

## **EAST HAMPSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

At a meeting of the Council held on 29 April 2021

Present

Councillor: K Budden (Chairman)

Councillors: A Carew (Vice-Chairman), A Agate, D Ashcroft, B Bentley, G Boxall, S Burns, J Butler, K Carter, T Costigan, P Davies, T Denton, S Dolan, N Drew, D Evans, M Gass, A Glass, C Hatter, G Hill, S Hunt, M Johnson, P Langley, C Louisson, T Maroney, J Matthews, J May, D McKinney, R Millard, R Mocatta, K Moon, B Moulard, R Oppenheimer, R Platt, S Pond, S Schillemore, N Taylor, D Tennyson, I Thomas, P Wigman and A Williams

### **1 Apologies for Absence, Confirmation of Attendance and Declarations of Interest**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Woodard.

There were no declarations of interest.

### **2 Retiring Chairman's Announcements**

Cllr Budden took the opportunity to mention some of the highlights of his two years in office as Chairman of the Council. He expressed his pride in all Councillors and officers for their efforts to date through the Covid-19 pandemic and he believed that East Hampshire District Council had been an exemplar in many areas.

He closed by thanking his daughter, who had acted as his consort, and all those who had supported him during his terms of office.

### **3 Election of the Chairman of the Council for the Council Year 2021/22**

Proposed by Cllr Millard and seconded by Cllr Butler, it was RESOLVED that Cllr Adam Carew be elected as Chairman of the Council for 2021/22.

#### **Cllr Carew in the Chair**

### **4 Chairman's Announcements**

The Chairman congratulated Cllr Budden for his Chairmanship of the Council during his term of office. At the invitation of the Chairman, the Leaders of each political group addressed Council to provide some recollections of Cllr Budden's term of office.

The Chairman outlined his charities for 2021/22 which were the Woolmer Forest Heritage Society and the Tree Council. In respect of the latter, it had

been confirmed that monies raised would be ring-fenced to plant community orchards across the District.

## **5 Election of Vice Chairman of the Council for 2021/22**

Proposed by Cllr Millard and seconded by Cllr Butler, it was RESOLVED that Cllr Sally Pond be appointed as Vice Chairman of the Council for 2021/22.

## **6 Confirmation of Appointment of Leader**

Proposed by Councillor Butler and seconded by Councillor Thomas, it was RESOLVED that Councillor Richard Millard be appointed as Leader of the Council.

Councillor Millard thanked Council for appointing him as Leader for the coming year. He acknowledged the difficult times that the Council had been through and looked forward to the coming year with all parties working together to ensure that the Council continued to act as an exemplary authority.

## **7 Confirmation of Previous Minutes**

Proposed by Cllr Louisson and seconded by Cllr Hill, it was RESOLVED that the minutes of the Council meeting held on 25 February 2021 be approved as a correct record.

## **8 Cabinet and Committee Recommendations**

### **Pay Policy Statement 20/21**

As Vice-Chairman of the Joint Human Resources Committee, Councillor Carter presented a recommendation to Council for approval of the 2020/21 Pay Policy Statement in compliance with the requirements of the Localism Act 2011.

Proposed by Cllr Carter and seconded by Cllr Budden, it was

RESOLVED that the 2020/21 Pay Policy Statement for East Hampshire District Council be approved.

## **9 Annual Appointments to Committees 2021/22**

Proposed by Cllr Millard and seconded by Cllr Butler, it was

RESOLVED that

- (1) The political balance of the Council as set out in Appendix 1 to the report to Council be noted;
- (2) Notification from the Leader on the membership of the Cabinet and associated Portfolios for 2021/22 as set in Appendix 2 to the report to Council be received; and

- (3) The appointments to the committees, offices and outside bodies for the 2021/22 as set out in Appendix 3 to the report to Council be approved.

**10 Committee Minutes**

Proposed by Cllr Glass and seconded by Cllr Williams, it was

RESOLVED that the minutes of Committees held since the last meeting of the Council be received.

**The meeting commenced at 6.00 pm and concluded at 6.57 pm**

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**Chairman**