

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

At the meeting of the Council for the District of Dover held at the Council Offices, Whitfield on Wednesday, 14 May 2014 at 6.00 pm.

Present:

Chairman: Councillor S R Nicholas

Councillors:

J S Back	R J Frost	A S Pollitt
B W Bano	B Gardner	J A Rook
T J Bartlett	D Hannent	M A Russell
P M Beresford	P J Hawkins	F J W Scales
T A Bond	P G Heath	A R Smith
P M Brivio	G J Hood	C J Smith
B W Butcher	S J Jones	J M Smith
P I Carter	L A Keen	R J Thompson
S S Chandler	N S Kenton	J F Tranter
N J Collor	G Lymer	R S Walkden
M D Conolly	S C Manion	P M Wallace
G Cowan	K Mills	P A Watkins
J A Cronk	K E Morris	
M R Eddy	M J Ovenden	

Officers:

- Chief Executive
- Director of Finance, Housing and Community
- Director of Governance
- Director of Environment and Corporate Assets
- Head of Regeneration and Development
- Head of Inward Investment
- Head of Communication and Engagement
- Team Leader – Democratic Support
- Democratic Support Officer
- Democratic Support Officer

1 ELECTION OF A CHAIRMAN

In the absence of the Chairman, the Team Leader – Democratic Support called for nominations for a Chairman for the first item of business.

It was moved by Councillor M A Russell and duly seconded that Councillor P G Heath be elected Chairman for the next item of business.

On being put to the meeting it was:

RESOLVED: That Councillor P G Heath be elected Chairman for the next item of business.

2 ELECTION OF A CHAIRMAN

Councillor P G Heath called for nominations for the position of Chairman of the Council for the ensuing municipal year.

It was moved by Councillor K E Morris and duly seconded, that Councillor S R Nicholas be elected Chairman of the District Council.

On being put to the meeting it was:

RESOLVED: That Councillor S R Nicholas be elected Chairman of Dover District Council for the ensuing municipal year.

(Councillor S R Nicholas, who had not been present at the meeting prior to the vote being taken, entered the Council Chamber and, having made her declaration of acceptance of office, took the chair).

3 APPOINTMENT OF A VICE-CHAIRMAN

The Chairman called for nominations for the position of Vice-Chairman for the ensuing Council year.

It was moved by Councillor C J Smith, duly seconded and

RESOLVED: That Councillor P S Le Chevalier be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Dover District Council for the ensuing municipal year.

4 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors J H Goodwin, S M Le Chevalier, P S Le Chevalier and P Walker.

5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made by Members.

6 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 5 March 2014 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

7 ANNOUNCEMENTS

(a) Promotion of Dover Athletic Football Club (DAFC)

The Chairman congratulated DAFC for their promotion to the Conference Premier League for the forthcoming season.

(b) The Death of Former Councillor Brian Martin

The Chairman informed the Council of the sad news of the death of former District Councillor Brian Martin who represented the Pineham Ward from 1989 to 1992 and 1999 to 2003.

The Chairman invited the leader of the Council, Councillor P A Watkins, and Councillor G J Hood, to say a few words and they paid tribute to an excellent speaker, his good sense of humour and strong personality.

The Council stood in silence as a mark of respect.

8 APPOINTMENT OF CABINET

The Leader of the Council advised that he had made no changes to the number of members of the Cabinet.

RESOLVED: That in accordance with the notice provided by the Leader, it be noted that Cabinet will comprise of the following for the ensuing municipal year:

Leader	Councillor P A Watkins
Deputy Leader	Councillor S S Chandler
Access and Property Management	Councillor N J Collor
Environment, Waste and Planning	Councillor N S Kenton
Housing, Children's Services and Safeguarding, Youth and Community Safety	Councillor S S Chandler
Corporate Resources and Performance	Councillor M D Conolly
Skills, Training, Tourism and Culture	Councillor C J Smith
Health, Well-being and Public Protection	Councillor P G Heath

9 APPOINTMENT OF SHADOW CABINET

The Leader of the Opposition thanked Councillor S J Jones for all her hard work as Deputy Opposition Leader in 2013/14.

