

WARWICK DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual meeting of Warwick District Council held remotely on Wednesday 5 May 2021, at 6.30pm.

PRESENT: Councillor Ashford (Chairman); Councillors Bartlett, Boad, Cooke, Cullinan, Day, A Dearing, J Dearing, K Dickson, R Dickson, Evans, Falp, B Gifford, C Gifford, Grainger, Grey, Hales, Heath, Illingworth, Jacques, Kennedy, Kohler, Leigh-Hunt, Mangat, Margrave, Matecki, Milton, Morris, Murphy, Nicholls, Noone, Norris, Redford, Rhead, Russell, Skinner, Syson, Tangri, Tracey and Wright.

1. **Election of Chairman**

It was proposed by Councillor Noone, seconded by Councillor Grainger and

Resolved that Councillor Murphy be elected Chairman of Warwick District Council for the municipal year 2021/22.

Councillor Murphy made the Declaration of Acceptance of Office for Chairman of the Council and thanked Council for his election.

2. **Appointment of Vice-Chairman of the Council**

It was proposed by Councillor Falp, seconded by Councillor Cooke and

Resolved that Councillor Heath be appointed Vice-Chairman of Warwick District Council for the municipal year 2021/22.

Councillor Heath made the Declaration of Acceptance of Office for Vice-Chairman of the Council and thanked Council for his election.

3. **Vote of Thanks for the Retiring Chairman**

It was proposed by Councillor Day, seconded by Councillor Falp and

Resolved that the appreciation of the Council be placed on record for the excellent services rendered by the retiring Chairman, Councillor Ashford, during the past year.

Councillor Ashford acknowledged the vote of thanks.

4. **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Davison, Luckhurst and Roberts.

5. **Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting of the Council held on the 14 April 2021 were proposed, duly seconded taken as read and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

6. **Membership of the Executive**

Councillor Day informed the Council that following the approach to align the Council with Stratford District Council, there would be nine Portfolio Holders at each authority, with the same areas of responsibility. In addition, the Executive would now be named the Cabinet in line with Stratford-on-Avon District Council. He informed the Council of the Councillors that the Cabinet would comprise of, as set out at Appendix 1 to the minutes.

7. **Appointments**

It was proposed by Councillor Murphy, duly seconded by Councillor Day and

Resolved that

- (a) the nominations for membership of the Committees, including substitute members, as revised by the addendum circulated before the meeting, including that the Overview & Scrutiny Committee is not politically proportionate to the Council, as set out in Appendix 2 to the minutes, be approved;
- (b) the appointments to Working Parties and Forums, as revised by the addendum circulated before the meeting, 2020/2021, as set out at Appendix 3 to the minutes, be approved;
- (c) the appointments to Champions Roles and Outside Bodies, as revised by the addendum circulated before the meeting, which are not politically proportionate to the Council, as set out in Appendices 4(a) and 4(b) to the minutes, be approved.

8. **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest made

9. **Annual Reports of the Overview & Scrutiny Committees**

The Annual reports of the Finance & Audit Scrutiny Committee and the Overview & Scrutiny Committee were proposed by Councillor Nicholls, seconded by Councillor Milton and

Resolved that the Annual reports of the Scrutiny Committees, be approved.

10. **Executive Report**

The Executive report of the 22 April 2021 was proposed by Councillor Day, seconded by Councillor Hales and

Resolved that the recommendations of the Executive of 21 April 2021, be approved.

11. **Amendments to the Constitution**

The report from Democratic Services and the proposals from the Overview & Scrutiny Committees were proposed by Councillor Day, seconded by Councillor Hales and

Resolved that the recommendations be approved.

12. **Public & Press**

It was proposed by the Chairman, duly seconded by Councillor Day and

Resolved that under Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 that the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following items by reason of the likely disclosure of exempt information within paragraphs 1,2 and 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, following the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006

13. **Confidential Executive report**

The Confidential Executive report of the 22 April 2021 was proposed by Councillor Day, seconded by Councillor Hales and

Resolved that the recommendations of the Executive on 22 April 2021 be approved.

14. **Common Seal**

It was proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Councillor Day and

Resolved that the Common Seal of Warwick District Council be affixed to such documents as it may be required for implementing decisions of the Council arrived at this day

(The meeting ended at 7.35pm)

CHAIRMAN
14 July 2021