

BOROUGH OF RUSHMOOR

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL held at the Council Offices,
Farnborough on Tuesday, 26th May, 2015 at 7.00 p.m.

THE WORSHIPFUL THE MAYOR (CR. M.J. TENNANT, B.Sc.)
THE DEPUTY MAYOR (CR. JACQUI VOSPER)

CR. MRS. D.B. BEDFORD	CR. R. HUGHES
CR. D.M.T. BELL	CR. BARBARA J. HURST, B.A., M.A.
CR. T.D. BRIDGEMAN, B.A. (Hons.)	CR. A. JACKMAN, B.Sc.
CR. SUE CARTER	CR. B. JONES, M.Sc., A.R.C.S.,
CR. M.S. CHOUDHARY, M.A.	M.N.E.I.M.M.E., C.Eng., M.I.E.T.,
CR. SOPHIA CHOUDHARY, L.L.B.	M.B.C.S., C.I.T.P.
CR. D.E. CLIFFORD, M.P.A., M.C.M.I.	CR. G.B. LYON, B.A. (Oxon)
CR. R. COOPER	CR. J.H. MARSH, C.Eng., M.I.Mech.E.
CR. LIZ CORPS, N.N.D., A.T.D.	CR. S.J. MASTERSON
a CR. A.H. CRAWFORD, J.P., B.Sc.,	CR. P.J. MOYLE
A.R.C.S., Dip.Man. (Open).	CR. K.H. MUSCHAMP
CR. P.I.C. CRERAR, B.A. (Hons.),	a CR. A.R. NEWELL
M.Arch., M.A.	CR. J.J. PREECE
CR. K. DIBBLE, M.A.F.M., B.I.F.M.	CR. M.J. ROBERTS, B.Sc., F.R.S.A.
CR. SUE DIBBLE	CR. P.F. RUST, A.I.M.E.E., M.I.S.M.
CR. R.L.G. DIBBS	CR. M.D. SMITH
a CR. JENNIFER M. EVANS, B.Sc.,	CR. M. STAPLEHURST
M.Sc.	CR. L.A. TAYLOR
CR. A.M. FERRIER	CR. P.G. TAYLOR, A.C.I.B.
CR. D.S. GLADSTONE	CR. B.A. THOMAS
CR. C.P. GRATTAN	CR. D.M. WELCH

Honorary Alderman C. Balchin J.P.
Honorary Alderman R.J. Debenham, M.B.E.
Honorary Alderman R.J. Kimber
Honorary Alderman G.J. Woolger

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Crs. A.H. Crawford,
Jennifer Evans and A.R. Newell.

THE MAYOR (CR. MRS. D.B. BEDFORD) IN THE CHAIR

The Meeting commenced with Prayers led by the Mayor's Chaplain,
Reverend Ian Hedges.

The Mayor extended a warm welcome to all those present.

1. **ELECTION OF THE MAYOR OF THE BOROUGH -**

Nominations were invited for the election of the Mayor of the Borough for the Municipal Year 2015/16. It was **MOVED** by Cr. P.J. Moyle; **SECONDED** by Cr. Keith Dibble - That Cr. M.J. Tennant be elected Mayor of the Borough to hold office until the Annual Meeting of the Council in 2016.

RESOLVED unanimously: That Councillor **MARTIN JOHN TENNANT** be elected Mayor of the Borough to hold office until the Annual Meeting of the Council in 2016.

The Mayor then made his Declaration of Acceptance of Office in accordance with Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1972 and took the Chair.

THE MAYOR (CR. M.J. TENNANT) IN THE CHAIR

The Mayor extended a warm welcome to all those present.

The Mayor expressed his pleasure at the honour and privilege of being elected Mayor of Rushmoor. He thanked his proposer and seconder and the Council for supporting his nomination. He then proceeded to signify the appointment of Mrs. Jill Tennant as Mayoress. He also signified the appointment of the Reverend Steve Stewart as the Mayor's Chaplain.

The Mayor looked forward to the Mayoral Year before him. He then stated that the charities he would be supporting during the year would be Hospitality Action, Mike Jackson House (Aldershot) and Radio BGWS (Gurkha Community radio service).

The Mayor concluded by thanking the Council once again for the honour conferred upon him.

