

MINUTES OF CEREMONIAL COUNCIL

Friday, 25 May 2018
(7:01 - 7:52 pm)

PRESENT

Cllr Abdul Aziz (Chair)

Cllr Andrew Achilleos	Cllr Dorothy Akwaboah	Cllr Sanchia Alasia
Cllr Saima Ashraf	Cllr Toni Bankole	Cllr Simon Bremner
Cllr Princess Bright	Cllr Sade Bright	Cllr Laila M. Butt
Cllr Peter Chand	Cllr Josephine Channer	Cllr Faruk Choudhury
Cllr John Dulwich	Cllr Edna Fergus	Cllr Irma Freeborn
Cllr Cameron Geddes	Cllr Syed Ghani	Cllr Rocky Gill
Cllr Kashif Haroon	Cllr Jane Jones	Cllr Amardeep Singh Jamu
Cllr Elizabeth Kangethe	Cllr Eileen Keller	Cllr Mohammed Khan
Cllr Donna Lumsden	Cllr Olawale Martins	Cllr Mick McCarthy
Cllr Giasuddin Miah	Cllr Dave Miles	Cllr Margaret Mullane
Cllr Adegboyega Oluwole	Cllr Simon Perry	Cllr Moin Quadri
Cllr Foyzur Rahman	Cllr Tony Ramsay	Cllr Chris Rice
Cllr Lynda Rice	Cllr Ingrid Robinson	Cllr Paul Robinson
Cllr Darren Rodwell	Cllr Emily Rodwell	Cllr Muhammad Saleem
Cllr Faraaz Shaukat	Cllr Bill Turner	Cllr Dominic Twomey
Cllr Phil Waker		

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Evelyn Carpenter	Cllr Glenda Paddle	Cllr Lee Waker
Cllr Maureen Worby		

1. Declaration of Members' Interests

There were no declarations of interest.

2. Minutes (19 May 2017)

The minutes of the two meetings held on 19 May 2017 were confirmed as correct.

3. Appointment of Mayor 2018/19

The Chair asked Ceremonial Council for nominations for the appointment of Mayor for 2018/19.

Councillors S Bright nominated Councillor Alasia and Councillor Ashraf seconded the nomination. Councillors Channer, Geddes, Kangethe, D Rodwell and Turner spoke in support of the nomination.

The Assembly **resolved** that Councillor Sanchia Alasia be duly elected Mayor of the London Borough of Barking and Dagenham for the municipal year 2018/19.

Councillor Alasia returned thanks for her election and announced that Victor Alasia would act as her Consort and Princess Bright and Dara Badejo would act as her Mayoresses.

At this point in the meeting, the incoming and outgoing mayoral parties left the Chamber. On returning, Councillor Alasia took the Chair.

The Mayor then appointed Pastor Olaronke Olayemi Hassan as her religious advisor for the ensuing municipal year. Pastor Olaronke Olayemi Hassan returned thanks for her appointment.

Votes of thanks were made to the retiring Mayor, Councillor Abdul Aziz, the Consort Shoaeb Aziz, and the Mayoresses Najmas Aziz, Hinna Aziz and Iqgra Aziz.

Commemorative badges were presented to the retiring Mayor, Consort and Mayoresses.

4. Appointment of Young Mayor 2018/19

The Chief Executive, Chris Naylor, advised that a new Young Mayor, Wesley Oparaugo, had been appointed by the BAD Youth Forum in February 2018.

The Chief Executive introduced the new Young Mayor and invited him to address the Ceremonial Council.

The Leader then took the opportunity to thank the retiring Young Mayor, Vaisaly Gnanapandithan, for the able manner in which she had discharged the duties of Young Mayor during 2017/18 and invited her to address the Ceremonial Council.