

## **GUILDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Guildford Borough Council held at the Guildhall, High Street, Guildford on Wednesday 10 May 2023.

\* The Mayor, Dennis Booth

\* The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Masuk Miah

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| * Councillor Bilal Akhtar      | * Councillor Steven Lee         |
| Councillor Sallie Barker MBE   | * Councillor Sandy Lowry        |
| Councillor Phil Bellamy        | * Councillor Richard Lucas      |
| * Councillor Dawn Bennett      | * Councillor Julia McShane      |
| Councillor Joss Bigmore        | * Councillor Richard Mills      |
| * Councillor David Bilbé       | * Councillor Carla Morson       |
| * Councillor Honor Brooker     | * Councillor Danielle Newson    |
| Councillor James Brooker       | * Councillor Patrick Oven       |
| * Councillor Philip Brooker    | * Councillor George Potter      |
| * Councillor Ruth Brothwell    | * Councillor Maddy Redpath      |
| Councillor Yves de Contades    | Councillor Merel Rehorst-Smith  |
| Councillor Amanda Creese       | * Councillor David Shaw         |
| * Councillor Geoff Davis       | Councillor Joanne Shaw          |
| * Councillor Jason Fenwick     | * Councillor Howard Smith       |
| Councillor Matt Furniss        | Councillor Katie Steel          |
| * Councillor Angela Goodwin    | Councillor Cait Taylor          |
| * Councillor Lizzie Griffiths  | Councillor Jane Tyson           |
| * Councillor Gillian Harwood   | * Councillor James Walsh        |
| * Councillor Stephen Hives     | * Councillor Fiona White        |
| * Councillor Catherine Houston | * Councillor Dominique Williams |
| * Councillor Bob Hughes        | * Councillor Keith Witham       |
| Councillor Tom Hunt            | * Councillor Sue Wyeth-Price    |
| * Councillor James Jones       | * Councillor Catherine Young    |
| * Councillor Vanessa King      |                                 |

\*Present

The following Honorary Officers of Dignity, Honorary Freeman and Honorary Aldermen were also in attendance:

The High Steward, the Earl of Onslow  
Honorary Freeman Keith Churchouse  
Honorary Freeman David Watts  
Honorary Alderman Tamsy Baker

Honorary Alderman Keith Childs  
Honorary Alderman Vas Kapsalis  
Honorary Alderman Terence Patrick  
Honorary Alderman Keith Taylor  
Honorary Alderman Jenny Wicks  
Honorary Alderman M A H M Williamson  
Honorary Recorder HH Judge Robert Fraser  
Honorary Remembrancer Mr Matthew Alexander

Before proceeding to the principal business of the meeting, the Mayor received the report of the Honorary Remembrancer for the municipal year just ending and conveyed to Mr Matthew Alexander, the Council's appreciation of his excellent and informative report.

The Mayor informed the Council that Reverend Robert Cotton, who had been Rector of Holy Trinity Church for the past 25 years and had been, during that time, Chaplain to a number of mayors of this borough, would be retiring at the end of May 2023. On behalf of the Council, the Mayor expressed the Council's thanks and good wishes to Reverend Cotton, and presented him with a small gift.

#### **CO1 ELECTION OF MAYOR**

Upon the motion of Councillor Julia McShane, seconded by Councillor Angela Goodwin, the Council unanimously

RESOLVED: That Councillor Masuk Miah be elected Mayor for the municipal year 2023-24.

Dennis Booth vacated the chair.

Having been invested with the Mayoral robes and Chain of Office, Councillor Masuk Miah made the statutory Declaration of Acceptance of Office and took the Oath of Allegiance. The Mayor then took the chair.

The Mayor asked the Council to record their appreciation of services rendered by the retiring Mayor, Dennis Booth over the past municipal year and invested him with the past Mayor's badge.

#### **CO2 APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR**

Although the Council, at its meeting on 8 February 2023, had approved the nomination of Councillor Nigel Manning as Deputy Mayor of the Borough for the

municipal year 2023-24, he had not been re-elected to the Council at the Borough Council elections on 4 May 2023.

Accordingly, the Council was invited to consider nominations for the appointment of the Deputy Mayor for the municipal year 2023-24.

Upon the motion of Councillor George Potter, seconded by Councillor Vanessa King, the Council

RESOLVED: That consideration of the appointment of Deputy Mayor for the Municipal Year 2023-24 be deferred to the Selection Council Meeting to be held on Wednesday 17 May 2023.

### **CO3 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Sallie Barker MBE, Phil Bellamy, Joss Bigmore, James Brooker, Amanda Creese, Matt Furniss, Tom Hunt, and Joanne Shaw, and from Honorary Aldermen Catherine Cobley, Sarah Creedy, Jayne Marks, Tony Phillips and Lynda Strudwick.

### **CO4 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

There were no disclosures of interest.

### **CO5 MINUTES**

The minutes of the extraordinary meeting of the Council held on 22 March 2023 were confirmed as a correct record. The Mayor signed the minutes.

### **CO6 MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS**

#### **(a) Civic Service – 14 May 2023**

The Mayor invited councillors to accompany him to the Civic Service at Holy Trinity Church, High Street, Guildford at 11.30am on Sunday 14 May 2023.

#### **(b) Selection Council Meeting – 17 May 2023**

The Mayor also reminded councillors that there would be a meeting of the Council at 7pm on Wednesday 17 May 2023 to consider, among other things, the election of the Leader of the Council for the four-year term of the Council, and appointment of committees, and appointment of committee chairmen for the municipal year 2023-24.

#### **(c) Honorary Recorder – His Honour Judge Robert Fraser**

The Mayor informed the Council that the Honorary Recorder, His Honour Judge Robert Fraser, had indicated his wish to retire as Resident Judge at

Guildford Crown Court at the end of June. His retirement as Resident Judge meant that he would also retire as Honorary Recorder of this Borough. On behalf of the Council, the Mayor expressed the Council's thanks and good wishes to His Honour Judge Robert Fraser, who had served with distinction as Honorary Recorder since July 2017. The Mayor presented a small gift to His Honour Judge Robert Fraser.

(d) Retirement of the Sword Bearer and Macebearer

The Mayor also announced the retirement of Sword Bearer, Joe Monaghan and Macebearer, Tony Muldoon, both of whom had been Council employees for many years, but following their retirement had continued to serve the borough in these ceremonial roles. On behalf of the Council, the Mayor expressed the Council's thanks and appreciation for their long service.

**CO7 ELECTION OF BOROUGH COUNCILLORS**

The Council received the report of the Returning Officer upon the results of the Election of Borough Councillors held on Thursday 4 May 2023, for the wards of the Borough of Guildford as set out in the Appendix hereto.

**CO8 MAYOR'S CHAPLAIN**

The Mayor announced the appointment of Mohammed Redowan Ahmed, Imam of Guildford Central Mosque, as his Chaplain.

**CO9 APPOINTMENT OF HONORARY REMEMBRANCER 2023-24**

Upon the motion of the Mayor, Councillor Masuk Miah, seconded by Councillor George Potter, the Council unanimously

RESOLVED: That Mr Matthew Alexander be appointed Honorary Remembrancer for the municipal year 2023-24.

The meeting finished at 12.40 pm

Signed .....

Mayor

Date .....

**GUILDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**ELECTION OF BOROUGH COUNCILLORS**  
**4 MAY 2023**  
**REPORT OF THE RETURNING OFFICER**

<b>Borough Ward</b>	<b>Candidates</b>	<b>Votes Cast</b>
Ash South	Philip John Buckley	387
	Martin Elburn	534
	Carl Kevin Flynn	274
	David Shaw	535 <b>Elected</b>
	George Edward Wrycroft	244
	Sue Wyeth-Price	737 <b>Elected</b>
Ash Vale	Richard Charles Lucas	1070 <b>Elected</b>
	Nigel Manning	571
	Carla Jane Morson	1183 <b>Elected</b>
	Marsha Moseley	498
Ash Wharf	Philip Edward Bellamy	617 <b>Elected</b>
	Mick Gallagher	280
	Wendy Felicity Pritchard	379
	John Kenneth Tonks	475
	Fiona Jean White	699 <b>Elected</b>
	Claire Whitehouse	246
Bellfields & Slyfield	Amanda Creese	453 <b>Elected</b>
	Philip Matthew Simon Hooper	336
	Steve Isaacs	172
	Suleman Miah	288
	Nicholas David Strugnell	257
	Linda Christina Serena Tillett	163
	Wendy Dawn Wakeling	327
	James Lawrence Walsh	419 <b>Elected</b>

<b>Borough Ward</b>	<b>Candidates</b>	<b>Votes Cast</b>
Burpham	Ian Michael Creese	378
	Adam Stewart Heilbron	668
	Christian John Holliday	669
	Liz Hyland	465
	George Matthew Potter	1065 <b>Elected</b>
	Jane Tyson	839 <b>Elected</b>
	Alistair Charles Wilce	358
Castle	Paul Edward Canning	263
	Geoff Davis	1091 <b>Elected</b>
	Ciaran Pol Doron	910
	Sara Caroline Gillingham	779
	Richard Allen Mills	1128 <b>Elected</b>
	Joan Anne May O'Byrne	439
	Alex Perestaj De Gusmao Fiuza	964
	John Willem Edwin Redpath	1074
	Maddy Redpath	1159 <b>Elected</b>
	John David Rigg	909
	Philip Matthew Smith	303
	Sean Paul Sussex	325
Clandon & Horsley	Dawn Bennett	1859 <b>Elected</b>
	Ian Douglas Bond	651
	Ruth Brothwell	1804 <b>Elected</b>
	Stephen James Cullens	667
	Toni Hourahane	595
	Liam Francis O'Keeffe	334
	David William Roe	360
	Wendy Anne Ross	400
	Dan Symonds	309
	Catherine Anne Young	1949 <b>Elected</b>
Effingham	Lulu Boder	240
	Shek Shahanoor Rahman	43
	Merel Astrid Rehorst-Smith	521 <b>Elected</b>

<b>Borough Ward</b>	<b>Candidates</b>	<b>Votes Cast</b>
Merrow	Joss Bigmore	995 <b>Elected</b>
	Dennis George William Booth	866
	Stuart Raymond Zane Brown	736
	Nathan Cassidy	648
	Yves De Contades	1094 <b>Elected</b>
	Graham Thomas Ellwood	487
	David Ian Humphries	954
	Christopher Howard Jay	815
	Katie Jane Lotte Lam	861
	Jo Shaw	1315 <b>Elected</b>
Normandy & Pirbright	David John Bilbé	840 <b>Elected</b>
	Geoff Doven	324
	Jane Rosemary Hill	80
	Ken Howard	341
	Gina Redpath	213
	Simon Schofield	282
	Keith Francis Witham	938 <b>Elected</b>
Onslow	Shamsul Alam	425
	Nick Bragger	273
	Lynsey Marie Brown	317
	Adrian Stuart Chandler	479
	Sam Church	36
	Adam Goktug Ekinci	391
	Angela Marie Goodwin	1272 <b>Elected</b>
	James Heaphy	389
	James Owen Ashton Jones	933 <b>Elected</b>
	Steven Lee	908 <b>Elected</b>
	James Albert Josef Lewis	35
	Howard Frederick Moss	395
	Hannah Mary Elizabeth Rich	289
Vlad Stoiana-Mois	193	
Pilgrims	Sallie Anne Barker	749 <b>Elected</b>
	Toni Belcher	358
	Matt Furniss	835 <b>Elected</b>
	Malcolm Piers Hill	150
	Stephen Philip Mallet	234
	John Richard Price	238
	Amy Maude Rogers	196

