

Minutes of the **ORDINARY MEETING** of the Council of the Walsall Metropolitan Borough held on **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November, 2022, at 6.00 p.m.** at the Council House, Walsall.

## **Present**

### **Councillor R. Martin (Mayor) in the Chair**

#### **Councillor G. Ali**

“ B. Allen  
“ A. Andrew  
“ B. Bains  
“ H. Bashir  
“ M.A. Bird  
“ C. Bott  
“ P. Bott  
“ R. Burley  
“ S. Cheema  
“ S.J. Cooper  
“ C. Creaney  
“ S.K. Ditta  
“ S. Elson  
“ K. Ferguson  
“ G. Flint  
“ M. Follows  
“ N. Gandham  
“ A. Garcha  
“ N. Gultasib  
“ A. Harris  
“ L.A. Harrison  
“ A.J. Hicken  
“ C. Horton  
“ A. Hussain  
“ I. Hussain  
“ S. Hussain

#### **Councillor D. James**

“ T. Jukes  
“ P. Kaur  
“ E. Lee  
“ F. Mazhar  
“ R. K Mehmi  
“ K. Murphy  
“ J. Murray  
“ S. Nasreen  
“ A.A. Nawaz  
“ A. Nazir  
“ K. Pedley  
“ G. Perry  
“ W. Rasab  
“ S. Samra  
“ K. Sears  
“ G. Singh Sohal  
“ P. Smith  
“ C.A. Statham  
“ M.A. Statham  
“ C.D.D. Towe  
“ A. Underhill  
“ V.J. Waters  
“ J. Whitehouse  
“ T.S. Wilson  
“ R.V. Worrall

35. **Apologies**

Apologies were received on behalf of Councillors Clarke, K. Hussain, Johal, Larden and Rattigan.

36. **Minutes**

**Resolved**

That the minutes of the meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 2022, copies having been sent to each member of the Council, be approved as a correct record

37. **Declarations of interest**

None.

38. **Local Government (Access to Information) Act, 1985 (as amended)**

There were no items to be considered in private session.

39. **Mayor's announcements**

**Remembrance Sunday**

The Mayor referred to her invitation to Members to attend Walsall Cenotaph on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November, 2022 for Remembrance Day, to remember those that fought for the freedoms we are able to enjoy.

40. **Petitions**

The following petitions were submitted:

- (1) Councillor T. Jukes - inclusion of Beechdale within the Political Ward Birchills and Leamore.
- (2) Councillor T. Wilson - traffic calming measures on Northgate, Aldridge.
- (3) Councillor Burley - traffic calming measures on Bentley Road North.

41. **Questions**

**From members of the Public:** None

**From Members of the Council:** None

42. **Recommendation of Cabinet:-**

**Treasury Management Annual Report**

The report to Cabinet on 7<sup>th</sup> September, 2022 was submitted.

It was **moved** by Councillor Bird, seconded by Councillor Andrew and:

**Resolved**

That the annual position statement for treasury management activities 2021/22 including prudential and local indicators be noted.

43. **Portfolio Holder Briefings**

**Deputy Leader and Regeneration**

Councillor Andrew, gave a presentation.

Members asked questions in relation to the presentation which were responded to by Councillor Andrew.

**Adult Social Care**

Councillor Pedley, the Portfolio Holder for Adult Social Care gave a presentation.

Members asked questions in relation to the presentation which were responded to by Councillor Pedley.

***At this point the Council to consider the following item as charitable trustees. When the Council is acting in this capacity, Council procedure rules do not apply. A corporate trustee is a corporation which has been appointed to act as a trustee of the charity. Trustees should bear in mind that when they are dealing with the business of the charity, their overriding duty is to act in the best interests of that charity.***

44. **Barr Beacon Trust Management Committee - proposed amendment to Terms of Reference**

The report to Barr Beacon Trust Management Committee on 10<sup>th</sup> October, 2022 was submitted.

It was **moved** by Councillor Andrew, seconded by Councillor Bird and:

**Resolved**

That the Terms of Reference of the Barr Beacon Trust Management Committee relating to the holding of meetings be amended to include the following:

*“In these Terms of Reference, the expression ‘meeting’ includes, except where inconsistent with any legal obligation:*

- *a physical (in-person) meeting;*
- *a virtual (digital) meeting being a video conference, an internet video facility or similar electronic method allowing simultaneous visual and audio participation;*
- *by telephone conferencing; or*
- *a combination (hybrid) of any of the above.*

*Subject to there being one wholly in-person meeting, that being the first meeting of each Municipal Year i.e. the Annual meeting.”*

The meeting terminated at 6.44 p.m.

Mayor:

Date: