MINUTES OF ASSEMBLY

Monday, 26 March 2018
(6:31 - 6:51 pm)

PRESENT

Cllr Syed Ghani (Chair)
Cllr Tony Ramsay (Deputy Chair)

Cllr Sanchia Alasia
Cllr Jeanne Alexander
Cllr Sade Bright
Cllr Laila M. Butt
Cllr Evelyn Carpenter
Cllr Peter Chand
Cllr Josephine Channer
Cllr Faruk Choudhury
Cllr Edna Fergus
Cllr Irma Freeborn
Cllr Cameron Geddes
Cllr Rocky Gill
Cllr Kashif Haroon
Cllr Amardeep Singh Jamu
Cllr Jane Jones
Cllr Elizabeth Kangethe
Cllr Eileen Keller
Cllr Giasuddin Miah
Cllr Dave Miles
Cllr Margaret Mullane
Cllr Adegboyega Oluwole
Cllr Moin Quadri
Cllr Hardial Singh Rai
Cllr Chris Rice
Cllr Lynda Rice
Cllr Darren Rodwell
Cllr Faraaz Shaukat
Cllr Danielle Smith
Cllr Bill Turner
Cllr Dominic Twomey
Cllr Maureen Worby

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Syed Ahammad
Cllr Saima Ashraf
Cllr Abdul Aziz
Cllr Simon Bremner
Cllr Chris Hughes
Cllr Mick McCarthy
Cllr Sam Tarry
Cllr Jeff Wade
Cllr Lee Waker
Cllr Phil Waker

59. Declaration of Members' Interests

There were no declarations of interest.

60. Senior Leadership Appointment - Director, Inclusive Growth

The Chief Executive introduced a report on the recommendation of JNC Appointments Panel which, on 5 March 2018, had interviewed candidates for the post of Director, Inclusive Growth.

The Assembly resolved to approve that Graeme Cooke be appointed as the Director, Inclusive Growth, subject to agreement on start dates.

61. Senior Leadership Appointment - Director, People and Resilience

The Chief Executive introduced a report on the recommendation of JNC Appointments Panel which, on 8 March 2018, had interviewed candidates for the post of Director, People and Resilience.

The Assembly resolved to approve that Elaine Allegretti be appointed as the Director, People and Resilience, subject to agreement on start dates.
62. **Death of Councillor John White**

(The Chair agreed that this matter could be considered at the meeting as a matter of urgency under the provisions of Section 100B(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972 to allow the Assembly to mark the passing of a Councillor.)

The Assembly noted with deep regret that Councillor John White passed away on Friday 16 March 2018 at St Francis Hospice following a long illness.

Councillor White was first elected to the Council in 2006, was re-elected in 2010 and 2014 during which time he represented the Whalebone Ward. He served as Deputy Chair of the Assembly between 2007/08 and was on the Cabinet between 2010 and 2014, holding the portfolios of Customer Services and Children. He also served as the Lead Member of the Safer and Stronger Community Select Committee between 2009/10 and the Children’s Services Select Committee between 2014/16.

Tributes to Councillor White were led by Councillor Jamu, former Ward colleague, who read a poem he had written titled, ‘Now You’re Gone’. A number of Councillors also spoke in tribute to Councillor White, recalling his passion, humour and desire for equality and fairness for all.

The Assembly stood for a minute’s silence as a mark of respect.