
Annual Council MINUTES

Of a meeting held in the Penn Chamber, Three Rivers House, Rickmansworth, on Tuesday, 23 May 2023 from 7.30 - 9.24 pm

Present: Councillor Debbie Morris (Chair until item 4), Councillor Raj Khiroya (Vice-Chair, in the Chair from item 5), Councillor Matthew Bedford, Councillor Sara Bedford, Councillor Ruth Clark, Councillor David Coltman, Councillor Oliver Cooper, Councillor Stephen Cox, Councillor Steve Drury, Councillor Andrea Fraser, Councillor Stephen Giles-Medhurst, Councillor Rue Grewal, Councillor Philip Hearn, Councillor Lisa Hudson, Councillor Tony Humphreys, Councillor Khalid Hussain, Councillor Joan King, Councillor Stephen King, Councillor Chris Lloyd, Councillor David Major, Councillor Keith Martin, Councillor Abbas Merali, Councillor Chris Mitchell, Councillor Sarah Nelmes, Councillor Louise Price, Councillor Kevin Raeburn, Councillor Paul Rainbow, Councillor Reena Ranger OBE, Councillor David Raw, Councillor Ciaran Reed, Councillor Andrew Scarth, Councillor Narinder Sian, Councillor Jonathon Solomons, Councillor Jon Tankard, Councillor Chris Whately-Smith and Councillor Anne Winter

Officers in Attendance:

Emma Sheridan, Associate Director Customer and Community
Kimberley Grout, Associate Director, Strategy, Housing and Partnerships
Alison Scott, Shared Director of Finance
Stephen Rix, Associate Director Legal and Democratic (Monitoring Officer)
Joanne Wagstaffe, Chief Executive

CL1/23 ELECTION OF CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL

The Chair had agreed to take this item as urgent business as the report had been published late due to confirmation on the appointment being agreed.

Councillor Sarah Nelmes moved, seconded by Councillor Andrew Scarth, that Councillor Phil Williams be elected Chair of the Council.

On being put to the Council the motion was declared CARRIED by the Chair of Council the voting being by general assent.

RESOLVED:

Councillor Phil Williams be elected Chair of Council.

CL2/23 CHAIR ELECT

As the newly appointed Chair of Council was not present at the meeting they would sign their declaration outside the meeting.

The Chair announced to Council that item 8 (Health and Safety Statement) had been deferred to the July Council meeting.

The Chair also announced that they had agreed to change the order of business with the order now being item 4, then item 5 and then item 3.

CL3/23 APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIR OF COUNCIL

Councillor Sarah Nelmes moved, seconded by Councillor Stephen Giles-Medhurst, that Councillor Raj Khiroya be elected Vice-Chair of the Council.

On being put to the Council the motion was declared CARRIED by the Chair of Council the voting being by general assent.

RESOLVED:

Councillor Raj Khiroya be elected Vice-Chair of the Council.

CL4/23 VICE-CHAIR ELECT

Councillor Raj Khiroya made and signed the declaration of Acceptance of office.

COUNCILLOR RAJ KHIROYA – VICE CHAIR IN THE CHAIR

CL5/23 VOTE OF THANKS TO RETIRING CHAIR

Councillor Keith Martin led the vote of thanks to the retiring Chair, Councillor Debbie Morris, who had done a tremendous job as the first citizen of the District and Chair of the Council meetings. They thanked Councillor Morris on behalf of the residents, Members, businesses and not for profit organisations in Three Rivers.

Councillor Ciaran Reed also wished to thank Councillor Morris for the way they had Chaired the Council meetings and served in their civic capacity and how they had led the proclamation in the District with the change of monarchs. The Councillor also wish to record their thanks for the service Councillor Morris had initiated for the Holocaust Memorial Day.

Councillors Stephen Cox, Chris Mitchell, Reena Ranger, Sarah Nelmes and Stephen Giles-Medhurst also wished to record their vote of thanks to Councillor Debbie Morris for their Charing of the Council meetings and how they had undertaken their civic duties during the year.

Councillor Debbie Morris responded by thanking Members for their kind words and for the tremendous opportunity to be Chair of the Council. They had been to many events in the community and had been Chair during a momentous year for the monarchy. In June the Queen had celebrated their Platinum Jubilee with the Council holding a beacon lighting in the Rose Garden attended by hundreds of people. Following this the Queen had sadly passed away and all the Mayors and Chairs were invited to the proclamation at County Hall for the new King, King Charles III. Other events Councillor Morris had attended during the year included visiting community centres and attending community events, visiting schools, an art exhibition, cutting ribbons, judged competitions, learnt about the work of local charities and voluntary organisations.

Councillor Morris had chaired all the meetings of Council during the year and wished to thank Sarah Haythorpe for the excellent briefing notes and to officers for their sound advice during the meetings. Councillor Morris also wished to thank Andrew, the Councillors husband and Consort, who accompanied them on many of their engagements Mike Simpson for their support and assistance and who was instrumental in organising their diary and events.

Pets as Therapy was my chosen charity for the year and I have been able to raise over £5,000.

The Holocaust Memorial Day in January saw over 75 people attending and to see the day being remembered was one of my proudest moments. I hope everyone who came to the Memorial Day will never forget it

Councillors Debbie Morris wished Councillor Williams and Khiroya best wishes for the year ahead.

CL6/23 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Ian Morris, Roger Seabourne and Phil Williams.

CL7/23 ELECTION RETURN

Council noted the results of the District Council Elections held in the District on 4 May 2023 and the Proper Officer confirmed that all Councillors had signed their Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

A Member advised that the vote result for the Liberal Democrat Group should read 517 for the Chorleywood North and Sarratt District Election.

RESOLVED:

Noted the election results and that the Councillors had signed their Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

CL7/23a THANK YOU TO PAST COUNCILLORS

The Leader of the Council paid tribute to past Councillor Martin Trevett who had been a Councillor since 1979 but had stood down this year. The Other Group Leaders and other Councillors also paid tribute to Councillors who had not stood for re-election in the recent election.

CL8/23 THREE RIVERS DISTRICT COUNCIL HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY STATEMENT 2023/2024

This item of business had been deferred to the July Council meeting.

CL9/23 RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE FROM THE MEETING HELD ON 13 MARCH 2023

Councillor Stephen Giles-Medhurst moved, seconded by Councillor Sarah Nelmes, the recommendation as set out in:

a) CIL Governance Arrangements

- i) The draft CIL Governance arrangements as set out in Paragraph 5.3 to 6.2 of the Committee report

On being put to Council the motion was declared CARRIED by the Vice-Chair in the Chair the voting being by general assent.

RESOLVED:

- i) The draft CIL Governance arrangements as set out in Paragraph 5.3 to 6.2 of the Committee report

Councillor Stephen Giles-Medhurst moved, seconded by Councillor Andrew Scarth the recommendation as set out below:

- ii) Final details on the implementation of the amended Governance arrangements are delegated to the DCES in consultation with the Lead Member with an anticipated commencement date of June 2023.

On being put to Council the motion was declared CARRIED by the Vice-Chair in the Chair the voting being by general assent.

RESOLVED:

Final details on the implementation of the amended Governance arrangements are delegated to the DCES in consultation with the Lead Member with an anticipated commencement date of June 2023.

Councillor Sarah Nelmes moved, seconded by Councillor Stephen Giles-Medhurst the recommendation as set out below:

b) Minute Writing Standard

That the Minute Writing Standards be agreed and the Constitution amended accordingly

On being put to Council the motion was declared CARRIED by the Vice-Chair in the Chair the voting being by general assent.

RESOLVED:

Agreed the Minute Writing Standards and for the Constitution to be amended accordingly

Councillor Keith Martin moved, seconded by Councillor Sarah Nelmes the recommendation as set out below:

c) Budget Monitoring Report to 31 January 2023

That the revenue and capital budget variations shown in the table at Paragraph be approved and incorporated into the three-year medium term financial plan.

On being put to Council the motion was declared CARRIED by the Vice-Chair in the Chair the voting being 25 For, 0 Against and 11 Abstentions.

RESOLVED:

That the revenue and capital budget variations shown in the table at Paragraph be approved and incorporated into the three-year medium term financial plan.

CL10/23 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 21 February 2023 were confirmed as a correct record and were signed by the Vice-Chair in the Chair.

