

## **MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

**Meeting: Thursday, 9 May 2024 at 7.45 pm in The Arts Centre, Pavilion Gardens, Buxton**

**Present:** Councillor S Gardner (Chair)

Councillors R Baker, A Barrow, P Bell, A Benham, J Benzer, N Clarke, J Collins, G Cross, O Cross, S De Pee, D Elliott-Starkey, S Evans, C Farrell, N Gourlay, D Greenhalgh, L Grooby, P Hacking, M Hall, A Hopkinson, I Huddleston, P Inman, K Kirkham, D Lomax, P Mackie, A McKeown, R McKeown, C Morton, C Payne, R Quinn, P Reddy, P Roberts, G Scott, E Siddall, K Sizeland, F Sloman, J Taylor, M Taylor and J Todd

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors D Capper, G Claff, P Hardy and B Hastings-Asatourian

### **25/1 ELECTION OF MAYOR OF THE BOROUGH** (Agenda Item 2)

It was moved by Councillor Greenhalgh and seconded by Councillor Bob McKeown:

That Councillor Stewart Gardner be and is hereby elected Mayor of the Borough of High Peak until the next Annual Meeting of the Council and it was RESOLVED accordingly.

The newly elected Mayor, having made and subscribed before the Executive Director and Monitoring Officer the Declaration of Acceptance of Office took the Chair, which was vacated by the outgoing Mayor and thanked members of the Council for electing him to the office of Mayor.

### **25/2 APPOINTMENT OF THE DEPUTY MAYOR OF THE BOROUGH** (Agenda Item 3)

It was moved by Councillor Grooby and seconded by Councillor Kirkham that:

Councillor Dominic Elliott-Starkey be and is hereby appointed Deputy Mayor of the Borough of High Peak until the next Annual Meeting of the Council and it was RESOLVED accordingly.

Councillor Elliott-Starkey then made and subscribed before the Executive Director and Monitoring Officer the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

### **25/3 VOTE OF THANKS TO THE RETIRING MAYOR**

(Agenda Item 4)

Councillor Bob McKeown moved a vote of thanks to Councillor Peter Inman, the retiring Mayor. Councillor Todd seconded the motion and it was RESOLVED accordingly.

Councillor Inman, in response to the vote of thanks, thanked councillors for their support and gave his best wishes to the incoming Mayor and Mayoress.

**25/4 TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER ANY ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE MAYOR**  
(Agenda Item 5)

The Mayor confirmed that his charitable causes would be Buxton Mountain Rescue, High Peak Community Arts and the MS Society.

**25/5 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR OF COUNCIL BUSINESS**  
(Agenda Item 6)

It was moved by Councillor Anthony McKeown and seconded by Councillor Greenhalgh that Councillor Bob McKeown be appointed as the Chair of Council Business.

When put to the meeting it was RESOLVED accordingly.

**25/6 TO RECEIVE DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST ON ANY MATTER BEFORE THE COUNCIL**  
(Agenda Item 7)

There were no declarations made.

**25/7 SIZE AND POLITICAL COMPOSITION OF COMMITTEES**  
(Agenda Item 8)

It was moved by Councillor Anthony McKeown and seconded by Councillor Greenhalgh that the size and political composition of committees as set out in Appendix A to the report be approved.

When put to the meeting it was RESOLVED accordingly.

**25/8 NOMINATIONS FROM THE POLITICAL GROUPS TO COMMITTEES AND SUB-COMMITTEES**  
(Agenda Item 9)

It was moved by Councillor Anthony McKeown and seconded by Councillor Greenhalgh that the nominees of the political groups to Committees as tabled, be noted.

When put to the meeting it was RESOLVED accordingly.

**25/9 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRS AND VICE-CHAIRS**  
(Agenda Item 10)

It was moved by Councillor Anthony McKeown and seconded by Councillor Greenhalgh that the Council appoints the Chairs and Vice-Chairs of the committees and Appointment and Appeals Panel as detailed in Appendix A to the report.

When put to the meeting it was RESOLVED accordingly.

**25/10 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE TO THE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL**

(Agenda Item 11)

It was moved by Councillor Anthony McKeown and seconded by Councillor Greenhalgh that Councillor Evans be appointed as the Council's representative on the Police and Crime Panel and that Councillor Barrow be appointed as substitute representative.

When put to the meeting it was RESOLVED accordingly.

The meeting concluded at 8.45 pm

MAYOR