NORTHAMPTON BOROUGH COUNCIL



COUNCIL

Thursday, 15 May 2014

YOU ARE SUMMONED TO ATTEND A MEETING OF NORTHAMPTON BOROUGH COUNCIL, WHICH WILL BE HELD AT THE GUILDHALL NORTHAMPTON ON THURSDAY, 15 MAY 2014 AT 11:00 AM WHEN THE FOLLOWING BUSINESS IS PROPOSED TO BE TRANSACTED

1. ELECTION OF THE MAYOR

Councillor Mackintosh to propose and Councillor Duncan to second: "That Councillor John Caswell be elected Mayor of the Borough of Northampton for the ensuing year".

After election the Mayor will make the declaration of office

The Mace Bearer will invest the Mayoress (Mrs Cheryl Caswell) with her chain of office.

The Mayor will thank the Council for his election.

2. VOTE OF THANKS TO THE OUTGOING MAYOR AND MAYORESS

Councillor Mason to propose and Councillor Palethorpe to second: "That the thanks of the Council be given to Councillor Les Marriott and Mrs Lisa Marriot for the able and courteous manner in which they have discharged their duties as Mayor and Mayoress during their term on office".

3. ELECTION OF THE DEPUTY MAYOR

Councillor Larratt to propose and Councillor Hill to second: "That Councillor Penny Flavell be appointed to the office of Deputy Mayor".

After appointment the Deputy Mayor will make her declaration of acceptance of office.

The Mace Bearer will invest the Deputy Mayors consort (Mr Michael Flavell) with his badge of office.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

5. APOLOGIES

6. LONG SERVICES

25 years' service:

Colleen Peart, Jane Jennings, Simon Palmer. Louise Marshall, Julie Drummond, Jeffery Harrison, Donna Newbold, Tanya Worrall, Margaret Wolstenholme, Shane Conway, Silvina Katz, Sue Folwell, Salma Kotadia, Sarah Gould and Lee Butler.

35 years' service:

Mark James and Michael Rudd.

7. LEADER AND DEPUTY LEADER OF THE CONSERVATIVE GROUP

Councillor Hadland to announce:

"That Councillor Mackintosh be appointed Leader of the Conservative Group and Councillor Markham be appointed Deputy Leader of the Conservative Group".

8. LEADER AND DEPUTY LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION GROUP

Councillor Palethorpe to announce:

"That Councillor Marriott be appointed Leader of the Opposition and Councillor Mason be appointed Deputy Leader of the Opposition".

9. LEADER AND DEPUTY LEADER OF THE LIBERAL DEMOCRATS GROUP

Councillor Glynane to announce:

"That Councillor Beardsworth be appointed Leader of the Liberal Democrat Group and Councillor Meredith be appointed Deputy Leader of the Liberal Democrat Group".

10. DEPUTY LEADER OF THE COUNCIL AND CABINET

The Leader of the Council to announce the following appointments:

Councillor Markham Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Housing Cabinet Member for Finance

Councillor Eldred Cabinet Member for Community Engagement

Councillor Hadland Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Enterprise and Planning

Councillor Hallam Cabinet Member for Environment

11. COMMITTEE PROPORTIONALITY

(Copy herewith)

12. COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Mayor to propose: "That the Annual Meeting of the Council take place on 21^{st} May 2015 and that other meetings of the Council take place on the 14th July, 15^{th} September, 27^{th} October, 8^{th} December 2014, 19^{th} January, 23^{rd} February and the 2^{nd} March 2015.

13. APPOINTMENT TO COMMITTEES

(Copy herewith)

14. APPOINTMENT TO THE ALMO SHADOW BOARD

(Copy herewith)

15. APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES

(Copy herewith)

16. CONSULTATION APPOINTMENTS

Civic Matters (Chief Executive)

The Mayor, the Deputy Mayor, The Immediate Past Mayor and Councillors Beardsworth, Hill and Mackintosh

Community Enabling Fund Advisory Panel (Chief Executive):

Councillors I Choudary (Chair) and Councillors Parekh, Beardsworth, King, Strachan and Subbarayan

Constitution Review Working Party (Borough Solicitor)

Councillors Beardsworth, Subbarayan, Oldham, Hallam, Meredith and Strachan.

Markets Advisory Panel

Councillor Nunn, Hadland and Stone

Northamptonshire Police and Crime Panel

Councillor Eldred (Cllr King – Substitute)

Councillor Mason (Cllr Marriott - Substitute)

Discretionary Housing Payments Review Panel (Chief Executive)

Councillor Bottwood & Markham

Councillor Beardsworth

Councillor Marriott & Mason

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COUNCIL 15th May 2014

Agenda Status: Public Directorate: Chief Executive's

Report	Committee Proportionality
Title	

1. Purpose

1.1 This report seeks Council's approval of the number and Group proportionality of seats on each Committee.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 That Council approves the number of seats on each Committee as set out in the report.
- 2.2 That the representation of the political groups be as set out in this report

3. Issues and Choices

3. Report Background

- 3.1 The current composition of the Groups is 26 Conservative Seats, 14 Labour, 4 Liberal Democrats and 1 Independent (UKIP).
- 3.2. The Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and its associated regulations, requires the Council, at its annual meeting, or as soon as practicable afterwards following any changes to its political makeup, to review the representation of political groups and determine the allocation of seats (ie proportionality). The rights of the various political groups are specified in relevant regulations.
- 3.3. The following principles need to be applied in allocating Committee places:
 - 3.3.1. That not all seats on any Committee or Sub Committee are allocated to the same political group

- 3.3.2. that the majority of seats on all Committees and Sub- Committees are allocated to the political group that has a majority of the Council's membership or as otherwise reflects the make up of the Council;
- 3.3.3. that subject to 3.3.1. and 3.3.2 above, the number of seats for all main Committees which are allocated to each political group bears the same proportion to the total of all the seats on the main Committees as is borne by the number of members of that group to the membership of the Council; and
- 3.3.4. subject to 3.3.3 the numbers of seats on the individual Committees and Sub Committees allocated to each political group bears the same proportion to the number of seats of that Committee as is borne by the number of members of that group to their membership of the Council.
- 3.4 There are 69 allocated Committee places which divides as 40 Conservative, 22 Labour, 6 Liberal Democrats and 1 independent place.
 - 3.4.1 The allocation of seats between the Committees is as follows:

Committee	Conservative	<u>Labour</u>	Lib Dem	Ind/UKIP	<u>Total</u>
Audit	4	2	1	0	7
O&S	9	5	1	0	15
Planning	7	4	1	0	12
Licensing	6	3	1	1	11
Appointments and Appeals	4	2	0	0	6
General Purposes	5	3	1	0	9
Standards	5	3	1	0	9
Totals	40	22	6	1	69
Proportionality	39.8	21.5	6.1	1.5	69

4. Implications (including financial implications)

4.1 Policy

4.1.1 n/a

4.2 Resources and Risk

4.2.1 None

4.3 Legal

4.3.1 The Council has legal obligations under the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and its associated regulations, to review the representation of political groups and determine the allocations of seats.

4.4 Equality

- 4.4.1 None
- 4.5 Other Implications
- 4.5.1 None
- 5. Background Papers
- 5.1 None

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COUNCIL 15th May 2014

Agenda Status: Public Directorate: Chief Executive's

Report	Appointments to Committees
Title	

1. Purpose

1.1 To seek the confirmation of Council to the appointments to Committees for 2014/15

2. Recommendations

2.1 That the appointments to Committees for 2014/15 set out in the report be confirmed.

3. Issues and Choices

3. Report Background

3.1 The memberships of Committees are as follows:

Overview and Scrutiny Committee: (15 members)

Councillor Lane (Chair) Councillor Sargeant (Deputy Chair) Councillors Ansell, Ford, King, Larratt, Lynch, Parekh, Patel, Mason, Strachan, Gowen, Capstick, Subbarayan and Glynane

Appointments and Appeals Committee (6 members)

Councillor Mackintosh (Chair) Councillor Markham (Deputy Chair) Councillors Bottwood, Hadland, Marriott and Mason

Audit Committee

(7 members)

Councillor Larratt (Chair) Councillor Hibbert (Deputy Chair) Councillors Flavell, Nunn, Palethorpe, Strachan and Conroy

General Purposes Committee (9 members)

Councillor Hibbert (Chair) Councillor Parekh (Deputy Chair) Councillors Duncan, Ford, King, Begum, Aziz, Stone and Beardsworth

Licensing Committee

(11 members)

Conroy

Councillor Malpas (Chair) Councillor Hill (Deputy Chair) Councillors Duncan, Larratt, Hibbert, Sargeant, Stone, Marriott, Eales, Mennell and

Planning Committee (12 members)

Councillor Oldham (Chair) Councillor Lynch (Deputy Chair) Councillors I Choudary, Flavell, Ford, Golby, Lane, Mason, Aziz, Palethorpe, N Choudary and Meredith

Standards Committee (9 members)

Councillor Yates (Chair) Councillor Capstick (Deputy Chair) Councillors Flavell, Oldham, Patel, Sargeant, Marriott, Gowen and Glynane

4. Implications (including financial implications)

4.1 Policy

4.1.1 n/a

4.2 Resources and Risk

4.2.1 None

4.3 Legal

4.3.1 The Council has a legal requirement to formally appoint members to Committees to enable it to operate lawfully

4.4 Equality

4.4.1 None

4.5 Other Implications

4.5.1 None

5. Background Papers

5.1 None

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COUNCIL 15th May 2014

Agenda Status: Public Directorate: Chief Executive's

Report	Appointments to ALMO Shadow Board
Title	

1. Purpose

1.1 To seek the approval from Council for appointments to the Arm's Length Management Board (ALMO) Shadow Board

2. Recommendations

2.1 That the following Councillors be appointed to the ALMO Shadow Board: Councillors Hibbert, Bottwood, Beardsworth, Mason and N Choudary.

3. Issues and Choices

3. Report Background

- 3.1 Northampton Borough Council's Corporate Plan 2012-15 included a commitment to looking at the potential options for the future ownership, funding and management of its Housing Stock to examine the options that would best deliver long term improvements needed to homes and estates.
- 3.1.1 Following the Housing Stock Options Appraisal, it was agreed by Cabinet on the 4th December 2013 that an Arm's Length Management Organisation (ALMO) be created to manage the Housing Stock which was endorsed by Council on the 9th December 2013.
- 3.1.2 The legal set up of the ALMO was agreed by Cabinet on the 9th April 2014 which included the recommendation that an ALMO Shadow Board structure be set up with the following membership:
 - a) 5 Tenants
 - b) 5 Council Nominees

- c) 4 Independents- persons with specialist, financial, legal, housing and business skills
- d) 2 Employees
- 3.1.3 The Shadow Board will guide the development of the ALMO working with the Council, prior to the formal inception proposed for the 5th January 2015.
- 3.1.4 The 5 Council nominees do not have to exclusively be comprised of serving Councillors, but may constitute ex Councillors or people who have a special interest in housing.
- 3.1.5 Separate processes are being followed to appoint tenant, employee and Independent members of the Board.
- 3.1.6 The Shadow Board will be superseded at the inception of the ALMO by the ALMO Board. If approved as members of the Shadow Board, the Council nominees will become members of the ALMO Board.

4. Implications (including financial implications)

4.1 Policy

4.1.1 n/a

4.2 Resources and Risk

4.2.1 None

4.3 Legal

4.3.1 The Council has a legal requirement to formally appoint members to enable the Shadow Board to operate effectively and lawfully

4.4 Equality

4.4.1 None

4.5 Other Implications

4.5.1 None

5. Background Papers

5.1 None

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COUNCIL 15th May 2014

Agenda Status: Public Directorate: Chief Executive's

Report	Appointments to Outside Bodies
Title	

1. Purpose

1.1 To seek the confirmation of Council to the appointments to Outside Bodies

2. Recommendations

2.1 That the appointments to Outside Bodies be confirmed as set out in Appendix 1 of the report.

3. Issues and Choices

3. Report Background

- 3.1 The Council has a number of Councillor representatives on various outside bodies. The nominations to those bodies are appended to the report. Annual Council confirms the list each year.
- 3.2 It is important for Councillors who represent the Council on these outside bodies to be formally authorised as representatives owing to insurance liability issues. The Council's current insurance provides contingent cover for Councillors representing the Council on these outside bodies; however, the primary line of cover should be from the outside body itself.

4. Implications (including financial implications)

4.1 Policy

4.1.1 n/a

4.2 Resources and Risk

4.2.1 n/a

4.3 Legal

4.3.1 n/a

4.4 Equality

4.4.1 n/a

4.5 Other Implications

4.5.1 n/a

5. Background Papers

5.1 None

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COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES

<u>2014/15</u>

NAME OF BODY {Number of representatives required in brackets}	REPRESENTATIVES	Representative/Trustee/Director	Term
Abbey Centre User's Association [2]	Cllr Phil Larratt Cllr Brandon Eldred		
Northamptonshire Rights and Equality Council [1]	Cllr Anna King	Member	Life of Council
Citizens Advice Bureau Management Committee [2]	Cllr Hibbert Cllr Ifty Choudary	Committee Member	Annual
Northampton Theatres Trust [2]	Cllr David Mackintosh Cllr Les Marriott	Member	Life of Council
Northampton Town Football Supporters Trust [1]	Cllr Mick Ford	Member	3 years
Council for the Museum of Leather craft [3]	Cllr Penny Flavell Cllr N Choudary Cllr Sally Beardsworth	Member	Life of Council
East Midlands Museums Service [2]	Cllr Brandon Eldred	Representative	Annual
Northampton Twinning Association [2]	Cllr Danielle Stone Cllr Jamie Lane	Member	Life of Council
Community Law Service [2]	Cllr Stephen Hibbert Cllr Sivaramen Subbarayan	Member	Life of Council
Northamptonshire Rape and Incest Crisis Centre [2]	Cllr Elizabeth Gowen Cllr Geraldine Davies	Trustee	1 year
Strategic Flood Risk Management Committee	Cabinet Member for Environment	Ex Officio	Term of Office

