

EAST STAFFORDSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of East Staffordshire Borough Council held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Burton upon Trent on Monday 26th July 2021.

Present:

Councillor Mrs P L Ackroyd (Mayor) in the Chair

Councillors	G A Allen	S A Hussain
	Mrs B Ashcroft	Mrs J Jones
	E W R Barker	Mrs J A Killoran
	L Beech	G Lamb
	Mrs B Brady	Ms A J Legg
	A A Chaudhry	S McGarry
	A Clarke	S McKiernan
	R A Faulkner	M Metcalfe
	M T Fitzpatrick	B G Peters
	D F Fletcher	G Raybould
	D Florence-Jukes	S Sankey
	S P Gaskin	M Shrive
	D Goodfellow	C Sylvester
	R G W Grosvenor	L Walker
	T Hadley	P Walker
	G Hall	C V Whittaker
	H Hall	C Wileman
	P Hudson (Deputy Mayor)	

Officers Present:

The Chief Executive, the Heads of Service (Sal Khan and Mark Rizk), the Monitoring Officer, the Corporate and Commercial Manager, the Chief Accountant, the Enterprise Manager, the Principal Democratic Services Officer and the Senior Democratic Services Officer

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors K J Builth, Mrs V J Gould and Mrs B Toon.

152/21 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest at the commencement of the meeting.

153/21 **MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting of the Borough Council held on 28th June 2021 were approved as a correct record, subject to the following amendments: Councillor H Hall voted against the motion at minute no 144/21 and that Councillor R G W Grosvenor asked a supplemental question in respect of question 11/21 and that a written response agreed to be provided outside of the meeting.

Voting concerning the above decision was as follows:

THOSE VOTING FOR THE MOTION Councillor	THOSE VOTING AGAINST	THOSE ABSTAINING
Mrs P L Ackroyd		T Hadley
G Allen		S A Hussain
Mrs B Ashcroft		
E W R Barker		
L Beech		
Mrs B Brady		
A A Chaudhry		
A Clarke		
R A Faulkner		
M T Fitzpatrick		
D F Fletcher		
D Florence-Jukes		
S P Gaskin		
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P Hudson		
Mrs J Jones		
Mrs J A Killoran		
G Lamb		
Ms A J Legg		
S McGarry		
S McKiernan		
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B G Peters		
G Raybould		
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P Walker		
C V Whittaker		
C Wileman		

154/21 **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chief Executive announced that Angela Wakefield would be leaving the Authority, he placed on record his thanks for her service on behalf of himself and officers of the Council.

The Mayor proposed the following motion “that a vote of thanks be taken for Angela Wakefield for her service to the Council and to the Borough”. This motion was duly seconded.

In accordance with the voting, the Mayor declared that the motion was carried.

Voting concerning the above decision was as follows:

THOSE VOTING FOR THE MOTION Councillor	THOSE VOTING AGAINST	THOSE ABSTAINING
Mrs P L Ackroyd	S A Hussain	D Florence-Jukes
G Allen		R G W Grosvenor
Mrs B Ashcroft		
E W R Barker		
L Beech		
Mrs B Brady		
A A Chaudhry		
A Clarke		
R A Faulkner		
M T Fitzpatrick		
D F Fletcher		
S P Gaskin		
D Goodfellow		
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G Hall		
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P Hudson		
Mrs J Jones		
Mrs J A Killoran		
G Lamb		
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The Leader of the Council passed on huge congratulations to East Staffordshire and Uttoxeter's Adam Peaty on his phenomenal success in winning Olympic gold at the Tokyo Olympics earlier that day, retaining the title he won in Rio in 2016. The Leader stated that all Councillors would be extremely proud of his achievements and wished him and the rest of Team GB all the best in the upcoming relay races. He also extended good wishes to Burton's Fraser Clark, who would first compete later that week in the Men's Superheavyweight boxing, looking to capitalise on the Commonwealth gold medal which he won in 2018.

155/21 **PETITION**

Council noted that a petition had been received in both online and paper format, with a combined total of 2317 valid signatures.

