

**RECORD OF OUTCOMES OF THE ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING
HELD MONDAY 22 MAY 2023
COUNCIL CHAMBER, TOWN HALL, PETERBOROUGH**

THE MAYOR – COUNCILLOR SANDFORD

Present:

Councillors Ahmed, Jackie Allen, Steve Allen, Asif, Ayres, Barkham, Bi, Bisby, Andrew Bond, Sandra Bond, Casey, Cereste, Cole, Coles, Day, Dowson, Elsey, Mohammed Farooq, Saqib Farooq, Fitzgerald, Judy Fox, John Fox, Harper, Hasseb, Hemraj, Hiller, Hogg, Howard, Hussain, Iqbal, Jamil, Alison Jones, Dennis Jones, Khan, Knight, Lane, Mahmood, Moyo, Nawaz, Over, Perkins, Qayyum, Rangzeb, Ray, Rush, Sabir, Sainsbury, Sandford, Shaheed, Sharp, Simons, Skibsted, Stevenson, Thulbourn, Tyler, Warren, Wiggin

1. Report of the Returning Officer

A vote was taken and the Council **RESOLVED** (unanimous with no Members indicating to vote against or abstain) to note the results of the Local Elections held on Thursday 4 May 2023 (Appendix 1 to the report).

2. Political Groups and Group Officers 2023/24

A vote was taken and the Council **RESOLVED** (unanimous with no Members indicating to vote against or abstain) to note the membership of political groups (Appendix 1 to the report) and their officers (Appendix 2 to the report) for 2023/24, subject to any alterations received from Group Leaders.

3. Appointment of the Executive and the Leader's Scheme of Delegation

A vote was taken and the Council **RESOLVED** (unanimous with no Members indicating to vote against or abstain) to:

1. Note the decision of Full Council on 26 May 2021 'to elect Councillor Wayne Fitzgerald as Leader of the Council for a period of four years'.
2. Note the appointment of the Cabinet and the Leader's Scheme of Delegation to Cabinet Members and officers (Appendix 1 and Appendix 2 to the report).
3. Note the appointments to the Shareholder Cabinet Committee (Appendix 3 to the report)
4. Note that the Constitution will be updated to include the Leader's Scheme of Delegation to Cabinet Members and officers (Appendix 1 and Appendix 2 to the report), subject to:
 - a. The merging of the portfolios for 'Children's Services' and 'Education and Skills', to become 'Education, Skills and Children's Services'.
 - b. The addition of Deputy Cabinet Member positions for 'the Leader's Office', 'Community Cohesion', 'Culture and Communities', 'Legal Services', 'Corporate Services', and 'Children's Services'.

4. Committee Structure 2023/24

A vote was taken on the recommendation and the Council **RESOLVED** (unanimous with no Members indicating to vote against or abstain) to:

1. Appoint the following Committees for the 2022/23 municipal year:

Ordinary Committees subject to political balance seat allocations:

Climate Change and Environment Scrutiny Committee
Growth, Resources, and Communities Scrutiny Committee
Adults and Health Scrutiny Committee
Children and Education Scrutiny Committee
Employment Committee
Licensing Committee (Regulatory)
Planning and Environmental Protection Committee
Appeals and Planning Review Committee
Audit Committee
Corporate Parenting Committee
Constitution and Ethics Committee

Other bodies to which Section 15 LGHA does not apply

Joint Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Health and Wellbeing Board/Integrated Care Partnership
Licensing Committee (Licensing Act 2003)

2. Agree the committee terms of reference set out in the Regulatory Committee Functions and the Overview and Scrutiny Functions (Appendix 1 and Appendix 2 to the report).

5. Political Balance and Allocation of Committee Seats

A vote was taken and the Council **RESOLVED** (unanimous with no Members indicating to vote against or abstain) to:

1. Note that there are 109 seats on committees
2. Agree the allocation of seats on those committees subject to political balance arrangements (Appendix 1 to the report).
3. Agree the allocation of seats on those committees not subject to political balance arrangements (Appendix 2 to the report).

6. Appointments to Committees and Other Authorities

A vote was taken and the Council **RESOLVED** (unanimous with no Members indicating to vote against or abstain) to:

1. Agree that appointments to those committees where the allocation of seats has been determined under Agenda item 9 (Appendix 1 to the report).
2. Appoint the Chair and Vice-Chair of each of the Council's committees (Appendix 1 to the report).
3. Confirm the non-elected members of committees, as described at paragraph 2.3 of the report.
4. Make the following appointments or nominations for the 2023/2024 municipal year:

- a) Appoint the Leader of the Council to act as the Council's appointee to the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority and one substitute member (Appendix 4 to the report).
 - b) Nominate two members to the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority Overview and Scrutiny Committee, and two substitute members from the same political parties as those nominated (Appendix 4 to the report).
 - c) Nominate one member Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority Audit and Governance Committee and one substitute member from the same political party (Appendix 4 to the report).
 - d) Appoint three members to the Police and Crime Panel and three substitute members from the same political parties as those appointed (Appendix 4 to the report).
 - e) Appoint four members to the Fire Authority and four substitute members from the same political parties as those appointed (Appendix 4 to the report).
5. Appoint to the position of Armed Forces Champion, as set out in Appendix 4 to the report.
 6. Authorise the Monitoring Officer as Proper Officer, in respect of any other appointments to be made, to carry out the wishes of the Leaders of Political Groups in allocating Members to committees or other authorities, and to appoint those Members with effect from the date at which the Proper Officer is advised of the names of such Members.

7. Calendar of Meetings 2023/2024

A vote was taken and the Council **RESOLVED** (unanimous with no Members indicating to vote against or abstain) to approve the Calendar of Meetings (Appendix 1 to the report) for 2023/2024.

8. Acquisition of Sand Martin House

A vote was taken and the Council **RESOLVED** (unanimous with no Members indicating to vote against or abstain) to:

1. Approve an increase of the Capital Programme to cover the cost of acquiring the freehold interest of Sand Martin House which is currently leased.
2. Approve the resulting budget virement between Corporate Property (rental cost) and Capital Financing (borrowing cost).
3. Delegate authority to the Executive Director of Corporate Services and Director of Law and Governance, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Finance and Corporate Governance to take all necessary steps including agreeing final terms and entering into all necessary agreements to facilitate the decision in Recommendation 1.