# Council

## Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting on 18 May 2016

Present: The Right Worshipful, The Lord Mayor Carl Austin-Behan – in the Chair

Akbar, Ahmed Ali, Azra Ali, N. Ali, Sameem Ali, Shaukat Ali, Alijah, Amesbury, Andrews, Appleby, Austin-Behan, Barrett, Battle, Bridges, Chappell, Chohan, Collins, Connolly, Cookson, Cooley, Craig, Curley, Dar, Davies, Ellison, Evans, Farrell, Fender, Flanagan, Fletcher-Hackwood, Green, Grimshaw, Hacking, Hassan, Hitchen, Hughes, Igbon, S Judge, T Judge, Kamal, Karney, Kirkpatrick, Knowles, Lanchbury, Leech, Leese, Longsden, Loughman, Ludford, Manco, Marshall, Midgley, Madeleine Monaghan, Mary Monaghan, Moore, N. Murphy, S. Murphy, E. Newman, S. Newman, Noor, Ollerhead, O'Neil, Paul, Peel, B Priest, H Priest Pritchard, Rahman, Raikes, Rawlins, Rawson, Reeves, Reid, Rowles, Russell, Sadler, Sharif Mahamed, Sheikh, Shilton Godwin, Siddiqi, A Simcock, K Simcock, Smitheman, Stogia, Stone, Strong, Taylor, Teubler, Watson, Webb, Wills and Wilson

### CC/16/48 Lord Mayor's Special Business - Fostering Fortnight

Councillor S Newman made a statement to Council about Fostering Fortnight, the annual awareness raising campaign aimed at recruiting foster carers.

#### CC/16/49 Lord Mayor's Special Business - Questions to Executive Members

The Council considered the questions to Executive Members that were deferred from the Annual General Meeting.

Councillor Andrews responded to a question from Councillor Leech about access to services for recovering alcoholics since the closure of the Brian Hore Unit.

Councillor Chappell responded to a question from Councillor Leech about the expected standard of performance in clearing blocked drains.

Councillor Chappell responded to a question from Councillor Leech about the minimum width of pavements in Manchester.

Councillor Priest responded to a question from Councillor Leech about the rights of tenants since Council stock transfer.

#### CC/16/50 Draft Submission on Council size for the Local Government Boundary Commission for England's Electoral Review of Manchester City Council

The Council considered a report of the Chief Executive which presented the Council's draft submission on Council size to the Local Government Boundary Commission (LGBCE). The LGBCE had undertaken a review of the Council's electoral arrangements and will make recommendations to Parliament on the total number of councillors that should be elected to the authority in the future. It will also make recommendations on the boundaries, names and number of councillors that represent each ward.

The Leader informed Council that the size of the electorate had increased since the last review was conducted. This trend was set to continue. The draft submission proposed to keep the number of councillors the same as it was currently despite this increase. The Council approved the draft approved the draft submission in full.

#### Decision

To approve the Council size submission and appendices for the Local Government Boundary Commission for England's Electoral Review of Manchester City Council.