CL11/23 CHAIRS ANNOUNCEMENTS

As the newly elected Chair of Council was not present at the meeting the Chair's announcements would be made at the July Council meeting.

CL12/23 TO RECEIVE ANY ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE HEAD OF PAID SERVICE

Vice-Chair in the Chair advised that this report was late in being published due to the finalisation of the details – urgency under Section 100B(4) of the Local Government Act 1972.

The Vice-Chair in the Chair had agreed the report as urgent business so that Council can appoint the Leader and Lead Members with the new portfolio details and the delegation and structure changes can be agreed

The Chief Executive advised that the purpose of the report was to:

- To agree a new committee structure
- To agree new lead members
- Agree changes to member and officer delegations.

There would be no changes to actual delegations the changes were around the deletion of a post from the establishment. The report also requested that the Leader be able to delegate to the Deputy Leader.

Councillor Sarah Nelmes moved, seconded by Councillor Stephen Giles-Medhurst the recommendations in the report.

On being put to Council the motion was declared CARRIED by the Vice-Chair in the Chair the voting being by general assent.

RESOLVED:

- 1 That the new Committee structure reference in 3.1 is agreed.
- 2 That the new Lead Members detailed reference in 3.2 is agreed.
- 3 The Leader maybe delegate to the Deputy Leader
- 4 That in the event that an established post becomes vacant the constitutional delegations can be untaken or reassigned by the Head of Paid Service.
- 5 That the Constitution is updated to reflect the delegations currently to the Director of Community and Environmental Services as shown in paragraph 2.9 and to include any delegations to existing Heads of Service.

CL13/23 APPOINTMENT OF THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

Councillor Stephen Giles-Medhurst moved, duly seconded by Councillor Chris Lloyd the appointment of Councillor Sarah Nelmes as Leader of the Council.

On being put to the Council the motion was declared CARRIED by the Vice-Chair in the Chair the voting being 25 For, 0 Against and 11 Abstentions.

RESOLVED:

Councillor Sarah Nelmes appointed Leader of the Council.

CL14/23 APPOINTMENT OF THE DEPUTY LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

Councillor Sarah Nelmes moved, duly seconded by Councillor Chris Lloyd the appointment of Councillor Stephen Giles-Medhurst as Deputy Leader of the Council.

On being put to the Council the motion was declared CARRIED by the Vice-Chair in Chair the voting being by general assent.

RESOLVED:

Councillor Stephen Giles-Medhurst appointed Deputy Leader of the Council.

CL15/23 APPOINTMENT OF THE LEAD MEMBERS

Councillor Sarah Nelmes moved, seconded by Councillor Stephen Giles-Medhurst the appointment of the Lead Members reflecting the changes to the titles of the Lead Members agreed earlier in the meeting.

On being put to the Council the motion was declared CARRIED by the Vice-Chair in the Chair the voting being by general assent.

RESOLVED:

Appointed the Lead Members for:-

Resources (Policy and Resources) – Cllr Keith Martin
Economic Development and Planning Policy (General Public Services and Economic Development) – Cllr Stephen Giles-Medhurst
(Public Services) (General Public Services and Economic Development) – Cllr Paul Rainbow
Housing, Public Health and Wellbeing (General Public Services and Economic Development) – Cllr Andrew Scarth
Leisure (Climate Change, Leisure and Community) – Cllr Chris Lloyd
Sustainability and Climate (Climate Change, Leisure and Community) – Cllr Jon Tankard
Community Partnerships (Climate Change, Leisure and Community) – Cllr Steve Drury

The Chair of the two Service Committees will be split between the three Lead Members who will be preside at two meetings of the Service Committees each year with the other two acting as the Vice-Chair when not in the Chair.

In accordance with the Council Constitution these Members are appointed to the Policy and Resources Committee.

CL16/23 APPOINTMENT OF POLICY AND RESOURCES, PLANNING, REGULATORY SERVICES, LICENSING, INFRASTRUCTURE, HOUSING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, LEISURE, ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNITY, AUDIT AND COUNCIL TAX SETTING COMMITTEES

The Chair had agreed to take this item as urgent business so that the Committees can be appointed to for the local government year 2022/23 and agree details on how meetings are held. The details had been agreed with the Group Leaders.