2. **VOTE OF THANKS -**

It was **MOVED** by Cr. P.G. Taylor; **SECONDED** by Cr. Liz Corps and

RESOLVED: That the Council place on record its appreciation of the excellent service rendered by Cr. Mrs. D.B. Bedford and Miss. Alison Bedford as Mayor and Mayoress of the Borough during the Municipal Year 2014/15.

The Mayor then presented an illuminated scroll to Cr. Bedford, together with a past Mayor's Badge. The Mayor also presented a past Mayoress' Badge to Miss. Bedford. Several Members then spoke in tribute of the excellent service given by Cr. Bedford as Mayor of the Borough.

In response, Cr. Bedford thanked Crs. Taylor and Corps for their kind words and the Council for having elected her Mayor of the Borough.

Cr. Bedford spoke of her enjoyable Mayoral Year and said it had been an honour to have been elected as Mayor of the Borough. She paid tribute to the wonderful support she had received from her Mayoress, Miss. Alison Bedford.

Cr. Bedford spoke of the many engagements she had attended during the year, which had amounted to over 300 appointments, including visits to schools, several voluntary groups, citizenship ceremonies, Military events and sports clubs and associations. Cr. Bedford thanked all the members of her Charity Fundraising Committee who had assisted in raising funds for the nominated charities for her Mayoral Year: Parent Action Group, the Vine Day Centre and Parity for Disability. It was estimated that over £14,000 had been raised. She also thanked the Mayor's Chaplain for his assistance and guidance during the Mayoral Year and presented him with a small gift in appreciation.

3. **ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR –**

The Mayor invited nominations for the election of the Deputy Mayor of the Borough. It was **MOVED** by Cr. M.D. Smith; **SECONDED** by Cr. Sue Carter - That Cr. Jacqui Vosper be elected Deputy Mayor of the Borough to hold office until the Annual Meeting of the Council in 2016.

RESOLVED unanimously: That Councillor **JACQUELINE MARY VOSPER** be elected Deputy Mayor of the Borough to hold office until the Annual Meeting of the Council in 2016.

The Mayor congratulated Cr. Jacqui Vosper and invested her with the Deputy Mayor's Badge. Cr. Vosper then made her Declaration of Acceptance of Office. She then proceeded to signify the appointment of Miss. Amanda Mullard-Hicks as Deputy Mayoress and invested her with her Badge of Office.

The Deputy Mayor thanked the Council for the confidence placed in her and she pledged her support to the Mayor and Mayoress in the coming year.

4. **MINUTES –**

It was **MOVED** by Cr. P.J. Moyle; **SECONDED** by Cr. K.H. Muschamp and

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 23rd April, 2015 (copies having been circulated previously) be taken as read, approved and signed as a correct record.

5. **RETURNING OFFICER'S REPORT –**

The Returning Officer, Mr. J.A. Lloyd, submitted his report (as set out in the appendix to these Minutes) on the results of the Borough Council Elections held on Thursday, 7th, 2015.

The Mayor welcomed the newly elected councillors to the meeting following the elections. A special welcome was extended to returning Councillors R. Cooper and S.J. Masterson.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

6. **MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS –**

The Mayor advised the Council that she proposed to hold a number of events during her Mayoral Year. These would include a Charity Golf Day on 18th September, 2015 and a Charity Ball on 4th March, 2016.

7. **APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTIVE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL –**

It was **MOVED** by Cr. K.H. Muschamp; **SECONDED** by Cr. R.L.G. Dibbs - That Cr. P.J. Moyle be appointed Executive Leader of the Council for the Municipal Year 2015/16.

There voted **FOR:** 24; **AGAINST:** 0 and the Motion was **DECLARED CARRIED.**

8. **APPOINTMENTS 2015/16 –**

Subject to the nomination of Cr. S.J. Masterson as Vice-Chairman of the Licensing and General Purposes Committee, it was **MOVED** by Cr. P.J. Moyle and **SECONDED** by Cr. R.L.G. Dibbs that the appointments to Committees and the Policy and Review Panels for the 2015/16 Municipal Year be approved, in accordance with the allocations to achieve political balance indicated below:

(a) **COMMITTEES –**

DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT

Voting Members

Conservative: 7

Labour: 3

UKIP: 1

Cr. D.B. Bedford

Cr. Sue Dibble

Cr. D.M.T. Bell

Cr. R. Cooper

Cr. Jennifer Evans

Cr. P.I.C. Crerar

Cr. C.P. Grattan

Cr. D.S. Gladstone

Cr. G.B. Lyon

Cr. J.H. Marsh

Cr. B.A. Thomas

Standing Deputies

Conservative:

Labour:

Cr. S.J. Masterson

Cr. P.F. Rust

NOTE: The Cabinet Member for Environment and Service Delivery is to be an ex officio non-voting member of the Development Management Committee.

