



**MINUTES
of the
ANNUAL MEETING
of the
COUNCIL
of the
LONDON BOROUGH OF HARROW
held on
THURSDAY 25 MAY 2006**

Present: **The Retiring Mayor (Paddy Lyne) – for Item 1
The New Mayor (Councillor Janet Cowan)
The New Deputy Mayor (Councillor Jean Lammiman)**

Councillors:

John Anderson
Nana Asante
David Ashton
Mrs Marilyn Ashton
Mrs Camilla Bath
Miss Christine A Bednell
Robert Benson
Don Billson
Mrs Lurline Champagnie
Mrinal Choudhury
Golam Sobham Chowdhury
John Cowan
Bob Currie
Margaret Davine
Mano Dharmarajah
Anthony Ferrari
Keith Ferry
Archie T. Foulds
Brian E. Gate
David Gawn

Mitzi Green
Susan Hall
Graham Henson
Thaya Idaikkadar
Nizam Ismail
Manji Kara
Mrs E.M. Kinnear
Ashok Kulkarni
Dhirajlal Lavingia
Barry Macleod-Cullinane
Julia Merison
Salim Miah
Myra Michael
Jerry J. Miles
Chris Mote
Mrs Janet Mote
Narinder Singh Mudhar
John Nickolay
Mrs Joyce Nickolay
Christopher D. Noyce

Phillip O'Dell
Asad Omar
Paul Osborn
Anjana Patel
David Perry
Raj Ray
Richard David Romain
Anthony Seymour
Navin Shah
Mrs Rekha Shah
Stanley Sheinwald
Eric Silver
Dinesh Solanki
Bill Stephenson
Sasikala Suresh
Yogesh Teli
Keekira Thammaiah
Mark A. Versallion
Thomas Weiss
Jeremy Zeid

PRAYERS

The meeting opened with Prayers offered by the
Reverend Terence H. MacMath

1. ELECTION OF MAYOR:

The Mayor, Paddy Lyne, welcomed all Members to a new Council following the Borough Elections, both those who had been re-elected and also the Councillors who had been elected for the first time.

The Mayor called formally for nominations for the Office of the Mayor of the London Borough of Harrow for the ensuing Municipal Year.

Councillor Richard Romain nominated and Councillor Chris Mote seconded that **COUNCILLOR JANET ROSLYN COWAN** be elected Mayor for the Municipal Year 2006/2007.

Councillors Navin Shah, Christopher Noyce, Keeki Thammaiah, Mrs Camilla Bath and Manji Kara endorsed the nomination of Councillor Mrs Janet Cowan.

There being no other nominations, the Mayor put the nomination of Councillor Mrs Janet Cowan to the meeting, and it was

RESOLVED:

THAT COUNCILLOR JANET ROSLYN COWAN BE ELECTED MAYOR OF THE LONDON BOROUGH OF HARROW FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2006/2007.

2. INSTALLATION OF NEWLY ELECTED MAYOR:

The retiring Mayor, Paddy Lyne, vacated the Chair and, after a short interval for robing, the newly elected Mayor, having made and subscribed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office, took the Chair.

The retiring Mayor handed to the duly elected Mayor **the keys of the Corporate Seal**.

The Mayor's Consort, Councillor John Cowan, was then invested by the retiring Mayoress with the Medallion of Office.

The Mayor, Councillor Mrs Janet Cowan, then returned thanks for her election.

3. VOTE OF THANKS TO THE RETIRING MAYOR:

Councillor Navin Shah formally moved a vote of thanks to the retiring Mayor, **Paddy Lyne** and to the retiring Mayoress, **Mrs Mary Graham**, which was seconded by **Councillor Chris Mote**.

Councillors Jean Lammiman, Ms Nana Asante, John Cowan, Thaya Idaikkadar, Mrs Kinnear, Keeki Thammaiah and Christopher Noyce also endorsed the vote of thanks.

RESOLVED:

THAT THE COUNCIL PLACE ON RECORD ITS UNANIMOUS APPRECIATION OF AND SINCERE THANKS TO PADDY LYNE AND MRS MARY GRAHAM FOR THEIR YEAR OF OFFICE AS MAYOR AND MAYORESS OF THE LONDON BOROUGH OF HARROW FOR 2005/2006.

4. EXPRESSION OF THANKS BY IMMEDIATE PAST MAYOR:

Paddy Lyne congratulated the incoming Mayor and Mayor's Consort, Councillor Mrs Janet Cowan and Councillor John Cowan, on their appointment. She expressed her gratitude to the London Borough of Harrow for having elected her as Mayor for the past year, and felt very proud to have worn the mantle of Mayor.

In recalling her Mayoral Year, Paddy Lyne referred especially to the many functions she had attended and the opportunities to meet the people of the Borough, which she had very much enjoyed.

She fondly recalled some of her most memorable engagements, including a meeting with the staff at the Central Depot, to whom she extended her grateful thanks, and the dedication of the new War Memorial.

In her speech, Paddy Lyne highlighted that nearly £15,000 had been raised for her Special Appeal, the St John's Ambulance, Harrow Weald, which would be used to fund equipment and training.

She drew attention to the sterling work and fundraising efforts of the Mayoress's Committee, which was the envy of other Boroughs, and without which, the Mayor's Special Appeals would not function.

Paddy Lyne offered her thanks to all the staff at the Civic Centre, and in particular to the Mayoral staff, Mrs Ball, Mrs Gresty, Mr Deans and Mr Ball, for their dedication and guidance. She also paid tribute to her Chaplain, the Reverend Terence MacMath, who had been a great support.

She expressed her heartfelt thanks to her Mayoress and dear friend, Mary Graham, for the support she had given her in her role as Mayor, and also to her Deputy Mayor, Mary John.

Finally, she extended her thanks to the press, for their coverage of her Mayoral Year.

Concluding her speech, Paddy Lyne reminded Members of Council that they had been elected by the residents of Harrow, to serve the people of Harrow.

She then left the Dais and was escorted by the Macebearer to her seat in the Council Chamber.

5. **PRESENTATION OF MEDALLIONS TO THE IMMEDIATE PAST MAYOR AND MAYORESS:**

The Mayor, Councillor Mrs Janet Cowan, on behalf of the Council presented a replica of the Mayor's Medallion to Paddy Lyne in commemoration of her Mayoralty of the Borough 2005/06.

The Mayor's Consort, Councillor John Cowan, presented to the immediate past Mayoress, Mrs Mary Graham, a Medallion to commemorate her year as Mayoress of the Borough 2005/06.

6. **APPOINTMENT AND INVESTITURE OF DEPUTY MAYOR AND DEPUTY MAYOR'S CONSORT:**

The Mayor signified in writing that she had appointed **Councillor Jean Lammiman** to be Deputy Mayor for the Municipal Year 2006/2007.

The Deputy Mayor, having been duly invested with the Deputy Mayor's robe and Badge of Office, occupied the Deputy Mayor's Chair.

The Mayor's Consort then invested the Deputy Mayor's Consort, Mr John Hinkley, with his Medallion of Office.

The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Jean Lammiman, then returned thanks for her appointment.

7. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAPLAIN:**

The Mayor confirmed to the Council that she had appointed Rabbi Andrew Shaw as her Mayor's Chaplain for the Municipal Year 2006/2007.

8. **ELECTION OF COUNCILLORS:**

The Director of Corporate Governance reported formally as to the Election of Borough Councillors on 4 May 2006 and the persons who had been duly elected as Borough Councillors for the respective Wards (as set out in Appendix 1 to these Minutes) to hold office for a period of four years, expiring in 2010, and that each had made and subscribed a Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

9. **ELECTION OF THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL:**

Further to Item 5 on the Summons, the Mayor called for nominations to the office of Leader of the Council.

Councillor David Ashton nominated and Councillor Tom Weiss seconded the appointment of **Councillor Chris Mote**.

There being no other nominations, it was

RESOLVED:

THAT COUNCILLOR CHRIS MOTE BE ELECTED LEADER OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2006/2007.

10. ELECTION OF THE DEPUTY LEADER OF THE COUNCIL:

Item 5 on the Summons also proposed that the Meeting consider the appointment of a Deputy Leader of the Council.

The Mayor, Councillor Mrs Janet Cowan, called for nominations to the office of Deputy Leader of the Council.

Councillor Chris Mote nominated and Councillor Yogesh Teli seconded the appointment of **Councillor David Ashton**.

There being no other nominations, it was

RESOLVED:

THAT COUNCILLOR DAVID ASHTON BE ELECTED DEPUTY LEADER OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2006/2007.

11. DETERMINATION OF THE SIZE OF THE CABINET:

Further to Item 6 on the Summons and the provisions of Paragraph 7.02 of Article 7 of the Constitution for the determination by the Council of the size of the Executive, the Annual Meeting received a proposal from the Leader of the Council that the Cabinet should consist of 9 Members, including the Leader and Deputy Leader of the Council.

RESOLVED:

THAT THE SIZE OF THE CABINET BE 9 MEMBERS, INCLUDING THE LEADER AND DEPUTY LEADER OF THE COUNCIL.

12. COUNCIL MINUTES:

RESOLVED:

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 27 APRIL 2006, HAVING BEEN CIRCULATED, BE TAKEN AS READ AND SIGNED AS A CORRECT RECORD.

13. CIVIC FUNCTIONS:

Further to the notification provided by the Mayor of forthcoming functions, it was

RESOLVED:

THAT THE DATES OF THE FOLLOWING CIVIC FUNCTIONS BE NOTED:

Civic Service	Sunday 18 June 2006 at St Mary's Church, Harrow on the Hill
Battle of Britain Thanksgiving Service	Sunday 17 September 2006
Remembrance Day Parade and Service	Sunday 12 November 2006
Mayoress's Committee Ball	Saturday 25 November 2006

14. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL:

The Leader of the Council, Councillor Chris Mote, welcomed all new and re-elected Members to the Council.

15. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

It was noted that there were no declarations of interest to be made by Members of Council in relation to the business on the Annual Council Summons.

16. PROCEDURAL MOTIONS:

It was noted that there were no procedural motions from Members of Council.

17. **DETERMINATION AS TO THE SIZE OF COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL AND THE PROPORTIONAL ALLOCATION OF COMMITTEE PLACES 2006/07:**

Further to the provisions of the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990, the Director of Corporate Governance had prepared and notified to the political groups on the Council, following the results of the Borough Elections, a Determination under the Regulations as to their proportional entitlements to places on Committees.

RESOLVED:

THAT THE DETERMINATION AS TO THE PROPORTIONAL ALLOCATION OF COMMITTEE PLACES BE HEREBY RECEIVED AND CONFIRMED.

18. **EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING - WEDNESDAY 31 MAY 2006:**

At Item 13 of the Summons, Members were notified of a decision by the previous Council that an Extraordinary Council Meeting should be held on Wednesday 31 May 2006.

The Annual Meeting duly noted that the Extraordinary Meeting was required to be convened in this, an Election Year, in order to undertake business which could not otherwise be effected at an Annual Meeting, including the formal establishment of committees and the appointment of their memberships.

RESOLVED:

THAT THE ARRANGEMENTS FOR AN EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING TO BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY 31 MAY 2006 BE HEREBY CONFIRMED.

19. **COUNCIL MEETINGS 2006/07:**

Further to the information provided at Item 14 of the Summons, it was

RESOLVED:

THAT THE FOLLOWING DATES FOR MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL IN THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2006/2007 BE HEREBY CONFIRMED:-

WEDNESDAY 31 MAY 2006	(EXTRAORDINARY MEETING)
THURSDAY 13 JULY 2006	
THURSDAY 19 OCTOBER 2006	
THURSDAY 22 FEBRUARY 2007	(COUNCIL TAX MEETING)
THURSDAY 26 APRIL 2007	
THURSDAY 10 MAY 2007	(ANNUAL MEETING)

(CLOSE OF MEETING: All business having been completed, the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 9.08 pm).

APPENDIX 1LONDON BOROUGH OF HARROWANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING 25 MAY 2006Item 4 of the Council SummonsReport of the Director of Corporate Governance

- (i) I formally report that at the Election of Borough Councillors on 4 May 2006 the following persons were duly elected as Borough Councillors for the Wards indicated below, to hold office for a period of four years expiring in 2010.

<u>WARD</u>	<u>MEMBERS ELECTED</u>	
BELMONT	ASHTON MACLEOD-CULLINANE KARA	David Barry Manji
CANONS	COWAN COWAN ROMAIN	Mrs Janet John Richard David
EDGWARE	CHOUDHURY DAVINE ASANTE	Mrinal Mrs Margaret Ms. Nana
GREENHILL	CHOWDHURY MUDHAR WEISS	Golam Narinder Tom
HARROW ON THE HILL	KINNEAR BILLSON VERSALLION	Mrs E.M. Don Mark
HARROW WEALD	ANDERSON FERRARI BENSON	John Tony Robert
HATCH END	HALL LAMMIMAN SHEINWALD	Susan Mary Jean Stanley
HEADSTONE NORTH	MOTE SEYMOUR SILVER	Mrs Janet Anthony Eric
HEADSTONE SOUTH	STEPHENSON SURESH OMAR	Bill Mrs Sasi Asad
KENTON EAST	SHAH GREEN FOULDS	Navin Mitzi Archie
KENTON WEST	MITHANI TELI ZEID	Mrs Vina Yogesh Jeremy

<u>WARD</u>	<u>MEMBERS ELECTED</u>	
MARLBOROUGH	LAVINGIA GAWN PERRY	Dhirajlal David David
PINNER	CHAMPAGNIE MICHAEL OSBORN	Mrs Lurline Mrs Myra Paul
PINNER SOUTH	MOTE NICKOLAY MIAH	Chris John Salim
QUEENSBURY	ISMAIL THAMMAIAH SOLANKI	Nizam Keeki Dinesh
RAYNERS LANE	NICKOLAY NOYCE KULKARNI	Joyce Christopher Ashok
ROXBOURNE	DHARMARAJAH CURRIE HENSON	Mano Bob Graham
ROXETH	MILES IDAIKKADAR RAY	Jerry Thaya Raj
STANMORE PARK	ASHTON BATH BEDNELL	Marilyn Mrs Camilla Miss Christine
WEALDSTONE	FERRY O'DELL SHAH	Keith Phillip Rekha
WEST HARROW	PATEL MERISON GATE	Mrs Anjana Julia B.E.

(ii) Declarations of Acceptance of Office.

All members of Council have signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

JOHN ROBINSON
DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE GOVERNANCE