

Council

Minutes of the meeting on 20 May 2015

Present: The Right Worshipful, The Lord Mayor Councillor Cooley – in the Chair

Adams, Ahmed, Akbar, Ahmed Ali, Azra Ali, N. Ali, Sameem Ali, Shaukat Ali, Amesbury, Andrews, Appleby, Austin, Barrett, Battle, Bridges, Chappell, Chohan, Collins, Connolly, Cookson, Cooley, Cooper, Cox, Craig, Curley, Dar, Davies, Ellison, Evans, Farrell, Fender, Flanagan, Fletcher-Hackwood, Gillard, Green, Grimshaw, Hackett, Hacking, Hassan, Hewitson, Hitchen, Hughes, Igbon, S Judge, T Judge, Kamal, Karney, Kirkpatrick, Knowles, Lanchbury, Leese, Lone, Longsdon, Loughman, Ludford, Manco, Marshall, Midgley, Monaghan, Moore, N. Murphy, P. Murphy,, E. Newman, S. Newman, Noor, Ollerhead, O’Neil, Paul, Peel, Priest, Pritchard, Rahman, Raikes, Rawlins, Rawson, Razaq, Reeves, Reid, Richards, Rowles, Royle, Russell, Sheikh, Shilton Godwin, Siddiqi, Simcock, Shone, Smitheman, Stogia, Stone, Strong, Swannick, Teubler, Trotman, Watson, Webb and Wilson

CC/15/32 Election of Lord Mayor

The Lord Mayor invited nominations for the office of Lord Mayor for the forthcoming municipal year.

Councillor Paul Murphy was nominated and the Council voted by acclamation. The Lord Mayor declared that Councillor Paul Murphy was elected Lord Mayor of Manchester for the forthcoming municipal year.

Councillor Murphy then subscribed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and the Council adjourned briefly whilst the new Lord Mayor was robed.

On resuming, the Lord Mayor Councillor Paul Murphy took the Oath of Allegiance, was invested with the badge of office. He then addressed the Council.

CC/15/33 Chair

The Right Worshipful, the Lord Mayor, Councillor Paul Murphy (in the Chair)

CC/15/34 Thanks to the Retiring Lord Mayor

A vote of thanks to the retiring Lord Mayor was moved by Councillor Karney.

The Lord Mayor presented a Former Lord Mayor badge to the retiring Lord Mayor. The Lady Mayoress presented the retiring Lord Mayor’s Consort with his commemorative badge.

Councillor Cooley then addressed the Council.

Decision

To extend the sincere thanks of the Council to Councillor Susan Cooley, the retiring Lord Mayor for her valuable services to Manchester during her term of office, and to Mr Steven Cole, the retiring Lord Mayor's Consort, for the work he has undertaken to support the retiring Lord Mayor.

CC/15/35 Appointment of Deputy Lord Mayor

The Lord Mayor invited nominations for the office of Deputy Lord Mayor for the forthcoming municipal year. Councillor Carl Austin was nominated and the Council voted by acclamation. The Lord Mayor declared that he had been appointed.

Councillor Austin then subscribed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and was invested with the badge of office.

CC/15/36 Urgent Business

The Lord Mayor informed the Council that he had consented to the minutes of the Constitutional and Nomination Committee on 19 May 2015 being submitted for consideration as urgent business.

CC/15/37 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held of 1 April 2015 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Lord Mayor.

CC/15/38 Seniority of Councillors

The Council noted the revised list of seniority of councillors following the election held in May 2015.

CC/15/39 The Leader of the Council

The Lord Mayor invited nominations for election as Leader of the Council.

Councillor Richard Leese was proposed and seconded.

After the Council voted on this, the Lord Mayor declared that Councillor Richard Leese was elected.

Decision

To elect Councillor Richard Leese as Leader of the Council.

CC/15/40 The Executive 2015/16

A report was circulated on the appointment of the Deputy Leader, Substitute Deputy Leader, Executive Members and their current portfolios. A full schedule of the Executive Members and their portfolios is appended to these minutes. The Leader informed the Council that changes would be made at the July meeting of the Council.

Decision

To note the appointment of Councillor Nigel Murphy as Executive Member for Neighbourhood Services.

CC/15/41 Appointments of Committees and Chairs

The Council approved the recommendations made by the Constitutional and Nomination Committee on 19 May 2015 about the appointment of chairs and membership of the Council's committees.

CC/15/42 Appointments to the Combined Authority, Joint Authorities and Joint Committees

The Council approved the recommendations made by the Constitutional and Nomination Committee on 19 May 2015 about the Council's appointments to the Combined Authority, joint authorities and joint committees.

CC/15/43 Proceedings of the Executive

The proceedings of the Executive on 14 April 2015 were submitted

Decision

To receive the minutes of the Executive meeting on 14 April 2015

CC/15/44 Proceedings of Committees

The minutes of the following committees were submitted

- Planning and Highways Committee – 9 April 2015
- Constitutional and Nomination Committee – 19 May 2015

The Committee made recommendations about membership of Council committees and joint authorities which were considered under minute reference CC/15/41 and CC/15/42. It also made recommendations about the appointment of lead members

Decision

1. To appoint the following lead members:

Gay Men	Councillor Austin
Disabled people	Councillor Rawlins
Lesbians	Councillor Craig
Race	Councillor Kamal
Women	Councillor Teubler
Valuing Older People	Councillor Cooley
City Centre	Councillor Karney
Intergenerational	Councillor Azra Ali

Mental Health Champion Councillor Midgley

Decision

To receive the minutes.

CC/15/45 Dates of Council Meetings

The Council considered the dates of Council meetings for the forthcoming municipal year. It was agreed that the date of the budget meeting would be moved to Friday 4th March to take account of the budget making cycle.

Decision

1. To agree the following dates of ordinary meetings of the Council in 2015/2016:

Wednesday 15 July 2015
Wednesday 23 September 2015
Wednesday 18 November 2015
Wednesday 20 January 2016
Friday 4th March 2016 (Budget meeting)
Wednesday 16 March 2016

2. To agree that the annual meeting of the Council 2016 will be on 18 May 2015.

CC/15/46 Council Constitution 2015/16

The Leader of the Council moved the recommendations in the City Solicitor's report about amendments and revisions to the Constitution.

Decisions

1. To adopt, subject to 3 below, the attached Parts of the Constitution of the Council, namely –

Part 2
Part 3
Part 4 (Sections A, B, C and F)
Part 5
Part 6 (Sections A C, and G)
Part 8

2. To re-adopt the existing Part 1, Part 4 (Sections D and E), Part 6 (Sections B, D, E and F), and Part 7

3. To note in relation to Part 3 that responsibility for the discharge of executive functions and the delegation of such responsibility rests with the Leader of the Council and that the recommended delegations of executive functions as set out in Part 3 (Sections A, B and F) are for the information of Council only.