



**EXTRAORDINARY MEETING  
OF BIRMINGHAM CITY  
COUNCIL 28 APRIL 2020**

**MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING  
OF BIRMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL HELD  
ON TUESDAY 28 APRIL 2020 AT  
1430 HOURS AS AN ON-LINE MEETING**

**PRESENT:-** Deputy Lord Mayor (Councillor Yvonne Mosquito) in the Chair.

**Councillors**

Muhammad Afzal	Paulette Hamilton	Gareth Moore
Akhlaq Ahmed	Roger Harmer	Simon Morrall
Alex Aitken	Kath Hartley	Brett O'Reilly
Deirdre Alden	Adam Higgs	John O'Shea
Robert Alden	Charlotte Hodivala	David Pears
Olly Armstrong	Jon Hunt	Robert Pocock
David Barrie	Mahmood Hussain	Julien Pritchard
Baber Baz	Shabrana Hussain	Hendrina Quinnen
Matt Bennett	Timothy Huxtable	Carl Rice
Kate Booth	Mohammed Idrees	Lou Robson
Sir Albert Bore	Zafar Iqbal	Gary Sambrook
Nicky Brennan	Ziaul Islam	Kath Scott
Marje Bridle	Kerry Jenkins	Lucy Seymour-Smith
Mick Brown	Meirion Jenkins	Shafique Shah
Tristan Chatfield	Julie Johnson	Mike Sharpe
Zaker Choudhry	Brigid Jones	Sybil Spence
Debbie Clancy	Nagina Kauser	Ron Storer
Liz Clements	Chaman Lal	Martin Straker Welds
Maureen Cornish	Mike Leddy	Sharon Thompson
John Cotton	Bruce Lines	Paul Tilsley
Phil Davis	John Lines	Lisa Trickett
Adrian Delaney	Mary Locke	Ian Ward
Diane Donaldson	Ewan Mackey	Mike Ward
Barbara Dring	Majid Mahmood	Suzanne Webb
Peter Fowler	Zhor Malik	Ken Wood
Jayne Francis	Karen McCarthy	Alex Yip
Eddie Freeman	Saddak Miah	Waseem Zaffar
Fred Grindrod		

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**NOTICE OF RECORDING**

19334 The Deputy Lord Mayor advised that the meeting would be webcast for live and subsequent broadcasting via the Council's internet site and that members of the Press/Public may record and take photographs except where there are confidential or exempt items.

The Deputy Lord Mayor reminded Members that they did not enjoy Parliamentary Privilege in relation to debates in the Chamber and Members should be careful in what they say during all debates that afternoon

The Deputy Lord Mayor requested that Members ensure that their video cameras are switched off and that their microphone is switched off when they are not speaking.

The Deputy Lord Mayor advised Members that If they wished to speak, to indicate in the chat function and wait to be invited to speak and to state their name at the start of every contribution?"

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**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

19335 The Deputy Lord Mayor reminded Members that they must declare all relevant pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests relating to any items of business to be discussed at this meeting

Any declarations would be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.

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**MINUTES**

It was moved by the Deputy Lord Mayor, seconded and –

19336 **RESOLVED:-**

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 25 February 2020 having been circulated to each Member of the Council, be taken as read and confirmed and signed. It was moved by the Deputy Lord Mayor, seconded and –

19337 **RESOLVED:-**

That the Minutes of the Extraordinary meeting held on 4 March 2020 having been circulated to each Member of the Council, be taken as read and confirmed and signed.

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**LORD MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Honorary Alderman Peter Barwell**

19338 Whilst there was no Lord Mayor's Announcements item on the agenda, the Deputy Lord Mayor indicated that she felt that she must offer condolences to the family of former Lord Mayor, Honorary Alderman Peter Barwell, who Councillors will be aware, died last month.

The Deputy Lord Mayor indicated Peter was elected as a Councillor for Edgbaston Ward in 1966 and served the people of that Ward for 28 years, becoming an Honorary Alderman in May 1994. He finished his illustrious political career serving as Lord Mayor of Birmingham from 1992 to 1993; and Deputy Lord Mayor from 1993 to 1994.

The Deputy Lord Mayor indicated it was the intention to reserve tributes to Peter until we can again hold a meeting in the Council Chamber and in the meantime she invited all to join her in extending sincere condolences to Peter's wife, Pam; their three children, Jenny, Sally and James; and four grandchildren.

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**APPOINTMENTS BY THE COUNCIL**

Councillor Gareth Moore made a proposal and it was-

19339 **RESOLVED:-**

That the appointments be made to serve on the Committees and other bodies set out below:-

**Audit Committee**

Councillor Simon Morrall (Con) to replace Councillor Suzanne Webb (Con) for the period ending with the Annual Meeting of City Council.

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**TEMPORARY AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION**

The following report of the Interim City Solicitor was submitted:-

(See document No 1)

The Leader, Councillor Ian Ward, began by indicating that the thoughts of everyone went out to those families who had lost loved ones or were suffering due to the Covid 19 virus. He also thanked staff and volunteers across the Council for the extraordinary work they had been undertaking in the lockdown to maintain services and protect the vulnerable in the City.

The Leader, Councillor Ian Ward, presented the report and in doing so indicated that he was happy to accept the amendment proposed by Councillor Robert Alden which he saw as a 'belt and braces' approach.

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The Deputy Leader, Councillor Brigid Jones, in seconding the recommendation echoed the comments made by the Leader relating to the Covid 19 situation.

In accordance with Council Standing Orders, Councillors Robert Alden and Meirion Jenkins gave notice of the following amendment to the Motion:-

(See document No. 2)

Councillor Robert Alden in moving the amendment echoed the comments made by the Leader relating to the Covid 19 situation. The amendment was seconded by Councillor Meirion Jenkins.

A debate ensued.

The Leader, Councillor Ian Ward replied to the debate.

The amendment having been moved and seconded was put to the vote and, by the recorded vote set out below, was declared to be carried.

Councillors Barbara Dring and Saddak Miah confirmed that they had voted in favour of the amendment.

### **For the Amendment (74)**

Akhlaq Ahmed	Roger Harmer	Gareth Moore
Alex Aitken	Kath Hartley	Simon Morrall
Deirdre Alden	Adam Higgs	Brett O'Reilly
Robert Alden	Charlotte Hodivala	John O'Shea
Olly Armstrong	Jon Hunt	David Pears
David Barrie	Mahmood Hussain	Robert Pocock
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Nicky Brennan	Zafar Iqbal	Lou Robson
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Mick Brown	Meirion Jenkins	Kath Scott
Tristan Chatfield	Julie Johnson	Lucy Seymour-Smith
Zaker Choudhry	Brigid Jones	Shafique Shah
Debbie Clancy	Nagina Kauser	Mike Sharpe
Liz Clements	Chaman Lal	Ron Storer
Maureen Cornish	Mike Leddy	Martin Straker Welds
John Cotton	Bruce Lines	Paul Tilsley
Phil Davis	John Lines	Ian Ward
Diane Donaldson	Mary Locke	Mike Ward
Barbara Dring	Ewan Mackey	Suzanne Webb
Peter Fowler	Majid Mahmood	Ken Wood
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Fred Grindrod	Karen McCarthy	Waseem Zaffar
Paulette Hamilton	Saddak Miah	

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### **Against the Amendment (0)**

### **Abstentions (0)**

The Motion as amended having been moved and seconded was put to the vote and by the recorded vote set out below, was declared to be carried.

### **For the Amended Motion (76)**

Muhammad Afzal	Paulette Hamilton	Saddak Miah
Akhlaq Ahmed	Roger Harmer	Gareth Moore
Alex Aitken	Kath Hartley	Simon Morrall
Deirdre Alden	Adam Higgs	Brett O'Reilly
Robert Alden	Charlotte Hodiola	John O'Shea
Olly Armstrong	Jon Hunt	David Pears
David Barrie	Mahmood Hussain	Robert Pocock
Baber Baz	Shabrana Hussain	Julien Pritchard
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### **Against the Amended Motion (0)**

### **Abstentions (0)**

It was therefore-

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### **RESOLVED:-**

That approval be given to the temporary amendments to the Constitution summarised in section 7 of the report, which will expire no later than 25 May 2021 and that the Interim City Solicitor be authorised to implement the changes with effect from 28 April 2020 and to revert the changes on 25 May 2021 in the event no changes are agreed by the City Council before that date; and

That the amendments be reviewed as part of the Annual Review of the Constitution.

**APPOINTMENT OF INTERIM CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

The following report of the Chief Officer and Deputy Chief Officer Appointment and Dismissal and Service Conditions Sub Committee was submitted:-

(See document No 2 )

The Deputy Lord Mayor requested that if a member wanted to raise any items set out in the private section of the meeting they should indicate in the chat function by the words 'private section' so we can identify if Members wish to speak in the private section of the agenda. No member indicated.

The Leader Councillor Ian Ward presented the report, which was seconded by the Deputy Leader, Councillor Brigid Jones.

A debate ensued.

The Leader, Councillor Ian Ward replied to the debate.

The Deputy Lord Mayor confirmed that no-one had indicated a wish to speak in the private section of the agenda so there was not need to go into private session.

The Motion having been moved and seconded was put to the vote and by the recorded vote set out below, was declared to be carried.

**For the Amended Motion (73)**

Muhammad Afzal	Jayne Francis	Zhor Malik
Akhlaq Ahmed	Eddie Freeman	Karen McCarthy
Alex Aitken	Fred Grindrod	Saddak Miah
Deirdre Alden	Paulette Hamilton	Gareth Moore
Robert Alden	Roger Harmer	Brett O'Reilly
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Diane Donaldson  
Barbara Dring  
Peter Fowler

Ewan Mackey  
Majid Mahmood

Alex Yip  
Waseem Zaffar

**Against the Motion (0)**

**Abstentions (1)**

Julien Pritchard

It was therefore-

19341 **RESOLVED:-**

That City Council:

1. Approves the appointment of Christopher Naylor as Interim Chief Executive and Head of Paid Service from 18 May 2020 to 17 May 2021; and
2. Notes that the Interim Chief Executive and Head of Paid Service will be seconded to the City Council from London Borough of Barking and Dagenham, and is employed on the usual terms and conditions agreed by the Joint Negotiating Committee (JNC) for Chief Executives; and
3. Notes that the period of notice on either side will be three months; and
4. Approves that until 17 May 2020, Graeme Betts will act as Acting Chief Executive.

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The meeting ended at 1515 hours.