

SELECTION COUNCIL

10th May, 2002

Present: The Mayor (Councillor Lloyd) (In the Chair), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor Buckland), Councillors Barnes, Ms. Bishop, Chaplin, Coleman, Mrs. Driver, Fidgeon, Ms. Forbes, Mrs. Franklin, Garnham, Gearing, Godwin, Mrs. Hale, M. Hale, Mrs. Hay, Mrs. Hibbert, Jones, Jordan, Mrs. Ledoux, MacDonald, McKinlay, McLain, Melville-Smith, Mrs. Moreton, Morris, Prince, Mrs. Regan, Rickell, Seacome, Smith, Stennett, Stuart-Smith, Surgenor, Thompson, Mrs. Thornton, Wheeler and Ms. Young.
(5.30 p.m. to 6.55 p.m.)

Apologies: Councillors Britter and Mrs. Holliday.

137. Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were received.

138. Appointment of Deputy Mayor-Elect

Council was informed that two nominations for Deputy Mayor-Elect had been received as follows:-

Councillor G.W. Barnes and Councillor Mrs. Jennifer Moreton.

Councillor Smith indicated that the need to seek the appointment of a Deputy Mayor-Elect had arisen due to the recent result of the local elections when the Deputy Mayor-Elect had not retained her seat. Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor McLain nominated Councillor Mrs. Jennifer Moreton as Deputy Mayor-Elect.

Councillor McKinlay, seconded by Councillor Stuart-Smith, proposed that Councillor Garth Barnes be nominated Deputy Mayor-Elect.

A number of members referred to the unfortunate position Council found itself in and it was suggested that a form of protocol regarding the appointment of Mayor and Deputy Mayor be re-established. It was further suggested that the Manager Director meet with the four Group Leaders to discuss such a proposal.

In accordance with the Constitution, a recorded vote was requested and the voting was as follows:

For Councillor Barnes

Councillors Barnes, Ms. Bishop, Coleman, Fidgeon, Ms. Forbes, Mrs. Franklin, Mrs. Hale, M. Hale, Mrs. Hay, Jones, Jordan, Mrs. Ledoux, Lloyd, McKinlay, Morris, Rickell, Stuart-Smith, Surgenor, Mrs. Thornton, Wheeler, Ms. Young. (21)

For Councillor Mrs. Moreton

Councillors Buckland, Chaplin, Mrs. Driver, Garnham, Gearing, Mrs. Hibbert, MacDonald, McLain, Melville-Smith, Mrs. Moreton, Prince, Mrs. Regan, Seacome, Smith, Stennett, and Thompson. (16).

Abstained
Councillor Godwin.

Councillor Barnes was elected Deputy Mayor-Elect for 2002/2003.

139. To appoint the Leader of the Council and Cabinet

The Head of Legal Services informed Council that the Group Leaders had been reminded when Council was considering its emerging Constitution it had agreed that a ticket system be used for election of the Cabinet, that is to say nominations would be invited for the whole Cabinet. The Liberal Democrat Group had submitted a nomination for the Cabinet as set out in the agenda and if other nominations were received, these would be treated as amendments to the Liberal Democrat Group motion and therefore discussed and voted upon before the Liberal Democrat Group nomination was considered.

In response to questions, Councillor McKinlay indicated that the deputy designations as set out in the agenda were thought to be appropriate to match the Council's structure. He acknowledged however that there were detailed elements within each portfolio to be considered which would be in place by the date of the first Cabinet meeting.

Councillor Garnham proposed an amendment, seconded by Councillor McLain, to the appointment to the Leader of the Council and Cabinet and proposed that Councillor Smith be appointed Leader of the Council and that the following ticket form the Cabinet.

Councillor McLain - Exchequer
Councillor Melville-Smith - Support Services
Councillor Garnham - Environment
Councillor Mrs. Driver - Neighbourhood and Community
Councillor Seacome - Public Protection
Councillor Mrs. Moreton - Health and Welfare
Councillor Thompson - External Economy

In accordance with the Constitution, a recorded vote was requested for the amendment as follows:

For the amendment
Councillors Buckland, Chaplin, Mrs. Driver, Garnham, Gearing, Godwin, MacDonald, McLain, Melville-Smith, Mrs. Moreton, Prince, Mrs. Regan, Seacome, Smith, Stennett and Thompson. (16).

Against the amendment
Councillors Barnes, Ms. Bishop, Coleman, Fidgeon, Ms. Forbes,

Mrs. Franklin, Mrs. Hale, M. Hale, Mrs. Hay, Jones, Jordan, Mrs. Ledoux, Lloyd, McKinlay, Morris, Rickell, Stuart-Smith, Surgenor, Mrs. Thornton, Wheeler and Ms. Young. (21).

Abstention
Councillor Mrs. Hibbert

The amendment was declared LOST.

Councillor Smith, in speaking to the substantive motion, sought clarification as to the validity of the current Mayor being included on the ticket which appeared to be contrary to the Council's Constitution. Councillor McKinlay, having taken advice from the Head of Legal Services, withdrew Councillor Lloyd's nomination as Deputy (Neighbourhood and Community) but gave notice that he would appoint Councillor Lloyd to that post at the first opportunity after he had completed his service as Mayor.

- Resolved,** (1) that Councillor McKinlay be appointed Leader of the Council;
- (2) that the Cabinet consist of the following:
Councillor Stuart-Smith - Exchequer and Deputy Leader
Councillor Jordan - Performance and Support Services
Councillor Fidgeon - Environment and Democracy
Vacant - Neighbourhood and Community (this portfolio would be handled by the Leader of the Council until an appointment was made)
Councillor Surgenor - Public and Environmental Protection
Councillor Mrs. Hay - Health, Wellbeing and Economy.

Voting for	21
Against	13
Abstained	4

140. Election of Committees

Council was reminded that it was required in law to appoint Committees proportionally. Additional members representing one group could only be added if Council also agreed to increase the membership of another or several other groups in a way which maintained proportionality.

The newly appointed committees appointed their respective chairmen and vice chairmen.

Resolved, that the membership of the following committees be as indicated below and the appointment of their chairmen and vice chairmen be noted.

(a) Economic and Business Improvement Overview and Scrutiny

Councillors Barnes

Britter
Ms Forbes
Mrs Franklin
Morris
Rickell Vice Chairman
Mrs Thornton
Ms Young

Councillors McLain Chairman
Melville-Smith
Seacome
Smith
Thompson

Councillor Godwin

Councillor M. Hale

(b) Environment Overview and Scrutiny(15)

Councillors Britter
Coleman
Ms Forbes
Mrs Franklin
Jones Vice Chairman
Mrs Ledoux
Morris
Wheeler

Councillors Chaplin
Mrs. Driver
Garnham
Gearing
MacDonald

Councillors Mrs Hibbert
Prince Chairman

(c) Social and Community Overview and Scrutiny(15)

Councillors Barnes
Ms Bishop
Coleman
Mrs Holliday
Jones
Mrs Ledoux
Morris Vice Chairman

Wheeler

Mrs Driver
Mrs Moreton
Mrs Regan
Seacome
Smith

Chairman

Stennett

(d) Licensing Committee

Councillors

Mrs Franklin
Lloyd
Mrs Ledoux
Mrs Thornton
Ms Young

Vice Chairman

McLain
Seacome
Thompson

Chairman

Godwin

(e) Appointment of Planning Committee

Councillors

Ms. Bishop
Fidgeon
Ms Forbes
Mrs Franklin
Jones
Lloyd
Surgenor
Wheeler
Ms Young

Vice Chairman

Councillors

Buckland
Chaplin
Mrs Driver
Garnham
Gearing

Chairman

Councillors

Godwin
Stennett

Councillor

Mrs Hale

(f) Staff and Support Services Committee

Councillors

Fidgeon

Mrs Holliday
Jordan
McKinlay
Stuart-Smith
Surgenor

Chairman
Vice Chairman

Garnham
Melville-Smith
Smith

Godwin

M. Hale

(g) Standards Committee

Councillor Mrs. Franklin

Councillor MacDonald

Councillor M. Hale

(h) Boundary Review Working Group

Councillors Ms Forbes
Jones
Surgenor

Melville-Smith

Mrs. Hale

141. Area Committees

The membership of the five Area Committees was noted as follows:

North

Oakley	Councillors	Mrs Hale and M. Hale
Pittville	Councillors	Mrs Hibbert and Prince
Prestbury	Councillors	Godwin and Stennett
Swindon Village	Councillors	Jones and Ledoux

South

Benhall and the Reddings	Councillors	Britter and Rickell
Park	Councillors	Garnham and Gearing
Up Hatherley	Councillors	Fidgeon and Ms Forbes
Warden Hill	Councillors	Mrs Hay and Mrs Regan

East

Battledown	Councillors	McLain and Thompson
Charlton Kings	Councillors	Mrs Moreton and Smith
Charlton Park	Councillors	Chaplin and Melville-Smith
Leckhampton	Councillors	Buckland and MacDonald

West

Hesters Way	Councillors	Ms Bishop and Ms Young
St. Marks	Councillors	Mrs Holliday and Lloyd
St. Peters	Councillors	Mrs Thornton and Stuart-Smith
Springbank	Councillors	Morris and Wheeler

Central

All Saints	Councillors	Mrs Franklin and Jordan
College	Councillors	Barnes and Surgenor
Lansdown	Councillors	Mrs Driver and Seacome
St Pauls	Councillors	Coleman and McKinlay

145. Recommendations to Cabinet as to membership of the following:-

(a) Arms-length Management Organisation (Housing)

Councillors Ms. Bishop
Morris
Mrs. Thornton

Councillor Mrs. Driver

Councillor M. Hale

(b) Audit Forum

Councillors	Britter	Chairman
	Mrs Thornton	Vice Chairman
	Ms Young	

Councillor Gearing

Councillor Prince

(c) Housing Forum

Councillors	Ms Bishop	Vice Chairman
	Mrs Holliday	
	Wheeler	

Councillor Mrs Regan

Councillor M. Hale

(d) Investment Panel

Councillors	Barnes	Vice Chairman
	Morris	
	Mrs Thornton	
	Wheeler	
	Ms Young	

McLain
Thompson

Mrs Hibbert

M. Hale	Chairman
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(e) Twinning Forum

Councillors

Barnes
Mrs Hay
Lloyd

Chairman

Seacome

Stennett

**Clive Lloyd
Mayor**