

# **BRIGHTON & HOVE CITY COUNCIL**

## **ANNUAL MEETING**

**13 MAY 2004**

**4.30PM**

## **BRIGHTON TOWN HALL**

## **MINUTES**

Present: Councillor Jeane Lepper (Mayor for items 1 to 3); Councillor Mrs Drake (Mayor for items 4 to 9); Councillors Allen, Battle, Mrs Bennett, Bodfish, Mrs Brown, Burgess, Carden, Mrs Cobb, Davidson, Mrs Drake, Edmond-Smith, Elgood, Fitch, Forester, Framroze, Giebeler, Hamilton, Hawkes, Hazelgrove, Hyde, John, Kemble, Kielty, Mallender, McCaffery, Meadows, Mears, Meegan, Mitchell, Morgan, Mrs Norman, K Norman, Older, Oxley, Paskins, Peltzer Dunn, Pennington, Pidgeon, Randall, Mrs Simson, Smith, Taylor, Mrs Theobald, G Theobald, Tonks, Turner, Turton, Watkins, Wells, Williams, Willows, Wrighton and Young.

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### **1. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

1.1 No declarations of interests were made.

### **2. MAYORAL REPORT 2003-2004**

2.1 The Mayor moved that the Mayoral Report for 2003-2004 be received.

2.2 The motion was carried.

### **3. ELECTION OF MAYOR**

3.1 The Mayor having invited nominations for the position of Mayor of Brighton & Hove City Council for the municipal year 2004/2005 the following proposal was submitted:-

Councillor Pat Drake proposed by Councillor Oxley, seconded by Councillor Bodfish.

3.2 The Mayor declared that, there being no other nominations, Councillor Pat Drake be duly elected Mayor of Brighton & Hove City Council for the

forthcoming municipal year. Councillor Pat Drake then made and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

### **COUNCILLOR PAT DRAKE IN THE CHAIR**

3.3 The Mayor thanked the Council for her appointment.

3.4 Councillor Bodfish moved a Vote of Thanks to Councillor Jeane Lepper, the retiring Mayor. The Motion, which was seconded by Councillor Fitch, was carried.

3.5 The Mayor presented Councillor Jeane Lepper and David Lepper with commemorative badges in recognition of their year of office.

3.6 Councillor Jeane Lepper thanked the Council.

### **4. ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR**

4.1 The Mayor moved that the Council appoint Councillor Jeane Lepper as Deputy Mayor for the forthcoming municipal year. The Motion was seconded by Councillor Bodfish.

4.2 The Mayor declared that, there being no other nominations, Councillor Jeane Lepper be duly elected as Deputy Mayor of Brighton & Hove City Council for the forthcoming municipal year.

4.3 Councillor Jeane Lepper made and signed her Declaration of Acceptance of Office. The Mayor presented the Deputy Mayor with her badge of office.

### **5. MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS**

5.1 The Mayor informed the Council that The Venerable Douglas McKittrick, Archdeacon of Chichester had consented to be her Chaplain for the forthcoming year and that Reverend David Wostenholm had consented to be her Deputy Chaplain for the forthcoming year.

5.2 The Mayor invited all Members of the Council to attend Divine Service at All Saints Church on Sunday, 16 May 2004 at 10.00am.

5.3 The Mayor reported that the Mayoral Charities for her year of office would be the Martlets, the Sussex Lantern Appeal and the Rocking Horse Appeal. She would also attend as many events as possible involving other charities.

5.4 The Mayor then invited Mrs Ruth Brigden to return a commemorative cup that was presented to her great grandfather, Mr John Loenardt Brigden, paid

for by public subscription in recognition of 50 years service, and being elected Mayor of Brighton from 1863 – 65 and 1873 – 75.

## **6. MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES AND SUB-COMMITTEES**

6.1 The Mayor moved that:

(1) For the municipal year 2004/2005 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) be as specified:

<b>Committee/Sub-Committee</b>	<b>Seats</b>	<b>Labour</b>	<b>Con</b>	<b>Green</b>	<b>Lib/Dem</b>	<b>Ind</b>
Policy & Resources	15	7	5	2	1	-
Education & Social Services	11	5	4	1	1	-
Environment	11	5	4	1	1	-
Housing	11	5	4	1	1	-
Licensing*	15	6	6	2	1	-
Licensing 2003*	15	6	6	2	1	-
Standards	6	2	2	1	1	-
Adult Social Care & Health Sub	10	5	4	1	-	-
Children, Families & Schools Sub	10	4	4	1	1	-
Community Safety Forum	10	4	4	1	1	-
Environment Planning Applications Sub	12	5	5	1	1	-
Equalities Forum	10	4	4	1	1	-
Housing Management Sub	9	4	3	2	-	-
Personnel Appeals Sub (from a pool of Members)	3	2	1	-	-	-
Licensing Sub	3	1	1	1	-	-
Overview & Scrutiny Organisation	11	5	4	1	1	-
Education Overview & Scrutiny Panel	10	4	4	1	-	1
Health Overview & Scrutiny Panel	7	3	2	1	-	1
Sustainability Commission	10	4	4	1	1	-

(2) That the Chief Executive be authorised to receive and give effect to the wishes of the Groups as expressed to him in accordance with Section 16 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989.

(3) That subject to (a) and (b) below all Members of the Council be appointed as substitute Members of each Committee and Sub-Committee of the Council in accordance with the Constitution, but:

- (a) No Member may act as a substitute Member of the Planning Applications Sub-Committee or the Personnel Appeals Sub-Committee unless he/she is one of the panel of trained substitute Members nominated for that Committee or Sub-Committee.
- (b) There are restrictions on membership of the Overview and Scrutiny Organisation Committee and Panels as set out in the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure rules.
- (4) That the existing co-optees and independent members of the sub-committees and panels be reappointed as co-opted Members of the Housing Management Sub-Committee, the Planning Applications Sub-Committee, the Education Overview and Scrutiny Panel, the Health Overview and Scrutiny Panel, and the Standards Committee respectively providing that the Overview and Scrutiny Organisation Committee may appoint additional non-voting co-optees to the Education and Health Overview and Scrutiny Panels.

