

**THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 31ST MAY, 2001
BOROUGH OF SPELTHORNE**

**At the Annual Meeting of the COUNCIL of the Borough Of Spelthorne, held in the
Council Chamber, Council Offices, Knowle Green, Staines
On Thursday 31st May, 2001 at 7.30pm**

Agarwal V	Grant Mrs D L	Searancke E J
Amos Mrs P C	Hirst A P	Sider R W
Appleyard M A	Hyams Mrs M	Smith J E H
Blampied G G	Leedham Ms A	Smith Mrs P A
Burrell L J W	Martin Mrs M J	Smith-Ainsley R A
Ceaser G S	Napper Mrs I	Stubbs T
Crabb T W	Norcross Mrs G A	Trussler G F
Culnane E K	O'Hara E	Watkins R
Davies F	Packman J D	Weston Mrs P
Drinkwater H V	Paton J M	Wood-Dow Mrs J M
Fisher C M	Read E I J	

247/01 ELECTION OF MAYOR

The retiring Mayor, Councillor Mrs J. Wood-Dow, welcomed all Members to the Annual General Meeting of the Council.

The Mayor reported that during her term as Mayor, she had attended many functions and met many interesting people and had organised numerous events to raise funds for her charities. She thanked everyone for the support given throughout the year and in particular to her husband Nick Wood-Dow. The Mayor also expressed her thanks and appreciation to Pam Cross the Mayor's secretary for her part in making the year so successful.

She extended her very best wishes to her successor, who would become the 28th Mayor of Spelthorne, and hoped that his term in office would be both interesting and rewarding.

It was moved by Councillor A. P. Hirst and seconded by Councillor T. Stubbs, that Councillor H. V. Drinkwater be elected Mayor for the forthcoming Municipal Year.

In moving the motion Councillor A. P. Hirst made reference to Councillor Drinkwater's commitment in undertaking his duties as a Councillor of the Borough Of Spelthorne. Councillor T. Stubbs in seconding the motion agreed that Councillor Drinkwater would undertake his duties with dignity and enthusiasm.

Councillor H. V. Drinkwater made the declaration of acceptance of office as Mayor of the Borough of Spelthorne and took the Chair. He thanked his proposer and seconder and all other Members for electing him as Mayor. He presented Councillor Mrs Judith Wood-Dow with the past Mayor's badge and scrapbook commemorating her year in office.

The Mayor announced that the Mayors Charity Fund would be supporting two charities which were Shooting Star Appeal and Hope Club for stroke victims, and also the 3rd Staines Scouts.

248/01 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors F. Ayers, I. J. Beardsmore, G.E. Forsbrey, A.W. Hermes, P.R. James, Mrs H.E.L. Mellett and Mrs J.E. Ponton.

249/01 MINUTES

The Minutes of the special meeting held on 10th May, 2001 were approved as a correct record.

250/01 APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR

It was moved by Councillor L.J.W. Burrell and seconded by Councillor E. O'Hara and

RESOLVED that Councillor R.W. Sider be appointed Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Spelthorne for the Municipal Year 2001/2002.

Councillor R.W. Sider then made the declaration of acceptance of Office as Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Spelthorne and thanked his proposer and seconder and the Council for appointing him.

251/01 APPOINTMENT OF LEADER AND DEPUTY LEADER

It was moved by Councillor J.D. Packman, and seconded by Councillor Mrs D.L. Grant and **RESOLVED** that Councillor F. Davies be appointed Leader of the Council for the Municipal Year 2001/2002.

It was moved by Councillor F. Davies and seconded by Councillor G.F. Trussler and **RESOLVED** that Councillor J.D. Packman be appointed Deputy Leader of the Council for the Municipal Year 2001/2002.

252/01 COMMITTEES

1. Licensing Committee

It was moved by Councillor F. Davies and seconded by Councillor J.D. Packman and **RESOLVED** that a Licensing Committee with the same membership agreed for the Municipal Year 2000/2001 continue in existence until their consideration of the application for the provisional public entertainment licences for the Old Town Hall, Staines is completed.

2. Appointment of Committees

It was moved by Councillor F. Davies and seconded by Councillor J.D. Packman and **RESOLVED** that:

(a) pursuant to Standing Order 55 the Committees referred to under resolution (b) below be appointed for the Municipal Year 2001/2002, with the terms of reference approved by the special Council meeting held on 10th May, 2001 on the basis that:

(1) the Executive would be appointed as a Committee with 9 Members, until such time as the Council's new executive arrangements under the Local Government Act 2000 were implemented as agreed at the Special Council meeting on 10th May, 2001; and

(2) The two non-councillor members of the Standards Committee, would not have voting rights until the new executive arrangements were implemented.

