

Minutes of the **MEETING** of the Council of the Walsall Metropolitan Borough held on **Thursday 30th January 2014 at 6.00 p.m.** at the Council House.

Present

Councillor M. Nazir (Mayor) in the Chair

Councillor P.E. Smith (Deputy Mayor)		Councillor K. Hussain	
"	Z. Ali	"	G. Illmann-Walker
"	A.J.A. Andrew	"	D. James
"	R.E. Andrew	"	T.J. Jukes
"	D.A. Anson	"	P. Lane
"	M. Arif	"	M. Longhi
"	I. Azam	"	Mrs. R.A. Martin
"	D.J. Barker	"	J. Murray
"	O.D. Bennett	"	T.S. Oliver
"	M.A. Bird	"	K. Phillips
"	R. Burley	"	L.J. Rattigan
"	B. Cassidy	"	H.S. Sarohi
"	K. Chambers	"	I. Shires
"	D. Coughlan	"	R.M. Thomas
"	S.P. Coughlan	"	C.D.D. Towe
"	A. Ditta	"	A. Underhill
"	J. Fitzpatrick	"	S. Wade
"	S.F. Fitzpatrick	"	V. Whyte
"	M. D. Flower	"	T.S. Wilson
"	L.A. Harrison	"	R.V. Worrall

92. Apologies

Apologies for non-attendance were submitted on behalf of Councillors C. Bott, P. Bott, Cook, Creaney, Jeavons, Perry, Rochelle, D.A. Shires, Woodruff and Young.

93. Mayor's announcement

The Mayor welcomed guests to the meeting to admit Professor Abdul Rashid Gatrad as a Freeman of the Borough.

94. Freedom of the Borough

It was moved by the Mayor and seconded by Councillor Ditta:

That in pursuance of Section 249(5) of the Local Government Act, 1972, in grateful recognition of the eminent service he has rendered to paediatrics and child health in Walsall for over thirty years, this Council do hereby admit Professor Abdul Rashid Gatrad OBE to be Honorary Freeman of the Borough.

On being put to the vote the motion was declared carried and it was:

Resolved

That in pursuance of Section 249(5) of the Local Government Act, 1972, in grateful recognition of the eminent service he has rendered to paediatrics and child health in Walsall for over thirty years, this Council do hereby admit Professor Abdul Rashid Gatrad OBE to be Honorary Freeman of the Borough.

The newly elected Freeman signed the Roll of Freemen which was witnessed by the Mayor and the Chief Executive and the Mayor presented to him a silver casket and illuminated scroll recording his admission.

Professor Gatrad thanked the Council for the honour bestowed upon him.

The meeting and presentation ceremony terminated at 6.10 p.m.			

Date:

Mayor: