

# Minutes



## Council

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Date: 15 May 2018

Time: 5.00 pm

Present: Councillors M Al-Nuaimi, J Cleverly, P Cockeram, M Cornelious, K Critchley, D Davies, C Evans, M Evans, C Ferris, D Fouweather, G Giles, J Guy, D Harvey, I Hayat, R Jeavons, M Kellaway, M Linton, D Mayer, R Mogford, J Mudd, M Rahman, J Richards, M Spencer, T Suller, H Thomas, K Thomas, R Truman, T Watkins, M Whitcutt, R White, K Whitehead, D Wilcox, D Williams, G Berry, J Clarke, V Dudley, Y Forsey, T Holyoake, P Hourahine, J Hughes, L Lacey, S Marshall, W Routley, H Townsend and J Watkins

Apologies: Councillors C Townsend and J Jordan

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### 1. **Announcements**

There were no announcements to be made on this occasion.

### 2. **Appointment of the Leader of the Council**

Councillor Debbie Wilcox was appointed as Leader of the Council.

The Leader announced her Cabinet as follows:

<b>Post</b>	<b>Appointed</b>
Leader & Chair of Cabinet	Cllr Debbie Wilcox
Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Assets, Equalities and Member Development	Cllr Mark Whitcutt
Cabinet Member for Education and Skills	Cllr Gail Giles
Cabinet Member for Social Services	Cllr Paul Cockeram
CM for Streetscene	Cllr Roger Jeavons
Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Housing	Cllr Jane Mudd
Cabinet Member for Licensing and Regulation	Cllr Ray Truman
Cabinet Member for Community and Resources	Cllr David Mayer

Cabinet Member for Culture and Leisure, and Business Manager	Cllr Deb Harvey
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### **Opposition Spokespersons**

Councillor Matthew Evans announced that he would act as Leader of the Opposition. Opposition spokespersons were announced as follows:

<b>Post</b>	<b>Appointed</b>
Leader of the Opposition	Cllr Matthew Evans
Deputy Leader	Cllr David Williams
Business Manager	Cllr David Fouweather
Education and Skills	Cllr Joan Watkins
Social Services	Cllr David Williams
Streetscene	Cllr Richard White
Regeneration	Cllr Martyn Kellaway
Licensing	Cllr William Routley
Community and Resources	Cllr Ray Mogford
Culture	Cllr Charles Ferris
Assets and Member Development	Cllr Tom Suller

### **3. Appointment of Chairs of Committees**

Following nominations by the leaders of their respective parties, the following Committee Chair appointments were agreed by the Council:

Planning Committee	Cllr John Richards
Licensing Committee	Cllr Deb Davies
Democratic Services Committee	Cllr Charles Ferris
Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee	Cllr John Guy
Performance Scrutiny Committee – People	Cllr David Williams
Performance Scrutiny Committee – Place and Corporate	Cllr Chris Evans
Performance Scrutiny Committee – Partnerships	Cllr Majid Rahman

*(The nominated persons declared an interest in this item and did not vote on the specific appointments.)*

#### 4. **Appointments to Committees**

Each Group Leader agreed to pass the appointments of members to the committees to the proper officer for recording in the minutes. The following committee appointments were submitted.

**Planning Committee:**  
**(6 Labour, 3 Conservative, 1 NIP, 1 Lib Dem)**

Labour (Chair)	Cllr John Richards	Lliswerry
Labour (Deputy Chair)	Cllr John Guy	Alway
Labour	Cllr Malcolm Linton	Ringland
Labour	Cllr James Clarke	Malpas
Labour	Cllr Graham Berry	Beechwood
Labour	Cllr Miqdad Al-Nuaimi	Stow Hill
Conservative	Cllr Richard White	Marshfield
Conservative	Cllr Val Dudley	Rogerstone
Conservative	Cllr Ray Mogford	Langstone
Newport Independents	Cllr Jason Jordan	Bettws
Liberal Democrat	Cllr Carmel Townsend	St Julians

**Licensing Committee:**  
**(6 Labour, 3 Conservative, 1 NIP, 1 Lib Dem)**

Labour (Chair)	Cllr Deb Davies
Labour (Deputy Chair)	Cllr Herbie Thomas
Labour	Cllr Jason Hughes
Labour	Cllr Tracey Holyoake
Labour	Cllr Majid Rahman
Labour	Cllr Graham Berry
Conservative	Cllr Margaret Cornelious
Conservative	Cllr Charles Ferris
Conservative	Cllr William Routley

Newport Independents	Cllr Jan Cleverly
Liberal Democrat (seat offered to Independent Cllr)	Cllr Allan Morris

**Audit Committee:**

**(5 Labour, 2 Conservative, 1 NIP, 1 Lib Dem) LAY MEMBER CHAIR**

Labour	Cllr Herbie Thomas
Labour	Cllr Deb Davies
Labour	Cllr Laura Lacey
Labour	Cllr John Guy
Labour	Cllr Kate Thomas
Conservative	Cllr Richard White
Conservative	Cllr David Williams
Newport Independents	Cllr Jason Jordan
Liberal Democrat	Cllr Holly Townsend
Lay Member (Chair)	Mr John Baker

**\* Chair appointed by the Committee**

**Democratic Services Committee:**

**(6 Labour, 2 Conservative, 1 NIP, 1 Lib Dem)**

Conservative (Chair)	Cllr Charles Ferris
Labour	Cllr Jane Mudd
Labour	Cllr Trevor Watkins
Labour	Cllr Kate Thomas
Labour	Cllr Yvonne Forsey
Labour	Cllr Ibrahim Hayat
Labour	Cllr Rehmann Hayat
Conservative	Cllr Matthew Evans
Newport Independents	Cllr Chris Evans
Liberal Democrat	Vacancy

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**Scrutiny Committees:**

**Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee**

*(6 Labour, 2 Conservative, 1 NIP, 1 Lib Dem)*

Labour (Chair)	Cllr John Guy
Labour	Cllr Miqdad Al-Nuaimi
Labour	Cllr Laura Lacey
Labour	Cllr Kate Thomas
Labour	Cllr Jason Hughes
Labour	Cllr Mark Spencer
Conservative	Cllr Charles Ferris
Conservative	Cllr Matthew Evans
Newport Independents	Cllr Chris Evans
Liberal Democrat	Vacancy

**Performance Scrutiny Committee - Partnerships**

*(6 Labour, 2 Conservative, 1 NIP, 1 Lib Dem)*

Labour (Chair)	Cllr Majid Rahman
Labour	Cllr Deb Davies
Labour	Cllr Steve Marshall
Labour	Cllr Yvonne Forsey
Labour	Cllr Rehmaan Hayat
Labour	Cllr Mark Spencer
Conservative	Cllr Tom Suller
Conservative	Cllr Ray Mogford
Newport Independents	Cllr Kevin Whitehead
Liberal Democrat	Vacancy

**Performance Scrutiny Committee - People***(6 Labour, 2 Conservative, 1 NIP, 1 Lib Dem)*

Conservative (Chair)	Cllr David Williams
Labour	Cllr Kate Thomas
Labour	Cllr Tracey Holyoake
Labour	Cllr John Guy
Labour	Cllr Herbie Thomas
Labour	Cllr Trevor Watkins
Labour	Cllr Laura Lacey
Conservative	Cllr Joan Watkins
Newport Independents	Cllr Jan Cleverly
Liberal Democrat	Cllr Carmel Townsend

**Performance Scrutiny Committee – Place and Corporate***(6 Labour, 2 Conservative, 1 NIP, 1 Lib Dem)*

<b>Newport Independents (Chair)</b>	<b>Cllr Chris Evans</b>
Labour	Cllr John Richards
Labour	Cllr James Clarke
Labour	Cllr Ken Critchley
Labour	Cllr Graham Berry
Labour	Cllr Miqdad Al-Nuaimi
Labour	Cllr Laura Lacey
Conservative	Cllr Margaret Cornelious
Conservative	Cllr David Fouweather
Liberal Democrat	Vacancy

**Standards Committee:**

Cllr Herbie Thomas	Labour appointment
Cllr Phil Hourahine	Labour appointment
Cllr Val Dudley	Conservative appointment

Also: Phil Westwood (Chair), Gerard Hancock, Bernard John, Tracey Britton, Andrew Mitchell, Kerry Watkins.

**SACRE: The Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education:**

Cllr Laura Lacey	Chair
Cllr Tracey Holyoake	Labour appointment
Cllr Ibrahim Hayat	Labour appointment
Cllr Rehmaan Hayat	Labour appointment
Cllr Joan Watkins	Conservative appointment

**Appointments Committee – Strategic Director**

Labour	Cllr Debbie Wilcox
Labour	Cllr Gail Giles
Labour	Cllr Laura Lacey
Labour	Cllr Herbie Thomas
Conservative	Cllr Matthew Evans
Newport Independents	Cllr Jan Cleverly
Liberal Democrat	Cllr Carmel Townsend

**Corporate Parenting Forum:**

Chair (Labour)	Cllr Paul Cockeram
Labour	Cllr Deb Davies
Labour	Cllr Graham Berry
Labour	Cllr Ibrahim Hayat
Labour	Cllr Steve Marshall
Labour	Cllr Jason Hughes
Labour	Cllr Yvonne Forsey
Labour	Cllr John Guy
Labour	Cllr Chris Jenkins

Conservative	Cllr Joan Watkins
Conservative	Cllr Tom Suller

**HR Appeals:**

Members to be appointed to be used in rotation:

Cllrs Kate Thomas, Deb Davies, Laura Lacey, James Clarke, Mark Spencer, Ibrahim Hayat, Tracey Holyoake, Chris Jenkins, David Fouweather, David Williams, Charles Ferris, William Routley and Tom Suller.

**Employee Partnership Forum**

- CM for Social Services – Cllr Paul Cockeram
- CM for Community and Resources – Cllr David Mayer
- CM for Education and Skills – Cllr Gail Giles

**Champions:**

**Older Persons Champion:** Cllr Trevor Watkins

**Disabled and Vulnerable Persons Champion:** Cllr Kate Thomas

**Carers Champion:** Cllr Tracey Holyoake

**Poverty Champion:** Cllr Phil Hourahine

**Armed Forces Champion:** Cllr Mark Spencer

**Homelessness & Supporting People Champion:** Cllr Yvonne Forsey

**Biodiversity Champion:** Cllr Laura Lacey

**BME Champion:** Cllr Majid Rahman

**Social Services Rota Visit:**

Cllr Tracey Holyoake  
 Cllr Laura Lacey  
 Cllr Kate Thomas  
 Cllr Trevor Watkins  
 Cllr Joan Watkins  
 Cllr David Williams  
 Cllr C Townsend  
 Cllr Janet Cleverly

5. **Appointments to External Bodies**

Each Group Leader agreed to pass the appointments of members to external bodies to the proper officer for recording in the minutes. The following appointments were submitted.

<b>Outside Body</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Appointments 2018</b>
Aneurin Bevan Health Board (Stakeholder Reference Group)	2	Cllr Laura Lacey Cllr Joan Watkins
Arts Council for Wales: SE Wales Regional Committee	1	Cllr Debbie Harvey as CM for Culture and Leisure



<b>Outside Body</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Appointments 2018</b>
Caldicot & Wentlooge Internal Drainage Board	4(+4)	<p><b>4 Members</b>  Cllr Graham Berry  Cllr Phil Hourahine  Cllr Richard White  Matthew Jones</p> <p><b>4 Substitutes</b>  Cllr Trevor Watkins  Cllr John Richards  Cllr Ray Mogford  Steve Davies</p>
Citizens Advice Bureau	1	Cliff Suller
Community Chest Local Panel	3	Cllr Jason Hughes Cllr Debbie Davies Cllr Mark Spencer Cllr Charles Ferris
Communities First Partnership	1	Cllr David Mayer as CM for Community and Resources
Communities First Cluster Groups	4 (+4)	<p><b>Central:</b> Cllr Miqdad Al-Nuaimi (sub: Cllr Majid Rahman)</p> <p><b>East:</b> Cllr Debbie Harvey (sub: Cllr Laura Lacey)</p> <p><b>North:</b> Cllr James Clarke (sub:Cllr Jane Mudd)</p> <p><b>West:</b>Cllr Trevor Watkins (sub:Cllr Debbie Wilcox)</p>
Community Health Council, Newport Committee	3	Cllr John Guy Cllr Joan Watkins Elaine Bryant
Consortium of Local Authorities in Wales (CLAW)	1	Leader: Cllr Debbie Wilcox
Credit Union	1	Cllr Stephen Marshall
Education Achievement Service board member (Company Board)	1	Cllr Roger Jeavons (sub: Cllr Debbie Harvey)
Education Achievement Service Commissioning Group (Education) (JEG)	1	Cllr Gail Giles (as CM Education) (sub: Cllr Debbie Davies)
EAS Scrutiny Panel	2	Cllr David Mayer Cllr Laura Lacey
EAS Audit & Risk Assurance Committee	2	Cllr David Mayer Cllr Laura Lacey

<b>Outside Body</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Appointments 2018</b>
East Newport Social Care Centre	1	Cllr John Guy
Fairness Commission	2	Cllr Kate Thomas Cllr William Routley
Friends of Newport Transporter Bridge	1	Cllr Charles Ferris
Food Waste Treatment Partnership	2	Cllr Ray Truman Cllr Roger Jeavons
Foster Panel	1	Cllr Graham Berry
Frailty Project Joint Committee	1	Cllr Paul Cockeram
Greater Gwent Archives Joint Committee	2	Cllr John Guy Cllr David Mayer
Greater Gwent Cremation Joint Committee	2	Cllr Roger Jeavons Cllr Debbie Davies
Growing Space	1	Cllr Margaret Cornelious
Gwent Association of Voluntary Organisations Local Committee	1	Cllr Phil Hourahine
Gwent Police & Crime Panel	3	Cllr John Guy Cllr William Routley Cllr Jason Jordan
Indoor Bowling Association	1	Cllr Tom Suller
Jerome Gatehouse Collection Trust	1	Cllr Mark Spencer
Joint Council for Wales	2	Leader: Cllr Debbie Wilcox Cllr Mark Whitcutt
Living Levels Board	2	Cllr Jane Mudd Cllr Roger Jeavons
Merchant Navy Welfare	1	Cllr John Guy
Mon Brecon Canal Joint Steering Group	3	Cllr Roger Jeavons (as CM Streetscene) Cllr Jane Mudd (as CM Regeneration) Cllr David Mayer
Newport Harbour Commission	2	Cllr John Guy Alan Speight
Newport Live Board	2	Cllr Debbie Wilcox Cllr M Whitcutt
Newport Now BID	1	Cllr Jane Mudd

<b>Outside Body</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Appointments 2018</b>
Newport Transport Board	6	Cllr Jane Mudd Cllr Mark Spencer Cllr Debbie Harvey Cllr James Clarke Cllr William Routley Owen James
Newport Women's Aid	1	Cllr Tracey Holyoake
Norse Joint Partnership Board (Norse Newport and NPS Newport)	2	Cllr Miqdad Al-Nuaimi Bev Owen
Pill Millennium Centre Trust	2	Cllr Tracey Holyoake Cllr Ibrahim Hayat
Prosiect Gwyrdd Joint Committee	2	Cllr Ray Truman Cllr Roger Jeavons
Public Services Board	2	Leader Chief Executive
Raven House Trust	1	Cllr David Fouweather
Reserve Forces & Cadet Association	1	Cllr Matthew Evans
Roger Williams & Queen Victoria Alms Houses (Stow Hill)	1	Cllr Miqdad Al-Nuaimi
Shared Resource Service (SRS) Strategic Board	1	Cllr David Mayer as CM for Community and Resources
South East Wales Racial Equality Council (SEWREC)	1	Cllr Majid Rahman
South East Wales Strategic Planning Group	1	Cllr Jane Mudd (as CM Regeneration and Housing)
South Wales Fire Authority	2	Cllr Herbie Thomas Cllr Ken Critchley
Vale of Usk Local Action Group	1	Cllr Jane Mudd
Wastesavers Limited	4	Cllr Mark Spencer Cllr Ray Truman Cllr Debbie Davies Cllr Roger Jeavons
Welsh Books Council	1	Cllr Jason Hughes
Welsh Joint Education Committee (WJEC)	1	Cllr Gail Giles (as CM Education) (to be confirmed by WLGA)

<b>Outside Body</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Appointments 2018</b>
Welsh Local Government Association (WLGA)	3	Leader of the Council Deputy Leader Cllr Mark Spencer
WLGA Constitution	1	Leader of the Council
Welsh Purchasing Consortium (Joint Arrangements)	1	Leader of the Council
Williams Trust	4	Cliff Suller – appointed to 2020 Cllr Jason Hughes – appointed to 2020 Caroline McLachlan Roy McCabe

## 6. **Election of the Mayor**

It was proposed by Councillor Wilcox and seconded by Councillor M Evans and unanimously

### **Resolved**

That Councillor Malcolm Linton be elected as the Mayor of the City of Newport for the next year. Councillor Linton, having made and subscribed the Declaration of Office and taken the Official Oath and Oath of Allegiance, expressed thanks for the honour conferred upon him.

### **Vote of Thanks**

It was proposed by the Mayor and seconded by Councillor Wilcox and unanimously:

### **Resolved**

That the Council's thanks be given to Councillor David Fouweather and Mrs Paula Fouweather for the manner in which they had discharged their duties as Mayor and Mayoress.

### **Response**

The outgoing Mayor thanked everyone who had supported him during his time as Mayor, including family, friends, and colleagues in the Council. He especially thanked everyone for supporting for his nominated charities through the events and other fundraising activities held during the year. The outgoing Mayor concluded by showing a short film showing the many events he had attended and held during his time in office.

## 7. **Appointment of the Deputy Mayor**

It was proposed by the Mayor, seconded by Councillor M Evans, and unanimously

### **Resolved**

That Councillor Phil Hourahine be appointed Deputy Mayor for the ensuing year. Councillor Hourahine, having made and subscribed to the Declaration of Acceptance for the role of Deputy Mayor, expressed thanks for his appointment.