



Council Assembly (Mayor Making)

MINUTES of the Council Assembly (Mayor Making) held on Saturday 7 June 2014 at 12.45 pm at Southwark Cathedral, Montague Close, London Bridge SE1 9DA

PRESENT:

The Worshipful the Mayor for 2013/14, Abdul Mohamed
The Worshipful the Mayor for 2014/15, Councillor Sunil Chopra

Councillor Evelyn Akoto	Councillor Richard Livingstone
Councillor Anood Al-Samerai	Councillor Rebecca Lury
Councillor Jasmine Ali	Councillor Vijay Luthra
Councillor James Barber	Councillor Jane Lyons
Councillor Radha Burgess	Councillor Eliza Mann
Councillor Fiona Colley	Councillor Claire Maugham
Councillor Neil Coyle	Councillor Hamish McCallum
Councillor Stephanie Cryan	Councillor Darren Merrill
Councillor Catherine Dale	Councillor Victoria Mills
Councillor Dora Dixon-Fyle MBE	Councillor Michael Mitchell
Councillor Nick Dolezal	Councillor Jamille Mohammed
Councillor Karl Eastham	Councillor Adele Morris
Councillor Paul Fleming	Councillor David Noakes
Councillor Tom Flynn	Councillor Damian O'Brien
Councillor Dan Garfield	Councillor James Okosun
Councillor Chris Gonde	Councillor Leo Pollak
Councillor Lucas Green	Councillor Lisa Rajan
Councillor Renata Hamvas	Councillor Sandra Rhule
Councillor Barrie Hargrove	Councillor Martin Seaton
Councillor Jon Hartley	Councillor Rosie Shimell
Councillor Helen Hayes	Councillor Andy Simmons
Councillor David Hubber	Councillor Johnson Situ
Councillor Peter John	Councillor Michael Situ
Councillor Ben Johnson	Councillor Charlie Smith
Councillor Eleanor Kerlake	Councillor Cleo Soanes
Councillor Sarah King	Councillor Kath Whittam
Councillor Anne Kirby	Councillor Bill Williams
Councillor Sunny Lambe	Councillor Kieron Williams
Councillor Lorraine Lauder MBE	Councillor Mark Williams
Councillor Maria Linforth-Hall	Councillor Ian Wingfield

1. ELECTION OF MAYOR

The outgoing Mayor, Abdul Mohamed, welcomed everyone to the meeting.

The outgoing Mayor announced that the leaders of each political group wished to make a statement.

Thereafter, Councillors Peter John, Anood Al-Samerai and Michael Mitchell paid tribute to the outgoing Mayor.

The outgoing Mayor asked for nominations for Mayor for the ensuing municipal year 2014/15.

Councillor Peter John, seconded by Councillor Fiona Colley, moved that Councillor Sunil Chopra be elected Mayor of the London Borough of Southwark for the municipal year 2014/15.

Councillor Anood Al-Samerai, seconded by Councillor Adele Morris, moved that Councillor David Noakes be elected Mayor of the London Borough of Southwark for the municipal year 2014/15

The nominations were put to the vote and it was:

RESOLVED: That Councillor Sunil Chopra be elected Mayor for the 2014/15 municipal year.

Councillor Sunil Chopra accepted the office of Mayor. The outgoing Mayor declared that Councillor Sunil Chopra was duly elected Mayor of Southwark for 2014/15.

The retiring Mayor, Abdul Mohamed invested the Mayor-elect, Councillor Sunil Chopra, with the badge of office. The new Mayor signed the declaration of acceptance of office and took the chair. The new Mayor stated that his consort would be his wife, Varsha Chopra.

The Mayor appointed Councillor Neil Coyle as Deputy Mayor. The Deputy Mayor was invested with the badge of office.

The retiring Mayor, Abdul Mohamed, gave his outgoing speech. Thereafter, the retiring Mayor and his consort were presented with a replica of the Mayoral badge of the London Borough of Southwark.

The Mayor gave his incoming speech and announced that his chosen charities would be The Robes Project and Homes for Heroes.

2. PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

2.1 ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE CABINET OR CHIEF EXECUTIVE

There were no announcements.

2.2 NOTIFICATION OF ANY ITEMS OF BUSINESS WHICH THE MAYOR DEEMS URGENT

There were none.

2.3 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS

There were none.

2.4 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors Gavin Edwards and Maisie Anderson.

3. OTHER REPORTS

4. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL STEERING PANEL 2014/15

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The Mayor stated that in accordance with council assembly procedure rule 2.11 (2), the recommendations set out in the report were deemed to be moved and were subject to amendment only. He explained that no amendments had been received on the report.

RESOLVED:

1. That council assembly established the constitutional steering panel.
2. That Councillor Dan Garfield be elected as chair of the constitutional steering panel.

The meeting closed at 1.42pm.

CHAIR:

DATED: