stevens, Sutton, Symington, Taylor, Timmis, Tindall, Townsend, Wilkie, Williams and Wyatt-Lowe (47)

**OFFICERS:**

The Chief Executive, Strategic Director (Place), Assistant Director (Legal and Democratic Services), F Hussain (Head of Legal and Democratic Services), C O'Neil (Corporate Support Team Leader), D Bulpit (Events Officer) and T Angel (Corporate and Democratic Support Officer)

The meeting began at 7.30 pm.

**1. THE MAYOR**

Councillor Stewart Riddick made a speech in relation to his year as Mayor of Dacorum.

Councillor Stewart Riddick 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 2023.

It was moved by Councillor Williams, seconded by Councillor Griffiths and unanimously

Resolved:

That Councillor John Birnie be appointed Mayor to the Borough of Dacorum until the appointment of a successor at the Annual Meeting of the Council in 2023.

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

Councillor John Birnie delivered a speech of acceptance.

The newly elected Mayor referred to the duties carried out by Councillor Stewart Riddick as Mayor of the Borough of Dacorum during the past year.

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

Resolved:

That the Council tender to Councillor Stewart Riddick 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 year 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 2023.

It was moved by Councillor Anderson, seconded by Councillor Barrett and unanimously;

### Resolved:

That Councillor Alan Johnson be appointed Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Dacorum until the appointment of a successor at the Annual Meeting of the Council in 2023.

Councillor Alan Johnson made his declaration of acceptance of office.

## **3. MINUTES**

The minutes of the previous meeting will be considered at the next Council meeting.

## **4. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors Durrant, Hollinghurst, McDowell and Silwal.

## **5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were made.

## **6. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no announcements.

## **7. APPOINTMENTS OF THE CABINET, OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY AND REGULATORY COMMITTEES 2022/23**

Proposals for the Cabinet, Chairs and Vice-Chairs and Members to serve on the Standing Committees until the Annual Meeting of the Council in 2023 were circulated as set out in Annex A to these minutes and agreed.

The Leader issued notice of amendments to the Cabinet positions for information purposes only, as set out in Annex A.

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

The meeting ended at 8.11 pm.

## ANNEX A

### MEMBERSHIP OF CABINET, OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEES, POLICY DEVELOPMENT PANELS AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE 2019-2023

#### CABINET

<b>Cabinet Portfolio Holder</b>	<b>Conservative</b>
Leader of the Council	Cllr Williams
Corporate Services	Cllr Elliot
Housing Services	Cllr Mrs Griffiths (Deputy Leader)
Neighbourhood Services	Cllr Barrett
Communities	Cllr Banks
Place	Cllr Anderson
Commercial Strategy & Delivery	Cllr Williams

#### OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEES

##### HOUSING AND COMMUNITY (13 members = 8:5)

<b>Conservative</b>	<b>Liberal Democrat</b>
Gbola Adeleke (Vice-Chair)	Roxanne Ransley
Neil Harden	Lara Pringle
Nigel Durrant	Nick Hollinghurst
Isy Imarni (Chair)	Sammy Barry-Mears
Alan Johnson	Simy Dhyani
Suqlain Mahmood	
Pearl Oguchi	
Colette Wyatt-Lowe	

##### FINANCE AND RESOURCES (13 members = 8:5)

<b>Conservative</b>	<b>Liberal Democrat</b>
Gbola Adeleke	Christopher Townsend
Frances Arslan	Stephen Claughton (Vice Chair)
Terry Douris (Chair)	Sally Symington
Bert Chapman	Ron Tindall
Fiona Guest	Rick Freedman
Sobaan Mahmood	
Suqlain Mahmood	
Babita Sinha	

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

<b>Conservative</b>	<b>Liberal Democrat</b>
Neil Harden (Chair)	Garrick Stevens
Rob Beauchamp	Adrian England
Stewart Riddick	Sheron Wilkie
Penny Hearn	Nigel Taylor
Colette Wyatt-Lowe	Anne Foster
Mark Rogers (Vice-Chair)	
Rosie Sutton	
Jane Timmis	

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

<b>Conservative</b>	<b>Liberal Democrat</b>	<b>Independent</b>
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)**

<b>Conservative</b>	<b>Liberal Democrat</b>
Stewart Riddick	Christopher Townsend
Bert Chapman (Chair)	Sally Symington
Sobaan Mahmood	
Goverdhan Silwal	

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

<b>Conservative</b>	<b>Liberal Democrat</b>	<b>Independent</b>
Rob Beauchamp (Vice-Chair)	Phil McDowell	Jan Maddern
Nigel Durrant	Garrick Stevens	
Fiona Guest (Chair)	Ron Tindall	
Stewart Riddick	Nick Hollinghurst	
Terry Douris	Claire Hobson	
Colette Wyatt-Lowe		
Andrew Williams		

**APPEALS AND REVIEWS COMMITTEE****APPEALS (8 members = 5:3)**

<b>Conservative</b>	<b>Liberal Democrat</b>
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)**

<b>Conservative</b>	<b>Liberal Democrat</b>
Hazel Bassadone	Brenda Link
Alex Bhinder (Vice-Chair)	William Allen
Penny Hearn (Chair)	Lara Pringle
Isy Imarni	Vacancy
Alan Johnson	
Colin Peter	
Mark Rogers	
Rosie Sutton	

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

<b>Conservative</b>	<b>Liberal Democrat</b>
Hearn (Chairman)	Link
Bhinder (Vice-Chair)	Pringle
Bassadone	
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.

<b>Conservative</b>	<b>Liberal Democrat</b>

**STANDARDS COMMITTEE (5 members = 3:2)**

<b>Conservative</b>	<b>Liberal Democrat</b>
Alan Anderson	Roxanne Ransley
Goverdhan Silwal	Rick Freedman
Colette Wyatt-Lowe	
<b>Independent Town Council Rep</b>	

**APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE (5 members = 3:2)**

<b>Conservative</b>	<b>Liberal Democrat</b>
Margaret Griffiths	Ron Tindall
Andrew Williams	Stephen Claughton
Colette Wyatt-Lowe	

**ELECTORAL REVIEW COMMITTEE (6 members = 4:2)**

<b>Conservative</b>	<b>Liberal Democrat</b>
Alan Anderson	Garrick Stevens
Terry Douris	Nick Hollinghurst
Margaret Griffiths	
Andrew Williams	

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

<b>Conservative</b>	<b>Liberal Democrat</b>
Bert Chapman	Ron Tindall
Isy Imarni	
Gbola Adeleke	

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

<b>Conservative</b>	<b>Liberal Democrat</b>
Goverdhan Silwal	Rick Freedman
Alex Bhinder	Sammy Barry-Mears
Terry Douris (Chair)	
Margaret Griffiths	