

BRIGHTON & HOVE CITY COUNCIL

ANNUAL MEETING

12 MAY 2005

4.30PM

BRIGHTON TOWN HALL

MINUTES

Present: Councillor Mrs Drake (Mayor for items 1 to 3); Councillor Carden (Mayor for items 4 to 9); Councillors Allen, Barnett, Battle, Bennett, Bodfish, Mrs Brown, Burgess, Mrs Cobb, Davidson, Edmond-Smith, Elgood, Fitch, Forester, Framroze, Giebeler, Hamilton, Hawkes, Hazelgrove, Hyde, John, Kemble, Lepper, 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.

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

1.1 No declarations of interests were made.

2. MAYORAL REPORT 2004-2005

2.1 The Mayor moved that the Mayoral Report for 2004-2005 be received.

2.2 The motion was carried.

2.3 The Mayor presented to the Council a painting of the Mayor's Chauffeur painted by Miss Jael O'Connor who is a student at the University of Brighton.

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 2005/2006 the following proposal was submitted:-

Councillor Bob Carden proposed by Councillor Fitch, seconded by Councillor Peltzer Dunn.

3.2 The Mayor declared that, there being no other nominations, Councillor Bob Carden be duly elected Mayor of Brighton & Hove City Council for the forthcoming municipal year. Councillor Bob Carden then made and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

3.3 The Council agreed.

COUNCILLOR BOB CARDEN IN THE CHAIR

3.4 The Mayor thanked the Council for his appointment.

3.5 Councillor Peltzer Dunn moved a Vote of Thanks to Councillor Pat Drake, the retiring Mayor. The Motion, which was seconded by Councillor Bodfish, was carried.

3.6 The Mayor presented Councillor Pat Drake and Mrs Karen Martin with commemorative badges in recognition of their year of office.

3.7 Councillor Pat Drake thanked the Council.

4. ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR

4.1 The Mayor moved that the Council appoint Councillor Pat Drake as Deputy Mayor for the forthcoming municipal year. The Motion was seconded by Councillor Peltzer Dunn.

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

4.3 The Council agreed.

4.4 Councillor Pat Drake 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 his Chaplain for the forthcoming year and that Reverend David Wostenholm had consented to be his Deputy Chaplain for the forthcoming year.

5.2 The Mayor invited all Members of the Council to attend the Civic Evensong Service at St Peter's Church, Brighton on Sunday, 15 May 2005 at 6.00pm.

5.3 The Mayor reported that the Mayoral Charities for his year of office would be the McMillan Cancer Relief and the Brighton Heart Support Trust. He would also attend as many events as possible involving other charities.

6. MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES AND SUB-COMMITTEES

6.1 The Mayor moved that:

(1) For the municipal year 2005/2006 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:

Committee/Sub-Committee	Seats	Labour	Con	Green	Lib/Dem	Ind
Policy & Resources	15	6	6	2	1	-
Environment	11	5	4	1	1	-
Housing	11	5	4	1	1	-
Adult Social Care & Health	10	5	4	1	-	-
Children, Families & Schools	10	4	4	1	-	1
Licensing*	15	6	6	1	1	1
Licensing 2003*	15	6	6	1	1	1
Culture & Tourism Sub	10	4	4	1	1	
Planning Applications Sub	12	5	5	1	1	-
Housing Management Sub	9	4	3	1	1	-
Licensing 2003 Sub	3	1	1	1	-	-
Personnel Appeals Sub (from a pool of Members)	3	1	1	1	-	-
Overview & Scrutiny Organisation	11	5	3	1	1	1
Education Overview & Scrutiny Panel	10	4	4	1	-	1
Health Overview & Scrutiny Panel	7	3	2	1	-	1
Total	137	58	51	15	8	5

*Both Committees have the same membership

Other Bodies						
Standards	6	2	2	1	1	-
Community Safety Forum	10	4	4	1	1	-
Equalities Forum	10	4	4	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 panels 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 2005/2006 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
Adult Social Care & Health Morgan	Anne Meadows	Warren