Appoint to the Policy and Resources Committee

To appoint Members to serve on the Policy and Resources Committee in accordance with the Council Constitution to include the Leader of the Council, Deputy Leader of the Council and the 7 Lead Members as appointed in Items 15, 16 and 17 above.

On being put to Council the motion was declared CARRIED by the Vice-Chair in the Chair the voting being by general assent.

RESOLVED:

Appointed Members to serve on the Policy and Resources Committee in accordance with the Council Constitution to include the Leader of the Council and the 7 Lead Members as appointed in Item 15, 16 and 17 above.

Liberal Democrat Members:

Councillors Sarah Nelmes (Chair of the Committee)
Resources (Policy and Resources) – Cllr Keith Martin
Economic Development and Planning Policy (General Public Services and Economic Development) – Cllr Stephen Giles-Medhurst

(Public Services) (General Public Services and Economic Development) – Cllr Paul Rainbow
Housing, Public Health and Wellbeing (General Public Services and Economic Development)
– Cllr Andrew Scarth

Leisure (Climate Change, Leisure and Community) – Cllr Chris Lloyd

Sustainability and Climate (Climate Change, Leisure and Community) – Cllr Jon Tankard

Community Partnerships (Climate Change, Leisure and Community) – Cllr Steve Drury

Conservative Group Members:

Councillors Oliver Cooper, Philip Hearn, Abbas Merali

Labour Group Member:

Councillor Stephen Cox

Green Group Member:

Councillor Chris Mitchell

(b) To appoint Members to the Planning, Regulatory Services, Licensing, Infrastructure, Housing and Economic Development, Leisure, Environment and Community, Audit and Council Tax Setting Committees

Councillor Sarah Nelmes moved, seconded by Councillor Stephen Giles-Medhurst the appointment of Members as detailed on the spreadsheet with the following amendments:

Councillor Roger Seabourne be replaced with Councillor Jonathon Solomons on the Audit Committee

Councillor Oliver Cooper spoke on the allocation of seats and although they were delighted to see some changes to the allocations on planning and audit they had questioned the percentages allocated for the seats on the committees and the legality of the proportionality which had been provided to Council. It was vital that the details were correct.

The Monitoring Officer responded that the details provided on proportionality were not illegal or unlawful and were in accordance with provisions contained in section 15(4) of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989

On the motion being put to Council the Vice-Chair in the Chair declared the motion CARRIED the voting being 25 For, 11 Against and 0 Abstentions.

RESOLVED:

Planning Committee - 11 Members

Liberal Democrats – 6 Members

Councillors Sara Bedford, Steve Drury, Matthew Bedford, Ruth Clark, Chris Lloyd, Khalid Hussain

Conservative Group – 4 Members

Councillors Philip Hearn, Debbie Morris, Ian Morris, David Raw

Labour Group – 1 Member

Councillor Stephen King

Regulatory Committee – 11 Members

Liberal Democrats – 6 Members

Councillors Roger Seabourne, Tony Humphreys, Matthew Bedford, David Major, Andrew Scarth, Raj Khiroya

Conservative Group – 3 Members

Councillors Ciaran Reed, David Coltman, Ian Morris

Labour Group – 1 Member

Councillor Stephen Cox

Green Group – 1 Member

Councillor Narinder Sian

Licensing Committee – 11 Members

Liberal Democrats – 6 Members

Councillors Roger Seabourne, Tony Humphreys, Matthew Bedford, David Major, Andrew Scarth, Raj Khiroya
Conservative Group – 3 Members
Councillors Ciaran Reed, David Coltman, Ian Morris
Labour Group – 1 Member
Councillor Stephen Cox
Green Group – 1 Member
Councillor Narinder Sian

General Public Services and Economic Development Committee – 11 Members

Liberal Democrats – 6 Members
Councillors Stephen Giles-Medhurst, Andrew Scarth, Paul Rainbow, Jonathon Solomons, Kevin Raeburn, Chris Whately-Smith
Conservative Group – 3 Members
Councillors Andrea Fraser, David Raw, Oliver Cooper
Labour Group – 1 Member
Councillor Joan King
Green Group – 1 Member
Councillor Chris Mitchell

Climate Change, Leisure and Community Committee – 11 Members

Liberal Democrats – 6 Members
Councillors Chris Lloyd, Steve Drury, Jon Tankard, David Major, Louise Price, Anne Winter.
Conservative Group – 3 Members
Councillors Ciaran Reed, Abbas Merali, Ian Morris
Labour Group – 1 Member
Councillor Stephen King
Green Party – 1 Member
Councillor Chris Mitchell

Audit – 9 Members

Liberal Democrats – 5 Members
Councillors Tony Humphreys, Ruth Clark, Khalid Hussain, Jonathon Solomons and Raj Khiroya
Conservative Group – 4 Members
Councillors Lisa Hudson, Andrea Fraser, Ciaran Reed and Rue Grewal

Council Tax Setting – 5 Members

Liberal Democrats – 3 Members
Councillors Sarah Nelmes, Keith Martin and Stephen Giles-Medhurst
Conservative Group – 2 Members
Councillors Oliver Cooper, Philip Hearn

(c) To appoint substitute Members

On being put to Council the motion was declared CARRIED by the Chair of Council with the voting being by general assent.

RESOLVED:

Agreed the appointment of all Members to act as substitutes on the Council Committees excluding the Licensing Committee.

Following the voting and agreement of this resolution under Rule 22(1)(a) 10 Members requested that the vote be retaken with regard to not having substitutes on the Licensing committee.

Councillor Steve Drury moved, seconded by Councillor Stephen Giles-Medhurst that substitutes be allowed on the Licensing Committee

The meeting was adjourned to allow the Chief Executive and Monitoring Officer to consider the motion.

The Monitoring Officer advised they would check the legality of the motion under the Licensing Act 2003 to allow substitute Members on the Licensing Committee and would report following the meeting.

On being put Council the amended motion was declared CARRIED by the Vice-Chair in the Chair the voting being by general assent.

RESOLVED:

Agreed that all Members could be appointed as substitute Members on the Licensing Committee.

CL16/23a TO APPOINT SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

RESOLVED:

Agreed the appointment of the following named substitutes for the Planning Committee:

Liberal Democrats:

Councillors Stephen Giles-Medhurst, Raj Khuroya, Sarah Nelmes, Phil Williams, Louise Price, Chris Whately-Smith

Conservative Group: Councillors Andrea Fraser, Rue Grewal, Abbas Merali, Reena Ranger OBE

Labour Group: Councillor Stephen Cox

Agreed that Licensing sub-committee hearings can be held either virtually/remotely, as a face-to-face hearing or as a hybrid hearing but that the hearing be livestreamed.

Agreed that Local Area Forum meetings be held either virtually/remotely, as face to face meetings or as hybrid meeting and that the Chair of the Forum makes the decision on how each meeting is held.

Agreed that Sub-Committee meetings be held either virtually/remotely, as face to face meetings or as a hybrid meeting but that they be livestreamed.

CL17/23 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRS AND VICE CHAIRS

Committee	Chair	Vice Chair
Planning	Councillor Sara Bedford	Councillor Steve Drury
Licensing	Roger Seabourne	Tony Humphreys
Regulatory Services	Roger Seabourne	Tony Humphreys
Audit	Tony Humphreys	Ruth Clark
Council Tax Setting Committee	Sarah Nelmes	Stephen Giles-Medhurst

On being put to the Council the motion was declared CARRIED by the Vice-Chair in the Chair the voting being by general assent.

RESOLVED:

That the appointment of the Chair's and Vice Chair's of the Planning, Regulatory Services, Licensing, Audit and Council Tax Setting Committees be agreed.

CL18/23 STANDARDS REGIME

A) Members' Panel to deal with Code of Conduct Complaints

To reconstitute this Panel to deal with Code of Conduct Complaints against District and Parish Councillors under the stages agreed at the Executive Committee on 2 April 2012 (Minute EX104/11).

This Panel will also consider any necessary report by Investigatory and Disciplinary Committee. See item CL24/22 below.

The Panel will consist of Group Leaders (or their nominees).

On being put to Council the motion was declared CARRIED by the Vice-Chair in the Chair the voting being by general assent.

