

MINUTES OF THE SPELTHORNE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

At the Annual Meeting of the Borough Council held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, Knowle Green, Staines on Thursday 22 May 2008 At 7.30pm

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| Ayers F. | Davis C.A. | O'Hara E. |
| Bain Ms M.M. | Dunn Mrs S.A. | Packman J.D. |
| Bell Mrs E. | Flurry K.E. | Pinkerton Mrs J.M. |
| Bhadye S. | Forsbrey G.E. | Pinkerton J.D. |
| | Grant Mrs D.L. | |
| Bouquet M.L. | Hirst A.P. | Rough Mrs M.W. |
| Broom Ms P.A. | Hyams Ms N.A. | Royer M.T. |
| Budd S.E.W. | | Sider R.W. |
| Chouhan K. | Leighton Mrs V.J. | Smith-Ainsley R.A. |
| Colison-Crawford R.B. | McShane D.L. | Spencer Mrs C.L. |
| Collis M.J. | Nichols L.E. | Thomson H.A. |
| Crabb T.W. | | Trussler G.F. |

Co-Opted Member: Miss Sue Faulkner

145/08 ELECTION OF MAYOR

The retiring Mayor, Councillor A.P. Hirst, welcomed all Members and guests to the Annual General Meeting of the Council. He reported that it had been a great honour to serve a second time as Mayor and be part of many memorable community occasions. He related some of the notable events he had attended and how he had been particularly impressed with the young people of Spelthorne.

He especially thanked his wife, Louise, for her support and his secretary Sue Hulme for her hard work and helpfulness.

He extended his very best wishes to his successor and hoped that his term in office would be both interesting and rewarding.

It was moved by Councillor R.W. Sider and seconded by Councillor M.T. Royer that Councillor S. Bhadye be elected Mayor for the Municipal Year 2008/2009.

In moving the motion, Councillor Sider related Councillor Bhadye's background in the Health Service and his service as a ward councillor for the past 5 years. He commended his nomination in the belief that Councillor Bhadye and his wife, Candy would make excellent ambassadors for Spelthorne.

RESOLVED that Councillor S. Bhadye be appointed Mayor for the Municipal Year 2008/2009.

Councillor S. Bhadye 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 those who had supported him in his election. He presented Councillor A.P. Hirst with the past Mayor's badge and an album commemorating his year in office.

The Mayor paid tribute to Councillor A.P. Hirst and his wife, and thanked him for his guidance and advice over the past year. He was looking forward to meeting the residents and raising the profile of the many worthy organisations in the Borough in

an endeavour to generate interest and additional volunteers. He reported that his Mayor's Charity Fund would be supporting "To transplant and beyond" and Staines and Egham Sea Cadets.

146/08 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors I.J. Beardsmore, H.R. Jaffer, C.D.G. Kuun, Mrs. I. Napper, Mrs C.E. Nichols, C.V. Strong and Mrs P. Weston.

147/08 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 24 April 2008 were approved as a correct record.

148/08 ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR

It was moved by Councillor Mrs D.L. Grant and seconded by Councillor E. O'Hara and

RESOLVED that Councillor Mrs C.L. Spencer be appointed Deputy Mayor for the Municipal Year 2008/2009.

Councillor Mrs C.L. Spencer made the declaration of acceptance of office as Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Spelthorne and thanked her proposer and seconder and the Council for appointing her. She would uphold her duties to the best of her ability and looked forward to supporting the Mayor and Mayoress over the coming year.

149/08 ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE MAYOR

Civic Events

The Mayor announced the following civic and charity events with full details being announced nearer the time.

Civic Service – 20 July 2008

Charity Golf Day – 5 August 2008

Charity Lunch – 10 August 2008

River Day – 6 September 2008

Civic Business Reception – 16 October 2008

Trafalgar Lunch – 19 October 2008

Charity Ball – 14 February 2009

Civic Community Reception – 14 May 2009

150/08 ELECTION OF LEADER AND DEPUTY LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

It was moved by Councillor R.A. Smith-Ainsley and seconded by Councillor F. Ayers and

RESOLVED that Councillor J.D. Packman be appointed Leader of the Council for the Municipal Year 2008/2009.

It was moved by Councillor J.D. Packman and seconded by Councillor R.W. Sider and

RESOLVED that Councillor R.A. Smith-Ainsley be appointed Deputy Leader of the Council for the Municipal Year 2008/2009.

151/08 APPOINTMENT OF THE EXECUTIVE

It was moved by Councillor J.D. Packman and seconded by Councillor R.A. Smith-Ainsley and

RESOLVED:

- (a) That the seven Members of the Council to be appointed to the Executive, in addition to the Leader of the Council and the Deputy Leader, be Councillors F. Ayers, M.L. Bouquet, C.A. Davis, G.E. Forsbrey, Mrs. D.L. Grant, A.P. Hirst and Mrs. V.J. Leighton, with the terms of reference and functions as set out in Part 3 (a) of the Council's Constitution; and
- (b) That the Portfolios for Members of the Executive be as follows:

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| Leader of the Council | Councillor J.D. Packman |
| Environment | Councillor G.E. Forsbrey |
| Planning and Housing | Councillor R.A. Smith-Ainsley |
| Regeneration | Councillor C.A. Davis |
| Young People and Cultural Services | Councillor Mrs D.L. Grant |
| Corporate Services | Councillor M.L. Bouquet |
| Health and Independent Living | Councillor Mrs. V.J. Leighton |
| Community safety | Councillor F. Ayers |
| Communications and engagement | Councillor A.P. Hirst |

152/08 ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMITTEES, ALLOCATION OF SEATS AND APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS

Details of the proposed committees, their size, the political allocation of seats and the members to serve on them had been circulated as **Appendix A** to all members of the Council. The Council also had regard to the information set out in the agenda at item 9.

It was moved by Councillor J.D. Packman and seconded by Councillor R.A. Smith-Ainsley and

RESOLVED:

- (a) That the Council appoint the seven committees as attached at **Appendix A** with the terms of reference and functions as set out in Part 3 (a) of the Council's Constitution;
- (b) That the allocation of seats on the seven committees be as shown at **Appendix A** attached;
- (c) That the Members appointed to serve on the seven committees be as shown at **Appendix A** attached; and
- (d) That Mr M. Litvak and Miss S. Faulkner be appointed as Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Standards Committee, respectively.

153/08 CHAIRMEN OF AREA FORUMS

It was moved by Councillor J.D. Packman and seconded by Councillor R.A. Smith-Ainsley that the Chairmen of the five Area Forums for the Municipal Year 2008/2009 be appointed as follows:

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| Ashford | Councillor G.F. Trussler |
| Shepperton | Councillor R.W. Sider |
| Staines and Laleham | Councillor E. O'Hara |
| Stanwell and Stanwell Moor | Councillor F. Ayers |
| Sunbury | Councillor R.A. Smith-Ainsley |

It was moved by Councillor L.E. Nichols and seconded by Councillor T.W. Crabb that the Chairman of the Sunbury Area Forum be Councillor C.V. Strong.

A vote by a show of hands was taken for the Chairmanship of the Sunbury Area Forum for the Municipal Year 2008/2009 as follows:

Councillor R.A. Smith-Ainsley - For 27

Councillor C.V. Strong - For 5

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| Stanwell and Stanwell Moor | Councillor F. Ayers |
| Sunbury | Councillor R.A. Smith-Ainsley |

154/08 DISCRETIONARY HOUSING PAYMENTS REVIEW BOARD

It was moved by Councillor J.D. Packman and seconded by Councillor R.A. Smith-Ainsley and

RESOLVED that all Members of the Council, other than those appointed to the Executive, be appointed to form a Panel from which Discretionary Housing Payments Review Boards could be drawn, as necessary.

155/08 APPOINTMENTS BY THE COUNCIL TO OUTSIDE BODIES

(a) South West Middlesex Crematorium Board

It was moved by Councillor J.D. Packman and seconded by Councillor R.A. Smith-Ainsley and

RESOLVED that Councillor Mrs D.L. Grant be appointed as the Council's representative and Councillor A.P. Hirst be appointed as deputy to serve on the South West Middlesex Crematorium Board.

(b) Surrey County Districts Film Licensing Joint Committee

It was moved by Councillor J.D. Packman and seconded by Councillor R.A. Smith-Ainsley that Councillors Mrs D.L. Grant and R.W. Sider be appointed as the Council's two representatives to serve on the Surrey County District Film Licensing Joint Committee.

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156/08 THANKS TO SUE STURGEON – DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE

The Leader, Councillor J.D. Packman announced to the Council that Sue Sturgeon, the Deputy Chief Executive, would be leaving the authority to take up a position at Guildford Borough Council. He paid tribute to her support and dedication to the Council for 18 years. She had been a tremendous asset and seen the authority through some difficult times with her expert advice and guidance on its finances. He thanked her for her sterling work and wished her every success in the future.