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 Iqqra 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.