<b>Borough Ward</b>	<b>Candidates</b>	<b>Votes Cast</b>
Send & Lovelace	Basil Kais Bahrani	192
	Jordan James Baker	188
	Pete Bennett	515
	James Anthony Brooker	960 <b>Elected</b>
	Jason Michael Fenwick	855 <b>Elected</b>
	Anna Elizabeth Griffiths	473
	Duncan Stevenson McMillan	189
	Dale Margaret Miller	181
	Justin Phillip Andrew Offord	379
	Pat Oven	980 <b>Elected</b>
	Geraldine Lindsay Powell	506
	Alexander Stewart-Clark	425
	Rob Woof	186
Shalford	Jonathan Fremaux	476
	Catherine Susan Houston	947 <b>Elected</b>
	Nigel Roy Keane	333
	Peter Edmund Lockhart	182
	Ramsey Nagaty	407
	Nicholas James Watts	470
	Dominique Louise Williams	760 <b>Elected</b>
St Nicolas	Nikki Ackerley	250
	Marisa Roxanne Goldsborough	252
	Tom Hunt	518 <b>Elected</b>
	Chris Pegman	101
Stoke	Brian Jeffrey Creese	431
	Sue Hackman	460
	Stephen James Hives	578 <b>Elected</b>
	Annelize Kidd	318
	Vanessa Louise King	629 <b>Elected</b>
	Harriet Jane Kittermaster	467
	Arjun Raj Lakhani	340
	Julian David Sinclair Lyon	256
	Sam Elliot Cordero Peters	516
	Cait Lucy Taylor	634 <b>Elected</b>
	Sam Tough	319
	Brett Eamonn Edward Vorley	290
Stuart Zissman	283	



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Stoughton North	Andy Giess	284
	Shelley Grainger	252
	Lizzie Griffiths	684 <b>Elected</b>
	Gillian Michelle Harwood	750 <b>Elected</b>
	Neda Moghaddam	164
	David James Quelch	423
	Stephen Charles Rowden	336
	Bill Stokoe	162
Stoughton South	Alex Dinc	294
	George Dokimakis	407
	Andre Stewart Hester	243
	Tom Kenneth Johnston	155
	Masuk Miah	653 <b>Elected</b>
	John Hugh Morris	92
	Zoë Nash-Williams	190
	Anne Catherine Rouse	420
Katie Steel	660 <b>Elected</b>	
Tillingbourne	Paul Francis Abbey	630
	Lucy Emma Howard	294
	Bob Hughes	781 <b>Elected</b>
	John Edward Marsh	111
	Danielle Newson	801 <b>Elected</b>
	Lynette Judaea Schoen Nusbacher	667
	Jim Wynn	118
Westborough	Shailja Lal	199
	Shivendra Lal	180
	Sandy Lowry	570 <b>Elected</b>
	Julia Maureen McShane	599 <b>Elected</b>
	Mike Parsons	263
	Syed Fozlul Houque Selim	290
	Howard Daniel Smith	508 <b>Elected</b>
	Paul Michael Spooner	249
	James Harry Alfred Steel	450

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<b>Borough Ward</b>	<b>Candidates</b>	<b>Votes Cast</b>
Worplesdon	Brigitte Valerie Ahier	721
	Bill Akhtar	1071 <b>Elected</b>
	Honor Jean Brooker	1087 <b>Elected</b>
	Philip Naylor Brooker	1052 <b>Elected</b>
	Jon Edwards	463
	John Paul Damien Hawthorne	385
	Bob McShee	855
	Marilyn Merryweather	462
	Robert Frederick Pidgeon	630
	Nick Trier	382
	Sinclair Aubrey Webster	352