## 7. APPOINTMENT OF COUNCILLORS

7.1 The Mayor moved that for the municipal year 2004/2005 the following appointments of Councillors be as specified:

### (a) Administration Group

Position	Councillor	
Leader of the Council	Ken Bodfish	
Deputy Leader	Sue John	
Committees/Sub-Committees	Chair	Deputy Chair
Policy & Resources	Ken Bodfish	Sue John Simon Burgess
Education & Social Services	Pat Hawkes	Gerry Kielty
Environment	Gill Mitchell	Craig Turton
Housing	Jack Hazelgrove	Kevin Allen
Licensing*	Don Turner	Jeane Lepper
Licensing 2003*	Don Turner	Jeane Lepper
Standards	Tehmtan Framroze	N/A

Adult Social Care & Health Sub	Gerry Kielty	Anne Meadows
Children, Families & Schools Sub McCaffery	Pat Hawkes	Juliet
Community Safety Forum	Gill Mitchell	N/A
Environment Planning Applications Sub	Bob Carden	Roy Pennington
Equalities	Paul Elgood (Lib/Dem)	N/A
<b>Committees/Sub-Committees</b>	<b>Chair</b>	<b>Deputy Chair</b>
Housing Management Sub Hazelgrove	Kevin Allen	Jack
Personnel Appeals Sub	From a Pool of Members	
Licensing 2003 Sub	Don Turner	N/A
Overview & Scrutiny Organisation	Les Hamilton	N/A
Education Overview & Scrutiny Panel	Les Hamilton	N/A
Health Overview & Scrutiny Panel	Jayne Bennett (Ind)	Kevin Allen
	<b>Convenor</b>	<b>Deputy Convenor</b>
Sustainability Commission	Joyce Edmond-Smith	N/A

(b) **Appointments of Principal Opposition Councillors**

<b>Position</b>	<b>Councillor</b>
Leader of Principal Opposition Group	Garry Peltzer Dunn
Deputy Leader of the Opposition	Vanessa Brown
Deputy Leader of the Opposition	Ann Norman
Convenor of the Green Group	Keith Taylor
Leader of the Liberal Democrat Group	Paul Elgood
<b>Committees/Sub-Committees</b>	<b>Opposition Spokesperson</b>
Policy & Resources	Garry Peltzer Dunn Brian Oxley (Finance)

Education

Vanessa Brown

Social Services

Ann Norman

Environment

Ted Kemble

Culture and Recreation

David Smith

Housing & Regeneration

Mary Mears

Licensing\*

Lynda Hyde (Deputy Chair)

### **Committees/Sub-Committee**

### **Opposition Spokesperson**

Licensing 2003\*

Lynda Hyde (Deputy Chair)

Standards

Dee Simson

Adult Social Care & Health Sub

Ann Norman

Children, Families & Schools Sub

Vanessa Brown

Community Safety Forum

Denise Cobb

Environment Planning Applications Sub  
Chair)

Carol Theobald (Deputy

Equalities Forum

Brian Pidgeon

Housing Management Sub

Geoff Wells

Personnel Appeals Sub

Lynda Hyde

Licensing 2003 Sub

Lynda Hyde

Overview & Scrutiny Organisation  
Chair)

Geoffrey Theobald (Deputy

Education Overview & Scrutiny Panel  
(Deputy Chair)

Ann Norman

Health Overview & Scrutiny Panel  
Chair)

Denise Cobb (Deputy

Sustainability Commission

Ken Norman

## **8. APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES**

8.1 The Mayor explained that appointments were made by the Majority Group and the Principal Opposition Group to partnerships and outside bodies. Accordingly the Mayor moved that the following appointments of representatives for 2004/2005 be approved:

Organisation	Councillors			
	Labour	Conservative	Green	Lib/Dem
Area Investment Framework	John	Mears		
Arts Commission	Allen John	Smith Mrs Theobald	Taylor	Davidson
Brighton & Hove Economic Partnership	Bodfish	Oxley		
Brighton & Hove Regeneration Partnership	McCaffery Turner	Kemble Mears		
Citizens Advice Bureau	Turton	Pidgeon		
East Sussex Fire Authority	Burgess Fitch Hawkes	Kemble G Theobald	Paskins	
Local Government Association General Assembly	Bodfish John	Mrs Brown G Theobald		
Local Strategic Partnership	Bodfish John	Peltzer Dunn Smith	Taylor	
Raceground Lessees	Bodfish (Board) Hawkes Fitch Burgess	Smith (Board) Mrs Theobald Wells		Elgood
Shoreham Airport Joint Committee	Turton Hamilton Meegan	Peltzer Dunn Young	Taylor	
Social Services Complaints Review Panel	2 vacancies	Mears		
South East Employers Organisation	Meegan Tonks	Hyde		
South East Regional Assembly	Turner			



Organisation	Councillors			
	Labour	Conservative	Green	Lib/Dem
The Brighton Festival	John	Mrs Brown		
The Brighton Festival Society Limited	Bodfish John			
University of Sussex Court	Bodfish			

8.2 The Motion was carried.

## 9. CLOSE OF MEETING

9.1 The Mayor invited the assembled company to join her at the Brighton Museum for refreshments.

The meeting concluded at 6 pm.

Signed

Mayor

Dated this

day of

2004