Delapre Abbey Preservation Trust	Cllr Tim Hadland		Life of Council
Groundwork Northampton Board [1]	Cllr Jonathan Nunn	Board Member	Life of Council
Leisure Trust Board of Trustees [2]	Cllr Brandon Eldred Cllr Matt Golby	Trustee	Life of Council
Adult & Social Care & Healthier Communities Scrutiny Committee [1]	Cllr Matt Lynch	Member	Life of Council
Wildlife Trust for Beds, Cambs, Northants and Peterborough [1]	Cllr John Yates	Member	Life of Council
78 Derngate Trust [1]	Cllr Brian Sargeant	Trustee	Life of Council
West Northants Joint Strategic Planning Committee [4]	Cllr Phil Larratt Cllr Tim Hadland Cllr Jonathan Nunn Cllr Matt Golby Cllr Alan Bottwood(Sub) Cllr Brian Oldham (Sub) Cllr Mike Hallam (Sub) Cllr Jamie Lane (Sub)	Representative	Three years
Northamptonshire Waste Management Partnership [2]	Cabinet Member for Environment	Ex Officio	Life of Council
	Cllr Brian Oldham	Representative	Life of Council
Northampton Community Safety Partnership [2]	Leader of the Council Cabinet Member for	Ex Officio	Life of Council
	Community Engagement		Life of Council
LGA General Assembly	Leader of the Council	Ex Officio	
LGA Urban Commission	Cllr Tim Hadland Cllr John Yates (sub)		
Northampton Festival Limited	Cllr Brandon Eldred	Director	Life of Council
Northamptonshire Overview & Scrutiny Board [2]	Chair of Overview and Scrutiny	Ex Officio	Life of Council
	Cllr Brian Sargeant	Member	

East Midlands Councils	Leader of the Council	Ex Officio	Term of Office
Public Service Board	Leader of the Council	Ex Officio	Term of Office
Local Strategic Partnership	Leader of the Council	Ex Officio	Term of Office
Town Centre BID Company	Cabinet Member for	Ex Officio	Term of Office
	Regeneration,		
	Enterprise & Planning		
Brackmills BID Company	Cabinet Member for	Ex Officio	Term of Office
	Regeneration,		
	Enterprise & Planning		
Enterprise Zone Board	Leader of the Council;	Ex Officio	
	Cabinet Member for	Ex Officio	
	Regeneration,		
	Enterprise and Planning		
Countywide Travellers Unit (CTU) Board [2]	Cllr Mary Markham	Member	
	Cllr Brian Oldham		
Parking and Traffic Outside London	Cllr Matthew Golby	Joint Committee member	Life of Council
Adjudication Joint Committee			
Friends of Delapre Abbey Observers	Cllr Mick Ford		
	Cllr Geraldine Davies	Observers	Life of Council
	Cllr Roger Conroy		

APPOINTMENTS TO CHARITIES

<u>2014/2015</u>

NAME OF BODY (Number of representatives required in brackets)	Trustees
Charity of Hervey & Elizabeth Ekins {1}	Margaret Greenwell
Coles & Rice Charity {1}	Laurice Percival
Dallington Raynsford Almhouses Charity (5)	Marjorie Cook
	Jane Humphrey
	Mary Christine Musson
	Mr Tyrell

	Rev S Mousir- Harrison (ex officio Vicar of Dallington Church)
Kingsthorpe Manor & Town Charity {2}	Cllr John Yates Cllr Nilesh Parekh
Northampton Municipal Church Charity {5} (includes St Thomas House)	Cllr Phil Larratt Tony Sanderson Tony O'Connor Brian May Cllr Brian Sergeant Richard Pestell
Sir Thomas White's Northampton Charity and the Henry and Elizabeth Lineham Fund (10 in total) (formerly Northampton Municipal General Charities)	Rev D Wiseman Jenny Conroy Janet March Andrew Simpson Terence Whenham
Blue Coat Educational Charity St John's Home Trust	The Mayor The Mayor
Edmund Arnolds Charity Arnolds Educational Foundation	Mr Peter White Mr Peter White
Northampton Hope Centre	Cllr M Markham (Cabinet Member – Housing) for 3years from 28 th Oct 2013.