

**ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING  
21st May, 2010**

Present:- The Mayor (Councillor Ali) (in the Chair); Councillors Akhtar, Atkin, Austen, Barron, Blair, Buckley, Burton, Currie, Dodson, Doyle, Falvey, Fenoughty, Foden, Ellis, Gilding, Gosling, Goult, Hughes, Hussain, Jack, Johnston, Kaye, Kirk, Lakin, License, Littleboy, Mannion, McNeely, Nightingale, Parker, Pickering, Rushforth, G. A. Russell, P. A. Russell, R. S. Russell, St. John, Sharman, Sims, Slade, Smith, Steele, Stone, Swift, Thirlwall, Turner, Tweed, Walker, Whelbourn, Whysall, Wootton, S. Wright and Wyatt.

**A1 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

Resolved:- That Councillor Rose Margaret McNeely be elected Chairman of the Rotherham Borough Council for the ensuing Municipal Year and that she be entitled to the style of Mayor by virtue of Section 245(1) of the Local Government Act 1972.

Mover: Councillor Wootton  
Hussain

Seconded: Councillor

Councillor McNeely thereupon made and subscribed the statutory declaration of acceptance of office.

The Mayor (Councillor McNeely (in the Chair)

**A2 VOTE OF THANKS TO THE RETIRING MAYOR**

Resolved:- That the Council tender its sincere thanks to Councillor Shaukat Ali for the excellent manner in which he has carried out all his duties as Mayor of the Metropolitan Borough of Rotherham.

And that the best thanks of this Council be recorded for the kind and admirable way in which Wajida Nasseem performed the duties of Mayoress.

Mover:- Councillor Kirk

Seconded: Councillor Dodson

**A3 ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN**

Resolved:- That Councillor Shaun Wright be elected Vice-Chairman of the Rotherham Borough Council for the ensuing Municipal Year and that he be entitled to the style of Deputy Mayor by virtue of section 245(1) of the Local Government Act 1972.

Mover: Councillor Whelbourn

Seconded: Councillor Lakin

**A4 COUNCIL MINUTES**

Resolved:- That the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 21st

April, 2010 be approved for signature by the Mayor.

Mover:- Councillor Stone

Seconder:- Councillor Sharman

## A5 COMMUNICATIONS

The Chief Executive submitted apologies for absence from Councillors Clarke, Cutts, Donaldson, J. Hamilton, N. Hamilton, Hodgkiss, Sangster and Sharp.

## A6 ELECTION OF LEADER

Resolved:- That Councillor Roger Stone be elected as Leader of Rotherham Borough Council.

Mover: Councillor Gosling

Seconder: Councillor Littleboy

## A7 CABINET ARRANGEMENTS

The Leader reported on his appointments to the Cabinet as follows, with portfolios and delegated powers as regards executive functions remaining as previously:-

<u>The Cabinet</u>	<u>Councillor</u>
Deputy Leader	Sharman
Cabinet Member for Health and Social Care	Doyle
Cabinet Member for Children and Young People's Services	Lakin
Cabinet Member for Community Development and Engagement	Hussain
Cabinet Member for Resources	Wyatt
Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Planning and Transportation	Smith
Cabinet Member for Cultural Services and Sport	St.John
Cabinet Member for Housing and Neighbourhoods	Akhtar
Cabinet Member for Streetpride Services	R. S. Russell

The portfolios were under review and any alterations would be reported to the next Council Meeting in July, 2010.

In addition, the Leader wished to offer his congratulations to Rotherham United Football Club for their success at getting to the play-offs, with particular mentions for Tony Stewart, Brian Beckett, Paul Douglas and Ronnie Moore.

## A8 CABINET MINUTES

Resolved:- That the reports and minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet (Section C) (pages 178C to 192C) be adopted.

Mover:- Councillor Stone

Seconder:- Councillor Sharman

## **A9 MEMBERSHIP ARRANGEMENTS 2010/11**

The Democratic Services Manager submitted proposals for 2010/11.

Resolved:- (1) That Councillor Turner be Chairman of the Wentworth Valley Area Assembly (Maltby, Hellaby, Wickersley) and Councillor Parker be Vice-Chairman.

Mover:- Councillor Gilding

Seconder:- Councillor Mannion

(2) That the following arrangements be approved:-

### **Cabinet Advisers:-**

Leader and Deputy Leader – Councillor Littleboy (Senior Adviser) together with Councillor Gosling

Health and Social Care – Councillor Gosling (Senior Adviser) together with Councillor P.A. Russell

Children and Young People's Services – Councillor Havenhand (Senior Adviser) together with Councillor Currie

Community Development and Engagement – Councillor Burton (Senior Adviser) together with Councillor Walker

Resources – Councillor Buckley (Senior Adviser)

Economic Development, Planning and Transportation – Councillor Walker (Senior Adviser)

Cultural Services and Sport - Councillor Falvey (Senior Adviser) together with Councillor License

Housing and Neighbourhoods – Councillor Goulty (Senior Adviser) together with Councillor Kaye

Streetpride Services – Councillor Ali (Senior Adviser) together with Councillor Tweed

### **AREA ASSEMBLIES**

Wentworth North  
(Hoover, Wath, Swinton)  
Rotherham North  
(Keppel, Wingfield, Rotherham West)  
Rotherham South  
(Rotherham East, Boston Castle, Sitwell)  
Wentworth South

### **CHAIRMEN VICE-CHAIRMEN**

Atkin J. Hamilton  
Johnston Walker  
Dodson Kirk  
Currie Wright



Councillor Havenhand  
Councillor Jack  
Councillor McNeely  
Councillor Rushforth  
Councillor Russell, P. A.  
Councillor Sangster  
Councillor Slade  
Councillor Swift  
Councillor Wootton (Chairman)

(one vacancy)

(21)

**Licensing Committee**

Councillor Barron (Vice-Chairman)  
Councillor Donaldson  
Councillor Doyle  
Councillor Foden  
Councillor Goult  
Councillor Hamilton, J.  
Councillor Hamilton, N.  
Councillor Havenhand  
Councillor Jack  
Councillor Russell, P. A.  
Councillor Sangster  
Councillor Slade  
Councillor Swift  
Councillor Wootton (Chairman)

(one vacancy)

(15)

**Planning Board**

Councillor Akhtar  
Councillor Atkin  
Councillor Austen  
Councillor Burton  
Councillor Dodson (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Hodgkiss  
Councillor Kaye  
Councillor Lakin  
Councillor License  
Councillor Littleboy  
Councillor McNeely  
Councillor Parker  
Councillor Pickering (Chairman)  
Councillor Russell, G. A.  
Councillor Russell, R. S.  
Councillor Smith  
Councillor Turner  
Councillor Tweed  
Councillor Walker  
Councillor Whysall

(one vacancy)

(21)

### **Audit Committee**

Councillor Gilding  
Councillor Kaye (Vice-Chairman)  
Councillor License  
Councillor Sangster (Chairman)  
Councillor Sims

(5)

### **SCRUTINY PANELS**

#### **Democratic Renewal**

Councillor Austen (Chairman)  
Councillor Currie  
Councillor Cutts  
Councillor Dodson  
Councillor Hamilton, J. (Vice-Chairman)  
Councillor Hughes  
Councillor Johnston  
Councillor Littleboy  
Councillor Mannion  
Councillor Nightingale

Councillor Parker  
Councillor Pickering  
Councillor Sims  
Councillor Tweed

(14)

**Sustainable Communities**

Councillor Atkin  
Councillor Blair  
Councillor Cutts  
Councillor Ellis  
Councillor Gamble  
Councillor Havenhand  
Councillor Hodgkiss  
Councillor McNeely (Chairman)  
Councillor Nightingale  
Councillor Russell, P. A. (Vice-Chairman)  
Councillor Walker

(11)

**Children and Young People's Services**

Councillor Ali  
Councillor Buckley  
Councillor Dodson  
Councillor Donaldson  
Councillor Falvey  
Councillor Fenoughty  
Councillor Kaye  
Councillor License (Vice-Chairman)  
Councillor Rushforth  
Councillor Russell, G.A. (Chairman)  
Councillor Sharp  
Councillor Sims

(12)

**Regeneration**

Councillor Ellis

Councillor Foden  
Councillor Gamble  
Councillor Gilding  
Councillor Gosling  
Councillor Hamilton, N.  
Councillor Slade  
Councillor Swift (Vice-Chairman)  
Councillor Thirlwall  
Councillor Turner  
Councillor Whysall (Chairman)  
Councillor Wright

(12)

### **Adult Services and Health**

Councillor Barron  
Councillor Blair  
Councillor Burton  
Councillor Clarke  
Councillor Goulty  
Councillor Hodgkiss  
Councillor Jack (Chairman)  
Councillor Kirk  
Councillor Steele (Vice-Chairman)  
Councillor Turner  
Councillor Wootton

(11)

### **Performance and Scrutiny Overview Committee**

Councillor Austen (Vice-Chairman)  
Councillor Gilding  
Councillor Hamilton, J.  
Councillor Jack  
Councillor License  
Councillor McNeely  
Councillor Russell, G. A.  
Councillor Russell, P. A.  
Councillor Steele  
Councillor Swift  
Councillor Whelbourn (Chairman)  
Councillor Whysall

(12)

Mover:- Councillor Stone

Seconder:-

Councillor



Sharman

#### **A10 REPORT ON DELEGATION OF POWERS**

Consideration was given to the revised Scheme of Delegation of Powers to Members and Officers, which had been updated to include some minor changes as referred to in the report. Any changes that may be made by the Leader in future as regards executive functions would be reported to all Members.

Resolved:- That the Scheme of Delegation of Powers for Members and Officers for 2010/11 be approved.

Mover:- Councillor Stone Seconded:- Councillor Sharman

#### **A11 REVISED CONSTITUTION**

Consideration was given to a report outlining amendments to the Executive Procedure Rules and Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules following the adoption of the revised Constitution at the Council meeting of 21st April 2010.

Resolved:- That the revised Executive Procedure Rules and Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules and the amended wording to Article 8 of the Constitution be approved.

Mover:- Councillor Stone Seconded:- Councillor Sharman

#### **A12 SCHEME FOR PETITIONS**

Consideration was given to a report which set out in detail the requirements of Sections 10 to 22 of the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009 (c. 20) which provided a statutory duty for principal local authorities to handle and respond to petitions. This included making provision for the submission of e-petitions and adopting a "scheme for handling petitions".

The Council was, therefore, required to adopt a Petitions Scheme, taking account of provisions set out in an Order and statutory guidance.

Resolved:- (1) That the scheme be adopted as the Council's "Scheme for Handling Petitions".

(2) That the commencement dates for the provisions of the scheme be as follows:-

- Paragraphs 1 to 3; 5 to 21; and 29 to 31 – 15th June, 2010.
- Paragraphs 4 and 22 to 28 – 15th December, 2010.

(3) That the Council's Constitution and Standing Orders be amended as

follows:-

- After Section (1) of Article 6 of the constitution insert “(1A) Any citizen may organise, sign and present a petition to the Council in accordance with the Council’s Scheme for handling petitions”.
- In Standing Order 4 insert “Presentation of petitions” and “Debate on petitions”.
- After Standing Order 8 insert “8A Presentation of petitions”.
- After Standing Order 8A insert “8B Debate on petitions”.
- That the sub-paragraphs set out in Appendix B to this report apply to Standing Orders 8A and 8B.

(4) That the list of officers, by position, who may be called to give evidence as set out in the report be approved.

Mover:- Councillor Stone

Seconded:- Councillor Sharman

### A13 ELECTION OF COUNCILLORS

The Returning Officer reported that the persons indicated below had been elected Members of the Council at the election held on 6<sup>th</sup> May, 2010:-

Ward	Candidates	Votes
Anston & Woodsetts	Josephine Anne Burton	2369 (Elected)
	Simon Paul Edmundson	2146
	Clive Robert Jepson	801
	Colin Edward Tawn	672
Boston Castle	Ashiq Hussain	1191
	Rose Margaret McNeely	2342 (Elected)
	Peter Frederick Murdock	762
	Abdul Razaq	892
	Catherine Diane Thompson	531
Brinsworth & Catcliffe	Alan Buckley	2610 (Elected)
	Terry Robert Fieldhouse	982
	Shaun Richard Hughes	974
	Keith Lockley	594
	Margaret Rose Walsh	411
Dinnington	Kristian Denman	1584
	Jacqueline Margaret Falvey	2713 (Elected)
	Denise Margaret Hickson	1156
Hellaby	Lynda Donaldson	2254 (Elected)
	Douglas Fairfax	861
	Andrew David Foster	852
	Glyn Barry Robinson	1970

Holderness	Martin Hickson	478
	Thomas David Holmes	715
	Jovan Maric	1234
	Paul Neville Martin	632
	Gerald Smith	2891 (Elected)
Hooper	Stephen Handel Jones	1150
	Andrew Newton	513
	Michael John Pallant	862
	Brian Steele	2653 (Elected)
Keppel	Ian Colin Barron	2077 (Elected)
	David Cutts	593
	Joanna Margaret Kirby	641
	Janice Middleton	1314
	Russell James Wells	1287
Maltby	Gordon Hugh Brown	433
	Michael John Burke	810
	Michael James Conlon	372
	Keith Hunter	610
	Edward Millward	787
	Amy Louise Rushforth	1992 (Elected)
Rawmarsh	William George Baldwin	744
	Richard William Penycate	292
	Douglas Stinson	721
	David Howard Palmer Tiptaft	772
	Shaun Wright	2656 (Elected)
Rother Vale	Robert Foulds	1588
	Nigel Haywood Wilton Lee	1159
	Richard Scott Russell	2468 (Elected)
Rotherham East	Shaukat Ali	2199 (Elected)
	David Armeson	130
	Peter Crichton Griffith	421
	Ilyas Mohd	714
	Christian Carl Backer Kramer	396
	Matthew Stevenson	663
Rotherham West	Jahangir Akhtar	2403 (Elected)
	Michael Cooke	693
	Basharat Dad	737
	Brian Jessop	775
	Caven Vines	767

Silverwood	John William Mitchell	687
	Geoffrey Outram	735
	Melissa Parker	1237
	Patricia Anne Russell	2359 (Elected)
	John Wilkinson	598
Sitwell	Judith Oliver Dalton	2238
	Anthony Martin Mannion	2684 (Elected)
	Jean Thirlwall	751
	Valerie Irene Wilkinson	793
Swinton	Neil License	2902 (Elected)
	Shaun O'Dell	1402
	Brian Eastwood Taylor	974
Valley	Lucie Helen Brittain	936
	Jason Paul Pearson	943
	Dave Pickering	2188 (Elected)
	David Ridgway	828
Wales	Peter Harold Blanksby	704
	Charlotte Alicia Blencowe	1837
	Dennis Flynn	753
	Jennifer Whysall	2320 (Elected)
Wath	Alan Atkin	2901 (Elected)
	Brian Albert Bailey	1344
	Josephine Margaret Taylor	1025
Wickersley	Tina Charisse Dowdall	881
	Susan Ellis	2814 (Elected)
	Donald Bruce Ross	1517
	Alan Norman Turnbull	592
Wingfield	Keith Goulty	1948 (Elected)
	Marlene Guest	770
	Christopher Norman	498
	Middleton	1467
	Michael Donald Paul	307
	Sylvester	
	Maureen Vines	