

# Bristol City Council

## Minutes of the Full Council

9 May 2023 at 2.00 pm



### Members Present:-

**Councillors:** Mayor Marvin Rees, Amal Ali, Donald Alexander, Lesley Alexander, Kerry Bailes, Jenny Bartle, Nicola Beech, Marley Bennett, Mark Bradshaw, Fabian Breckels, Andrew Brown, Craig Cheney, Jos Clark, Sarah Classick, Amirah Cole, Asher Craig, Carla Denyer, Kye Dudd, Tony Dyer, Richard Eddy, Emma Edwards, Jude English, Lily Fitzgibbon, Tessa Fitzjohn, Martin Fodor, Lorraine Francis, Paul Goggin, Geoff Gollop, Zoe Goodman, John Goulandris, Katy Grant, Fi Hance, Tom Hathway, Gary Hopkins, Katja Hornchen, Jonathan Hucker, Philippa Hulme, Farah Hussain, Chris Jackson, Hibaq Jama, Ellie King, Tim Kent, Heather Mack, Brenda Massey, Henry Michallat, Yassin Mohamud, Graham Morris, Paula O'Rourke, Barry Parsons, Steve Pearce, Ed Plowden, Guy Poultney, Kevin Quartley, Tom Renhard, Tim Rippington, James Scott, Sharon Scott, Steve Smith, Ani Stafford-Townsend, Lisa Stone, Christine Townsend, Andrew Varney, Mark Weston, David Wilcox and Chris Windows

### 1 Welcome and Introductions

The Lord Mayor welcomed all attendees to the meeting and issued the safety information.

### 2 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were heard from Councillors Davies, Geater, Holland, Makawi and Wye.

### 3 Election of Lord Mayor

Councillor Steve Pearce moved that Councillor Paul Goggin be elected as Lord Mayor for the 2023-2024 municipal year.

Councillor Tony Dyer seconded the motion.

Upon being put to the vote, it was

RESOLVED:



**That Councillor Paul Goggin be elected as Lord Mayor of the City and County of Bristol for the 2023/24 municipal year.**

Councillor Goggin then signed the declaration of acceptance of the office of Lord Mayor of the City and County of Bristol.

The Lord Mayor then made his inaugural speech to Full Council.

**Vote of thanks to the retiring Lord Mayor and Lord Mayor's Consort:**

On the motion of Councillor Heather Mack, seconded by Councillor Asher Craig, and upon being put to the vote, it was

**RESOLVED:**

**That a vote of thanks be approved by the Full Council to the retiring Lord Mayor and Lord Mayor's Consort in recognition of their work and duties carried out during the last municipal year.**

Councillor Paula O'Rourke, as retiring Lord Mayor, then addressed the Full Council.

**Vote of thanks to the retiring Deputy Lord Mayor and retiring Deputy Lady Mayoress:**

On the motion of Councillor Sharon Scott, seconded by Councillor Gary Hopkins, and upon being put to the vote, it was

**RESOLVED:**

**That a vote of thanks be approved by the Full Council to the retiring Deputy Lord Mayor and retiring Deputy Lady Mayoress in recognition of their work and duties carried out during the last municipal year.**

#### **4 Election of Deputy Lord Mayor**

Councillor Katy Grant moved that Councillor Paula O'Rourke be elected as Deputy Lord Mayor for the 2023/24 municipal year.

Councillor Jos Clark seconded the motion.

Upon being put to the vote, it was

**RESOLVED:**

**That Councillor Paula O'Rourke be elected as Deputy Lord Mayor of the City and County of Bristol for the 2023/24 municipal year.**



Councillor O'Rourke then signed the declaration of acceptance of the office of Deputy Lord Mayor of the City and County of Bristol.

Full Council then adjourned for 20 minutes.

## 5 Declarations of Interest

None received.

## 6 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

On the motion of the Lord Mayor, seconded by Councillor Jackson, it was

### RESOLVED:

**That the minutes of the previous Extraordinary Full Council and Full Council meetings held on the 14<sup>th</sup> March 2023 be confirmed as correct record and signed by the Lord Mayor.**

## 7 Lord Mayor's Business

There was none.

## 8 Public Statements

The Full Council received and noted the following statements (which were also referred to the Mayor for his consideration/information):

| Ref No | Name              | Title                       |
|--------|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| PS01   | Bristol Humanists | Lord Mayor Cllr Paul Goggin |
| PS02   | David Redgewell   | Bristol 650                 |
| PS03   | Ian Beckey        | Transport Governance        |

## 9 Dates and Times of Full Council Meetings 2023/24

The Full Council considered a report which proposed dates and times of Full Council Meetings for the 2023/24 municipal year.

The Lord Mayor moved the report and the recommendations contained therein.



The Deputy Lord Mayor seconded the report.

**RESOLVED:**

**Full Council approves the dates and times of Full Council meetings in 2023-2024.**

- 6pm, Tuesday 11 July 2023
- 6pm, Tuesday 12 September 2023
- 6pm, Tuesday 14 November 2023
- 2pm, Tuesday 12 December 2023
- 2pm, Tuesday 9 January 2024
- 2pm, Tuesday 20 February 2024 (budget Council meeting)
- 2pm, Wednesday 28 February 2024 (reserve, additional budget meeting, if required)
- 6pm, Tuesday 12 March 2024

**10 Establishment of Committees 2023/34**

The Full Council considered a report on the establishment of committees for 2023/24.

The Lord Mayor moved the report and the recommendations contained therein.

The Deputy Lord Mayor seconded the report.