RESOLVED:-

That the membership of the Panel be agreed and noted.

CL19/23 APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

To establish the Appointments Committee with terms of reference as set out in Part 3 of the Constitution and appoint 7 Members to serve thereon. The Committee is subject to the Rules governing proportionality.

On being put to the Council the motion was declared CARRIED by the Vice-Chair in the Chair the voting being by general assent.

RESOLVED:

That the Appointments Committee be reconstituted for the Local Government Year 2023/24 with Member appointments to be governed by the proportionality rules with the names of the Councillors to be notified to the Chief Executive before each meeting.

Liberal Democrats – 4 Members
Conservative Group – 2 Members
Labour Group – 1 Member

CL20/23 APPEALS COMMITTEE

To establish an Appeals Committee to hear any necessary Appeals in relation to Senior Staff Members should a dispute arise under the Terms of a JNC contract. To appoint 5 Members to serve thereon. The Committee is subject to the Rules governing proportionality.

On being put to the Council the motion was declared CARRIED by the Vice-Chair in the Chair the voting being by general assent.

RESOLVED:

Established the Appeals Committee to hear any necessary Appeals in relation to Senior Staff Members should a dispute arise under the Terms of a JNC contract. Appointed 5 members to serve thereon as follows:

Liberal Democrats – 3 Members (names to be notified to the Chief Executive prior to the meeting)
Conservative Group – 1 Member (name to be notified to the Chief Executive prior to the meeting)
Labour Group – 1 Member (name to be notified to the Chief Executive prior to the meeting)

CL21/23 INVESTIGATORY AND DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

To establish an Investigatory and Disciplinary Committee to consider any report or complaint in relation to Senior Staff Members appointed under the terms of a JNC contract. To appoint 5 Members to serve thereon. The Committee is subject to the Rules governing proportionality.

On being put to the Council the motion was declared CARRIED by the Vice-Chair in the Chair the voting being by general assent.

RESOLVED:

Established the Investigatory and Disciplinary Committee to consider any report or complaint in relation to Senior Staff Members appointed under the terms of a JNC contract. Appointed 5 members to serve thereon as follows:

Liberal Democrats – 3 Members (the names to be notified to the Chief Executive prior to the meeting)

Conservative Group – 1 Member (the name to be notified to the Chief Executive prior to the meeting)

Labour Group – 1 Member (the name to be notified to the Chief Executive prior to the meeting)

CL22/23 APPOINTMENT OF OTHER COUNCIL BODIES

The following appointments were agreed by general assent by Council

Three Rivers Community Safety Partnership Board

Councillor Steve Drury be appointed.

Local Strategic Partnership Board

Councillors Sarah Nelmes and Steve Drury be appointed.

Community Safety Board (Police and Crime Commissioner) (*)

Councillor Steve Drury be appointed.

Environmental Forum Chair

Councillor Jon Tankard be appointed

Environmental Forum Vice-Chair

Councillor Chris Lloyd be appointed.

Environmental Forum

Liberal Democrat 5 – Councillors Jon Tankard, Chris Lloyd, Raj Khuroya, Kevin Raeburn, Phil Williams

Conservative Group 3 – Reena Ranger OBE, Ian Morris, Abbas Merali

Labour Group – 1 - Councillor Stephen King

Green Party – 1 – Narinder Sian

Seniors Forum

Open to all Members to attend

Youth Council – 3 (one Member from each Group)

Liberal Democrat: Councillor Jon Tankard

Conservative Group: Councillor Ciaran Reed

Labour Group: Councillor Stephen Cox

Green Group: Councillor Narinder Sian

Internal Complaints Panel – 5

Liberal Democrats 4: Reserve Position

Conservative Group 1: Reserve Position

Labour Group 1: Reserve Position

Green Group: 1: Reserve Position

Staff Employer Forum - 5

Liberal Democrats 4: Councillors (names to be notified to the Chief Executive prior to the meeting)

Conservative Group 1: (name to be notified to the Chief Executive prior to the meeting)

Labour Group 1: (name to be notified to the Chief Executive prior to the meeting)

Green Group 1: (name to be notified to the Chief Executive prior to the meeting)

South Oxhey Community Board (run/organised by Countryside/Home Group) –

Liberal Democrats 1: Councillor Andrew Scarth

Conservative 1: Councillor Rue Grewal

Labour 1: Councillor Joan King

Shareholder and Commercial Ventures Board

Liberal Democrats 3: Councillors Stephen Giles-Medhurst, Keith Martin and Sarah Nelmes

Conservative 1: Councillor Abbas Merali

Labour 1: Councillor Stephen Cox

RESOLVED:

That the appointments to the Other Council bodies be agreed.

CL23/23 APPOINTMENT OF THE CHAIRS AND VICE-CHAIRS FOR EACH OF THE LOCAL AREA FORUMS

Divisions took place where the number of nominations exceeded the number of vacancies, these cases being indicated by an asterisk as set out below:

RESOLVED:

Area Forum

Chorleywood and Sarratt
Rickmansworth

Chair

Raj Khiroya
Sarah Nelmes(*)

Vice-Chair

Phil Williams(*)
Tony Humphreys

Croxley Green
Watford Rural (*)

Steve Drury(*)
Andrew Scarth(*)

Paul Rainbow
Anne Winter(*)

The voting for the nominations being 19 For the Liberal Democrat Nominations, 16 Against and 1 Abstention.

The following nominations for Chair and Vice Chair did not exceed the number of vacancies and were agreed by general assent by Council

Abbots Langley

Jon Tankard

Stephen Giles-
Medhurst

RESOLVED:

That the appointments to the Chair and Vice Chair of the Local Forums for 2023/24 be agreed.

CL24/23 APPOINTMENT OF OUTSIDE BODIES

RESOLVED:

That the Council representatives to the Outside Bodies be as set out below for 2023/24:

Chilterns Conservation Board	Councillor Jon Tankard
Denham Aerodrome Consultative Committee	Councillor Raj Khiroya
Hertfordshire Building Preservation Trust Ltd	Councillor Jon Tankard
HCC Health Scrutiny Committee	Councillor Tony Humphreys
Three Rivers Museum Trust	Councillor Keith Martin
New Agreement Traffic Management Act 2004 Adjudication Joint Committee (PATROLAJC)	Councillor Paul Rainbow with Councillor Stephen Giles-Medhurst as substitute Member
Hertfordshire Police and Crime Scrutiny Panel	Councillor Andrew Scarth with substitute Member Councillor Sarah Nelmes
Hertfordshire Armed Forces Covenant	Councillor Jon Tankard
Herts Climate Change and Sustainability Partnership	Councillor Jon Tankard with substitute member Councillor Phil Williams
Herts Growth Board	Councillor Sarah Nelmes with substitute Member Councillor Stephen Giles-Medhurst
South West Herts Strategic Planning Members Group (SPMG)	Councillor Stephen Giles-Medhurst with substitute Councillor Matthew Bedford
Watford and Three Rivers Trust (observer rep)	Councillor Sara Bedford
East of England LGA	Councillor Sarah Nelmes
Herts Waste Partnership	Councillor Paul Rainbow with substitute Councillor Stephen Giles-Medhurst
LGA General Assembly	Councillor Sarah Nelmes with substitute Councillor Stephen Giles-Medhurst
Moor Park Mansion Heritage Foundation Trust	Councillors Andrew Scarth, Abbas Merali, Stephen King
Abbots Langley Community Centre-Management Committee	Councillor David Major

RESOLVED:

That the appointments to the Outside Bodies for 2023/24 be agreed.

CL25/23 SENIORS' CHAMPION

RESOLVED:

That Councillor Keith Martin be appointed the Member Champion for 2023/24.

CL26/23 YOUNG PERSONS' CHAMPION

RESOLVED:

That Councillor Jon Tankard be appointed the Young Persons' Champion for 2023/24

CL27/23 MEMBER TRAINING CHAMPION

RESOLVED:

That Councillor Sarah Nelmes be appointed the Member Training Champion for 2023/24.

CL28/23 INDEPENDENT PANEL ON MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES

RESOLVED:

Agreed by general assent to reconstitute the above Panel to review Members' allowances. By statute, all appointments must be external to the Council and agreed that the Chief Executive makes the appointments.

CHAIR