



Minutes Council

Date:	Wednesday, 20 May 2015
Venue:	Lowther Pavilion, Lytham
Members:	Mayor (Mr Kevin Eastham) Deputy Mayor (Councillor Karen Henshaw) Councillors Ben Aiken, Christine Akeroyd, Frank Andrews, Jan Barker, Brenda Blackshaw, Keith Beckett ISO, Julie Brickles, Karen Buckley, Maxine Chew, Alan Clayton, Delma Collins, Peter Collins, Michael Cornah, Leonard Davies, David Donaldson, David Eaves, Sue Fazackerley, Trevor Fiddler, Tony Ford JP, Richard Fradley, Peter Hardy, Angela Jacques, Cheryl Little, Roger Lloyd, Barbara Nash, Edward Nash, Graeme Neale, Linda Nulty, Elizabeth Oades, Sandra Pitman, Albert Pounder, Richard Redcliffe, Louis Rigby, Vince Settle, Elaine Silverwood, John Singleton JP, Roger Small, Heather Speak, Thomas Threlfall, Vivienne Willder
Officers:	Allan Oldfield, Tracy Morrison, Paul Walker, Ian Curtis, Jo Collins, Gary Pangburn, Sandra Connell, Lyndsey Lacey, Clare Lord, David Oxley, Ross McKelvie, Murray Don, Sharon Wadsworth, Tara Walsh, Katharine McDonnell.
Other attendees:	Reverend Alan Clark, Reverend Rick Bunday, invited guests and members of the public

At the commencement of the meeting, the retiring Mayor (Mr Kevin Eastham) occupied the chair.

Prayers

Prayers were offered by the Mayor's Chaplain, Reverend Alan Clark.

Mayor's Welcome

The Mayor (Mr Kevin Eastham) welcomed everyone to the annual meeting of the Council. He extended his thanks to all who had contributed to his mayoral year, including his family and friends, fellow councillors, residents of the borough, his chaplain and officers of the Council. He also thanked the Mayoress, the Deputy Mayor, the Deputy Mayor's Consort, the Civic Officer and the Mayor's attendant.

1. To Appoint a Mayor for the Borough of Fylde for the Ensuing Municipal Year

It was moved by Councillor Elizabeth Oades, and seconded by Councillor Linda Nulty and;

RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY that Councillor Peter Hardy be appointed Mayor of the Borough of Fylde for the ensuing municipal year.

After making the Declaration of the Acceptance of Office, as required by statute, the Mayor thereupon occupied the chair.

2. To Appoint a Deputy Mayor for the Borough of Fylde for the Ensuing Municipal Year.

It was moved by the Mayor, Councillor Peter Hardy, and seconded by Councillor Peter Collins and; RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY that Councillor Heather Speak be appointed Deputy Mayor of Fylde for the ensuing municipal year.

The Deputy Mayor thereupon made the Declaration of Acceptance of Office as required by Statute.

(The Mayor also indicated that his appointee as Deputy Mayoress was Mrs Jen Robinson).

Vote of Thanks

The Mayor, on behalf of the Council, expressed his thanks and congratulations to Mr Kevin Eastham on his year of office.

Presentation of the Illuminated Record and Badge to the Immediate Past Mayor together with the Immediate Past Mayoress's Badge.

The Mayor, on behalf of the Council, presented to the immediate Past Mayor (Mr Kevin Eastham) an illuminated record containing the resolution of the Council electing him to the office of Mayor of the Borough for the year 2014/2015.

The Mayor also presented Mr Kevin Eastham his Past Mayor's Badge and to Mrs Valerie Eastham, her Past Mayoress's Badge.

3. Declarations of interest

Members were reminded that any disclosable pecuniary interests should be declared as required by the Localism Act 2011 and any personal or prejudicial interests should be declared as required by the Council's Code of Conduct for Members.

There were no declarations of interest.

4. Confirmation of minutes

RESOLVED: To approve the minutes of the Council meeting held on 30 March 2015 as an accurate record for signature by the Mayor.

5. Mayor's Announcements

The Mayor informed members that Reverend Rick Bunday would be his Mayor's Chaplain.

The Mayor announced that Civic Sunday would take place on Sunday 7 June 2015 at St Michael's Church, Kirkham. The service would commence at 10.00am.

The Mayor announced that Barnados, Fylde Citizen's Advice Bureau, Fylde Rural Splash and the Scout and Guide Associations be his Mayoral charities for the municipal year.

6. Chief Executive's Communications

Mr Oldfield welcomed the newly elected and re-elected Councillors, and wished former members of the authority all the best for the future. He expressed his thanks to the Immediate Past Mayor, Mayoress, Deputy Mayor and Deputy Mayor's Consort, and his congratulations to the new Mayor, Mayoress, Deputy Mayor and Deputy Mayoress.

7. Appointment of Leader and Deputy Leader of the Council

Councillor David Eaves proposed Councillor Sue Fazackerley as Leader of the Council and Councillor Karen Buckley as deputy Leader for a period of four years. Councillor Trevor Fiddler seconded the proposal.