The paper petition title, as received, was “The Towns Fund bid plan to move Burton Library from its present position to the Market Hall. As part of the Towns Fund bid £7.3m of the £22.8m bid has been allocated for this move. £1.54m was spent on renovating the Market Hall in 2014, which now seems a complete waste of taxpayers money. There was a lack of public consultation in 2009 and 2012 regarding the renovation scheme from ESBC. We don’t know how the library will be located within the Market hall, but existing Traders would certainly be asked to leave. £7.3million seems an extortionate amount of money for this, when the current library location is perfectly fine. Holding a small café within, seating outside overlooking the river and a great playground for the children to play on. Plus the idea in the £1.54million to renovate the Market Hall was to make it a Live music venue which “Love Burton” have many events lined up for”;

The online petition title, as received, was “Save our Library and Market Hall and stop our library being demolished! (Burton on Trent) “

The Enterprise Manager spoke on the subject matter.

The Mayor reminded the petition organiser and Ward Councillor that, in accordance with section 14 of part 4J of the Constitution (Petitions Scheme), they could speak on the petition for up to 3 minutes (each).

Ms Rebecca Talbot, the Petition Organiser, addressed the meeting on the petition.

Councillor H Hall (Ward Member) spoke on the petition.

Council debated the petition.

The Mayor advised Council that the Petitions Officer would notify the petition organiser of the decision within 5 working days.

NOTED.

156/21 **URGENT BUSINESS**

In accordance with Rule 12. The Mayor indicated that she had received an urgent motion on notice.

The motion had been received from Councillor D Florence-Jukes and read as follows:

“This Council extends hearty congratulations to Adam Peaty, a Freeman of this Borough, on his Gold medal win in the Men’s 100 metre Breaststroke event at the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games and on being the first Gold medal winner for Team GB in the 2020 Games. This Council acknowledges the incredible achievement of Adam Peaty in now being the first British swimmer to retain an Olympic title and on becoming a double gold Olympic champion. This Council extends sincere

appreciation to Adam Peaty for continuing to be an outstanding ambassador for the Borough of East Staffordshire and for his home town of Uttoxeter”.

The Mayor indicated that she had considered the motion to be urgent and it would therefore be dealt with at this meeting.

The motion was duly moved and seconded.

The Mayor invited Council to debate the motion under Rule 16 (Rules of debate).

In accordance with the voting, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Voting concerning the above decision was as follows:

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S A Hussain		
Mrs J Jones		
Mrs J A Killoran		
G Lamb		
Ms A J Legg		
S McGarry		
S McKiernan		
M Metcalfe		
B G Peters		
G Raybould		

S Sankey		
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The Mayor indicated that she had received another item of urgent business on the subject of appointment of committees, following a notification received from the Leader of the Independent Alliance Group (IAG) that Councillor R G W Grosvenor had joined IAG with effect from 21st July 2021. The Mayor stated that she considered the report to be urgent and advised Council that this report would therefore be dealt with at this meeting.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

The report of the Head of Service (Sal Khan) on the update on the ramifications for the membership of committees and sub committees of the Council following the notification received on 22nd July 2021 from the Leader of the Independent Alliance Group (IAG) that Councillor R G W Grosvenor had joined the IAG with effect from 21st July 2021 was considered. The report and appendix had been circulated at the meeting. Council noted the contents of appendix 1: List of Members nominated to serve on Committees and Panels (July 2021) and a copy is appended to these minutes.

Council noted the number of seats to be allocated following the application of the political balance calculations, as follows:

	Conservative	Labour	Independent Alliance	Total
Appeals Panel	2	1	0	3
Audit (Statement of Accounts) Committee	10	5	1	16
Complaints Panel	2	1	0	3
Development Plan Committee	3	1	1	5
Licensing Committee	9	4	2	15
Planning Committee	9	4	2	15
Scrutiny (Audit and Value for Money Council Services) Committee	10	5	1	16
Scrutiny (Community Regeneration, Environment and	10	5	1	16

Health & Well-Being) Committee				
Senior Officer Employment Committee	3	1	1	5
Standards Committee	3	1	1	5
	61	28	10	99

The following motion had been proposed by Councillor D Florence-Jukes:

- “1) That the Council agree to the number and allocation of Councillors serving on each Committee and Panel as set out in paragraph 5.3 of the report.
- 2) That, subject to the above, the Council note the nominations of the political groups to the Committees and Panels, (appendix 1 refers);
- 3) That, subject to the above, the Council appoint Councillors to serve on each Committee and Panel in accordance with those nominations”.

The motion was duly seconded.

The Mayor invited Council to debate the motion under Rule 16 (Rules of debate).

In accordance with the voting, the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Voting concerning the above decision was as follows:

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Mrs P L Ackroyd		
G Allen		
Mrs B Ashcroft		
E W R Barker		
L Beech		
Mrs B Brady		
A A Chaudhry		
A Clarke		
R A Faulkner		
M T Fitzpatrick		
D F Fletcher		
D Florence-Jukes		
S P Gaskin		
D Goodfellow		
R G W Grosvenor		
T Hadley		
G Hall		
H Hall		
P Hudson		
S A Hussain		

Mrs J Jones		
Mrs J A Killoran		
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Ms A J Legg		
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157/21 **NOTICE OF MOTION**

Councillor R G W Grosvenor had put forward the following motion, in accordance with Rule 14, which had been duly seconded:

“This Council notes the recent Burton Town Deal Board submission of the Town Investment Plan (TIP). Whilst this Council welcomes additional investment to improve the area, it has grave concerns over the submission to move Staffordshire County Council’s library service into the heritage Market Hall. As landowner and operator of the Market Hall, the decision to include this project in the TIP was not taken by this Council, and was included in the TIP without a formal business case recommendation first being considered by this Council. As such, at this point this Council is not in favour of this move without sufficient business case justification which would allow members to vote freely.”

The Mayor invited Council to debate the motion under Rule 16 (Rules of debate).

The Mayor declared the motion was defeated.

Voting concerning the above decision was as follows:

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A A Chaudhry	Mrs P L Ackroyd	Mrs J Jones
M T Fitzpatrick	G Allen	C V Whittaker
D F Fletcher	Mrs B Ashcroft	
D Florence-Jukes	E W R Barker	
R G W Grosvenor	L Beech	
T Hadley	Mrs B Brady	
H Hall	A Clarke	
S A Hussain	R A Faulkner	
G Lamb	S P Gaskin	
Ms A J Legg	D Goodfellow	

S McKiernan	G Hall	
M Shrive	P Hudson	
L Walker	Mrs J A Killoran	
P Walker	S McGarry	
	M Metcalfe	
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	G Raybould	
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158/21 **NOTICE OF MOTION**

Councillor S McKiernan had put forward the following motion, in accordance with Rule 14, which had been duly seconded:

“This Council supports all plastic-free initiatives in the East Staffordshire area, and shall support ‘Plastic Free Burton’. This Council will lead by example by phasing out single-use plastics wherever possible from its buildings and activities over the next twelve months, and the Council will actively discourage hirers and users of the Council’s buildings from using single-use plastics where possible.”

The Mayor invited Council to debate the motion under Rule 16 (Rules of debate).

The Mayor declared the motion was carried.

Voting concerning the above decision was as follows:

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Mrs P L Ackroyd		
G Allen		
Mrs B Ashcroft		
E W R Barker		
L Beech		
Mrs B Brady		
A A Chaudhry		
A Clarke		
R A Faulkner		
M T Fitzpatrick		
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R G W Grosvenor		
T Hadley		
G Hall		
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S A Hussain		

Mrs J Jones		
Mrs J A Killoran		
G Lamb		
Ms A J Legg		
S McGarry		
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159/21 **NOTICE OF MOTION**

Councillor R G W Grosvenor had put forward the following motion, in accordance with Rule 14, which had been duly seconded:

“This Council recognises the unprecedented impact of Covid 19 on our communities. It particularly understand that the pandemic has had a disproportionate effect on the most vulnerable and in communities that are among the least well off impacting severely on the social economic and mental health well being of our residents. We recognise the excellent work undertaken by all agencies at this time and the effort being undertaken to help our communities come through the pandemic as lockdown restrictions ease. We therefore believe it is vital that these efforts are coordinated in a more structured way to ensure that help and assistance is directed where it is most needed. As such this council resolves to create a Covid Response and Recovery committee to be made up of a cross section of councillors and organisations (voluntary, private business and community groups) directing resources and funding in order to ensure that our vulnerable communities are best placed to show resilience and come out of this pandemic better and stronger”

The Mayor invited Council to debate the motion under Rule 16 (Rules of debate).

