

Present: The Mayor – Councillor Harrison (in the Chair)

Councillors Ahmad, Akhtar, Al-Hamdani, Ali, Alyas, Azad, Ball, M Bashforth, S Bashforth, Brownridge, Byrne, Chadderton, Chauhan, Cosgrove, Dean, Garry, C. Gloster, H. Gloster, Goodwin, Hamblett, Hindle, Hobin, Hulme, A Hussain, F Hussain, S Hussain, Ibrahim, Islam, Jabbar, Kenyon, McLaren, Moores, Munroe, Murphy, Mushtaq, Nasheen, C. Phythian, K Phythian, Rea, Salamat, Sheldon, Shuttleworth, Stretton, Surjan, Sykes, Taylor, Wilkinson, Williamson, Williams and Woodvine

1 **TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Arnott, Barnes, Birch, Iqbal, Lancaster, McManus, Quigg and Sharp.

2 **TO ELECT THE MAYOR FOR THE 2022/23 MUNICIPAL YEAR**

Councillor Moores MOVED, Councillor C. Gloster SECONDED and Councillor Byrne SUPPORTED the election of Councillor Elaine Garry as Mayor and Chair of Council for the forthcoming Municipal Year.

On being put to the vote, the nomination was CARRIED.

Councillor Garry then made and signed the declaration required by law which enabled her to act in the Office of Mayor.

The retiring Mayor (Councillor Harrison) invested the newly elected Mayor with the chain of office; the Mayor's Consorts were presented with their chains.

(The Mayor, Councillor Garry, in the Chair).

The Mayor then made a speech of acceptance of office.

Councillor Taylor MOVED, Councillor Sykes SECONDED and Councillor Byrne SUPPORTED a vote of thanks to the retiring Mayor and Consort.

RESOLVED

1. Councillor Elaine Garry be appointed Mayor of Oldham Metropolitan Borough Council and Chair for the 2022/2023 Municipal Year.
2. The sincere thanks and appreciation of the Council be recorded to Councillor Harrison for her valuable services during her term of office as Mayor of the Oldham Metropolitan Borough Council.

3 **TO APPOINT THE DEPUTY MAYOR FOR THE 2022/23**

MUNICIPAL YEAR

Councillor Chadderton MOVED, Councillor Sykes SECONDED and Councillor Sheldon SUPPORTED the election of Councillor Chauhan as Deputy Mayor and Vice Chair of Council for the forthcoming Municipal Year.

On being put to the vote, the nomination was CARRIED. Councillor Chauhan then made and signed the declaration required by law which enabled him to act in the office of Deputy Mayor.

RESOLVED that Councillor Chauhan be appointed Deputy Mayor for Oldham Metropolitan Borough Council and Vice Chair for the 2022/2023 Municipal Year.

At this point in the meeting, the Mayor adjourned the meeting for a period of time.

The meeting reconvened at 3.30 p.m.

4 **TO ORDER THAT THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 16TH MARCH 2022 AND 22ND MARCH 2022 BE SIGNED AS A CORRECT RECORD**

RESOLVED that:

1. Subject to the replacement of the word 'Labour', with the words 'Liberal Democrat' in the first paragraph of page 12 (Leaks of Information), the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 16th March 2022 be approved as a correct record.
2. The Minutes of the special meeting of the Council held 22nd March be approved as a correct record.

5 **TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ANY MATTER TO BE DETERMINED AT THE MEETING**

The Mayor informed the meeting that a dispensation was in place to allow all Members to vote on agenda item 18: 'Members Allowance Scheme' – Report of the Director of Legal Services. All members present declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in this item, but the dispensation was applicable which allowed members to participate and vote on agenda item 18.

6 **TO DEAL WITH MATTERS WHICH THE MAYOR CONSIDERS TO BE URGENT BUSINESS**

There were no items of urgent business to be considered at this meeting.

7 **TO RECEIVE COMMUNICATIONS RELATING TO THE BUSINESS OF THE COUNCIL**

Councillors Chadderton, Sykes, Ibrahim, Shuttleworth and Byrne paid tribute to the work of Councillor Shah during her time served on the Council.

Councillors Chadderton, C. Phythian and C. Gloster paid tribute to the work of Councillor Roberts during her time served on the Council.

Councillors S. Bashforth and C. Gloster paid tribute to the work of Councillor Davis during his time served on the Council.

Councillors Jabbar and C. Gloster paid tribute to the work of Councillor Malik during his time served on the Council.

8 **TO NOTE THE REPORT OF THE RETURNING OFFICER CONTAINING THE RESULTS OF THE LOCAL ELECTIONS WHICH TOOK PLACE ON 5TH MAY 2022**

Consideration was given to a report of the Returning Officer which informed members of the results of the Local Election which had taken place on 5th May 2022.

RESOLVED that the results of the Local Election be noted.

9 **LEADER OF THE COUNCIL**

Consideration was given to a report regarding the appointment of the Leader of the Council in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 2000 as amended.

RESOLVED that the appointment of Councillor Chadderton as the Leader of the Council, from the 25th May 2022 and ending on the day when the Council holds its first annual meeting of the Leader's normal day of retirement as Councillor, as outlined at paragraph 2.1 of the report, be noted.

10 **APPOINTMENT OF THE DEPUTY LEADER, CABINET MEMBERS AND DEPUTY CABINET MEMBERS AND ALLOCATION OF PORTFOLIOS AND DELEGATION OF EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONS**

Consideration was given to a report of the Leader of the Council which detailed the Cabinet portfolios and the appointments to the Cabinet for the 2022/2023 Municipal Year.

RESOLVED that the appointment of the Deputy Leaders, Cabinet Members, Deputy Cabinet Members, the allocation of portfolios to Cabinet Members and the determination of delegations to executive functions for 2022/2023 be noted as outlined below:

Councillor Amanda Chadderton	Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Housing
Councillor Abdul Jabbar	Statutory Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member, Finance and Low Carbon
Councillor Elaine Taylor	Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Culture and Leisure
Councillor Mohon Ali	Cabinet Member for Education and Skills
Councillor Eddie Moores	Cabinet Member for Children and Young People
Councillor Barbara Brownridge	Cabinet Member for Health and Social Care
Councillor Shaid Mushtaq	Cabinet Member for Corporate

Councillor Jean Stretton	Services Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods
Councillor Shoaib Akhtar	Cabinet Member for Employment and Enterprise
Councillor Clint Phythian	Deputy Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Housing
Councillor Ros Birch	Deputy Cabinet Member for Education and Skills
Councillor Steven Bashforth	Deputy Cabinet Member for Health and Social Care
Councillor George Hulme	Deputy Cabinet Member for Employment and Enterprise
Councillor Leanne Munroe	Deputy Cabinet Member for Children and Young People
Councillor Steve Williams	Deputy Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods
Councillor Chris Goodwin	Deputy Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods

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OPPOSITION NOMINATIONS TO THE SHADOW CABINET 2022/23

RESOLVED that the appointment of the Opposition Leaders and the Shadow Cabinets, as circulated at the meeting and as set out below, be noted:

Liberal Democrat Group Leader – Councillor Howard Sykes
Deputy Group Leader – Councillor Chris Gloster

Liberal Democrat Shadow Cabinet:

Councillor Howard Sykes	Shadow Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Housing
Councillor Diane Williamson	Shadow Cabinet Member for Culture and Leisure
Councillor Chris Gloster	Shadow Cabinet Member, Finance and Low Carbon
Councillor Sam Al- Hamdani	Shadow Cabinet Member for Education and Skills
Councillor Hazel Gloster	Shadow Cabinet Member for Children and Young People
Councillor Louie Hamblett	Shadow Cabinet Member for Health and Social Care
Councillor Alicia Marland	Shadow Cabinet Member for Corporate Services
Councillor Dave Murphy	Shadow Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods
Councillor Mark Kenyon	Shadow Cabinet Member for Employment and Enterprise

