

Minutes of Council

Meeting Date: Tuesday, 14 May 2024, starting at 6.00 pm
Present: Councillor M Hindle (Chair)

Councillors:

T Austin	S Hore
J Alcock	K Horkin
J Atherton	L Jameson
S Atkinson	G McCrum
K Barnsley	C McFall
S Bibby	R Newmark
D Birtwhistle	D O'Rourke
D Brocklehurst	S O'Rourke
S Brunskill	M Peplow
R Corney	R Ray
S Cowman	M Robinson
L Edge	J Rogerson
R Elms	G Scott
S Farmer	K Spencer
M French	L Street
M Graveston	N Stubbs
G Hibbert	R Walsh
J Hill	A Wilkins-Odudu
S Hirst	

In attendance: Chief Executive, Director of Community Services, Director of Economic Development and Planning and Head of Legal and Democratic Services

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence from the meeting were received on behalf of Councillor I Brown.

2 ELECTION OF MAYOR FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2024/25

The Mayor invited nominations for the office of Mayor for the municipal year 2024/25. Councillor Stella Brunskill proposed and Councillor Robin Walsh seconded the motion that Councillor Louise Edge be elected to the office of Mayor for the municipal year 2024/2025.

RESOLVED:

That Councillor Louise Edge be elected to the office of Mayor for the municipal year 2024/2025.

Councillor Mark Hindle invested Councillor Louise Edge as Mayor with the ceremonial chain of office. Councillor Louise Edge then invested Philip Edge as Consort. The Mayor (Councillor Louise Edge) then took the chair and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and made a speech accepting the office of Mayor and thanking the retiring Mayor and Mayoress for their excellent service. The Mayor (Councillor Louise Edge) then presented Councillor Mark Hindle and Tracey Whistlecraft with badges to commemorate their successful term of office.

3 ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2024/25

The Mayor invited nominations for the office of Deputy Mayor for the municipal year 2024/2025. Councillor Mary Robinson proposed and Councillor Stephen Atkinson seconded the motion that Councillor Simon O'Rourke be elected to the office of Deputy Mayor for the municipal year 2024/2025.

RESOLVED:

That Councillor Simon O'Rourke be elected to the office of Deputy Mayor for the municipal year 2024/2025.

Councillor Simon O'Rourke was invested as Deputy Mayor by the Mayor with the ceremonial chain of office. Councillor Donna O'Rourke was invested as Deputy Mayoress by the Mayor. The Deputy Mayor then made a short acceptance speech.

4 PRAYERS

The Mayor's Chaplain, Rev Liz McLean said prayers upon the deliberations of the Council.

5 TO DETERMINE THE COMMITTEE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2024/25

The Leader, Councillor Stephen Atkinson made a short speech and congratulated the Mayor on her election.

He then proposed the recommendations outlined in the report regarding committee arrangements for the municipal year 2024/2025 relating to the:

- number of committees and their terms of reference;
- call in procedure;
- timetable of meetings;
- number of seats of each committee;
- allocation of seats to all councillors;
- representation on Parish Councils' Liaison committee;
- appointment of an Emergency committee;
- approval of the updated documents in the Council's Constitution

The proposal was seconded by Councillor Simon Hore.

RESOLVED: That the Committee arrangements for 2024/2025 as set out in section 4 of the report of the Chief Executive be approved.

6 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRS AND VICE CHAIRS

Councillor Stephen Atkinson proposed and Councillor Simon Hore seconded that the appointment of Chairman and Vice Chairman of the committees of the Council for the municipal year 2024/2025 be as follows:

Committee	Chair	Vice-Chair
Community Services	Stuart Hirst	Ricky Newmark
Planning and Development	Sue Bibby	Stella Brunskill
Health and Housing	Mark Hindle	Mary Robinson
Personnel	Rosie Elms	Steve Farmer
Licensing	Ian Brown	Jan Alcock
Policy and Finance	Stephen Atkinson	Simon Hore
Accounts and Audit	Robin Walsh	Tony Austin
Economic Development	David Birtwhistle	Sophie Cowman
Emergency Committee	Stephen Atkinson	Simon Hore

RESOLVED:

That the Chairman and Vice Chairman as outlined be approved.

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MEMBERSHIP ON COMMITTEES

Councillor Stephen Atkinson proposed and Councillor Simon Hore seconded the membership on the committees of the Council for the municipal year 2024/2025 as outlined in the agenda pack.

RESOLVED:

That the membership on committees be approved as follows:

COMMUNITY SERVICES (15)

CONSERVATIVE (6)	LIBERAL DEMOCRAT (2)	LABOUR (3)	GREEN & PROGRESSIVE LIBERAL GROUP (1)	INDEPENDENT GROUP (2)	INDEPENDENT (1)
Jan Alcock	Mary Robinson	Karl Barnsley	Ryan Corney	John Atherton	Ian Brown
Stella Brunskill	Donna O'Rourke	Michael Graveston		Lee Street	
Sophie Cowman		Kieran Spencer			
Stuart Hirst (C)					
Ricky Newmark (VC)					
Gary Scott					

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT (15)

CONSERVATIVE (6)	LIBERAL DEMOCRAT (2)	LABOUR (3)	GREEN & PROGRESSIVE LIBERAL GROUP (2)	INDEPENDENT GROUP (1)	INDEPENDENT (1)
Tony Austin	Simon O'Rourke	Lee Jameson	Mark French	Jim Rogerson	Ian Brown
Sue Bibby (C)	Gaynor Hibbert	Kieren Spencer	Malcolm Peplow		
Stella Brunskill (VC)		Nick Stubbs			
Mark Hindle					
Simon Hore					
Kevin Horkin					

HEALTH AND HOUSING (15)

CONSERVATIVE (7)	LIBERAL DEMOCRAT (2)	LABOUR (3)	GREEN & PROGRESSIVE LIBERAL GROUP (1)	INDEPENDENT GROUP (2)	INDEPENDENT (0)
Jan Alcock	Donna O'Rourke	Rachael Ray	Malcolm Peplow	John Atherton	
Stephen Atkinson	Mary Robinson (VC)	Kieran Spencer		Lee Street	
Tony Austin		Nick Stubbs			
Rosie Elms					
Steve Farmer					
Mark Hindle (C)					
Charles McFall					

PERSONNEL (9)

CONSERVATIVE (4)	LIBERAL DEMOCRAT (1)	LABOUR (2)	GREEN & PROGRESSIVE LIBERAL GROUP (1)	INDEPENDENT GROUP (1)	INDEPENDENT (0)
Stephen Atkinson	Donna O'Rourke	Karl Barnsley	Gaye McCrum	David Birtwhistle	
Sue Bibby		Derek Brocklehurst			
Rosie Elms (C)					
Steve Farmer (VC)					

LICENSING (15)

CONSERVATIVE (6)	LIBERAL DEMOCRAT (2)	LABOUR (3)	GREEN & PROGRESSIVE LIBERAL GROUP (2)	INDEPENDENT GROUP (1)	INDEPENDENT (1)
Jan Alcock (VC)	Simon O'Rourke	Kieren Spencer	Ryan Corney	Jim Rogerson	Ian Brown (C)
Stella Brunskill	Gaynor Hibbert	Lee Jameson	Gaye McCrum		
Steve Farmer		Derek Brocklehurst			
Ricky Newmark					
Gary Scott					
Robin Walsh					

POLICY AND FINANCE (15)

CONSERVATIVE (7)	LIBERAL DEMOCRAT (2)	LABOUR (3)	GREEN & PROGRESSIVE LIBERAL GROUP (1)	INDEPENDENT GROUP (2)	INDEPENDENT (0)
Stephen Atkinson (C)	Simon O'Rourke	Karl Barnsley	Malcolm Peplow	David Birtwhistle	
Sue Bibby	Jonathan Hill	Lee Jameson		Jim Rogerson	
Mark Hindle		Michael Graveston			
Stuart Hirst					
Simon Hore (VC)					
Kevin Horkin					
Ricky Newmark					

ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT (11)

CONSERVATIVE (5)	LIBERAL DEMOCRAT (1)	LABOUR (3)	GREEN & PROGRESSIVE LIBERAL GROUP (1)	INDEPENDENT GROUP (1)	INDEPENDENT (0)
Tony Austin (VC)	Jonathan Hill	Karl Barnsley	Mark French	Lee Street	
Sophie Cowman		Michael Graveston			
Stuart Hirst		Rachael Ray			
Charles McFall					
Robin Walsh(C)					

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (15)

CONSERVATIVE (7)	LIBERAL DEMOCRAT (2)	LABOUR (3)	GREEN & PROGRESSIVE LIBERAL GROUP (2)	INDEPENDENT GROUP (1)	INDEPENDENT (0)
Jan Alcock	Gaynor Hibbert	Rachael Ray	Mark French	David Birtwhistle (C)	
Stephen Atkinson	Jonathan Hill	Michael Graveston	Gaye McCrum		
Sophie Cowman (VC)		Aaron Wilkins-Odudu			
Rosie Elms					
Stuart Hirst					
Simon Hore					
Robin Walsh					

PARISH COUNCIL LIAISON (13)

CONSERVATIVE (6)	LIBERAL DEMOCRAT (2)	LABOUR (3)	GREEN & PROGRESSIVE LIBERAL GROUP (1)	INDEPENDENT GROUP (1)	INDEPENDENT (0)
Simon Hore	Mary Robinson	Karl Barnsley	Gaye McCrum	David Birtwhistle	
Kevin Horkin	Simon O'Rourke	Nick Stubbs			
Charles McFall		Derek Brocklehurst			
Ricky Newmark					
Gary Scott (VC)					
Robin Walsh					

EMERGENCY (4)

CONSERVATIVE (2)	LIBERAL DEMOCRAT (1)	LABOUR (1)	GREEN & PROGRESSIVE LIBERAL GROUP	INDEPENDENT GROUP	INDEPENDENT
Stephen Atkinson (C)	Simon O'Rourke	Lee Jameson			
Simon Hore (VC)					

REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE BODIES

Councillor Stephen Atkinson proposed and Councillor Simon Hore seconded that the Representatives on Outside Bodies for the municipal year 2024/2025 be as outlined on the list circulated in the agenda pack.

RESOLVED:

That the Representatives on Outside Bodies be approved as follows:

ORGANISATION	NUMBER OF VACANCIES	NOMINATIONS	PARENT COMMITTEE
Armed Forces Champion	1	Lee Street	Policy & Finance
Forest of Bowland AONB Advisory Committee	1	Rosie Elms	Planning & Development
Cement Liaison Committee	3	Michael Graveston Kevin Horkin Simon O'Rourke	Health & Housing
Hyndburn and Ribble Valley Council for Voluntary Services	1	Richard Newmark	Policy & Finance
Lancashire Waste Partnership	1	Tony Austin	Community Services
Langho Football Club	1	Michael Graveston	Community Services
LGA General Assembly	2	Stephen Atkinson Lee Jameson	Policy & Finance
Longridge Social Enterprise Company Ltd	1	Nicholas Stubbs	Community Services
NW Employer's Organisation	1 + 1 substitute	Rosie Elms Sue Bibby	Personnel
Police & Crime Panel	1	Jan Alcock	Policy & Finance
Rural Services Network	1	Louise Edge	Policy & Finance
Ribble Valley Community Safety Partnership	4	Tony Austin Ian Brown Rachael Ray Jonathan Hill	Policy & Finance
Ribble Valley Sports & Recreation (Roefield Leisure Centre)	2	Ian Brown Simon O'Rourke	Community Services
Ribble Valley Tourism Association (RVTA)	1	Nicholas Stubbs	Economic Development
Salesbury & Copster Green Commons Management Committee	3	Sue Bibby Stuart Hirst Louise Edge	Community Services
Tarmac Liaison Committee	2	Ian Brown Simon O'Rourke	Health & Housing
Whalley Educational Foundation Trust	1	Mark Hindle	Policy & Finance

The meeting closed at 6.33 pm

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