

PRESENT

Members of the Council

THE MAYOR: CLLR. CHARLES WILLIAMS

THE DEPUTY MAYOR: CLLR. SAM MACKOVER

AHERN, Tim	HUSBAND, James
ATKINSON, Robert	JONES, Tim
BARKHORDAR, Abbas	LIGHTFOOT, Warwick
BLAKEMAN, Judith	LINDSAY, David
BUCKMASTER, Christopher	MARSHALL, Quentin
CAMPBELL, Barbara	MASON, Pat
CAMPBELL, Elizabeth	MILLS, Julie
CAMPION, David, BA (Arch), Dip TP, FRIBA, MBCS, CITP	MINGAY, Robert
CARUANA, Carol	MOSLEY, Louis
COLERIDGE, Timothy	MOYLAN, Daniel
COLLINSON, Deborah	O'NEILL, Dez
CONDON-SIMMONDS, Maighread	PAGET-BROWN, Nicholas
DENT COAD, Emma	PALMER, Matthew
DONALDSON, Ian	PASCALL, Will
FAULKES, Catherine	ROSSI, Marie-Therese
FOREMAN, Todd	TAYLOR, Mrs Frances
FREEMAN, Robert	WADE, Linda
GARDNER, Joanna	WARRICK, Paul
HARGREAVES, Gerard	WEALE, Mary
HEALY, Pat	WEATHERHEAD, Miss Doreen M
HOIER, Bridget	WILL, Emma

A G E N D A

1. MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING HELD ON 22 MAY 2013

The minutes of the annual meeting of the Council held on 22 May were confirmed as a correct record and were signed by the Mayor.

2. SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE MAYOR

The Mayor said that Members would have seen the details circulated this evening of those living in or having connections with the Royal Borough who were included in this year's Birthday Honours list. He

asked for the details included in the minutes of this meeting and added that the Council's warmest congratulations go to each of the recipients.

K.C.V.O.

Major General George Norton - General Officer Commanding London District and Major General Commanding the Household Division

C.B.E.

Terrie Alafat - Director, Housing Growth and Affordable Housing, Department for Communities and Local Government. For services to Homeless People. (Former Director of Housing and Corporate Strategy at the Royal Borough)

Pam Chesters - Lately Chair, Action for Children. For services to Vulnerable Children.

Charles Mackay - Chairman, Historic Royal Palaces. For services to Heritage and Conservation.

Oliver Stocken - Chair of the Trustees, Natural History Museum. For services to the Arts.

L.V.O.

Mrs Alison Frances Moore-Gwyn - Formerly chief executive, National Playing Fields Association.

O.B.E.

Richard Regan - For services to the City of London Corporation and for voluntary service in London (Chief Commoner 2011/12).

Edward Whitley - Founder and Trustee, Whitley Fund for Nature. For services to Wildlife Conservation.

M.B.E.

Antoinette Pardo - President, Friends of the Royal Marsden Hospital. For voluntary service to Healthcare.

David Bell - For voluntary service to St John Ambulance in London. (Senior Lawyer in the Royal Borough's Legal Services Dept.)

The Mayor said that all good wishes went to Cllr. Tony Holt who had been unwell of late and who was unable to be at the meeting this evening. He was sure that all would hope to see him back again very soon.

The Mayor informed the Council that the previous weekend saw the marriage of former Cllr. Catherine Atkinson to Dan Whittle. He was certain that all Cllrs. would join in wishing them much happiness for many years to come.

3. TOWN CLERK AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE'S REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

(i) Apologies

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Cllrs. Borwick, Fiona Buxton, Professor Sir Anthony Coates, Sir Merrick Cockell, Feilding-Mellen, Holt, Neal and Rutherford.

(ii) Declarations of Interest

In respect of motion (i), the Town Clerk and Executive Director of Finance advised that as the motion referred to both the £2m Mansion Tax and a revaluation of the Council tax bands it could potentially have implications for all those Members with liability to pay Council Tax. His view was that neither Members who had properties with a value of £2m nor other Members who paid Council Tax had a disclosable pecuniary interest in the motion. Any liability or potential liability to pay Council Tax or any other local property tax did not create a disclosable pecuniary interest.

In the interests of openness and transparency all Members liable to pay Council Tax were deemed to have declared a personal interest in this matter.

No other declarations were made.

4. PETITIONS

No petitions were submitted.

5. ORDER OF BUSINESS

The Mayor announced that, in accordance with Standing Orders, the order of debate would be as set out in the agenda.

6. PUBLIC HEALTH

Dr Peter Brambleby, Interim Director of Public Health, addressed the Council on its new public health role.

Members asked questions of Dr Brambleby.

7. REPORTS FROM THE CABINET

(i) Urgent Key Decisions taken in the previous quarter

The reception of the report was moved by Cllr. Paget-Brown and seconded by Cllr. Ahern.

The report was received and noted.

(ii) Partial Review of the Core Strategy – Policy Review – Publication (Reg. 19) Consultation Stage

The reception of the report was moved by Cllr. Coleridge and seconded by Cllr. Ahern.

RESOLVED (with Cllrs. Atkinson, Blakeman, Caruana, Dent Coad, Foreman, Healy, Hoier, Jones, Mason, Mingay, O'Neill and Wade voting against) –

That the recommendations in paragraph 14 be adopted.

