

**Minutes of the Council Meeting of Spelthorne Borough Council held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, Knowle Green, Staines-upon-Thames on Thursday 30 April 2015 at 7.30pm**

**Present:**

**Councillors:**

Ayers F.	Friday A.E.	Patel D.
Beardsmore I.J.	Gething N.	Patterson A.C.
Broom P.A.	Gohil D.	Pinkerton J.M. OBE
Bushnell M.	Grant D.L.	Saliagopoulos D.
Dale J.A.	Harman A.C.	Sexton J.
Davis C.A.	Harvey I.T.E.	Sider R.W. BEM
Dunn S.A.	Leighton V.J.	Smith-Ainsley R.A.
Forsbrey G.E.	Madams M.	Spoor B.
Francis M.P. (Deputy Mayor)	Mitchell A.J.	Watts R.L. (Leader)
Frazer C.M.		Webb S. (Mayor)

Chairman Councillor Suzy P. Webb, the Mayor.

**Apologies:** Apologies were received from Councillors C.A. Bannister, I.J. Beardsmore, R.D. Dunn, T.J.M. Evans, P. Forbes-Forsyth, M.W. Rough, C. Spencer, C.V. Strong, S.D Taylor and Mr. Murray Litvak, Chairman of the Members' Code of Conduct Committee.

**95/15 Minutes**

The minutes of the Council meeting held on 26 February 2015 were confirmed as a correct record.

**96/15 Disclosures of Interest**

There were none.

**97/15 Announcements from the Mayor**

The Mayor announced two forthcoming events:  
a concert to be given by the Salvation Army Band and Choir on Sunday 3 May at the Walled Garden, Sunbury.  
Civic Reception – Charity giving – Thursday 14 May at the Orangery, Shepperton Studios.

**98/15 Announcements from the Leader**

The Leader highlighted the following good news stories, (further details can be found in the Cabinet minutes of 28 April 2015):  
Crooked Billet site – Council nomination rights on housing scheme  
Recycling and Town Farm Primary School and Stanwell Fields C of E Primary  
Business lending partnership  
Bee awareness event  
Ashford train station project

Councillor R.L Watts thanked all those members who were retiring from office for the work they had done in representing residents and wished them all well for the future. He gave particular thanks to Councillor P.A. Broom for her work as Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

**99/15 Announcements from the Chief Executive**

On behalf of the Council staff, the Chief Executive thanked all departing councillors for their contribution to the Council over the past four years.

**100/15 Questions from members of the public**

There were none.

**101/15 Petitions**

There were none.

**102/15 Reports from the Leader of the Council**

The Leader of the Council, Councillor R. L. Watts, presented the reports of the Cabinet meetings held on 24 March and 28 April 2015, which outlined the matters the Cabinet had decided since the last Council meeting.

**103/15 Report from the Chairman of the Audit Committee**

The Chairman of the Audit Committee, Councillor M.J. Madams, presented her report which outlined the matters the Committee had decided since the last Council meeting.

**104/15 Report from the Chairman of the Licensing Committee**

The Chairman of the Licensing Committee, Councillor R.W. Sider, presented his report which outlined the matters the Committee had decided since the last Council meeting. Councillor Sider thanked officers for their assistance with the Licensing Committee and members for their support at many Sub-Committee hearings, over the past four years.

**105/15 Report from the Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

The Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, Councillor P.A. Broom, presented her report which outlined the matters the Committee had decided since the last Council meeting. Councillor Broom thanked the various officers who had assisted the Committee for their excellent professional support and the members of the Council who had worked with her on the Committee over the past four years.

**106/15 Report from the Chairman of the Planning Committee**

The Chairman of the Planning Committee, Councillor R.A. Smith-Ainsley, presented his report which outlined the matters the Committee had decided since the last Council meeting. Councillor Smith-Ainsley gave his special thanks to two officers who had assisted with a situation at the Committee held the previous evening.

**107/15 Motions**

Under Standing Order 17, Councillor C.M. Frazer proposed and Councillor A.E. Friday seconded the following Motion:

"This Council takes great pleasure in congratulating Cllr. Suzy P. Webb on the outstanding success of her Mayoralty during 2014-15; warmly appreciates the distinctive care, style and enthusiasm which she has devoted to her Office; and expresses our good wishes to her with happy memories of her service to this Borough."

Councillor Frazer also paid tribute to the service given by the Mayors who had held office in the past four years: Councillor Sam Budd, Councillor Robin Sider, the late Mrs Isobel Napper and Councillor Tony Harman.

The motion was agreed.

**108/15 Questions on Ward Issues**

There were none.

**109/15 General Questions**

There were none.

**110/15 Appointment of a Representative Trustee to Ashford Relief in Need Charities**

It was moved by Councillor R.L. Watts and seconded by Councillor J.M. Pinkerton and

**Resolved** that Mrs. Alison Blundell be appointed as a replacement Council representative Trustee to Ashford Relief in Need Charities for a three-year term until October 2018, replacing Mrs. Brenda Bartlett.

**111/15 Urgent Business**

There were no urgent items.