

BOROUGH OF RUSHMOOR

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL held at the Council Offices,
Farnborough on Tuesday, 21st May, 2019 at 7.00 p.m.

THE WORSHIPFUL THE MAYOR (CLLR SUE CARTER)
THE DEPUTY MAYOR (CLLR P.F. RUST A.I.M.E.E., M.I.S.M.)

CLLR GAYNOR AUSTIN
CLLR MRS. D.B. BEDFORD
CLLR J.B. CANTY
CLLR M.S. CHOUDHARY, M.A.
CLLR A.K. CHOWDHURY
CLLR D.E. CLIFFORD, M.P.A., M.C.M.I.
CLLR A.H. CRAWFORD, J.P., B.Sc.,
A.R.C.S., Dip.Man. (Open).
CLLR P.I.C. CRERAR, B.A. (Hons.),
M.Arch., M.A.
CLLR P.J. CULLUM
CLLR A.S. DEKKER
CLLR VERONICA GRAHAM-GREEN
CLLR CHRISTINE GUINNESS
CLLR A.J. HALSTEAD
CLLR L. JEFFERS
CLLR PRABESH KC

CLLR MARA MAKUNURA
CLLR J.H. MARSH, C.Eng., M.I.Mech.E.
CLLR NADIA MARTIN
CLLR S.J. MASTERSON
CLLR MARINA MUNRO
CLLR K.H. MUSCHAMP
CLLR A.R. NEWELL
CLLR SOPHIE PORTER
CLLR M.L. SHEEHAN
CLLR M.D. SMITH
CLLR C.J. STEWART
CLLR P.G. TAYLOR, A.C.I.B.
CLLR M.J. TENNANT, B.Sc.
CLLR B.A. THOMAS
CLLR JACQUI VOSPER
CLLR J.E. WOOLLEY, B.Sc., L.L.B.,
M.A.

Honorary Alderman C. Balchin J.P.
Honorary Alderman R.J. Kimber

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Cllrs T.D. Bridgeman, Sophia Choudhary, R.M. Cooper, K. Dibble, C.P. Grattan and M.J. Roberts

THE MAYOR (CLLR S.J. MASTERSON) IN THE CHAIR

The Meeting commenced with Prayers led by the Mayor's Chaplain, Reverend Steve Stewart.

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 2019/20. It was MOVED by Cllr D.E. Clifford; SECONDED by Cllr M.J. Tennant - That Cllr Sue Carter be elected Mayor of the Borough to hold office until the Annual Meeting of the Council in 2020.

RESOLVED unanimously: That Councillor **SUE CARTER** be elected Mayor of the Borough to hold office until the Annual Meeting of the Council in 2020.

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

THE MAYOR (CLLR SUE CARTER) IN THE CHAIR

The Mayor expressed her pleasure at the privilege and honour of being elected Mayor of Rushmoor. She thanked her proposer and seconder and the Council for supporting her nomination. She then proceeded to signify the appointment of her husband, Mr. Ian White, as the Mayor's Consort, and the Reverend Steve Stewart, as the Mayor's Chaplain.

The Mayor stated that she could not have achieved the honour of being elected Mayor without the support of her family and friends and thanked them for their support. The Mayor stated that the charities she would be supporting during the year would be Community Matters Partnership Project (CMPP), MIND (for better mental health), Parent Action Group for special play (PAG) and the Ripple Pond.

The Mayor concluded by thanking the Council once again for the honour conferred upon her and expressed her pride at being elected to carry out her new role as First Citizen of the Borough.

2. VOTE OF THANKS -

It was MOVED by Cllr D.E. Clifford; SECONDED by Cllr J.H. Marsh and

RESOLVED: That the Council place on record its appreciation of the excellent service rendered by Councillor Steve Masterson as Mayor of the Borough during the Municipal Year 2018/19.

The Mayor then presented an illuminated scroll to Cllr Masterson, together with a Past Mayor's Badge.

In response, Cllr Masterson thanked Cllrs Clifford and Marsh for their kind words and the Council for having elected him Mayor of the Borough. Cllr Masterson spoke of his enjoyable Mayoral Year and paid tribute to his Charity Fundraising Committee and the charities he had supported during the year. Cllr Masterson concluded by wishing the new Mayor and Deputy Mayor well in the year ahead of them.

3. ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR –

The Mayor invited nominations for the election of the Deputy Mayor of the Borough. It was MOVED by Cllr A.H. Crawford; SECONDED by Cllr Nadia Martin – That Cllr P.F. Rust be elected Deputy Mayor of the Borough to hold office until the Annual Meeting of the Council in 2020.

RESOLVED unanimously: That Councillor **PETER FRANK RUST** be elected Deputy Mayor of the Borough to hold office until the Annual Meeting of the Council in 2020.

The Mayor congratulated Cllr P.F. Rust and invested him with the Deputy Mayor's Badge. Cllr Rust then made his Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

The Deputy Mayor thanked the Council for the confidence placed in him and then proceeded to signify the appointment of his wife, Mrs Carol Rust, as his Deputy Mayoress. He pledged his support to the Mayor in the coming year.

4. **MINUTES –**

It was MOVED by Cllr K.H. Muschamp; SECONDED by Cllr P.G. Taylor and

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 11th April, 2019 (copy having been circulated previously) be taken as read, approved and signed as a correct record.

5. **RETURNING OFFICER'S REPORT –**

The Returning Officer, Mr. P. Shackley, submitted his report on the results of the Borough Council Elections held on Thursday, 2nd May, 2019 (appended to these minutes).

The Mayor congratulated all Members who had been re-elected and extended a warm welcome to the new councillors: Cllrs Gaynor Austin, P.J. Cullum, A.S. Dekker, Christine Guinness, L. Jeffers, Prabesh KC, Sophie Porter and C.J. Stewart.

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, two afternoon tea events and a Charity Ball on 6th March, 2020.

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

It was MOVED by Cllr K.H. Muschamp; SECONDED by Cllr P.G. Taylor - That Cllr D.E. Clifford be appointed Leader of the Council to hold office until the Annual Meeting of the Council in 2020.

There voted FOR: 21; AGAINST: 0 and the Motion was **DECLARED CARRIED.**

8. **APPOINTMENTS 2019/20 –**

It was MOVED by Cllr K.H. Muschamp and SECONDED by Cllr P.G. Taylor –

Appointment of Cabinet Members –

That it be noted that the following appointments of Cabinet Members and the Deputy Leader of the Council for the Municipal Year 2019/20 had been made by the Leader of the Council:

Cllr K.H. Muschamp – Deputy Leader and Customer Experience and Improvement Portfolio

Cllr Marina Munro – Planning and Economy Portfolio

Cllr A.R. Newell – Democracy, Strategy and Partnerships Portfolio

Cllr M.L. Sheehan – Operational Services Portfolio

Cllr P.G. Taylor – Corporate Services

Cllr M.J. Tennant – Major Projects and Property Portfolio

Committees –

That, subject to a change to the appointment to the Development Management Committee of Cllr Mara Makunura in place of Cllr M.D. Smith, the appointments to Committees for the 2019/20 Municipal Year be approved, in accordance with the allocations to achieve political balance indicated below:

(1) COMMITTEES –

DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT

Voting Members

Conservative: 8

Labour: 3

Cllr Mrs. D.B. Bedford

Cllr A.H. Crawford

Cllr R.M. Cooper

Cllr C.P. Grattan

Cllr P.I.C. Crerar

Cllr P.F. Rust

Cllr P.J. Cullum

Cllr Mara Makunura

Cllr J.H. Marsh

Cllr C.J. Stewart

Cllr B.A. Thomas

Standing Deputies

Conservative:

Labour:

Cllr Sophia Choudhary

Cllr Gaynor Austin

NOTE: The Cabinet Member with responsibility for planning matters is to be an ex officio non-voting member of the Development Management Committee.

LICENSING, AUDIT AND GENERAL PURPOSES

Voting Members

Conservative: 7

Labour: 3

Liberal Democrat: 1

Cllr J.B. Canty
Cllr Veronica Graham-Green
Cllr L. Jeffers
Cllr S.J. Masterson
Cllr Prabesh KC
Cllr Jacqui Vosper
Cllr J.E. Woolley

Cllr Christine Guinness
Cllr A.J. Halstead
Cllr P.F. Rust

Cllr A.K. Chowdhury

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY –

Voting Members

Conservative: 7

Labour: 4

Cllr D.B. Bedford
Cllr M.S. Choudhary
Cllr Veronica Graham-Green
Cllr L. Jeffers
Cllr Mara Makunura
Cllr S.J. Masterson
Cllr M.D. Smith

Cllr T.D. Bridgeman
Cllr K. Dibble
Cllr Christine Guinness
Cllr Nadia Martin

POLICY AND PROJECT ADVISORY BOARD

Voting Members

Conservative: 7

Labour: 3

Liberal Democrat: 1

Cllr J.B. Canty
Cllr Sophia Choudhary
Cllr P.I.C. Crerar
Cllr P.J. Cullum
Cllr Prabesh KC
Cllr C.J. Stewart
Cllr J.E. Woolley

Cllr Gaynor Austin
Cllr Sophie Porter
Cllr M.J. Roberts

Cr. A.S. Dekker

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

Development Management

Chairman - Cllr B.A. Thomas
Vice-Chairman - Cllr J.H. Marsh

Licensing, Audit and General Purposes

Chairman - Cllr J.E. Woolley
Vice-Chairman - Cllr S.J. Masterson

- (3) That the appointments to the Management Boards for Council Trusts for the Municipal Year 2019/20 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

Cllr Mrs. D.B. Bedford Cllr K. Dibble Cllr M.S. Choudhary

Standing Deputy: Cllr T.D. Bridgeman

King George's Field, Farnborough Trust

Cllr C.J. Stewart Cllr A.J. Halstead Cllr P.G. Taylor

Standing Deputies: Cllr C.P. Grattan and Cllr Mara Makunura

The Alfred Henry Goode Will Trust

Cllr D.E. Clifford Cllr A.H. Crawford Cllr K.H. Muschamp

Standing Deputy: Cllr Nadia Martin

There voted FOR: 29; AGAINST: 0 and the Motion was **DECLARED CARRIED**.

The Meeting closed at 8.05 p.m.
