

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL
HELD ON 10 JUNE 2020 AT 6.00 pm**

Attendance:

Councillors Mitchell, Hook, Ms Ballard, Bateman, Mrs Batty, Beavis, Burgess, Carter, Chegwyn, Mrs Cully, Earle, Foster-Reed, Mrs Furlong, Mrs Hook, Mrs Huggins, Hylands, Jessop, Mrs Jones, Miss Kelly, Mrs Morgan, Murphy, Philpott, Mrs Prickett, Raffaelli, Scard, Blackman, Casey, Hammond, Herridge, Hutchison, Johnston, Pepper and Westerby

TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FROM MEMBERS FOR THEIR INABILITY TO ATTEND THE MEETING

An apology for non attendance was received from Councillor Farr.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

TO ELECT FROM AMONG THE COUNCILLORS OF THE BOROUGH A MAYOR OF THE BOROUGH OF GOSPORT TO SERVE FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2020/21

PROPOSED BY COUNCILLOR HOOK
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BURGESS

That Councillor Zoe Huggins be elected Mayor of the Borough of Gosport for the Municipal Year ending May 2021.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Retiring Mayor thereupon vacated the Chair, which was taken by the newly elected Mayor, who made the statutory Declaration of Acceptance of Office. She nominated her husband, Darren Huggins to be Mayor's Consort for the Municipal Year ending May 2021.

REPLY BY HER WORSHIP THE MAYOR

The new Mayor replied to the Council's resolution and returned thanks for her election.

TO ELECT FROM AMONG THE COUNCILLORS OF THE BOROUGH A DEPUTY MAYOR OF THE BOROUGH OF GOSPORT TO SERVE FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2020/21

Councillor Rev. Blackman proposed and Councillor Burgess seconded the Motion that Councillor Hook be elected Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Gosport for the Municipal Year ending May 2020.

COUNCIL RESOLVED: That Councillor Hook be elected Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Gosport for the Municipal Year ending May 2021.

The Deputy Mayor made the Statutory Declaration of Acceptance of Office and returned thanks for his election.

TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 5 FEBRUARY 2020 (COPY HEREWITH).

COUNCIL RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 5 February 2020 be confirmed and signed.

TO CONSIDER ANY MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS

The Mayor advised that her charities for the year 2020/21 were Oarsome Chance, Solent Mind and The Firstlight Trust and any wider charities within the Borough.

The Mayor also confirmed that Rev. John Draper would be her Chaplain for the year.

TO RECEIVE DEPUTATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH STANDING ORDER NO 3.4 AND TO ANSWER PUBLIC QUESTIONS PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER NO 3.5, SUCH QUESTIONS TO BE ANSWERED ORALLY DURING A TIME NOT EXCEEDING 15 MINUTES.

There were none.

QUESTIONS (IF ANY) PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER NO 3.3.

There were none.

CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS BY BOARDS OF THE COUNCIL:

Consideration was given to a cross reference from the Community Board meeting held on 4th March 2020.

RESOLVED: That the

- i) Changes to the Community Board Terms of Reference and the creation of a Housing Board and a Climate Change Board with Terms of Reference as set out at Appendix A to the report.
- ii) Amendments to the Constitution to reflect the changes to the Boards set out above and in Appendix A to the report including the creation of a Housing Board and a Climate Change Board.

TO RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING PART II MINUTES OF THE BOARDS OF THE COUNCIL:

PART II MINUTES

COUNCIL RESOLVED: That the following Part II Minutes be received.

- Community Board: 4 March 2020
- Economic Development Board: 11 March 2020

- Policy and Organisation Board: 16 March 2020

COMPOSITION AND REVIEW OF COUNCIL BOARDS AND COMMITTEES AND DETERMINATION OF ALLOCATION OF SEATS

The Borough Solicitor and Monitoring Officer had submitted a report to Members of the Council in connection with the above.

The report advised the balance of the seats on the Council and the position with regard to Political Groups and to undertake a review in accordance with the “Proportionality Rules” of the balance of seats on the Boards and Committees of the Council.

RECOMMENDED: That the Council approve:

- (i) the allocation of seats on the Boards and Committee as set out in paragraph 3.1 of the report;

TO APPOINT THE CHAIRMAN OF THE POLICY AND ORGANISATION BOARD PURSUANT TO THE COUNCIL'S STANDING ORDERS.

COUNCIL RESOLVED: That Councillor Hook be appointed Chairman of the Policy and Organisation Board for the 2020/2021 Municipal Year.

NOTIFICATION OF URGENT DECISION TO INTRODUCE SUPPLEMENTARY STANDING ORDERS

RESOLVED: That the Council noted the report.

TO APPOINT THE BOARDS, NOMINATED DEPUTIES FOR THE REGULATORY BOARD, AND STANDARDS AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE AND PANELS AND OUTSIDE BODIES.

Members considered a provisional list of appointments to vacancies listed above for the Municipal Year 2020/21.

COUNCIL RESOLVED: That the provisional list of appointments to vacancies listed above for the Municipal Year 2020/21 be approved and adopted and agreed and that the following Chairman and Vice Chairman be appointed.

Policy and Organisation Board – Vice Chairman Councillor Burgess
Community Board – Chairman – Councillor Raffaelli, Vice Chairman Diane Furlong
Economic Development Board – Chairman Councillor Philpott, Vice Chairman Councillor Beavis
Climate Change Board – Chairman Councillor Jessop, Vice Chairman Councillor Morgan
Housing Board – Chairman Councillor Burgess, Vice Chairman Councillor Mrs Jones
Regulatory Board – Chairman Councillor Mrs Hook, Vice Chairman Councillor Casey
Standards and Governance Committee – Chairman Councillor Blackman, Vice Chairman Councillor Mrs Batty.

MINUTES REFLECTION

Members paused in reflection and paid tribute to Honorary Freeman Hewitt, former Councillor Jenny Reynolds and the former MP Peter Viggers who had all recently passed away.

Concluded at 8:05

The Mayor.