It was then:

**RESOLVED:**

**1. That the following committees be established;**

**a. Overview and Scrutiny bodies:**

- Overview and Scrutiny Management Board
- People Scrutiny Commission (Health Sub Committee of the People Scrutiny Commission)
- Growth and Regeneration Scrutiny Commission
- Communities Scrutiny Commission
- Resources Scrutiny Commission

**Joint bodies:**

- Joint Health Scrutiny Committee
- Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee for the purpose of jointly scrutinising the Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire Sustainability and Transformation Partnerships (STP)



- West of England Combined Authority Overview and Scrutiny Committee (“The WECA Overview and Scrutiny Committee”)
- Joint Overview and Scrutiny Arrangement comprising of the Constituent Councils of the West of England Combined Authority, the Mayor and North Somerset Council (“The Joint Overview and Scrutiny Arrangement”)
- West of England Combined Authority Audit Committee (“The WECA Overview and Scrutiny Committee”)

**b. Regulatory Committees:**

- Development Control Committee A
- Development Control Committee B
- Public Safety and Protection Committee
- Public Rights of Way and Greens Committee

**c. Appeals Committee**

**d. Other (non-executive) Committees:**

- Audit Committee
- Human Resources Committee
- Selection Committee
- Area Committees 1 to 6
- Committee Model Working Group

**e. Statutory Committees:**

- To note the position in relation to the Licensing Committee.
- To note that the Health and Wellbeing Board does not need to be formally re-established as it remains extant.

## **11 Allocation of Committee Seats 2023/34**

The Full Council considered a report seeking approval of the allocation of seats on committees in accordance with the statutory requirements concerning political balance.

The Lord Mayor moved the report and the recommendations contained therein.

The Deputy Lord Mayor seconded the motion.

**RESOLVED:**

- 1. Approved the allocation of committee seats as set out in the report.**
- 2. Enquired if there have been any resignations from the Licensing Committee since the date of publication of this report and having done so invite nominations to fill all of the vacancies on the**



Committee. In confirming appointments to the Committee, the Full Council is asked to take full account of equalities duties and considerations, and to note that the political balance rules do not apply.

**3. Agreed that all Members of Council be appointed to serve on an Appeals Committee comprising of any 3 Members of Council, subject to them having first received the necessary training and not having been involved in the original decision which is the subject of an appeal.**

**4. Agreed that the Council be represented (as per paragraph 14) on the following joint bodies:**

- Joint Health Scrutiny Committee
- Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee for the purpose of jointly scrutinising the Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire Sustainability and Transformation Partnership
- West of England Combined Authority Overview and Scrutiny Committee
- Joint Overview and Scrutiny Arrangement comprising of the Constituent Councils of the West of England Combined Authority, the Mayor and North Somerset Council (“The Joint Overview and Scrutiny Arrangement”
- West of England Combined Authority Audit

**5. Noted the position in relation to the membership of the Health and Wellbeing Board as per paragraph 15 of the report.**

**6. Agreed that named members will be provided for the Committee memberships by the party group Whips (to be sent to the Monitoring Officer). If named substitutes are not also provided, then any Councillor of the relevant group may attend a meeting as a substitute, other than in the case of:**

- a Development Control Committee, where the substitute must be a member of another Development Control Committee (and be appropriately trained).
- any scrutiny commission, where the substitute may not be a member of the executive.

## **12 Scrutiny Annual Report 2022/23**

Full Council considered the Scrutiny Annual Report 2022/23.

Scrutiny Chair Councillor Tony Dyer moved the report and the recommendations contained therein.

There was a debate, and it was:

### **RESOLVED:**

**Full Council noted the Scrutiny Annual Report 2022/23.**

## **13 Committee Model Working Group Update**

Full Council considered the Committee Model Working Group Update report.



Group Chair Councillor Jenny Bartle moved the report and the recommendations contained therein.

Group Vice Chair Councillor Geoff Gollop seconded the report.

There was a debate and it was:

**RESOLVED:**

**Full Council approved the matters set out in paragraph 5 of this report.**

**5. The Working Group recommends that the following matters arising from the meetings on 31 March 2023 and 28 April 2023 should be incorporated into the Committee Model of governance:**

**5.1. The functions and responsibilities of Full Council will be as set out in Appendix A.**

**5.2. The functions and responsibilities of the Regulatory Committees will remain largely unchanged.**

**5.3. There will be 8 Policy Committees and they will be broadly aligned to the Corporate Strategy themes, as follows.**

**Adult Social Care Committee**

**Homes and Housing Delivery Committee**

**Public Health and Communities Committee**

**Economy and Skills Committee**

**Strategy and Resources Committee**

**Children and Young People Committee**

**Transport and Connectivity Committee**

**Environment and Sustainability Committee**

**5.4. The responsibilities of each of the Policy Committees will be as set out in Appendix B. This is an Indicative allocation, which may need further refinement prior to May 2024.**

**5.5. Policy committees will be able to delegate to sub-committees and officers.**

**5.6. There will be a standing Finance Sub-Committee established to consider budget development, which will report to the Strategy and Resources Policy Committee.**

**5.7. A standing Health Sub Committee will also be established, reporting to the Public Health and Communities Policy Committee.**

**5.8. Regular performance, risk and budget monitoring reports will be taken to each Policy Committee, with oversight being the responsibility of the Strategy and Resources Committee.**

**5.9. The roles and responsibilities of Councillors will be as set out in Appendix C.**



**5.10. The Chairs and Vice Chairs of Policy Committees and Regulatory Committees will be appointed by Full Council.**

Meeting ended at 4.15 pm

**CHAIR** \_\_\_\_\_