Conservative Group Leader – Councillor Graham Sheldon
Deputy Group Leader – Councillor Beth Sharp

Conservative Group Shadow Cabinet:

Councillor Graham Sheldon	Shadow Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Housing
Councillor Max Woodvine	Shadow Cabinet Member for Culture and Leisure
Councillor Dave Arnott	Shadow Cabinet Member, Finance and Low Carbon
Councillor Pam Byrne	Shadow Cabinet Member for Education and Skills
Councillor Pam Byrne	Shadow Cabinet Member for Children and Young People
Councillor Chris McManus	Shadow Cabinet Member for Health and Social Care
Councillor Robert Barnes	Shadow Cabinet Member for Corporate Services
Councillor Luke Lancaster	Shadow Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods
Councillor Beth Sharp	Shadow Cabinet Member for Employment and Enterprise



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APPOINTMENT TO COMMITTEES AND COMPOSITION OF POLITICAL GROUPS 2022/23

Councillor Chadderton MOVED and Councillor Sykes SECONDED the report of the Director of Legal Services which sought a review of the political composition of committees and the composition of political groups as previously notified under Regulation 8(1) of the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990 and under Sections 15 and 16 of the Local Government Housing Act 1989.

RESOLVED that:

1. The composition of the political groups as shown in paragraph 1.1, of the submitted report, be noted;
2. The several Committees that are detailed at paragraph 1.5, of the submitted report, be constituted with the Terms of Reference and delegated powers as detailed in the Council's Constitution;
3. The number of seats on the various Committees for the 2022/23 Municipal Year, be as detailed in paragraph 1.6 of the submitted report and the terms of office referred to therein, be approved;
4. Council confirms the allocation of seats to the political groups and makes appointments to fill the seats in accordance with Sections 15 and 16 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, as detailed in Appendix 1, to the submitted report;
5. Council appoints a Chair and Vice-Chair of each of the various Committees for the 2023/23 Municipal Year, as detailed in Appendix 1, with the exception of the Selection and Appeals Committees and appoints a District Lead for each of the Borough's District Areas;
6. The Co-opted Members detailed at paragraph 1.9 of the report be appointed to the Overview and Scrutiny Board and the Statutory Co-optees be given full voting rights in respect of education matters only;



7. Any outstanding appointments to be delegated to the Chief Executive in consultation with the Leader of the Council and Leaders of the main opposition groups.

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APPOINTMENT TO OUTSIDE BODIES 2022/23

Councillor Chadderton MOVED and Councillor Sheldon SECONDED a report of the Director of Legal Services which detailed the appointments to Outside Bodies for the Municipal Year 2022/23.

RESOLVED that:

1. The appointments to the Outside Bodies as listed in the Appendices as circulated for the 2022/23 Municipal Year be agreed.
2. Any outstanding appointments be delegated to the Chief Executive in consultation with the Leader of the Council and the Leaders of the two main Opposition Groups.

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COUNCIL MEETINGS AND MUNICIPAL CALENDAR 2022/23

Consideration was given to a report of the Director of Legal Services which set out the Calendar of Meetings for the 2022/23 Municipal Year.

RESOLVED that:

1. The meetings of Full Council be held on the undermentioned dates during the 2022/23 Municipal Year, commencing at 6.00pm unless otherwise shown:

13th July 2022
7th September 2022
2nd November 2022
14th December 2022
1st March 2023
15th March 2023

2. The Council's calendar of meetings for 2022/23 be approved.
3. Approval of any outstanding dates or changes to dates to be delegated to the Chief Executive in consultation with Group Leaders.

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NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION BUSINESS

There were no items of administration business for the meeting to consider.

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NOTICE OF OPPOSITION BUSINESS

There were no items of opposition business for the meeting to consider.

