

# Notice of Annual Meeting of the

# **CEREMONIAL COUNCIL**

# to be held on Friday, 25 May 2018 commencing at 7:00 pm in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Barking



To: All Members of the Council of the London Borough of Barking and Dagenham

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# AGENDA

## 1. Apologies for Absence

## 2. Declaration of Members' Interests

In accordance with the Council's Constitution, Members are asked to declare any interest they may have in any matter which is to be considered at this meeting.

## 3. Minutes - To confirm as correct the minutes of the meetings held on 19 May 2017 (Pages 3 - 6)

## 4. Appointment of Mayor 2018/19

The Council is asked to receive nominations for the appointment of Mayor for 2018/19.

#### 5. Appointment of Young Mayor 2018/19

The Council is asked to note the appointment of Young Mayor for 2018/19.

#### 6. Any other public items which the Chair decides are urgent

# 7. To consider whether it would be appropriate to pass a resolution to exclude the public and press from the remainder of the meeting due to the nature of the business to be transacted

#### Private Business

The public and press have a legal right to attend Council meetings such as the Ceremonial Council, except where business is confidential or certain other sensitive information is to be discussed. The list below shows why items are in the private part of the agenda, with reference to the relevant legislation (the relevant paragraph of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended). *There are no such items at the time of preparing this agenda.* 

8. Any confidential or exempt items which the Chair decides are urgent



Our Vision for Barking and Dagenham

# One borough; one community; London's growth opportunity

Our Priorities

# Encouraging civic pride

- Build pride, respect and cohesion across our borough
- Promote a welcoming, safe, and resilient community
- Build civic responsibility and help residents shape their quality of life
- Promote and protect our green and public open spaces
- Narrow the gap in attainment and realise high aspirations for every child

# Enabling social responsibility

- Support residents to take responsibility for themselves, their homes and their community
- Protect the most vulnerable, keeping adults and children healthy and safe
- Ensure everyone can access good quality healthcare when they need it
- Ensure children and young people are well-educated and realise their potential
- Fully integrate services for vulnerable children, young people and families

# Growing the borough

- Build high quality homes and a sustainable community
- Develop a local, skilled workforce and improve employment opportunities
- Support investment in housing, leisure, the creative industries and public spaces to enhance our environment
- Work with London partners to deliver homes and jobs across our growth hubs
- Enhance the borough's image to attract investment and business growth

# Well run organisation

- A digital Council, with appropriate services delivered online
- Promote equalities in the workforce and community
- Implement a smarter working programme, making best use of accommodation and IT
- Allow Members and staff to work flexibly to support the community
- Continue to manage finances efficiently, looking for ways to make savings and generate income
- Be innovative in service delivery

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# MINUTES OF CEREMONIAL COUNCIL

Friday, 19 May 2017 (7:08 - 7:54 pm)

# PRESENT

Cllr Eileen Keller (Chair) Cllr Syed Ghani (Deputy Chair)

Cllr Syed Ahammad Cllr Abdul Aziz Cllr Laila M. Butt Cllr Edna Fergus Cllr Rocky Gill Cllr Elizabeth Kangethe Cllr Giasuddin Miah Cllr Adegboyega Oluwole Cllr Tony Ramsay Cllr Darren Rodwell Cllr Sam Tarry Cllr Maureen Worby

- Cllr Jeanne Alexander Cllr Simon Bremner Cllr Peter Chand Cllr Irma Freeborn Cllr Kashif Haroon Cllr Danielle Lawrence Cllr Dave Miles Cllr Moin Quadri Cllr Chris Rice Cllr Faraaz Shaukat Cllr Dominic Twomey Cllr Dan Young
- Cllr Saima Ashraf Cllr Sade Bright Cllr Faruk Choudhury Cllr Cameron Geddes Cllr Amardeep Singh Jamu Cllr Mick McCarthy Cllr James Ogungbose Cllr Hardial Singh Rai Cllr Lynda Rice Cllr Danielle Smith Cllr John White

# **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllr Evelyn Carpenter Cllr Jane Jones Cllr Jeff Wade Cllr Josephine Channer Cllr Margaret Mullane Cllr Phil Waker Cllr Chris Hughes Cllr Bill Turner

# 1. Declaration of Members' Interests

There were no declarations of interest.

#### 2. Minutes (20 May 2016)

The minutes of the two meetings held on 20 May 2016 were confirmed as correct.

# 3. Appointment of Mayor

The Chair asked Ceremonial Council for nominations for the appointment of Mayor for 2017/18.

Councillor Twomey nominated Councillor Aziz and spoke in support of the nomination. Councillor L Rice seconded the nomination and was joined by Councillors Ashraf, Rodwell, Rai, Bremner, Butt and Kangethe in also speaking in support of the nomination.

The Assembly **resolved** that Councillor Abdul Aziz be duly elected Mayor of the London Borough of Barking and Dagenham for the municipal year 2017/2018.

Following the election of Councillor Aziz as Mayor, Members were asked to give their support to Councillor Aziz for the ensuing year.

Councillor Aziz returned thanks for his election and announced that Najma Aziz, Iqqra Aziz and Hinna Aziz would act as his Mayoresses and Shoaeb Aziz would act as his Consort for the coming year.

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

The Mayor then appointed Hafiz Abdul Rasool as his religious advisor for the ensuing municipal year. Mr Rasool returned thanks for his appointment.

Votes of thanks were made to the Retiring Mayor, Councillor Eileen Keller, the Consort, Reg Keller, and the Mayoress, Keira Keller.

The Leader, Councillor Rodwell, expressed the Council's gratitude for the work of Councillor Keller during her year as Mayor.

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

# 4. Appointment of the Young Mayor

The Chief Executive, Chris Naylor, advised that a new Young Mayor had been appointed by the BAD Youth Forum in February 2017.

The Chief Executive introduced the new Young Mayor, Vaisaly Gnanapandithan, and invited her to address the Ceremonial Council.

The Leader then took the opportunity to thank the retiring Young Mayor, Pelumi Oyewo, for the able manner in which she had discharged the duties of Young Mayor during 2016/17.

# MINUTES OF CEREMONIAL COUNCIL

Friday, 19 May 2017 (7:54 - 8:00 pm)

# PRESENT

Cllr Eileen Keller (Chair) Cllr Syed Ghani (Deputy Chair)

Cllr Syed Ahammad Cllr Saima Ashraf Cllr Sade Bright Cllr Faruk Choudhury Cllr Cameron Geddes Cllr Amardeep Singh Jamu Cllr Mick McCarthy Cllr James Ogungbose Cllr Hardial Singh Rai Cllr Lynda Rice Cllr Danielle Smith Cllr John White Cllr Sanchia Alasia Cllr Abdul Aziz Cllr Laila M. Butt Cllr Edna Fergus Cllr Rocky Gill Cllr Elizabeth Kangethe Cllr Giasuddin Miah Cllr Adegboyega Oluwole Cllr Tony Ramsay Cllr Darren Rodwell Cllr Sam Tarry Cllr Maureen Worby Cllr Jeanne Alexander Cllr Simon Bremner Cllr Peter Chand Cllr Irma Freeborn Cllr Kashif Haroon Cllr Danielle Lawrence Cllr Dave Miles Cllr Moin Quadri Cllr Chris Rice Cllr Faraaz Shaukat Cllr Dominic Twomey Cllr Dan Young

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# 5. Declaration of Members' Interests

There were no declarations of interest.

# 6. Confer the Title of Honorary Freedom of the Borough

The Chair advised that a special meeting of the Ceremonial Council had been called in order to confer honorary titles for Freedom of the Borough under section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972.

The Leader moved that Lesley Hawes be conferred with the title Honorary Freeman of the Borough. The motion was seconded by Councillor Ashraf and in pursuance of section 249(5) of the Local Government Act 1972, the Ceremonial Council **resolved** to admit Lesley Hawes to be an Honorary Freeman of the Borough.

The Leader moved that Jon Gildersleeve be conferred with the title Honorary Freeman of the Borough. The motion was seconded by Councillor Twomey and in pursuance of section 249(5) of the Local Government Act 1972, the Ceremonial Council **resolved** to admit Jon Gildersleeve to be an Honorary Freeman of the Borough.

# 7. Confer the Title of Honorary Aldermen of the Borough

The Chair advised that nominations would now be made in order to confer honorary titles for Aldermen of the Borough under section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972.

Councillor Twomey moved that Roy Patient be conferred with the title Honorary Alderman of the Borough. The motion was seconded by Councillor Rodwell and in pursuance of section 249(1) of the Local Government Act 1972, the Ceremonial Council **resolved** to confer the title of Honorary Alderman on Roy Patient.

Councillor Rai moved that Inder Singh Jamu be conferred with the title Honorary Alderman of the Borough. The motion was seconded by Councillor White and in pursuance of section 249(1) of the Local Government Act 1972, the Ceremonial Council **resolved** to confer the title of Honorary Alderman on Inder Singh Jamu.