
**London Borough of Hackney
Council AGM
Municipal Year 2017/18
Date of Meeting Wednesday, 24th May, 2017**

Minutes of the proceedings of
Council held at Hackney Town
Hall, Mare Street,
London E8 1EA

**Councillors in
Attendance:**

Mayor Philip Glanville, Cllr Kam Adams, Cllr Soraya Adejare, Cllr Dawood Akhoun, Cllr Brian Bell, Deputy Mayor Anntoinette Bramble, Cllr Will Brett, Cllr Laura Bunt, Cllr Jon Burke, Cllr Sophie Cameron, Cllr Robert Chapman, Cllr Mete Coban, Cllr Sophie Conway, Cllr Feryal Demirci, Cllr Michael Desmond, Cllr Tom Ebbutt, Cllr Sade Etti, Cllr Susan Fajana-Thomas, Cllr Margaret Gordon, Cllr Michelle Gregory, Cllr Katie Hanson, Cllr Ben Hayhurst, Cllr Ned Hercock, Cllr Abraham Jacobson, Cllr Christopher Kennedy, Cllr Michael Levy, Cllr Richard Lufkin, Cllr Yvonne Maxwell, Cllr Jonathan McShane, Cllr Sem Moema, Cllr Patrick Moule, Cllr Sally Mulready, Cllr Ann Munn, Cllr Guy Nicholson, Cllr Harvey Odze, Cllr Deniz Oguzkanli, Cllr M Can Ozsen, Cllr Benzion Papier, Cllr Sharon Patrick, Cllr James Peters, Cllr Emma Plouviez, Cllr Clare Potter, Cllr Tom Rahilly, Cllr Ian Rathbone, Cllr Rebecca Rennison, Cllr Anna-Joy Rickard, Cllr Rosemary Sales, Cllr Caroline Selman, Cllr Ian Sharer, Cllr Nick Sharman, Cllr Simche Steinberger, Cllr Vincent Stops, Cllr Geoff Taylor, Cllr Jessica Webb and Cllr Carole Williams

Apologies:

Cllr Barry Buitekant, Cllr Clayeon McKenzie and Cllr Peter Snell

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Councillor Rosemary Sales [Speaker] in the Chair

1 The Speaker's Welcome

- 1.1 The Speaker welcomed all Members and guests to the meeting.
- 1.2 A minute silence was held in remembrance of those who lost their lives in the Manchester bombing on Monday evening.

2 Presentation of the I Love Hackney Mayor's Civic Awards

- 2.1 The Speaker stated that this was the second anniversary of the I Love Hackney Mayor's Civic Awards.

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- 2.2 Mayor Glanville stated that these awards helped celebrate Hackney's civic heroes, and not only give a much deserved recognition for their efforts, but would hopefully inspire more people to get involved and make a lasting difference to the Hackney community.
- 2.3 Mayor Glanville thanked his fellow judges and presented a Civic Award to each of the following recipients and outlined their achievements:-

1. Janette Collins

Janette Collins founded youth project The Crib, with her friend Karlene Fontilio in 1999 and had been running it ever since, reaching young people, between the ages of 10 and 21, across postcodes and backgrounds. The youth project helped young people find work, stay in education and promoted awareness of gun and knife violence.

2. Bobby Kasanga

After being involved with gangs and spending nearly eight years in prison, Bobby Kasanga turned his life and his mind around when he formed Hackney Wick FC, including residents at all levels of the club, from players, to co-operative club owners. He makes sure every club player volunteered in the community for at least two hours a week, and used the club to support a diverse array of activities to support social change, from playing Stonewall FC during LGBT+ history month, to using ethically sourced footballs and half-time oranges for Fairtrade Fortnight. Founded in 2015, Hackney Wick FC had already managed to engage with over 1200 local people and had raised over £16,000 to provide free and affordable access to grassroots football.

3. Felicia Ogunle

Felicia started volunteering in Nigeria in 1998 and she had not stopped since. She started volunteering for the British Red Cross in 2000 and now helped fundraise for the charity. Felicia also volunteered at her local church and for the past 14 years had provided food for homeless people through the church, as well as providing support for other vulnerable people in the community. Felicia also volunteered for the Hackney befriending service, she goes above and beyond her call of duty as a befriender.

RESOLVED that the following recipients receive an I Love Hackney Mayor's Civic Award:

1. Janette Collins
2. Bobby Kasanga
3. Felicia Ogunle

3 Election of the Speaker for the Municipal Year 2017/18

- 3.1 Mayor Glanville nominated Councillor Soraya Adejare for the position of Speaker for the 2017/18 Municipal Year. Mayor Glanville gave a personal

anecdote of when he had first met Councillor Adejare, stating that she was clearly one to watch.

- 3.2 Mayor Glanville stated that Councillor Adejare was born and raised in Woodberry Down and had long been active in her local community. She had engaged with a broad spectrum of residents and community groups across the borough; this included local schools, business groups, TRAs, youth related organisations, religious groups and charities. Over the past year, Councillor Adejare had supported and deputised for Councillor Sales at 23 events, including 9 citizenship ceremonies and community events.
- 3.3 Deputy Mayor Bramble seconded the nomination.
- 3.4 Councillor Steinberger stated that members of the Conservative Group never voted in favour of a Labour nomination to Speaker, however he wished to note that this was not personal to Councillor Adejare and wished her a good year in office. He added that they would not be putting forward a nomination for Speaker.

RESOLVED that Councillor Soraya Adejare be elected to serve as Speaker for the 2017/18 Municipal Year.

Votes:

For: Majority

Against: 0

Abstain: 3 (Councillor Odze recorded vote)

- 3.5 Councillor Adejare read aloud and signed her declaration of acceptance of office, which was witnessed by the Chief Executive.

(There was a short adjournment and the dais party left the Chamber where the Speaker received the chains of office. The meeting then reconvened and Councillor Adejare took the Chair).

4 Vote of Thanks to the Outgoing Speaker

- 4.1 Mayor Glanville moved a vote of thanks to the outgoing Speaker, Councillor Sales. Mayor Glanville stated that it had been a year of challenges, both political and otherwise, and Councillor Sales was well equipped to respond to these. Councillor Sales had supported two charities during her time as Speaker, Hackney Migrant Centre and North London Action for the Homeless, which reflected challenges we as a society continued to face and which did not receive enough support. Councillor Sales had also responded to the challenge of hate crime, representing the borough at numerous events and most recently the previous evening at a cross community meeting called about the Manchester attacks.
- 4.2 Outgoing Speaker, Councillor Sales had attended 318 engagements, with some of the highlights being an incredibly moving Holocaust Memorial service,

marching in 2016 Pride Parade and the Hackney in Harmony Concert and Klezmer night.

- 4.3 Councillors Levy and Sharer offered their vote of thanks to the outgoing Speaker and made particular reference to the Holocaust Memorial service hosted by the outgoing Speaker, which had been very moving.
- 4.4 Councillor Adejare presented the Past Speaker's badge and civic album to Councillor Sales, and invited her to respond to the vote of thanks.
- 4.5 Councillor Sales thanked Members for their vote of thanks, officers from the Speaker's office for all of their support during her time as Speaker, as well as the opportunity to be Speaker for such an amazing borough. Councillor Sales had raised over £23,000 for her chosen charities.
- 4.6 Councillor Sales took the opportunity to congratulate former Deputy Speaker Councillor Adejare on her election as Speaker and wished her all the best for the year.

RESOLVED that Councillor Rosemary Sales be thanked for her contribution to the Council and the Borough of Hackney during her term of office as Speaker.

5 Apologies for Absence

- 5.1 Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Buitekant, McKenzie and Snell.

6 Declarations of Interest

- 6.1 There were no declarations of interest.
- 6.2 The Speaker took the opportunity to remind Members that we were in a period of purdah before the General Election and would all Members refrain from making any campaigning statements during the meeting.

7 The Speaker's Programme for the Municipal Year 2017/18

- 7.1 The Speaker thanked Members for their support and was honoured to take on the role of Speaker. The Speaker referred to the barbaric attack which had taken place in Manchester and prayed for the victims and their families. She stated that it was important to remain united in times like this.
- 7.2 The Speaker stated that she was proud to call Hackney her home and was looking forward to having the opportunity to meet many more people and organisations within the borough. Hackney had seen many changes over the years and was an incredible place now with amazing schools and vibrant and diverse communities.
- 7.3 The Speaker's nominated charities for 2017/18 were as follows:-
 - **Skyway** – a youth charity based in Shoreditch
 - **Access to Sports** – a community led, create and innovative sports development project based near Finsbury Park.

- **Off Centre** – a counselling, therapy, advocacy, advice and psychosocial service for young people aged between 11 and 25 who live, work or study in Hackney.

7.4 It was noted that the Speaker's consort would be her brother, Olu Adesanu.

8 Election of the Deputy Speaker for the Municipal Year 2017/18

8.1 Deputy Mayor Bramble nominated Councillor Clare Potter to serve as Deputy Speaker for the 2017/18 Municipal Year. Deputy Mayor Bramble was pleased to nominate Councillor Potter, who had been a resident of Hackney for the past 16 years. She was a great advocate for the community, gaining mutual trust and respect, representing Brownswood Ward.

8.2 Councillor Chapman seconded the nomination for Deputy Speaker.

8.3 There were no other nominations.

RESOLVED that Councillor Clare Potter be elected to serve as Deputy Speaker for the 2017/18 Municipal Year.

Votes:

For: Majority

Against: None

Abstentions: 4

8.4 Councillor Potter read aloud and signed her declaration of acceptance of office, which was witnessed by the Chief Executive.

8.5 Councillor Potter thanked Members for the great honour to serve as Deputy Speaker and support the Speaker of Hackney. Councillor Potter introduced her husband, Bruce Robert Bush as her consort.

9 Minutes of the previous meeting - 1 March 2017

RESOLVED that the minutes of the ordinary Council meeting held on 1 March 2017 be approved as a correct record, subject to the following amendments, which were noted:

- Paragraph 6.5 – Councillor Odze stated that his second supplementary question should have stated that the Council should abolish CPZs and not just look at abolishing.
- Paragraph 7.5 – the last sentence to be deleted.
- Paragraph 7.7 – Councillor Steinberger stated that campaigning should continue regarding the 73 bus route.

10 Elected Mayor's Statement - Standing Item

10.1 Mayor Glanville welcomed Members and all guests to the AGM.

10.2 Mayor Glanville explained that the AGM was always a civil rather than political event and with the general election and the tragic events of the past 48 hours in

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Manchester, this was more important than ever. No one should have to live in fear and every one had come together this evening for a minute silence to remember those that lost their lives in this tragic event.

- 10.3 Mayor Glanville stated that more needed to be done to challenge hate and the ideologies surrounding it. The most important thing was to come together and keep calm, carry on and celebrate our values. He added that it was a privilege and an honour to follow in his predecessor Jules Pipes' footsteps and took the opportunity to admire the refurbishment works that had taken place within the Town Hall, now in its 80th year.
- 10.4 Mayor Glanville stated that it was important to celebrate Hackney as a place for everyone. The Council, officers and residents up and down the borough working together, committed to fairness and making the borough stronger. He gave examples of where he had witnessed this during his time as Mayor, including meeting one of the Syrian refugee families Hackney had helped to settle and the Youth Hackney Awards.
- 10.5 Mayor Glanville finished by quoting some words from Tony Walsh's poem 'This is the Place' spoken at the vigil the previous evening in Manchester, which he believed celebrated diversity and reflected Manchester's spirit, as well as our own:-

'Because this is a place that has been through some hard times: oppressions, recessions, depressions, and dark times.

But we keep fighting back with Greater Manchester spirit, Northern grit, Northern wit, and Greater Manchester's lyrics.

Because this is a place that understands your grand plans. We don't do "no can do", we just stress "yes we can".

- 10.6 Responding to the Mayor's statement, Councillor Levy on behalf of the Conservative Group, stated that the events of Monday evening on defenceless children had cast a long shadow. Councillor Levy gave his heartfelt condolences to the victims and victim's families and wished those injured a speedy recovery. He added that hatred and intolerance had no place in Hackney and that there was more that unites than divides us. He finished by quoting Chief Rabbi Jonathan Sales:-

'To know you made a difference, that in this-all-too-brief span of years you lifted someone's spirits, relieved someone's poverty or loneliness, or brought a moment of grace or justice to the world that would not have happened had it not been for you

These acts are as close as we get to the meaningfulness of life, and they are matters of everyday rather than heroic virtue'.

- 10.7 Responding to the Mayor's statement, Councillor Sharer on behalf of the Liberal Democrat Group, also referred to the recent act of terrorism and the need to carry on as before. He referred to a meeting that had taken place in a local community centre the previous evening which had attracted a range of

people from different communities. The key message to take away from the community was that we won't be divided.

11 Composition of the Cabinet and Sub-Committees (to follow)

RESOLVED that the composition of Cabinet and Cabinet Procurement Committee be noted, as set out below, for the 2017/18 Municipal Year:-

Mayor and Cabinet:

Mayor Philip Glanville
Deputy Mayor Anntoinette Bramble
Cllr Jonathan McShane – Health Social Care and Devolution
Cllr Feryal Demirci – Neighbourhoods, Transport and Parks
Cllr Guy Nicholson – Planning, Business and Investment
Cllr Geoff Taylor – Finance and Corporate Services
Cllr Clayeon McKenzie – Housing Services
Cllr Jon Burke – Energy, Sustainability and Community Services
Cllr Caroline Selman – Community Safety and Enforcement
Cllr Carole Williams – Employment, Skills and Human Resources

Mayoral Advisors:

Cllr Rebecca Rennison – Advice Services and Preventing Homelessness
Cllr Sem Moema – Private Renting and Housing Affordability

Cabinet Procurement Committee:

Lead Member for Finance and Corporate Services – Cllr Geoff Taylor (Chair)
Deputy Mayor Anntoinette Bramble
Lead Member for Health Social Care and Devolution – Cllr Jonathan McShane
Lead Member for Community Safety and Enforcement – Cllr Caroline Selman
Substitute Member – Mayor Philip Glanville

Member Champions:

Mental Health champion – Cllr Tom Rahilly
Heritage champion – Cllr Clare Potter
Fairtrade champion – Cllr Clare Potter
Dementia champion – Cllr Yvonne Maxwell
No place for Hate champion – Cllr Sade Etti
Care leavers champion – Cllr Sophie Conway
Youth employability champion – Cllr Mete Coban

12 Establishment and Composition of the Council's Committees and Commissions 2017/18

RESOLVED that the establishment and composition of the following Committees and Commissions be approved, as set out below, for the 2017/18 Municipal Year:-

Appointments Committee:

Mayor Philip Glanville

Councillor Brian Bell
Councillor Anntoinette Bramble
Councillor Robert Chapman
Councillor Christopher Kennedy

Audit Committee:

Councillor Brian Bell
Councillor Robert Chapman
Councillor Michelle Gregory
Councillor Sem Moema
Councillor Nick Sharman
Councillor Carole Williams

One Conservative Vacancy

Corporate Committee:

Councillor Will Brett
Councillor Laura Bunt
Councillor Mete Coban
Councillor Susan Fajana-Thomas
Councillor Katie Hanson
Councillor Christopher Kennedy
Councillor Sally Mulready
Councillor Deniz Oguzkanli
Councillor M Can Ozsen
Councillor Clare Potter
Councillor Nick Sharman
Councillor Vincent Stops
Councillor Jessica Webb

Councillor Michael Levy
Councillor Ian Sharer

Licensing Committee:

Councillor Brian Bell
Councillor Barry Buitekant
Councillor Sophie Cameron
Councillor Sade Etti
Councillor Margaret Gordon
Councillor Christopher Kennedy
Councillor Richard Lufkin
Councillor Sharon Patrick
Councillor James Peters
Councillor Emma Plouviez
Councillor Ian Rathbone
Councillor Caroline Selman
Councillor Peter Snell

Councillor Simche Steinberger
One Liberal Democrat vacancy

Pensions Committee:

Councillor Kam Adams
Councillor Rob Chapman
Councillor Feryal Demirci
Councillor Michael Desmond
Councillor Patrick Moule
Councillor Geoff Taylor

Councillor Abraham Jacobson

Planning Sub-Committee:

Councillor Will Brett
Councillor Barry Buitekant
Councillor Susan Fajana-Thomas
Councillor Katie Hanson
Councillor Ned Hercock
Councillor Christopher Kennedy
Councillor Vincent Stops

Councillor Michael Levy
Councillor Ian Sharer

Substitutes:

Councillor Brian Bell
Councillor Laura Bunt
Councillor Michael Desmond
Councillor Sem Moema
Councillor M Can Ozsen
Councillor Clare Potter

Councillor Benzion Papier
Councillor Dawood Akhoon
Councillor Abraham Jacobson

Standards Committee:

Councillor Anntoinette Bramble
Councillor Katie Hanson
Councillor Ben Hayhurst
Councillor Clayeon McKenzie
Councillor Sally Mulready
Councillor Clare Potter
Councillor Jess Webb

One Conservative Vacancy
One Liberal Democrat Vacancy

(Co-optees of the Standards Committee to be appointed at the next Council meeting on 26 July 2017).

Health and Wellbeing Board

Cllr Jonathan McShane, Cabinet Member for Health, Social Care and Devolution
Dr Clare Highton, Chair, City and Hackney Clinical Commissioning Group
Paul Haigh, Chief Officer, City and Hackney Clinical Commissioning Group
Cllr Anntoinette Bramble, Cabinet Member, Children's Services
Anne Canning, Group Director, Children, Adults and Community Health, Hackney Council
Kim Wright, Group Director, Neighbourhoods and Housing, Hackney Council
Dr Penny Bevan, Director of Public Health, Hackney Council
Tracey Fletcher, Chief Executive, Homerton University Foundation Trust
Dr Navina Evans, Chief Executive, East London Foundation Trust
Paul Fleming, Chair, Hackney Healthwatch,
Alistair Wallace representative of the voluntary and community sector
Laura Sharpe, GP Confederation
Raj Radia, Chair, Local Pharmaceutical Committee

Corporate Parenting Board

Councillor Soraya Adejare
Councillor Anntoinette Bramble
Councillor Mete Coban
Councillor Sharon Patrick
Councillor Anna-Joy Rickard
Councillor Rosemary Sales

London Borough of Hackney Integrated Commissioning Committee

Councillor Anntoinette Bramble, Cabinet Member for Children's Services
Councillor Jonathan McShane, Cabinet Member for Health, Social Care and Devolution
Councillor Geoff Taylor, Cabinet Member for Finance and Corporate Services

Children and Young People Scrutiny Commission:

Councillor Sophie Conway
Councillor Tom Ebbutt
Councillor Michelle Gregory
Councillor Margaret Gordon
Councillor Christopher Kennedy
Councillor Emma Plouviez
Councillor Tom Rahilly
3 Labour Vacancies

One Conservative Vacancy
Councillor Abraham Jacobson

(Co-optees of the Children and Young People Scrutiny Commission to be appointed at the next Council meeting on 26 July 2017).

Health in Hackney Scrutiny Commission:

Councillor Laura Bunt
Councillor Ben Hayhurst
Councillor Yvonne Maxwell
Councillor Ann Munn
Councillor James Peters
Councillor Rosemary Sales
Councillor Peter Snell

One Conservative Vacancy

Living in Hackney Scrutiny Commission:

Councillor Kam Adams
Councillor Will Brett
Councillor Sade Etti
Councillor Yvonne Maxwell
Councillor Sharon Patrick
Councillor James Peters
Councillor Ian Rathbone

One Conservative Vacancy

Working in Hackney Scrutiny Commission:

Councillor Mete Coban
Councillor Patrick Moule
Councillor Deniz Oguzkanli
Councillor M Can Ozsen
Councillor Clare Potter
Councillor Anna-Joy Rickard
Councillor Nick Sharman

One Conservative Vacancy

13 Council Appointments and Nominations to Outside Bodies

13.1 The Speaker advised that the schedule had been tabled at the meeting.

RESOLVED that the Hackney nominations to Outside Bodies be approved, as set out below, for the 2017/18 Municipal Year:-

Hackney CAB – Cllr Selman
Hackney Community Law Centre – Cllr Oguzkanli
Industrial Dwellings Society – Cllr Fajana-Thomas
Lee Valley Regional Park Authority – Cllr Kennedy

14 Programme of Meetings for the Municipal Year 2017/18

RESOLVED that the programme of meetings for the 2017/18 Municipal Year be approved, subject to the following amendments:-

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Working in Hackney Scrutiny Commission be moved from 25 September 2017 to **18 September 2017**

Health in Hackney Scrutiny Commission be moved from 4 October 2017 to **10 October 2017**

Audit Committee be moved from 29 June 2017 to **26 June 2017**

Duration of the meeting: 7:00 – 8:45pm