(b) that, pursuant to Section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 the representation of the different political groups on the Committees be agreed as follows: -

Committee	Conservative	Labour	Liberal Democrat	Total Council Members
The Executive	6	2	1	9
Community Committee	7	3	1	11
Economic Committee	7	3	1	11
Environment Committee	7	3	1	11
Planning Committee	9	3	1	13
Licensing Committee	5	2	0	7
Standards Committee	3	1	1	5 plus 2 two non Councillors
Staff Appeals Committee	4	0	1	5

(c) that the under mentioned Members, and the two non councillors, be appointed to serve on the following Committees for the Municipal Year 2001/2002:

Committee	Membership
Executive (9 seats)	M.A. Appleyard, I.J. Beardsmore, E.K. Culnane, F. Davies, Mrs D.L. Grant, Ms A. Leedham, J.D. Packman, E.J. Searancke and R.A. Smith-Ainsley
Community (11 seats)	Mrs P.C. Amos, P.R. James, Mrs M.J. Martin, Mrs I. Napper, J.M. Paton, Mrs J.E. Ponton, Mrs P.A. Smith, G.F. Trussler, R. Watkins and Mrs J.D. Wood-Dow (1 Vacancy)
Economic (11 seats)	V. Agarwal, F. Ayres, G.G. Blampied, T.W. Crabb, A.W. Hermes, Mrs M. Hyams, P.R. James, Mrs M.J. Martin, T. Stubbs, R. Watkins and Mrs P. Weston
Environment (11 seats)	L.J.W. Burrell, C.M. Fisher, G.E. Forsbrey, A.P. Hirst, Mrs H.E.L. Mellett, Mrs I. Napper, Mrs G.A. Norcross, E. O'Hara, E.I.J. Read, J.E.H. Smith and G.F. Trussler
Planning (13 seats)	G.S. Ceaser, T.W. Crabb, F. Davies, G.E. Forsbrey, Mrs M. Hyams, Mrs G.A. Norcross, E. O'Hara, E.I.J. Read, R.W. Sider, J.E.H. Smith, T.

	Stubbs, Mrs P. Weston and Mrs J. M. Wood-Dow.
Licensing (7 seats)	V. Agarwal, Mrs P.C. Amos, F. Ayres, A.P. Hirst, R.W. Sider, Mrs P. Weston (1 Vacancy)
Standards (5 seats)	<u>Members:</u> G.S. Ceaser, T.W. Crabb, E. O'Hara, J.M. Paton and Mrs P.A. Smith <u>Non Members:</u> M. Litvak and C. Tamlyn
Appeals (5 seats)	C.M. Fisher and 4 Conservative Members to be appointed

- (d) that Councillors E.K. Culnane, Mrs D.L. Grant, E.J. Searancke and R.A. Smith-Ainsley be appointed to act with the Leader and the Deputy Leader as the Executive, when the Council's new arrangements under the Local Government Act 2000 are implemented as agreed by the Special Council meeting held on 10th May, 2001.

251/01 253/01 CHAIRMEN OF THE FIVE AREA FORUMS

1. Ashford

It was moved by Councillor F. Davies and seconded by Councillor J.D. Packman and

RESOLVED that Councillor Mrs P. Weston be appointed the Chairman of the Ashford Area Forum for the Municipal Year 2001/2002.

2. Shepperton

It was moved by Councillor F. Davies and seconded by Councillor J.D. Packman and

RESOLVED that Councillor Mrs M. Hyams be appointed the Chairman of the Shepperton Area Forum for the Municipal Year 2001/2002.

3. Staines/Laleham

It was moved by Councillor F. Davies and seconded by Councillor J.D. Packman and

RESOLVED that Councillor G.F. Trussler be appointed the Chairman of the Staines and Laleham Area Forum for the Municipal Year 2001/2002.

4. Stanwell/Stanwell Moor

It was moved by Councillor F. Davies and seconded by Councillor J.D. Packman and

RESOLVED that Councillor G.E. Forsbrey be appointed the Chairman of the Stanwell and Stanwell Moor Area Forum for the Municipal Year 2001/2002.

5. Sunbury

It was moved by Councillor F. Davies and seconded by Councillor J.D. Packman and

RESOLVED that Councillor G.S. Ceaser be appointed the Chairman of the Sunbury Area Forum for the Municipal Year 2001/2002.

252/01 254/01 HOUSING BENEFIT AND HOUSING (DISCRETIONARY PAYMENTS) REVIEW BOARDS/PANELS

RESOLVED to appoint all Members of the Council, except those appointed to the Executive, to form a Panel from which Housing Benefit Review Boards and Housing (Discretionary Payments) Review Panels can be drawn, as necessary, during the Municipal Year 2001/2002.

253/01 255/01 APPOINTMENTS BY THE COUNCIL TO OUTSIDE BODIES

RESOLVED that the appointments to serve on the undermentioned organisations external to the Council until the next Council AGM be as follows:

Organisation	Appointments
Spelthorne Housing Association (3 representatives)	Councillor L.J.W. Burrell Councillor E.K. Culnane Councillor Mrs P. Smith
Spelthorne/Melun Twinning Executive Committee (3 representatives and 2 Deputies)	Councillor L.J.W. Burrell Councillor A.P. Hirst Councillor T. Stubbs <i><u>Deputies:</u></i> Councillors F. Davies Councillor G.F. Trussler
South West Middlesex Crematorium Board (1 representative and 1 Deputy)	Councillor Mrs D.L. Grant <i><u>Deputy:</u></i> Councillor A.P. Hirst
Surrey County Districts Film Licensing Joint Committee (1 representative and 1 Deputy)	Councillor Mrs D.L. Grant <i><u>Deputy:</u></i> Councillor Mrs J.M. Wood-Dow
Thornbridge Housing Association (1 representative)	Councillor G.F. Trussler

MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

31st MAY, 2001

Present:

Mrs P.C. Amos
Mrs M.J. Martin
Mrs I. Napper

J.M. Paton
Mrs P. Smith
G.F. Trussler

R. Watkins
Mrs J.M. Wood-Dow

256/01 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors P.R. James and Mrs J. Ponton.

257/01 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED that Councillor G.F. Trussler be appointed Chairman of the Community Committee for the Municipal Year 2001/2002.

258/01 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 11th January, 2001 were approved as a correct record.

259/01 APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED that Councillor Mrs I. Napper be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Community Committee for the Municipal Year 2001/2002.

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MINUTES OF THE ECONOMIC COMMITTEE

31st MAY, 2001

Present:

V. Agarwal
G.G. Blampied
T.W. Crabb

Mrs M. Hyams
Mrs M.J. Martin
T. Stubbs

R. Watkins
Mrs P. Weston

260/01 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors F. Ayres, A.W. Hermes and P.R. James.

261/01 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED that Councillor Mrs M. Hyams be appointed Chairman of the Economic Committee for the Municipal Year 2001/2002.

262/01 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 15th March, 2001 were approved as a correct record.

263/01 APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED that Councillor A.W. Hermes be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Economic Committee for the Municipal Year 2001/2002.

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MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

31st MAY, 2001

Present:

L.J.W. Burrell
C.M. Fisher
A.P. Hirst

Mrs I. Napper
Mrs G.A. Norcross
E. O'Hara

E.I.J. Read
J.E.H. Smith
G.F. Trussler

264/01 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors G.E. Forsbrey and Mrs H.E.L. Mellett.

265/01 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED that Councillor G.E. Forsbrey be appointed Chairman of the Environment Committee for the Municipal Year 2001/2002.

266/01 APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED that Councillor A.P. Hirst be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Environment Committee for the Municipal Year 2001/2002.

In the absence of the Chairman the Vice-Chairman, Councillor A.P. Hirst, took the Chair.

267/01 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 20th March, 2001 were approved as a correct record.

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MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

31st MAY, 2001

Present:

G.S. Ceaser
T.W. Crabb
F. Davies
Mrs M. Hyams

Mrs G.A. Norcross
E. O'Hara
E.I.J. Read
R.W. Sider

J.E.H. Smith
T. Stubbs
Mrs P. Weston
Mrs J.M. Wood-Dow

268/01 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Councillor G.E. Forsbrey.

269/01 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED that Councillor G.S. Ceaser be appointed Chairman of the Planning Committee for the Municipal Year 2001/2002.

270/01 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 23rd May, 2001 were approved as a correct record subject to the list of apologies being amended to include Councillors G.G. Blampied and T.W. Crabb.

271/01 APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED that Councillor T. Stubbs be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Planning Committee for the Municipal Year 2001/2002.

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MINUTES OF THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

31ST MAY, 2001

Present:

Councillors:

G.S. Ceaser
T.W. Crabb
E. O'Hara
J. M. Paton
Mrs P.A. Smith

Independent members:

Mr M. Litvak

272/01 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Mr Chris Tamlyn.

273/01 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED that Mr Murray Litvak be appointed Chairman of the Standards Committee for the Municipal Year 2001/2002.

274/01 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 22nd March, 2001 were approved as a correct record.

275/01 APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED that Mr Chris Tamlyn be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Standards Committee for the Municipal Year 2001/2002.

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