

GUILDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL

Minutes of a special meeting of Guildford Borough Council held at the Guildhall,
High Street, Guildford, Surrey, GU1 3AA on Thursday 1 June 2023

* The Mayor, Councillor Masuk Miah

* The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Sallie Barker MBE

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

*Present

The following were also in attendance:

Honorary Freeman Keith Churchouse
Honorary Freeman David Watts
Honorary Alderman Vivienne Johnson
Honorary Alderman David Wright

CO21 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Bilal Akhtar, Dawn Bennett, Joss Bigmore, Honor Brooker, Philip Brooker, Matt Furniss, Steven Lee, Richard Lucas, Danielle Newson, Maddy Redpath, Merel Rehorst-Smith, Joanne Shaw, Howard Smith, Katie Steel, Cait Taylor, James Walsh, Keith Witham and Sue Wyeth-Price. Apologies were also received from Honorary Aldermen Keith Childs, Catherine Cobby, Sarah Creedy, Jayne Marks, Terence Patrick, Tony Phillips, Lynda Strudwick, Keith Taylor, and Jenny Wicks, and from the Honorary Remembrancer Matthew Alexander.

CO22 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of interest.

CO23 MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS

The Mayor reported that, on Sunday 21 May, he had attended the Ukrainian Sunday School at the Hive, Park Barn to celebrate Vyshyvanka Day with local Ukrainian families. Many of them wore their traditional colourful embroidered shirts. It had been a very happy occasion, which contrasted with all the dreadful things going on in their country.

CO24 APPOINTMENT OF HONORARY FREEMAN

Before proceeding to the principal business of the meeting, the Council heard a summary of the origins, history, and development of the office of Honorary Freeman.

Upon the motion of Councillor Fiona White, seconded by Councillor Julia McShane, the Council unanimously

RESOLVED: That, pursuant to the provisions of Section 249(5) of the Local Government Act 1972, the title of Honorary Freeman be conferred upon David John Goodwin in recognition of the distinguished and eminent service he has rendered to the Borough of Guildford as a councillor from 1999 to 2023.

In the absence of Mr Goodwin due to ill health, the Mayor presented a commemorative Scroll of Freedom to his wife, Councillor Angela Goodwin.

The meeting finished at 7.25 pm

Signed
Mayor

Date