Children, Families & Schools
McCaffery

Pat Hawkes

Juliet

Environment

Gill Mitchell

Craig Turton

Housing
Meadows

Don Turner

Anne

Licensing*
Pennington

Jeane Lepper

Roy

Committees/Sub-Committees

Chair

Deputy Chair

Licensing 2003*
Pennington

Jeane Lepper

Roy

Standards

Tehmtan Framroze

N/A

Community Safety Forum

Ken Bodfish

N/A

Culture & Tourism Sub

Sue John

Simon Battle

Environment Planning Applications Sub

Les Hamilton

Delia Forester

Equalities Forum

Paul Elgood

N/A

Housing Management Sub

Don Turner

Francis Tonks

Personnel Appeals Sub

From a Pool of
Members

Licensing 2003 Sub

Jeane Lepper

N/A

Overview & Scrutiny Organisation

David Watkins

N/A

Education Overview & Scrutiny Panel

Vince Meegan

N/A

Health Overview & Scrutiny Panel

Kevin Allen

Convenor

Sustainability Commission

Joyce Edmond Smith

N/A

(b) Appointments of Principal Opposition Councillors

Position

Councillor

Leader of Principal Opposition Group
Deputy Leader of the Opposition
Deputy Leader of the Opposition

Garry Peltzer Dunn
Vanessa Brown
Ann Norman

Convenor of the Green Group

Keith Taylor

Leader of the Liberal Democrat Group

Paul Elgood

Leader of the Independent Group

Anne Giebeler

Committees/Sub-Committees

Policy & Resources

Garry Peltzer Dunn

Adult Social Care & Health

Ann Norman

Committees/Sub-Committee

Opposition Spokesperson

Children, Families & Schools

Vanessa Brown

Environment

Ted Kemble

Housing

Mary Mears

Licensing*
Chair)

Lynda Hyde (Deputy

Licensing 2003*
Chair)

Lynda Hyde (Deputy

Standards

Dee Simson

Community Safety Forum

N/A

Culture & Tourism Sub

David Smith

Environment Planning Applications Sub
Chair)

Carol Theobald (Deputy

Equalities Forum

Brian Pidgeon

Housing Management Sub

Geoff Wells

Personnel Appeals Sub

Brian Pidgeon

Licensing 2003 Sub
Chair)

Lynda Hyde (Deputy

Overview & Scrutiny Organisation

Geoffrey Theobald (Deputy
Chair)

Education Overview & Scrutiny Panel
(Deputy Chair)

Ann Norman

Health Overview & Scrutiny Panel
Chair)

Denise Cobb (Deputy

Sustainability Commission

Carol Theobald

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 2005/2006 be approved:

Organisation	Councillors				
	Labour	Con	Green	Lib/Dem	Ind
Arts Commission	Allen John	Smith Theobald	To be notified	Davidson	
Brighton & Hove Economic Partnership	Bodfish	Peltzer Dunn			
Brighton & Hove Regeneration Partnership	McCaffery Turner	Kemble Mears			
Citizens Advice Bureau	Pennington Pidgeon				
East Sussex Fire Authority	Fitch Morgan Pennington	Kemble Theobald	To be notified		
Local Government Association General Assembly	Bodfish John	Mrs Brown Theobald			
Raceground Trustees	Bodfish Burgess Fitch Hawkes	Smith (Board) Mrs Theobald Wells		Elgood (Board)	
Shoreham Airport Joint Committee	Hamilton Meegan Turner	Peltzer Dunn Mrs Young	To be notified		

Organisation	Councillors				
	Labour	Con	Green	Lib/Dem	Ind
South East Employers Organisation	Meegan Tonks	Pidgeon			
South East Regional Assembly	Turner				
Sussex Police Joint Appointments Committee	Bodfish	Theobald			
Sussex Sea Fisheries	John	Willows			
The Brighton Festival	John	Mrs Brown			
The Brighton Festival Society Limited	Bodfish John				

8.2 The Motion was carried.

9. SOUTH DOWNS JOINT COMMITTEE AND SOUTH DOWNS ADVISORY FORUM 2005/08

9.1 It was moved by Councillor Mitchell that the report of the Environment Committee in relation to the establishment of a Joint Committee and Advisory Forum, for a period of two years and nine months for the protection of the East Hampshire and Sussex Downs Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONBs) be approved.

9.2 The motion was carried.

10. CLOSE OF MEETING

10.1 The Mayor invited the assembled company to join him at Brighton Museum and Art Gallery for refreshments.

The meeting concluded at 6.30 pm.

Signed

Mayor

Dated this

day of

2005