LICENSING AND GENERAL PURPOSES

Voting Members

Conservative: 8

Labour: 3

Cr. R. Cooper
Cr. Liz Corps
Cr. A.M. Ferrier
Cr. Barbara Hurst
Cr. S.J. Masterson
Cr. M.D. Smith
Cr. Jacqui Vosper
Cr. A.R. Newell

Cr. A.H. Crawford
Cr. B. Jones
Cr. L.A. Taylor

STANDARDS AND AUDIT

Voting Members

Conservative: 3

Labour: 1

UKIP: 1

Cr. A.M. Ferrier
Cr. J.H. Marsh
Cr. M.D. Smith

Cr. C.P. Grattan

Cr. D.M.T. Bell

Co-opted Members

Mr. B. Hambleton

Mr. D. Austin

(b) POLICY AND REVIEW PANELS -

BOROUGH SERVICES

Conservative: 6

Labour: 3

Cr. D.E. Clifford
Cr. A.M. Ferrier
Cr. Barbara Hurst
Cr. S.J. Masterson
Cr. A.R. Newell
Cr. D.M. Welch

Cr. T.D. Bridgeman
Cr. C.P. Grattan
Cr. M.J. Roberts

COMMUNITY

Conservative: 6

Labour: 3

Cr. M.S. Choudhary
Cr. Sophia Choudhary
Cr. R. Cooper
Cr. Liz Corps
Cr. S.J. Masterson
Cr. M.D. Smith

Cr. Jennifer Evans
Cr. M.J. Roberts
Cr. P.F. Rust

CORPORATE SERVICES

Conservative: 6

Labour: 2

UKIP: 1

Cr. D.E. Clifford
Cr. D.S. Gladstone
Cr. Barbara Hurst
Cr. G.B. Lyon
Cr. Jacqui Vosper
Cr. D.M. Welch

Cr. B. Jones
Cr. P.F. Rust

Cr. D.M.T. Bell

ENVIRONMENT

Conservative: 6

Labour: 3

Cr. M.S. Choudhary
Cr. Sophia Choudhary
Cr. D.E. Clifford
Cr. D.S. Gladstone
Cr. G.B. Lyon
Cr. D.M. Welch

Cr. Sue Dibble
Cr. J.J. Preece
Cr. L.A. Taylor

LEISURE AND YOUTH

Conservative: 6

Labour: 2

UKIP: 1

Cr. D.B. Bedford
Cr. Liz Corps
Cr. P.I.C. Crerar
Cr. J.H. Marsh
Cr. A.R. Newell
Cr. B.A. Thomas

Cr. T.D. Bridgeman
Cr. K. Dibble

Cr. M. Staplehurst

- (3) That the appointments of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the following Committees be approved as set out below:

Development Management

Chairman - Cr. G.B. Lyon
Vice-Chairman - Cr. B.A. Thomas

Licensing and General Purposes

Chairman - Cr. A.M. Ferrier
Vice-Chairman - Cr. S.J. Masterson

- (4) That the appointments to the Management Boards for Council Trusts for the Municipal Year 2015/16 be approved as follows, and that each Management Board be authorised to make decisions on behalf of the Council by majority vote:

The Aldershot Recreation Ground Trust

Cr. D.B. Bedford Cr. K. Dibble Cr. A.R. Newell

Standing Deputy: Cr. M.J. Roberts

King George's Field, Farnborough Trust

Cr. R.L.G. Dibbs Cr. B. Jones Cr. P.G. Taylor

Standing Deputy: Cr. L.A. Taylor

The Alfred Henry Goode Will Trust

Cr. A.H. Crawford Cr. R.L.G. Dibbs Cr. P.J. Moyle

Standing Deputy: Cr. M.J. Roberts

There voted FOR: 31; AGAINST: 0 and the Motion was **DECLARED CARRIED.**

The Meeting closed at 7.55 p.m.