RESOLVED: That in accordance with the notice provided by the Leader of the Opposition Group, it be noted that the Shadow Cabinet will comprise of the following for the ensuing municipal year:

Leader of the Opposition	Councillor M R Eddy
Deputy Leader of the Opposition	Councillor P Walker
Shadow Portfolio Holder for:	
Access and Property Management	Councillor G Cowan
Environment, Waste and Planning	Councillor L A Keen
Housing, Children's Services and Safeguarding, Youth and Community Safety	Councillor P M Brivio
Corporate Resources and Performance	Councillor P M Wallace
Skills, Training, Tourism and Culture	Councillor P Walker
Health, Well-being and Public Protection	Councillor B W Bano

10 ESTABLISHMENT AND COMPOSITION OF COMMITTEES

It was moved by Councillor P A Watkins, duly seconded and

RESOLVED: That, having noted the allocation of seats calculated in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, the Council Committees be constituted as indicated below for the ensuing municipal year and the Boards and Forums be constituted with the membership, Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Spokespersons as shown:

<u>Portfolio</u>	<u>Lead Member Conservative</u>	<u>Lead Member Labour</u>
Leader of the Council	R S Walkden	P Walker
Deputy Leader	-	-
Access and Property Management	T A Bond	J A Cronk
Environment, Waste and Planning	R J Frost	B Gardner
Housing, Children's Services and Safeguarding, Youth and Community Safety	M A Russell	P J Hawkins
Corporate Resources and Performance	D Hannent	S J Jones
Skills, Training, Tourism and Culture	G Lymer	A S Pollitt
Health, Well-being and Public Protection	P M Beresford	R J Thompson

Planning Committee

F J W Scales	Chairman
B W Butcher	Vice-Chairman
B Gardner	Spokesperson
J S Back	
T A Bond	
P M Brivio	
J A Cronk	
K E Morris	
R S Walkden	
P M Wallace	

Scrutiny (Policy and Performance) Committee

K Mills	Chairman
J A Cronk	Vice-Chairman
D Hannent	Spokesperson
G Lymer	Deputy- Spokesperson
T J Bartlett	
R J Frost	
S C Manion	
K E Morris	
P Walker	
P M Wallace	

Scrutiny (Community and Regeneration) Committee

G J Hood	Chairman
L A Keen	Vice-Chairman
R S Walkden	Spokesperson
M J Ovenden	Deputy- Spokesperson
B W Bano	
P M Beresford	
T A Bond	
P I Carter	
R J Frost	
P J Hawkins	
M J Ovenden	
R S Walkden	

Dover Joint Transportation Board

N J Collor	Chairman
T A Bond	
B W Bano	
J A Cronk	
F J W Scales	
R S Walkden	
P Walker	
7 KCC Division Members	
2 Kent Association of Local Councils	
3 Town/Parish Council Representatives	

Governance Committee

T J Bartlett	Chairman
K E Morris	Vice-Chairman
M R Eddy	

Licensing Committee*

P M Beresford
B W Butcher
B Gardner

S J Jones
A S Pollitt
M A Russell

Named Substitutes:

P I Carter
J A Cronk
G Lymer
S C Manion
P Walker
P M Wallace

General Purposes Committee

S M Le Chevalier	Chairman
M D Conolly	Vice-Chairman
M R Eddy	
C J Smith	
P Walker	

East Kent (Joint Arrangements)
Committee

P A Watkins
S S Chandler

Standards Committee

B W Butcher	Chairman
M A Russell	Vice-Chairman
L A Keen	
S C Manion	
K Mills	
C J Smith	
J M Smith	

Named Substitutes:

4 Conservative members to be confirmed
J A Cronk
P J Hawkins
A R Smith

P S Le Chevalier
S M Le Chevalier
S C Manion
S R Nicholas
M J Ovenden
A S Pollitt
M A Russell
A R Smith
C J Smith
J M Smith
R J Thompson
J F Tranter

Electoral Matters Committee

P A Watkins	Chairman
S S Chandler	Vice-Chairman
M R Eddy	
P J Hawkins	
F J W Scales	

Regulatory Committee

B W Butcher	Chairman
P S Le Chevalier	Vice-Chairman
B Gardner	
S C Manion	
R J Thompson	

Joint Staff Consultative Forum*

M D Conolly
G Cowan
S M Le Chevalier
P G Heath
K Mills

5 Employee Representatives

Joint Health, Safety and Welfare
Consultative Forum*

M D Conolly
G Cowan
S M Le Chevalier
P G Heath
K Mills

5 Employee Representatives

(*) Denotes the Committee/Forum elects its own Chairman and Vice Chairman.

11 PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS 2014/15

It was moved by Councillor P A Watkins, duly seconded and

RESOLVED: That the programme of Council meetings for 2014/15 be approved.

12 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

The report was presented by Councillor B W Butcher in his capacity as Chairman of the Standards Committee.

It was moved by Councillor B W Butcher, duly seconded and

RESOLVED: That the report be received and noted.

13 ANNUAL REPORT ON SCRUTINY

The report was presented by Councillor K Mills in his capacity as Chairman of the Scrutiny (Policy and Performance) Committee.

It was moved by Councillor K Mills, duly seconded and

RESOLVED: That the report be received and noted.

14 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

The report was presented by Councillor T J Bartlett in his capacity as Chairman of the Governance Committee.

It was moved by Councillor T J Bartlett, duly seconded and

RESOLVED: That the report be received and noted.

The meeting ended at 6.29 pm