It was RESOLVED that Councillor Sue Fazackerley be elected Leader of the Council and Councillor Karen Buckley be elected deputy Leader of the Council for a period of four years.

8. Confirmation of Committees and Allocation of Membership

Councillor Sue Fazackerley (Leader of the Council) introduced the item on confirmation of committees and allocation of membership. Councillor Fazackerley explained that the council was required to confirm the committees that it wished to appoint at its Annual Meeting in a year when there were council elections. It must also allocate the membership of certain of those committees in accordance with the principles of political balance under the Local Government and Housing Act 1989. Councillor Eaves seconded the proposal.

It was therefore RESOLVED:

1. To appoint the committees as set out in the appendix to the report for the municipal year 2015-16, with the terms of reference set out against each committee;
2. To allocate the committee seats in accordance with the principles of political balance as set out in the table below;

Committee	Total seats	Con	Ind	Lib Dem	Others
Finance and Democracy	12	7	3	1	1
Environment, Health and Housing	12	8	4	0	0
Operational Management	12	7	3	1	0
Tourism and Leisure	12	8	3	0	1
Development Management	12	7	3	1	1
Public Protection	11	7	3	0	1
Audit and Standards	9	6	3	0	0
Chief Officers Employment	6	4	2	0	0

3. That the following Councillors be appointed to the following committees, and that in accordance with legislation that Mr R Ellwood and Mr B Horrocks be appointed as Independent Persons to the Chief Officers Employment Committee:

Audit and Standards Committee

M Bamforth
D Collins
P Collins

D Donaldson
R Lloyd
E Nash

G Neale
R Small

J Singleton

Chief Officer Employment Committee

K Beckett
K Buckley
R Small

J Brickles
S Fazackerley
R Taylor

Development Management Committee

C Akeroyd
M Cornah
T Ford
K Mulholland
L Nulty
A Pounder

P Collins
T Fiddler
N Harvey
B Nash
L Oades
R Redcliffe

Environment, Health and Housing Committee

B Aitken
D Collins
S Green
G Neale
H Speak
T Threlfall

M Chew
G Goodman
R Lloyd
L Rigby
R Taylor
V Willder

Finance and Democracy Committee

K Buckley
T Ford
K Mulholland
L Oades
V Settle
R Small

D Donaldson
A Jacques
L Nulty
R Redcliffe
E Silverwood
R Taylor

Operational Management Committee

F Andrews
A Clayton
D Eaves
K Henshaw
E Nash
S Pitman

J Brickles
L Davies
R Fradley
P Hodgson
A Pounder

Public Protection Committee

F Andrews
K Beckett
A Clayton
S Green
N Harvey
B Nash

J Barker
B Blackshaw
G Goodman
P Hardy
A Jacques

Tourism and Leisure Committee

C Akeroyd	T Ashton
J Barker	B Blackshaw
J Brickles	M Chew
R Fradley	P Hodgson
C Little	S Pitman
V Settle	R Thomas

4. To appoint the following members to the Licensing Committee, which was not required to be politically balanced:

Licensing Committee

F Andrews	J Barker
K Beckett	B Blackshaw
A Clayton	P Collins
D Donaldson	G Goodman
S Green	P Hardy
N Harvey	A Jacques
B Nash	R Thomas

5. To appoint the following members Chairman and Vice Chairman to the following Committees:

Audit and Standards Committee

Chairman – J Singleton Vice Chairman – D Donaldson

Chief Officers Employment Committee

Chairman – S Fazackerley Vice Chairman – K Buckley

Development Management Committee

Chairman – T Fiddler Vice Chairman – R Redcliffe

Environment, Health and Housing Committee

Chairman – B Aitken Vice Chairman – V Willder

Finance and Democracy Committee

Chairman – K Buckley Vice Chairman – R Small

Licensing Committee

Chairman – A Jacques Vice Chairman – B Nash

Operational Management Committee

Chairman – D Eaves Vice Chairman – A Pounder

Public Protection Committee

Chairman – A Jacques Vice Chairman – B Nash

Tourism and Leisure Committee

Chairman – C Little Vice Chairman – T Ashton

6. To appoint Councillor E Nash and Councillor F Andrews as Chairman and Vice Chairman respectively of the Member Development Steering Group.

9. Appointment to Outside Bodies

Councillor Sue Fazackerley, Leader of the Council introduced this report. She advised that the Council appointed members to a number of outside bodies each year. Usually this was undertaken at the last business meeting of the municipal year, but in an election year the appointments were made at the Annual Meeting.

However as the Council was also moving to a committee system Councillor Fazackerley proposed that the committees should put forward nominations to be considered at the next meeting of the Council.

The proposal was seconded by Councillor Eaves and it was RESOLVED to defer appointments to outside bodies until the next meeting of the Council on 6 July 2015, to allow for nominations to be suggested by the relevant committee.

10. Schedule of meetings

Councillor Fazackerley proposed that the circulated schedule of meetings for the forthcoming year be approved subject to any necessary amendments, and that members noted that all evening meetings would start at 6.15pm.

The proposal was seconded by Councillor Eaves and it was therefore RESOLVED to approve the schedule of meetings for 2015-16 and to note that all evening meetings would start at 6.15pm.

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