The Mayor declared the motion was defeated.

Voting concerning the above decision was as follows:

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A A Chaudhry	Mrs P L Ackroyd	
M T Fitzpatrick	G Allen	
D F Fletcher	Mrs B Ashcroft	
D Florence-Jukes	E W R Barker	
R G W Grosvenor	L Beech	

T Hadley	Mrs B Brady	
H Hall	A Clarke	
S A Hussain	R A Faulkner	
G Lamb	S P Gaskin	
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M Shrive	P Hudson	
L Walker	Mrs J Jones	
P Walker	Mrs J A Killoran	
	S McGarry	
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160/21 **NOTICE OF MOTION**

Councillor D Florence-Jukes had put forward the following motion, in accordance with Rule 14, which had been duly seconded:

“That in accordance with Section 249(5) – (8) of the Local Government Act 1972, this Council agrees to convene a special meeting of the Council to consider conferring the Freedom of the Borough of East Staffordshire on Mr John Anderson, in recognition of the eminent service to the Borough exemplified by his sustained and selfless voluntary service to a great many organisations and groups within the Borough which goes far beyond the call of duty in a way that stands out above all others.”

The Mayor invited Council to debate the motion under Rule 16 (Rules of debate).

The Mayor declared the motion was defeated.

Voting concerning the above decision was as follows:

THOSE VOTING FOR THE MOTION Councillor	THOSE VOTING AGAINST	THOSE ABSTAINING
D Florence-Jukes	Mrs P L Ackroyd	S McKiernan
R G W Grosvenor	G Allen	
	Mrs B Ashcroft	
	E W R Barker	
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	Mrs B Brady	
	A A Chaudhry	
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161/21 **QUESTIONS**

One question had been submitted prior to the meeting from Councillor R G W Grosvenor. Councillor R G W Grosvenor asked one supplemental question and the Deputy Leader (Environment and Housing) agreed to provide a response in writing outside of the meeting. A copy of the question and the response are appended to these minutes.

Mayor



EAST STAFFORDSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCIL

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Question received from Councillor R G W Grosvenor and joint response from the Deputy Leader (Environment and Housing) Councillor R A Faulkner and Deputy Leader (Leisure, Amenities and Tourism) Councillor Mrs B Ashcroft.

12/21 **Since March 2020 how many extra rubbish bins have been installed across the borough and in which wards?**

Woods Lane Stapenhill (1x Dual Victoriana)
Dunstal lane Barton (1x Post Mounted)
Mill Lane Barton (1x Post Mounted)
Bar Lane Barton (1x Dual Victoriana)
Whitehall Close Kingstone (1x 240 Wheelie)
Parkway Branston (1x Post Mounted)
Abbotts Bromley footpath off Lichfield road (1x Post Mounted and 1x 240 Wheelie)
Tunncliffe way Uttoxeter (1x Free Standing Single)
Chamberlain Close Uttoxeter (1x Free Standing Single)
Knowles Hill Rolleston (1x Free Standing Single)
St Mathews street Branston (1x Post Mounted)
Watery Lane Blithfield (1x 240 Wheelie)
Craythorne lane Rolleston/Stretton (1x 240 Wheelie)
Riverbank Park Newborough (1x 240 Wheelie)

Since March 2020 68 double bins have been installed across the following parks. These have replaced single steel bins to cope with higher volumes of litter and to replace dilapidated bins;

- Pennycroft park
- Grange road
- Bramshall road park
- Clifton road
- Trevelyn
- Scalpcliffe woods
- Stapenhill Hollows
- Clifton way
- Newton road
- Shobnall L C
- Outwoods park
- Regatta fields

- The Hay
- Cherry Orchards
- Eton Community Park
- Horninglow Community Park
- Unity Park
- Carver Road