

HERTSMERE BOROUGH COUNCIL

MEETING OF THE COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER
CIVIC OFFICES, ELSTREE WAY, BOREHAMWOOD

21 September 2022

Present:

Councillors Graham (Mayor), Eni (Deputy Mayor), Bright, Briski, R Butler, Carter, R Challice, Choudhury, Clapper, Evans, Gray, Heywood, Lambert, P Hodgson-Jones, Lyon, Matthews, Morris, Mortimer, Myers, Newmark, Ozarow, Plancey, Quilty, Reeve, Richards, Rosehill, Rutledge, A Sachdev, M Sachdev, Selby, Silver, Spencer, Susman, Turner and Vince

Officers:

Sajida Bijle	Managing Director
Peter Geraghty	Executive Director
Harvey Patterson	Head of Legal and Democratic Services
Ian Kershaw	Head of Streetscene

142. **QUEEN ELIZABETH II AND KING CHARLES III**

This was the first meeting of full Council since the death of Queen Elizabeth II and accession of King Charles III. Members stood in a minutes silence as a mark of respect and then the Mayor, Leader of the Council Councillor Bright, followed by Councillor Newmark and Councillors Richards as Leaders of the opposition groups, and other Members paid tribute to her Majesty the Queen and the new King.

143. **COMMUNICATIONS AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Brown, Cohen, Sarah Hodgson-Jones, and Swerling.

Councillor Bright moved and Councillor Paul Hodgson-Jones seconded a Motion to reorder the agenda to bring forward items 15 and 16 concerning Notices of Motion and Opposition Business to item 12 on the agenda, immediately after the scheduled decision items.

A request for a recorded vote was made under Council Procedure Rule 17.4 by Councillors Newmark, Grey and Butler and the voting was as follows:

The meeting considered the report which asked Council to note the Hertsmere Local Investment Plan (LIP) which had been submitted to the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities outlining plans for expenditure against the £1,119,618 allocated to Hertsmere through the UK Shared Prosperity Fund.

It was moved by Councillor Bright and seconded by Councillor Clapper that the recommendations set out in the report be agreed.

Following a debate and vote, the report recommendations were unanimously AGREED.

RESOLVED that Council note the Hertsmere Local Investment Plan (LIP) attached in full at Appendix A to the report.

154. **DECISION REPORT: COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW-CONSULTATION RESPONSE AND ADOPTION OF FINAL PROPOSALS**

The meeting considered the report recommending adoption of the recommendations of the Constitution and Member Development Panel in relation to the Community Governance Review of the parishes of Aldenham, Ridge, Shenley and South Mimms and to request Council to authorise the making of a Community Governance Reorganisation Order to give effect to those recommendations.

A request for a recorded vote was made under Council Procedure Rule 17.4 by Councillors Bright, Clapper and Hodgson-Jones and the voting was as follows:

For the motion:

Councillors Bright, Briski, Butler, Carter, Challice, Clapper, Choudhury, Eni, Evans, Graham, Gray, Heywood, P Hodgson-Jones, Lambert, Lyon, Matthews, Morris, Mortimer, Myers, Newmark, Ozarow, Plancey, Quilty, Reeve, Richards, Rosehill, Rutledge, A Sachdev, M Sachdev, Selby, Silver, Spencer, Susmann, Turner and Vince.

Against the motion:

None.

The report recommendations were agreed.

RESOLVED In relation to the Community Governance Review of the Parishes of Aldenham, Ridge, Shenley and South Mimms, the Council determines:

- 1) To adopt the recommendations of the Constitution and Member Development Panel set out in Paragraph 6 of the officers report.

- 2) To instruct the Managing Director to cause the decision of the Council and reasons for them to be published and brought to the attention of person interested in the review, as soon as is reasonably practicable;
- 3) To authorise the Head of Legal & Democratic Services in consultation with the Managing Director:-
 - a) to draft and make a Community Governance Reorganisation Order incorporating such ancillary and consequential provisions as are considered necessary or desirable to give effect to the decisions of the Council;
 - b) to cause a copy of the Community Governance Reorganisation Order and a Map meeting the requirements of Section 96(4)(b) of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 to be placed on deposit at the Civic Offices;
 - c) to cause a notice to be published informing members of the public that the Community Governance Reorganisation Order and Map can be inspected at the Civic Offices during normal office opening hours; and
 - d) to inform the persons referred to in Section 96(7) of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 that a Community Governance Re-organisation Order has been made and to send two copies of such Order to the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities and Local Government Boundary Commission for England.
- 4) That Council agrees the recommendation of the Constitution and Member Development Panel to co-operates with Watford Borough Council to request that the Local Government Boundary Commission for England undertakes a Principle Area Boundary Review of Watford Borough Council and Hertsmere Borough Council focussed on common boundary realignments in Hertsmere polling districts EA, AB and BB.

As it was 10:30pm, in accordance with Council Procedure Rules, the guillotine procedure was applied.

155. **REPORT OF THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL**

The meeting noted the Leader's report as listed on the agenda.

156. **REPORT OF COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

The meeting note the report of the Audit Committee Chairman as listed on the agenda.

157. **REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF THE POLICY REVIEW COMMITTEE**