

This is a summary of decisions and not the formal minutes of the meeting of Warwick District Council. It is intended to give early notice of the decisions taken.

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1. Election of Chairman of the Council

Councillor Mini Mangat was appointed as Chairman of the Council for the 2022/23 Municipal year

2. Appointment of Vice-Chairman of the Council

Councillor Sidney Syson was as Vice-Chairman of the Council for the 2022/23 Municipal year

3. Vote of Thanks for the Retiring Chairman

A vote of thanks was passed to Councillor Murphy for his work as Chairman in 2021/22.

- **4. Apologies for Absence –** These will be detailed in the minutes
- 5. **Minutes -** The minutes of 23 March 2022 were approved, subject to an amendment to include the attendance of Councillor Barton.

6. Membership of the Cabinet

The Leader of the Council announced the <u>membership and roles of the 9</u> members of the Cabinet

7. Appointments

The appointments to the Committees, working parties & Forums and Outside bodies, as set out in the agenda and revised in the addendum were approved.

8. **Declarations of Interest** – These will be detailed in the minutes.

9. Future Relationship with Stratford-on-Avon District Council

The Council approved the decisions of the Cabinet which were as follows:

- (1) That the formal submission to the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities to create a South Warwickshire District Council, is withdrawn.
- (2) That work on the full-service integration of teams across Stratford-on-Avon and Warwick District Councils is ceased.
- (3) That work on the identification of sharing civic and office accommodation between Stratford-on-Avon and Warwick District Council is ceased.
- (4) That the Council withdraws from the Joint Arrangements Steering Group.
- (5) The arrangements for the Joint Management Team are ended and that the Interim Senior Leadership Team structure, as set out at Appendix 1 to the report, be approved for immediate effect, i.e., 12 May 2022.

- **(6)** That the Council agrees to Andrew Rollins taking the Section 151 Officer role on an interim basis.
- (7) That the Council agrees to Andrew Jones taking the Monitoring Officer role on an interim basis.
- **(8)** To note that a further report setting out the proposed longer term management arrangements will come forward for consideration by the autumn of this year.
- (9) To note that a further report on the overall consequences of the end to the merger process and the implications for the Council going forward will be prepared for consideration by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and the Cabinet.
- (10) To note the steps to advise and support staff especially those who had been in the first proposed service integration.
- (11) That the Monitoring Officer be authorised to align the Officer Scheme of Delegation with the Interim Senior Leadership Team structure; and make any consequential amendments to the Constitution because of this report.
- (12) To note that the work on the joint South Warwickshire Local Plan, Climate Change Action Programme and Joint South Warwickshire Economic Strategy will continue.
- (13) That the Council approves the closing of the Service Alignment Reserve with the funding contained therein transferred to the Service Transformation Reserve.
- (14) That the Significant Business Risk Register be updated as a matter of priority in the light of the decision not to proceed with the merger with SDC; and
- (15) That in the light of the cessation of the merger process with SDC, a further report on the work proposed and undertaken to re-establish the Council's position and "brand" as an employer with existing and potential employees be brought forward at the earliest opportunity.

10. Cabinet Report

The Cabinet report of 20 April 2022, along with the additional recommendations in the addendum were approved.

11. Amendments to the Constitution

The recommendations from Employment Committee and Standards Committee were approved.

12. Annual Reports of the Overview & Scrutiny Committees

The Annual reports of the Finance & Audit Scrutiny Committee and Overview & Scrutiny Committee, as revised by the addendum were approved.

13. Common Seal

The fixing of the Common Seal was approved.