

NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL

18 May 2023

- Present -

THE MAYOR - Councillor John Briggs

Councillors Ahmed, Ali, Armitage, Bell, Clark, A Davison, J Davison, Ellerby, L Foster, Garritt, Gosling, Grant, Hannigan, Kennedy, Longcake, Marper, Matthews, Mitchell, O'Sullivan, Ogg, Patterson, Poole, Reed, Rose, Ross, Rowson, C Sherwood, N Sherwood, Southern, Swift, K Vickers, P Vickers, Walshe, Waltham MBE, Wells, and Yates.

The Council met at Normanby Hall, Normanby.

2906 WELCOME AND SPEECH OF THE RETIRING MAYOR

The Mayor welcomed councillors, officers and guests to the meeting. He outlined some of the highlights of his year of office which included the proclamation of the new King Charles III locally following the death of the late Queen Elizabeth II, and said that it had been a great honour and privilege to represent North Lincolnshire as Mayor for a second time. He emphasised that North Lincolnshire was the best place to live, work and visit and he had met many more fantastic residents of North Lincolnshire during his second term. He also thanked all those who had supported him throughout his year especially during his period of ill health, particularly the Deputy Mayor Janet Longcake for standing in at many events, his Mayoress, Joanne Brown, his chaplain Reverend Graham Lines, Councillor Julie Reed his fellow ward councillor, the Young Mayor, Mayor's Cadet, charity organisers and officers of Mayoral Services. Finally, he presented cheques to representatives of his charities the Fire Fighters Charity, Magic Moments and Starlight Arts, and expressed his best wishes to the newly elected mayor for 2023/24.

2907 TO ELECT A MAYOR FOR THE COUNCIL YEAR 2023/24

Following the opening remarks made by Councillor John Briggs the council proceeded to elect a Mayor for the council year 2023/24 -

Moved by Councillor J Davison and seconded by Councillor N Poole -

That Councillor Janet Longcake be elected Mayor of North Lincolnshire Council for the ensuing year.

Motion Carried

At this point in the meeting Councillor Longcake took the chair.

Councillor Longcake then expressed her thanks to the council for her election, announced her consort, her chaplain, her charities as part of her appeal fund, her Mayor's cadet and spoke of her hopes for her year in office.

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2908 **VOTE THANKS TO RETIRING MAYOR**

Moved by Councillor R Waltham MBE and seconded by Councillor L Foster -

That the council expresses to Councillor John Briggs its sincere thanks for carrying out the duties of Mayor of North Lincolnshire Council over the past year.

Motion Carried

2909 **TO APPOINT A DEPUTY MAYOR FOR THE COUNCIL YEAR 2023/24**

The council then proceeded to the appointment of a Deputy Mayor -

Moved by Councillor J Reed and seconded by Councillor R Waltham MBE -

That Councillor John Briggs be appointed Deputy Mayor of North Lincolnshire Council for the ensuing year.

Motion Carried

At this point in the proceedings the meeting was adjourned briefly and was then reconvened for the formal business of the meeting.

2910 **DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND PERSONAL OR PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS (IF ANY).**

Declarations of personal interests were indicated as follows –

Member

Subject/Minute

Councillor M Ali

Taxi Licence Holder with schools' transport contract.

2911 **ELECTION OF COUNCILLORS - REPORT BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

The Chief Executive submitted a report on the election of councillors following the local elections on 4 May 2023.

Moved by Councillor R Waltham MBE and seconded by Councillor R Hanningan -

That the report be noted.

Motion Carried

2912 **MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL 2023/2024**

Moved by Councillor R Waltham MBE and seconded by Councillor R Hannigan -

That meetings of the council be held at the time indicated on the following dates -

Thursday 5 October 2023 - 2.00 p.m.

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Friday 1 December 2023 - 2.00 p.m.

Thursday 22 February 2024 - 2.00 p.m. (Budget Meeting)

Thursday 16 May, 2024 - (Annual Meeting) 10.30am.

Motion Carried

2913 **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND HOUSING ACT 1989 - POLITICAL BALANCE OF THE COUNCIL**

The Director: Governance and Communities submitted a report which in accordance with the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 reviewed the political composition of the council following its local elections held on 4 May 2023, and the proposed allocation of seats available to appointed political groups/members on the size of committees/panels to be considered and appointed by Council.

The political balance following the 4 May 2023 elections of the council was Conservative- 27 and Labour -16. Appendix A to the report set out details how this ratio of members was shown in the allocation of members to committees/panels, depending on the total number of members on each committee/panel and in accordance with the proportionality rules and principles contained in the Local Government and Housing Act 1989. Appendix B set out the current range of committees 2022/23 (pre-election) for information with their total membership.

Moved by Councillor R Waltham MBE and seconded by Councillor R Hannigan -

That following a review of the political balance of its committees in accordance with the principles of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, the proposed allocation of seats available to political groups/members on the size of committees/panels appointed as set of below, be approved.

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(Based on 27 (*63%) Conservative and 16 (*37%) Labour Political Proportionality)

Committee	No. of Members	Conservative	Labour
Planning Committee	8	5	3
Licensing Committee	12	7	5
Appeals Committee (Drawn from a pool of 12 members – 8 Conservative and 4 Labour)	3	2	1
Audit Committee	7	4	3
Governance Scrutiny Panel	3	2	1
Health, Integration and Performance Scrutiny Panel	3	2	1
Place Scrutiny Panel	3	2	1
Children’s Scrutiny Panel **	7	6	1
<p>**Majority of seats on the committee/panel to be maintained by the majority political group. This panel includes 4 statutory co-opted members - two Church Representatives – voting, plus two Parent Governors Representatives – voting, in relation to Education Issues only.</p>			
Standards Committee	7	4	3
Appointment and Employment Committee	5	3	2
Total Seats	58	37	21
Proportionality		*63.7%	*36.2%

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Motion Carried

2914 **NOTIFICATION OF GROUP LEADERS, DEPUTY LEADERS AND SECRETARIES.**

That the following appointments below be noted –

GROUP	LEADER	DEPUTY LEADER	SECRETARY
Conservative	Councillor R Waltham MBE	Councillor R Hannigan	Councillor N Poole
Labour	Councillor L Foster	Councillor T Gosling	Councillor S Swift

2915 **ELECTION OF LEADER OF THE COUNCIL**

Moved by Councillor R Hannigan and seconded by Councillor J England –

That Councillor R Waltham MBE be elected Leader of the Council for a four-year term.

Motion Carried

2916 **NUMBER AND NAMES OF MEMBERS TO BE APPOINTED TO THE CABINET AND THEIR CABINET MEMBER PORTFOLIOS, AND APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRS AND VICE-CHAIRS OF COMMITTEES/PANELS**

Moved by Councillor R Waltham MBE and seconded by Councillor R Hannigan -

- (a) That the number, names below and portfolios of Cabinet Members (see appendix 1 of the Working Papers) be noted, and
(b) that Chairs and Vice-Chairs of Committees/Panels/Board as listed below be appointed -

Councillor	Cabinet Member Portfolio, Chair or Vice -Chair
Councillor A Davison	Vice Chair - Governance Scrutiny Panel
Councillor J Davison	Cabinet Member for Safer, Stronger Communities (Ashby, Bottesford, Scunthorpe)
Councillor T Foster	Vice Chair – Audit Committee Chair – Children’s Scrutiny Panel

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Councillor R Hannigan	Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Adults, Health Families and Communities Vice Chair – Appointment and Employment Committee
Councillor J Kennedy	Chair – Place Scrutiny Panel
Councillor J Lee	Chair – Governance Scrutiny Panel
Councillor E Marper	Cabinet Member for Investment, Outcomes and Governance
Councillor T Mitchell	Cabinet Member for Connectivity
Councillor O’Sullivan	Vice Chair – Health, Integration and Performance Scrutiny Panel
Councillor N Poole	Cabinet Member for Environment Operations Chair – Standards Committee
Councillor J Reed	Cabinet Member for Children, Families and Communities
Councillor D Rose	Cabinet Member for Environment and Strategy
Councillor D Robinson	Chair – Health, Integration and Performance Scrutiny Panel
Councillor C Ross	Vice Chair – Planning Committee
Councillor C Sherwood	Cabinet Member for Safer, Stronger Communities (Rural)
Councillor N Sherwood	Chair – Planning Committee
Councillor S Swift	Vice Chair - Place Scrutiny Panel
Councillor K Vickers	Chair – Licensing Committee Chair – Audit Committee
Councillor P Vickers	Vice Chair – Licensing Committee
Councillor R Waltham MBE	Leader and Cabinet Member for Place Shaping, Steel and Heavy Industry, Chair – Health and Wellbeing Board Chair – Appointment and Employment Committee
Councillor L Yeadon	Vice Chair – Children’s Scrutiny Panel

Motion Carried

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2917 TO ESTABLISH AND APPOINT MEMBERS TO COMMITTEES, SCRUTINY PANELS AND KEY OUTSIDE BODIES.

Having regard to the report of the Director: Governance and Communities entitled 'Local Government and Housing Act 1989 - Political Balance of the Council' (minute 2913 refers) it was -

Moved by Councillor R Waltham MBE and seconded by Councillor R Hannigan-

(a) That in accordance with the requirements of Item 8(a) on this agenda, minute 2913 refers – the Committees/Panels/Board as named below be appointed until the date of the Annual Meeting of the Council in 2024 or such earlier date as may be determined from time to time by the Council, and the number of members and appointments be as shown, and (b) that the number of members be appointed to key outside bodies (names to be notified) as listed below until the date of the Annual Meeting of the Council in 2024 or such earlier date as may be determined from time to time by the council-

PLANNING COMMITTEE (8 Members)

Conservative (5)

Councillors:
N Sherwood (c)
Ross (vc)
J Davison
Patterson
Wells

Labour (3)

Councillors:
Bell
Grant
Southern

LICENSING COMMITTEE (12 Members)

Conservative (7)

Councillors:
K Vickers (c)
P Vickers (vc)
Clark
Kennedy
Mitchell

Labour (5)

Councillors:
Ahmed
Armitage
Ellerby
Matthews
Rayner

Rowson
C Sherwood

STANDARDS COMMITTEE (7 Members)

Conservative (4) (vc tbc)

Councillors:
Poole(c)
Ogg

Labour (3)

Councillors:
Ali
O'Sullivan

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Ross
Wells

Swift

Independent Persons - (Non-Voting)

Mr A Forbes
Dr W Harvie
Mr R Johnson

APPEALS COMMITTEE (3 Members, *two Conservative and one Labour*)

Membership of appeals committees to deal with individual cases to be appointed as required from eligible members as set out below -

Conservative (8)

Councillors:
Armiger
Clark
Longcake
Ogg
Poole
Ross
Rowson
Wells

Labour (4)

Councillors:
O'Sullivan
Southern
Swift
Yates

AUDIT COMMITTEE (7 Members)

Conservative (4)

Councillors:
K Vickers (c)
T Foster (vc)
Clark
Mitchell

Labour (3)

Councillors:
A Davison
Yates
Yeadon

CHILDREN'S SCRUTINY PANEL (7 Members)

Conservative (6)

Councillors:
T Foster (c)
Armiger
Longcake
Patterson

Labour (1)

Councillors:
Yeadon (vc)

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Ross
Wells

Church Representatives

**Parent Governor
Representatives**

Dr D Whiteoak
(Vacancy)

Mr C Howsam
Mr J Mitcheson

Note: The majority of seats on the panel to be maintained by the majority political group. This panel includes four statutory co-opted members, two Church Representatives -voting, plus two Parent Governor Representatives – voting, in relation education issues only.

GOVERNANCE SCRUTINY PANEL (3 Members)

Conservative (2)
Councillors:
Lee (c)
Rowson

Labour (1)
Councillors:
A Davison (vc)

HEALTH, INTEGRATION AND PERFORMANCE SCRUTINY PANEL (3 Members)

Conservative (2)
Councillors:
Robinson (c)
Armiger

Labour (1)
Councillors:
O'Sullivan (vc)

PLACES SCRUTINY PANEL (3 Members)

Conservative (2)
Councillors:
Kennedy (c)
P Vickers

Labour (1)
Councillors:
Swift (vc)

APPOINTMENT AND EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE (5 Members)

Conservative (3)
Councillors:
Hannigan (vc)
Poole
Waltham MBE (c)

Labour (2)
Councillors:
L Foster
T Gosling

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HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

Conservative (1 Voting Member)

Councillor:
Waltham MBE

Conservative (2 Non-Voting Members)

Councillors:
Hannigan
Reed

Key Outside Bodies	Number of Members	Conservative Members	Labour Members
Humberside Combined Fire Authority	4	3	1
Humberside Bridge Board	1	1	-
Humberside Airport Board	1	1	-
North Lincolnshire Adoption Panel.	2	1	1
Humberside Police and Crime Panel	To be appointed in line with all member council's joint political balance/proportionality arrangements.		

Motion Carried

2918 **APPOINTMENT OF LEAD MEMBERS**

Moved by Councillor R Waltham MBE and seconded by Councillor R Hannigan -

(a) That lead members be appointed to champion the following :-

Councillor Armiger	Communities

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Councillor Clark	Culture
Councillor Garritt	Public Protection
Councillor Ogg	Ambassador/Cabinet Support for Flooding, Farming and Rural Communities
Councillor Patterson	Ambassador/Cabinet Support for Environment
Councillor Ross	Ambassador/Cabinet Support for Connectivity
Councillor Rowson	Health
Councillor P Vickers	Small Businesses
Councillor Walshe	Young People and Leisure
Councillor Wells	Highways

Motion Carried

2919 **TIMETABLE OF MEETINGS 2023/24**

The Director: Governance and Communities submitted a proposed timetable of meetings for 2023/2024.

Moved by Councillor Waltham MBE and seconded by Councillor Hannigan -

(a) That the timetable of meetings for 2023/2024 attached as Appendix 2 to the Working Papers be approved and adopted, and (b) that a fixed timetable of meetings be set by Scrutiny Panels at their first meetings.

Motion Carried