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COUNCIL CONSTITUTION

Councillor Chadderton MOVED and Councillor Jabbar SECONDED a report of the Director of Legal Services which invited the Annual Meeting of the Council to re-affirm the Council Constitution as a matter of good governance. Various

amendments to the Constitution were outlined at paragraph 1.3 of the submitted report regarding proposed revisions to the Council Procedure Rules, the Officer Scheme of Delegation, Responsibility for functions in respect of Employment Appeals, Statutory and Proper Officer arrangements and Traffic Regulation Order Panel procedures.

A recorded vote was requested and taken on the RESOLUTION as follows:

COUNCILLOR		COUNCILLOR	
Ahmad Riaz	FOR	Iqbal Javid	APOLOGIES
Akhtar Shoab	FOR	Islam Nazrul Mohammed	FOR
Al-Hamdani Sam	ABSENT	Jabbar Abdul	FOR
Ali Mohon	FOR	Kenyon Mark	AGAINST
Alyas Mohammed	FOR	Lancaster Luke	APOLOGIES
Arnott Dave	APOLOGIES	Marland Alicia	AGAINST
Azad Ali Montaz	AGAINST	McLaren Colin	FOR
Ball Sandra	FOR	McManus Chris	APOLOGIES
Barnes Robert	APOLOGIES	Moore's Eddie	FOR
Bashforth Marie	FOR	Munroe Leanne	FOR
Bashforth Steven	FOR	Murphy Dave	AGAINST
Birch Ros	APOLOGIES	Mushtaq Shaid	FOR
Brownridge Barbara	FOR	Nasheen Umar	FOR
Byrne Pam	FOR	Phythian Clint	FOR
Chadderton Amanda	FOR	Phythian Kyle	FOR
Chauhan Zahid	FOR	Quigg Lewis	APOLOGIES
Cosgrove Angela	FOR	Rea Lucia	FOR
Dean Peter	FOR	Salamat Aqeel Ali	FOR
Gloster Chris	AGAINST	Sharp Beth	APOLOGIES
Gloster Hazel	AGAINST	Sheldon Graham	FOR
Goodwin Chris	FOR	Shuttleworth Graham	FOR
Hamblett Louie	AGAINST	Stretton Jean	FOR
Harrison Jenny	FOR	Surjan Ruji	FOR
Hindle Neil	FOR	Sykes Howard	AGAINST
Hobin Brian	FOR	Taylor Elaine	FOR
Hulme George	FOR	Wilkinson Mark	FOR
Hussain Aftab	FOR	Williams Steve	FOR
Hussain Fida	FOR	Williamson Diane	AGAINST

Hussain Sajed	FOR	Woodvine Max	FOR
Ibrahim Nyla	FOR	Garry Elaine (MAYOR)	FOR

On a recorded VOTE being taken 42 VOTES were cast in FAVOUR of the RESOLUTION with 9 VOTES cast AGAINST and there were 0 ABSTENTIONS. The RESOLUTION was therefore **CARRIED**.

RESOLVED:

That the Council re-affirms its Constitution, subject to the inclusion of revisions to the Council Procedure Rules, the Officer Scheme of Delegation, Responsibility for functions in respect of Employment Appeals, Statutory and Proper Officer arrangements and Traffic Regulation Order panel procedures as outlined at paragraph 1.3 of the submitted report.

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MEMBERS ALLOWANCE SCHEME

Councillor Chadderton MOVED and Councillor Sheldon SECONDED a report of the Director of Legal Services which set out recommendations in relation to the Members Allowance Scheme.

The members allowances scheme requires approval when amendments are proposed. The Independent Remuneration Panel had considered the scheme for 2022/23 and the Panel recommended that, as per previous years, the allowances should be increased in accordance with the local government officer pay award for the municipal year 2022/23 with effective from the start of the municipal year.

The panel also recommended that the deputy district leads receive a special responsibility allowance of 20% of the district lead allowance which amounted to £1,257.

The full members allowances scheme was attached at Appendix 1 with the basic and special responsibilities allowances contained therein.

RESOLVED that the Members Allowances Scheme for 2022/23, as detailed at Appendix 1 to the report, be approved.

The meeting started at 12.00pm and ended at 4.45pm