8. MATTERS REFERRED TO THE COUNCIL BY COUNCIL-SIDE COMMITTEES

(i) Report of the Administration Committee – 5 June

The reception of the report was moved by Cllr. Paget-Brown and seconded by Cllr. Ahern.

Paragraph 1 – Changes to the Constitution – Scrutiny Remits

RESOLVED –

That the recommendations in paragraph 1.2 be adopted.

Paragraph 2 - Changes to the Constitution – Change to Council Standing Orders in respect of motions on the budget

RESOLVED -

That the recommendation in paragraph 2.2 be adopted.

Paragraph 3 – Health and Wellbeing Board voting rights

RESOLVED -

That the recommendation in paragraph 3.2 be adopted.

(ii) Annual Report of the Audit and Transparency Committee

The reception of the report was moved by Cllr. Warrick and seconded by Cllr. Pascall.

RESOLVED -

That the report be received and noted.

9. MATTERS REFERRED TO THE COUNCIL BY SCRUTINY COMMITTEES

Annual Report of the Scrutiny Committees 2012/13

The reception of the report was moved by Cllr. Lindsay and seconded by Cllr. Gardner.

RESOLVED -

That the report be received and noted.

10. MATTERS RAISED UNDER STANDING ORDER 19

St Quintin Avenue

Cllr. Blakeman spoke about traffic in St Quintin Avenue. The road had always been a rat-run but this had been made worse by the removal, without consultation, of the speed humps. Traffic was now travelling at significantly higher speeds and, to make matters worse, this now seemed to be the 'approved route' for lorries travelling between the Royal Borough and Hammersmith and Fulham. She considered that traffic would only get worse with further developments at White City. She called on the Council to adopt the Labour Group's travel plan, make representations to the Department for Transport, Transport for London and Hammersmith and Fulham Council and ensure that these plans were included in the vision for future development at Old Oak Common.

The Council noted the matter raised.

11. MOTIONS FOR DEBATE

(i) Property taxes

It was moved by Cllr. Barkhordar and seconded by Cllr. Lindsay that:

"This Council recognises that property taxes exhibit a serious defect: the people taxed often do not have the income to afford a tax bill that reflects the current value of their home. The Council

resolves to campaign against both a £2m Mansion Tax and a revaluation of the Council Tax Bands that would impose heavy and often unaffordable local property tax burdens on our residents.”

Debate ensued.

The motion was subsequently put to the vote and was declared by the Mayor to be carried.

Cllrs. Atkinson, Blakeman, Caruana, Dent Coad, Foreman, Healy, Hoier, Jones, Mason, Mingay, O'Neill and Wade asked that their names be recorded as voting against the motion.

(ii) Planning Committee

It was moved by Cllr. Blakeman and seconded by Cllr. Atkinson:

“That this Council asks the incoming Cabinet Member for Planning Policy, Transport and Arts to carry out a detailed review of the operation of the *Improvements to the Planning Applications Committee* during the next nine months and to submit the outcome to public consultation, followed by full scrutiny by councillors – as should have happened before these changes were introduced.”

Debate ensued.

The motion was subsequently put to the vote and was declared by the Mayor to be lost.

Cllrs. Atkinson, Blakeman, Caruana, Dent Coad, Foreman, Healy, Hoier, Jones, Mason, Mingay, O'Neill and Wade asked that their names be recorded as voting for the motion.

(iii) Regeneration

It was moved by Cllr. Dent Coad and seconded by Cllr. Mingay:

“There has been much debate recently about the ongoing use of the borough’s Strategic Regeneration Fund. This comprises funds from the previous government’s Local Authority Business Growth Incentives (LABGI) scheme, and currently amounts to over £14m. Debate has focussed on the use of this for the borough’s Arts Strategy and Visitor Strategy.

In particular the use of this fund for social events such as a party at Kensington Palace in April 2012 costing £11,000, the Nour Festival last year costing £60,000, and the same this year costing £20,000, have been subjected to cross-party scrutiny.

This Council commits to a thorough review of the objects and purpose of this near £15m fund, with a clear definition of what 'regeneration' means within the borough."

Debate ensued.

The motion was subsequently put to the vote and was declared by the Mayor to be lost.

Cllrs. Atkinson, Blakeman, Dent Coad, Foreman, Healy, Hoier, Mason, Mingay and Moylan asked that their names be recorded as voting for the motion.

12. APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES AND OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS

The Council noted the **resignation** of Cllr. Barkhordar from the Adult Social Care and Health Scrutiny Committee.

The Council agreed the following **appointments**:

Family and Children's Services Scrutiny Committee – Cllr. Blakeman

Health and Wellbeing Board -

Nominating organisation	Nominee position (and current postholder)	Reason for Proposal
The Royal Borough	Sue Redmond, Tri-borough Director for Adult Social Care	Statutory member as per HSCA 2012
The Royal Borough	Dr Peter Brambleby, Tri-borough Director of Public Health	Statutory member as per HSCA 2012
West London Clinical Commissioning Group	Dr Fiona Butler, Chair	Statutory member as per HSCA 2012

13. OTHER URGENT MATTERS

None.

The meeting ended at 9.20pm.

Mayor